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NPLA Members Mobilize Record Support for Life at Conception Act in Congress

Fight to End Abortion-on-Demand Heats Up in the U.S. Senate

Following intensified lobbying efforts by National Pro-Life Alliance staff and NPLA members' grass-roots action nationwide, the Life at Conception Act has now topped its record number of cosponsors in the House of Representatives.

With Congressman Duncan Hunter's (R-CA) Life at Conception Act (H.R. 3069) enjoying record support in the House of Representatives, Senator James Inhofe (R-OK) has taken up the mantle in the Senate, introducing a companion bill (S. 2190).

In his floor statement to the Senate, Mr. Inhofe made the case for the Life at Conception Act, explaining:

"Our Constitution is designed to protect the rights of all Americans, and give them the right to live and succeed.

"Right now, significant portions of Americans, who have no voice, are being killed, despite the explicit protections in the Fourteenth Amendment.

"Since 1973, more than 44 million babies have been sentenced to death without trial. We cannot tolerate this atrocity."

NPLA Members Take Battle for Life at Conception Act to United States Senate

National Pro-Life Alliance Executive Director, Mary King, is stressing that now is the time for pro-lifers to double their efforts in support of a Life at Conception Act to end all abor-

tion-on-demand.

"Recent events in the national news have forced America to wake up to where the blatant disregard for human life is taking our country," said King.

"When Laci Peterson and her unborn child Conner were killed, the vast majority of Americans acknowledged that the killer committed two crimes against two separate victims."

Americans overwhelmingly support the Unborn Victims of Violence Act recently signed into law by President Bush recognizing the unborn as victims in violent crimes.

The national debate over the recently

passed Partial-Birth Abortion Ban also put a spotlight on the cold hearted and brutal nature of abortion.

Nearly 80% of Americans take the pro-life position and support the ban.

Life at Conception Act Offers Best Means of Eliminating Abortion-on-Demand

"Both of these recent victories were important to our fight because they exposed the cruel, bloody nature of the abortion

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NPLA Executive Director Mary King discusses strategy to build support for the Life at Conception Act with Senator James Inhofe (R-OK). Senator Inhofe introduced the bill (S. 2190) on March 10.

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industry and drove popular opinion to the pro-life side.

"But our ultimate victory is still on the horizon," said King.

Quite simply, the Life at Conception Act defines the unborn as "persons" under the 14th Amendment, entitled to equal protection under the law.

By the Supreme Court's own admission, this is the one thing that would render the 1973 *Roe v. Wade* decision legalizing abortion null.

The 14th Amendment grants every American the right to life. It further states:

"Congress shall have the power to enforce, by appropriate legislation, the provisions of this article."

When writing the *Roe v. Wade* decision, the Supreme Court stated:

"We need not resolve the difficult question of when life begins ... the judiciary at this point in the development of man's knowledge, is not in a position to speculate as to the answer."

The Court then made a candid admission:

"If this suggestion of personhood is established, the appellant's case (i.e. "Roe" who sought the abortion), of course, collapses, for the fetus' right to life is then guaranteed by the (14th) Amendment."

NPLA Members Pour on Pressure Gain Record Support in Congress to Overturn *Roe*

National Pro-Life Alliance members

have set out to do just that.

By establishing the personhood of the unborn, pro-lifers can follow the Court's own instructions to eradicate the legal killing of unborn Americans.

National Pro-Life Alliance members have led the fight to pass a Life at Conception Act for years and have already generated 1.2 million petitions to Congress in favor of the legislation.

Pro-lifers know that there is no better time to get candidates on record for the Life at Conception Act and other specific pro-life bills than while the politicians are out hustling for votes.

According to King, "It is essential that pro-lifers take advantage of our momentum and set our sights on real reforms like the Life at Conception Act that will stop the violent murder of nearly one and a half million babies each year."

NPLA Mounts Offensive to Legislatively Define Unborn as Persons

"The radical supporters of abortion-on-demand have exposed themselves to America for who they really are by denying that baby Conner was a victim and by fighting the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban tooth and nail every step of the way.


