

106TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 4292

To protect infants who are born alive.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 13, 2000

Mr. CANADY of Florida introduced the following bill; which was referred to
the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Born-Alive Infants
5 Protection Act of 2000”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITION OF BORN-ALIVE INFANT.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 1 of title 1, United
8 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
9 lowing:

1 **“§ 8. ‘Person’, ‘human being’, ‘child’, and ‘individual’**
2 **as including born-alive infant**

3 “(a) In determining the meaning of any Act of Con-
4 gress, or of any ruling, regulation, or interpretation of the
5 various administrative bureaus and agencies of the United
6 States, the words ‘person’, ‘human being’, ‘child’, and ‘in-
7 dividual’, shall include every infant member of the species
8 homo sapiens who is born alive at any stage of develop-
9 ment.

10 “(b) As used in this section, the term ‘born alive’,
11 with respect to a member of the species homo sapiens,
12 means the complete expulsion or extraction from its moth-
13 er of that member, at any stage of development, who after
14 such expulsion or extraction breathes or has a beating
15 heart, pulsation of the umbilical cord, or definite move-
16 ment of voluntary muscles, regardless of whether the um-
17 bilical cord has been cut, and regardless of whether the
18 expulsion or extraction occurs as a result of natural or
19 induced labor, cesarean section, or induced abortion.”.

20 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
21 at the beginning of chapter 1 of title 1, United States
22 Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new
23 item:

“8. ‘Person’, ‘human being’, ‘child’, and ‘individual’ as including born-alive in-
fant.”.

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