"In the current political climate following these recent pro-life victories, pro-lifers must mobilize behind the Life at Conception Act

so that our laws protect all of America's unborn babies from violence," explained King.

So National Pro-Life Alliance members have intensified their election year lobbying efforts to pass the Life at Conception Act.

Immediately following filing deadlines for primary elections in states like Texas, Kentucky, Indiana and Idaho, members have been literally flooding candidates with post cards urging them to pledge 100% support for the unborn and cosponsor the Life at Conception Act.

A Life at Conception Act -- which needs only a majority vote in Congress to pass -- offers the best foreseeable way to secure legal protection for the unborn and end the three decade long era of abortion-on-demand.

National Pro-Life Alliance Executive Director Mary King is urging members to keep the pressure on their leaders in Washington to cosponsor the Life at Conception Act by flooding the offices of their Senators and Congressmen with post cards and letters urging their leaders to cosponsor the Life at Conception Act. 



Former Supreme Court Justice Harry Blackmun admitted when writing the *Roe v. Wade* decision that if personhood is established for the unborn, *Roe* "collapses."

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-- Supreme Court Justice Harry Blackmun, 1973, *Roe v. Wade* [410 US 113 at 156-7] and [410 U.S. 113, 160]

NPLA Candidate Survey Program in Full Swing

Alliance Members Put Friends, Foes of Unborn on Record Nationwide

Election season 2004: Following national publicity that accompanied hearings on the barbaric procedure of partial-birth abortion and the Unborn Victims of Violence Act, pro-life voters are more interested than ever in candidates' positions on pro-life issues.

Yet many politicians would prefer to simply say "I'm personally opposed to abortion" and leave it at that.

But in state after state, members and staff of the National Pro-Life Alliance are working diligently to make sure that the politicians can't lightly brush off serious pro-life questions.

Between now and the November 2 elections the National Pro-Life Alliance is putting every candidate for Congress across the nation on the record on ten specific pro-life proposals, such as the Life at Conception Act, the Parental Notification and Intervention Act, taxpayer funding for abortion providers and more.

Immediately following each states' filing deadline, National Pro-Life Alliance staff mails the Pro-Life Congressional Candidate Survey to every candidate for Congress.

National Pro-Life Alliance members also receive a complete list of Congressional candidates in their state, along with post cards for them to fill out and send to their candidates urging them to return their candidate survey pledging 100% support for the unborn.

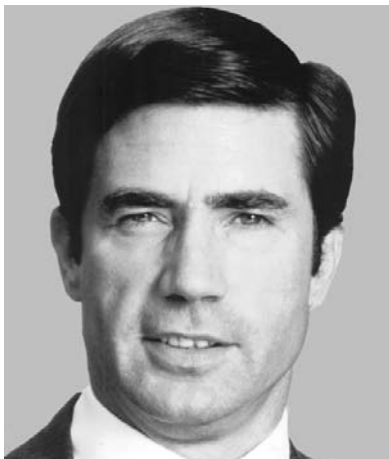
NPLA's Pro-Life Candidate Survey Puts Politicians on Record – Primary by Primary

The goal of the survey program is to pin down which candidates solidly support specific legislation to protect innocent unborn babies and which do not.

Many waffling candidates would prefer to remain silent and keep their options open on the Life at Conception Act and other pro-life bills.

But when they are overwhelmed by post cards from members, politicians don't have a choice but to respond.

Tens of thousands of National Pro-Life



Pro-Abortion Senators Chuck Robb (D-VA) and Jean Carnahan (D-MO) paid a heavy price for their support for the gruesome partial-birth abortion procedure. NPLA exposed their radical records to voters in targeted television ad campaigns.

Alliance members and other pro-lifers nationwide have already received candidate information and post cards to mail to their candidates as primary elections approach.

In the midst of primary elections now taking place across the country, National Pro-Life Alliance members have stepped up efforts to build support in Congress to pass a Life at Conception Act which would overturn *Roe v. Wade*.

NPLA Members' Pressure Key to Nailing Down Politicians' Positions

Pro-lifers have responded to the National Pro-Life Alliance's call by flooding their candidates with post cards urging them to take a no-compromise stand in defense of the unborn on their Pro-Life Candidate Surveys.

After enduring "over thirty years of the legalized murder of unborn babies for profit," National Pro-Life Alliance President, Martin Fox, is stressing that "it is vital for pro-life Americans to know how their candidates intend to vote on pro-life legislation if sent to Washington."

Fox is pleased with the outpouring of support and hopes to see an even larger increase in support in Congress for the Life

at Conception Act as more elections approach.

"There is no better time for politicians to hear from pro-lifers than now while they're out there seeking support for their election bids," explains Fox.

Solid Pro-Life Commitment Propels Candidates to Victory

"If a candidate is solidly pro-life there is no good reason for them not to complete their candidate survey to demonstrate their commitment to pro-life voters."

Fox points to the most recent Congressional election results to demonstrate his point.

In Texas' 17th Congressional District, Republican candidate State Representative Arlene Wohlgenuth faced a primary runoff against a former board member of the local Planned Parenthood chapter.

Mrs. Wohlgenuth returned her National Pro-Life Alliance candidate survey pledging 100% support for the unborn.

The National Pro-Life Alliance sent sur-

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vey results to thousands of pro-life Texans and was able to inform them that one of their candidates, Rep. Wohlgemuth, had answered her survey 100%, while her opponent — who was hiding her past leadership with Planned Parenthood — had not.

In addition, the National Pro-Life Alliance Political Action Committee (NPLA-PAC) donated the maximum amount permitted by law to Rep. Wohlgemuth's primary campaign to help give Mrs. Wohlgemuth the funds to win the Republican nomination.

Rep. Wohlgemuth defeated her opponent by a margin of 54-46%.

Rabid Support for Abortion-on-Demand Fatal to Political Careers

On the other hand, candidates that cast their lot with the radical abortion industry do so at their own peril.

In past years radical pro-abortion politicians such as Chuck Robb (D-VA) and Jean Carnahan (D-MO) have paid for their support for partial-birth abortion with their political careers.

Both Chuck Robb and Jean Carnahan, as well as numerous other politicians, were exposed to voters by hard-hitting television ads produced by the National Pro-Life Alliance.

With Congress now closer than ever to passing a Life at Conception Act, it is important for pro-lifers to put heat on the next round of Congressmen and Senators to commit to defending the Sanctity of Life.

It's also vital that incumbents courting pro-life voters hear from their constituents that they wholeheartedly support the Life at Conception Act and expect their elected officials to cosponsor this legislation."

The National Pro-Life Alliance's affiliated Political Action Committee (NPLA-PAC) is working in conjunction with the Candidate Survey Program to help elect identified pro-life leaders to Congress.

The outcome of the elections this year is very likely to determine the success or failure of pro-life bills like the Life at Conception Act and the Parental Notification and Intervention Act in Congress in the next session, particularly in the Senate.

Abortion Lobby Determined to Seize Control of Congress

If pro-abortionists manage to pick up a mere handful of seats in the Senate -- where they are already actively filibustering President Bush's pro-life judicial nominees -- the chances of advancing the pro-life agenda will be drastically diminished.

If the abortion lobby is successful in picking up key seats in both the House of Representatives and in the Senate, they could very well have the votes they need to freely advance their radical agenda and raid tax dollars to fund the killing of unborn babies.

National Pro-Life Alliance President, Martin Fox, stressed the potential closeness of the elections to pro-lifers:

"Twenty votes. That could quite possibly be the difference between legal abortion and equal protection for the unborn.

"If pro-lifers can build on the success we had in the mid-term elections, passing the Life at Conception Act and ending abortion-on-demand could become a political reality.

"If we fail, we will be forced to watch as the abortion industry continues its assault on the unborn while insisting that you and I fund their deadly agenda with our hard-earned tax dollars," warns Fox.

"An unholy alliance of Hollywood celebrities and radical pro-abortion groups

is pulling out all the stops to elect radical pro-abortion candidates that will carry the water of the abortion industry if elected."

The abortion lobby is still fuming over the passage of the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban in early November, and is determined to do whatever it takes to regain control of Congress and prevent sweeping pro-life bills like the Life at Conception Act from being enacted.

Groups like Planned Parenthood, NOW (National Organization for Women), and NARAL (National Abortion Rights Action League) have already unleashed what they call an "aggressive multi-million dollar campaign" to retake Congress.

NPLA Members Urged to Respond to Action Mailings and Lobby Primary Candidates

Martin Fox is encouraging National Pro-Life Alliance members to stay involved and keep pressure on their candidates to take a principled pro-life stand.

"Members should be on the lookout for their candidate rosters and post cards following their state's filing deadline.

National Pro-Life Alliance members are being alerted to send their post cards to their candidates and let them know that they must answer their pro-life candidate survey 100% to merit pro-life support at the polls," urged Fox.



Put Your Candidates On Record by Sending Them Your Post Cards Remaining Primary Election Dates June-September:

Alabama - June 1	Massachusetts - Sept. 14	Oklahoma - July 27
Alaska - Aug. 24	Michigan - Aug. 3	Rhode Island - Sept. 14
Arizona - Sept. 7	Minnesota - Sept. 14	South Carolina - June 8
Connecticut - Sept. 14	Missouri - Aug. 3	South Dakota - June 1
Delaware - Sept. 11	Montana - June 8	Tennessee - Aug. 5
Florida - Aug. 31	Nevada - Sept. 7	Utah - June 22
Georgia - July 20	New Hampshire - Sept. 14	Vermont - Sept. 14
Hawaii - Sept. 18	New Jersey - June 8	Washington - Sept. 14
Iowa - June 8	New Mexico - June 1	Wisconsin - Sept. 14
Kansas - Aug. 3	New York - Sept. 14	Wyoming - Aug. 17
Louisiana - Nov. 2	North Carolina - July 20	
Maine - June 8	North Dakota - June 8	

Approximately four weeks before each primary NPLA members are receiving post cards to send to their candidates urging them to answer the Pro-Life Survey 100% for protecting the unborn.

Pro-Abortion Radicals Fight Partial-Birth Abortion Ban

NPLA Staff, Members Prepare for Final Assault Before Supreme Court

As this issue of *LifeLine* goes to press, National Pro-Life Alliance staff is working closely with attorneys preparing the legal work and *amicus* brief to be presented before the Supreme Court where the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban cases will be ultimately decided.

As part of that campaign, the National Pro-Life Alliance has mobilized thousands of grass-roots activists to sign *amicus* petitions to be filed with the National Pro-Life Alliance's brief to let the High Court know that pro-lifers will not stand idly by while activist pro-abortion judges run roughshod over the Constitution and the overwhelming will of the people.

On March 29, as a preliminary to the Supreme Court showdown, three federal courts began hearing testimony in lawsuits filed by pro-abortion groups to block enforcement of the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban.

Abortionists Stonewall Court, Refuse to Hand Over Subpoenaed Medical Records

The ban, which passed both houses of Congress by a 2-1 margin, was signed into law by President Bush in November.

Immediately, pro-abortion groups filed lawsuits to block enforcement of the law pending the outcome of the lawsuits.

The ban enjoys overwhelming support among nearly eighty percent of Americans.

The ban would prohibit only one type of abortion in which an abortionist induces labor and delivers a late-term baby almost completely – only to puncture the baby's skull and suction out its brains.

Abortionists and groups that support abortion are making the unsupported claim that the procedure is necessary to save the life of expectant mothers.

Yet, when the Bush Justice Department issued subpoenas for the medical records of these abortionists that would either validate or disprove their claim, the abortionists stonewalled the court, refusing to hand over any information.

One of the expert witnesses testifying for the pro-abortion side in the Nebraska



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In testimony before the US District Court in Nebraska, LeRoy Carhart explained in agonizing detail how abortionists kill and dismember unborn babies with no regard or respect for the life they are destroying.

lawsuit is the infamous abortionist LeRoy Carhart.

Carhart gave testimony in the case earlier this month that can only be described as surreal.

Carhart matter-of-factly described how he frequently ends up dismembering a baby in the process of trying to remove it so that it comes out intact.

Dr. Kanwaljeet Anand took the stand to testify on the Justice Department's behalf in favor of the ban.

Testimony Reveals Intense Pain Babies Experience During Partial-Birth Abortions

Dr. Anand explained how babies killed by the partial-birth procedure, since they are fully conscious, suffer "severe and excruciating" pain during the abortion.

"The physiological responses have been

very clearly studied," he said.

Dr. Anand explained to the court that extensive studies have demonstrated that these babies show increased heart rate, blood flow and hormone levels in response to pain during the procedure.

Witnesses testifying for the pro-abortion side were not so eager to admit the fact that these babies die horribly painful deaths.

Abortionists Avoid/Lie About Pain Aborted Babies Feel

In the case before the court in New York, abortionist Carolyn Westhoff repeatedly avoided answering questions asked by Judge Richard Casey concerning whether or not babies feel pain during an abortion.

Note the evasion and outright lies in this

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Court Testimony Reveals Brutality of Partial-Birth Abortion

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exchange between the judge and Ms. Westhoff:

Judge Casey: Do any of [the mothers] ask you whether or not the fetus experiences pain when that limb is torn off?

Westhoff: I do have patients who ask about fetal pain during the procedure, yes.

Judge Casey: And what do you tell them?

Westhoff: I, first of all, assess their feelings about this, but they of course even notwithstanding the abortion decision, would generally tell me they would like to avoid the fetus feeling pain.

* I explain to them that in conjunction with our anesthesiologist that the medication that we give to our patients during the procedure will cross the placenta so the fetus will have some of the same medications that the mother has.

* [NOTE: This is a false claim that has been put forward by abortionists for quite some time. This statement has been medically proven to be patently false.]

Judge Casey: Some.

Westhoff: Yes, that's right.

Judge Casey: What do you tell them, does the fetus feel pain or not when they ask?

Westhoff: What I tell them is that the subject of the fetal pain and whether a fetus can appreciate pain is a subject of some research and controversy and that I don't know to what extent the fetus can feel pain but that its —

Judge Casey: Do you tell them it feels some pain?

Westhoff: I do know that when we do, for instance an amniocentesis and put a needle through the abdomen into the amniotic cavity that the fetus withdraws so I certainly know based on my experience that the fetus will withdraw in response to a painful stimulus.

Judge Casey: Don't you make it simple for them to say yeah, they feel it?

Westhoff: I am not confident what the fetus feels with the anesthesia that we use and I don't want to shy away from the possibility that the fetus feels pain but I do

not believe it's fully determined what the fetus feels during this procedure.

Judge Casey: Do you care?

Westhoff: Certainly.

Abortionist Admits That Mothers Want to Grieve Over Their Lost Babies

Perhaps even more incredible is the testimony by abortionist Amos Grunebaum, who testified in the New York lawsuit.

During oral arguments, Grunebaum made the incredible admission that the procedure should remain legal because it produces an intact baby for the mother to grieve over.

Grunebaum admitted: "It is the same as any baby dying. People want to hold the fetus."

Grunebaum added that he even puts a cap on the dead baby's head before setting it in the mother's arms just as he would a newborn.

The testimony of these abortionists reveals that the human being that is being exterminated is much more than a mere blob of tissue, it's a live baby.

Partial-Birth Abortion Debate Exposes Violence of Abortion, Lays Groundwork for Life at Conception Act

The debate over partial-birth abortion has laid the groundwork for sweeping pro-life measures like a Life at Conception Act.

By demonstrating what actually happens to the unborn child during an abortion procedure, the abortion industry cannot solely rely on empty rhetoric and patriotic terms such as "freedom" and "choice."

National Pro-Life Alliance President, Martin Fox, urges pro-life lawmakers to seize the moment by moving forward on the Life at Conception Act.

"When we accurately frame the abortion debate around the act of abortion itself, we win hands down.

"When the public is forced to examine the actual procedure, there is no escaping

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Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg has publicly aligned herself with a radical pro-abortion group. NPLA President Martin Fox and more than a dozen lawmakers have written Ginsburg urging her to recuse herself from future abortion rulings.

NPLA President, Congressmen Urge Pro-Abortion Supreme Court Justice to Recuse Herself From Abortion Related Rulings

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the fact that each and every abortion is an overt act intended to brutally kill an innocent unborn baby.”

Activism of NPLA Members at Crucial Moment Was Key in Passing Ban

“If the debate is properly framed around the life of the unborn child, as the Life at Conception Act is, it becomes inconceivable how we could allow any abortion procedure to remain legal,” explains Fox.

“That’s why Congress must remain focused on the ultimate goal of enacting a Life at Conception Act granting equal protection to all unborn babies.”

National Pro-Life Alliance members played a key role in passing the ban on partial-birth abortion.

By generating over 1.1 million petitions to Congress in support of the legislation, NPLA members played a crucial role in breaking the threatened filibuster by Ted Kennedy (D-MA) and Hillary Clinton (D-NY) in the Senate.

Ultimately, the future of the ban will almost certainly be decided in the United States Supreme Court.

The current court leans in favor of abortion, but at this point it is unclear whether or not the court will uphold the ban.

Supreme Court Justice Under Fire for Close Ties to Radical Pro-Abortion Group


National Pro-Life Alliance President Martin Fox, along with more than a dozen members of Congress have written letters to

Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, stating that her public actions demonstrate that she cannot judge with impartiality on any case involving abortion.

Fox, along with these Congressmen, have called on her to recuse herself from any future rulings involving abortion because of her close public ties to a radical pro-abortion group.

Ginsburg has publicly aligned herself with the National Organization for Women’s (NOW) Legal Defense and Education Fund.

Ginsburg has lent her name to the group, which often files briefs in Supreme Court cases involving abortion.

With a Supreme Court case on the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban virtually certain, the possibility of a Supreme Court Justice who is openly aligned with a radical pro-abortion group is an outrage. 

Death Toll From RU-486 "Abortion Pill" Rises

NPLA President Vows to Intensify Push to Recall the Deadly Drug

Following the death of Holly Patterson earlier this year, legislation was introduced in the House of Representatives to ban the deadly drug.

Eighty-four Congressmen have signed on as original cosponsors on the House bill (H.R. 3453).

LifeLine can now report that pro-life leaders in the Senate have introduced a ban on RU-486 as well (S. 1930).

Yet another teenage girl is dead as a result of the deadly RU-486 “Abortion Pill.”

Fifteen-year-old Tamia Russell from Detroit, Michigan became the latest in a string of deaths caused by the drug.

Tamia was pregnant with her twenty-four-year-old boyfriend’s child and was driven to the abortion facility by the man’s sister.

Despite federal law requiring that abortion clinic staff report cases of suspected statutory rape, the Michigan abortion facil-

ity apparently failed to report the crime to authorities and proceeded with the chemical abortion, violating a Michigan law requiring that a minor’s parents be notified of any such procedure.

Abortion Clinic Dodges Parental Notification, Gives Girl Fatal Drug

Tamia’s parents were completely unaware that the clinic had given their fifteen-year-old daughter the deadly drug until it was too late.

The uterine infection that resulted from the abortion was identical to the one that killed Holly Patterson, a California teen who died after being administered the drug.


Details have also surfaced about a sixteen year old Swedish girl who also died from taking the deadly drug regimen.

RU-486 was rushed to market by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) fol-

lowing pressure from the Clinton Administration without the proper safeguards and testing used for most drugs.

RU-486 is made up of a two drug regimen. Searle, the maker of the second drug (misoprostol) firmly disavows abortion as a legitimate use for its drug and has written stern warnings to physicians about the drug’s off-label use to induce abortion.

Danco (the firm that distributes the first drug in the regimen) and the FDA were forced to write letters of their own to all physicians who had ordered the drug after two earlier deaths and other serious complications.

National Pro-Life Alliance members should contact their Congressman and Senators at 1-800-839-5276 and urge them to support the RU-486 Ban (H.R. 3453 & S. 1930) and ban its distribution in America. 

Battle for Senate Control Heats Up Across the Country

Target States Key to Pro-Life Success in Congress

The battle for control of the United States Senate has heated up in recent weeks and many races that were considered easy wins for one side or another have developed into nail biters.

When the dust has settled, Democrats are hoping to have regained control of the Senate by winning some of these close races.

For the abortion debate, the stakes are extremely high considering that a Supreme Court vacancy could very well arise soon.

Pro-abortion Democrats have already successfully filibustered several of President Bush's pro-life judicial nominees to the lower courts.

The fight over an open seat on the Supreme Court would be even more bitterly contested.

Oklahoma:

When Republican Senator Don Nickles announced that he will not seek reelection after this term this seat moved out of the "safe" column.

Three candidates with pro-life platforms – Kirk Humphreys, Bob Anthony and Tom Coburn — are fighting for the Republican nomination.

The Oklahoma primary election will take place on July 27, but the matter will most likely have to be settled in an August 24 runoff.

The clear Democrat frontrunner, Brad Carson, has an extreme pro-abortion voting record and even voted against the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban.

With Don Nickles stepping down, this race is up for grabs and Brad Carson has a

shot at stealing this seat for the pro-abortion side.

Also, the fact that the Republican candidate will likely not be determined until late August is a major advantage for Carson.

South Dakota:

Radical supporter of abortion-on-demand, Democrat Tom Daschle, is facing a tough challenge from former Republican Congressman John Thune.

In his years in the House of Representatives Thune compiled a 100% pro-life voting record.

National Pro-Life Alliance members will recall that in his stint as Majority Leader, Daschle blocked the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban by refusing to allow a floor vote in the Senate.

North Carolina:

In North Carolina, Republican Congressman Richard Burr, who has a strong pro-life voting record in Congress, faces pro-abortion Democrat Erskine Bowles for the Senate seat currently held by former Presidential candidate Sen. John Edwards (D), who is also pro-abortion.

This race should be close, but Richard Burr is believed to have a slight edge and pro-lifers feel that this seat can be added to the pro-life side in November if Burr does not mismanage his advantage on the pro-life issue.

South Carolina:

This race for retiring Democrat Senator Fritz Hollings' vacant seat is a tossup.

This is another Senate race with a tight Republican primary. The race will most

likely be a drawn out ordeal carrying over to a June 22 runoff.

Congressman Jim DeMint will likely face former Governor David Beasley. Both candidates are courting pro-life support.

The winner of the Republican nomination will have to quickly gear up to face the Democrat challenger Inez Tenenbaum.

Tenenbaum is a radical pro-abortionist with a history of lobbying for legal abortion.

Louisiana:

Incumbent Senator John Breaux (D), who has generally voted pro-life, is not seeking reelection.

One of the two Republican candidates, Congressman David Vitter, has a much more solidly pro-life record than Breaux.

Vitter, who compiled a pro-life voting record in Congress, is the early favorite for the Republican nomination against radical pro-abortion Republican Buddy Roemer.

Nevada:

Incumbent Harry Reid, who serves as the Democrats' second in command in the Senate, has worked to block pro-life judicial nominees, helping orchestrate the disgraceful filibuster against the President's well qualified appointees in the Senate.

Reid is facing a challenge from Republican Richard Ziser, who has a much better platform on the pro-life issue.

Having won by a razor thin margin in his previous Senate campaign, Reid is vulnerable and could be beaten if Ziser runs a strong campaign.

Colorado:


Senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell is retiring, leaving another open Senate seat up for grabs.

The race features at least one candidate -- Rep. Bob Schaffer -- among the front-runners for the Republican nomination who is running on a pro-life platform and has a pro-life track record.

Recently, prominent businessman Peter Coors grabbed the headlines by throwing his hat into the ring.

Coors will be a formidable opponent in the Republican primary and it is important for pro-lifers to nail down his position on the Sanctity of Life.

The clear leader in the Democrat primary is pro-abortion Attorney General Ken Salazar.



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