



## Pro-Life Update, 117<sup>th</sup> Congress



## *A Message from Senator Braun:*

It has always been evident that the right to life is of fundamental importance and undergirds every other right. As I look to the remaining third of my term, I am proud of my voting record to protect life and the opportunity to represent and



honor Hoosier values that sent me to Washington. I am thankful for the providential decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* which restored to the people the ability to protect life through the legislature and I am excited to engage with the pro-life movement to promote life in the U.S. Senate.

As a father and grandfather, I look forward with confidence to the day where my children and grandchildren will enjoy a culture of life where abortion is unfathomable. Until that day, you may rest assured that I will always fight for life to promote change by introducing and supporting legislation, speaking on the Senate floor, and urging my colleagues to respect the inherent dignity of human life. It is a great honor and solemn responsibility to protect life and Hoosier values in Washington, D.C.

God bless,

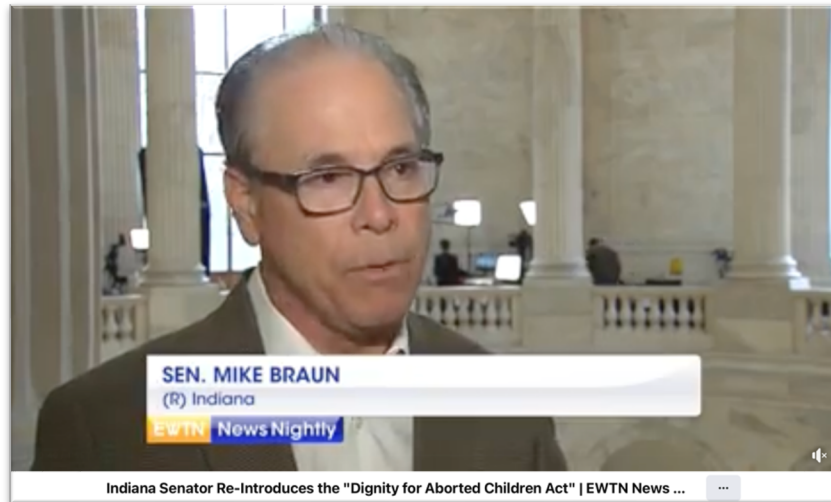
MIKE BRAUN

United States Senator

## Legislation Introduced to the United States Senate:

### ***S. 293 - Dignity for Aborted Children Act***

- This bill requires the cremation or interment of the remains of aborted children.
- Senator Braun's legislation has 21 co-sponsors in the Senate and Representative Walorski's companion legislation has 50 co-sponsors in the House.



### ***S. 294 - Parental Notification and Intervention Act***

- This bill requires that parents of minors seeking an abortion are notified when their child seeks an abortion.
- 13 co-sponsors

### ***S. Res. 12 – A resolution memorializing the unborn by lowering the United States flag to half-staff on January 22, 2021***

- This resolution memorializes the day the Supreme Court issued the 7-2 decision in favor of Norma McCorvey (Jane Roe) in *Roe v. Wade*
- 5 co-sponsors
- Representative Hice leads an identical measure in the House – H. Res. 58

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**Sen. Mike Braun**

Indiana (Republican)

SBA List Rating:

**A+**

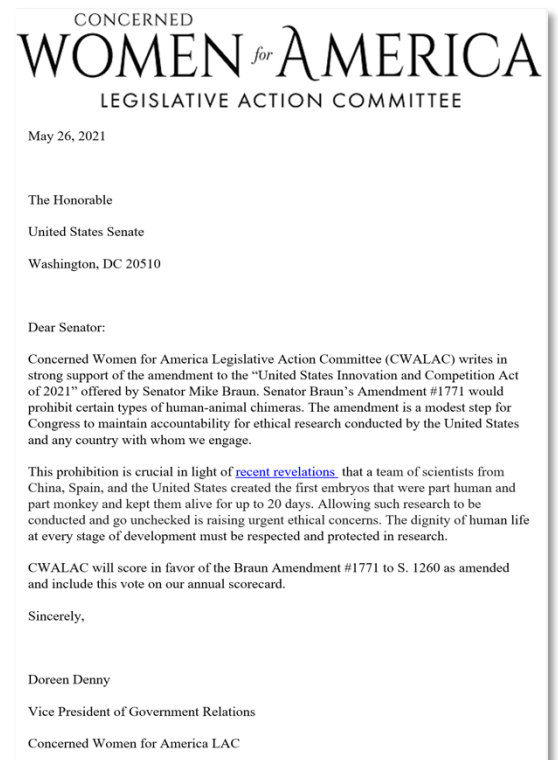
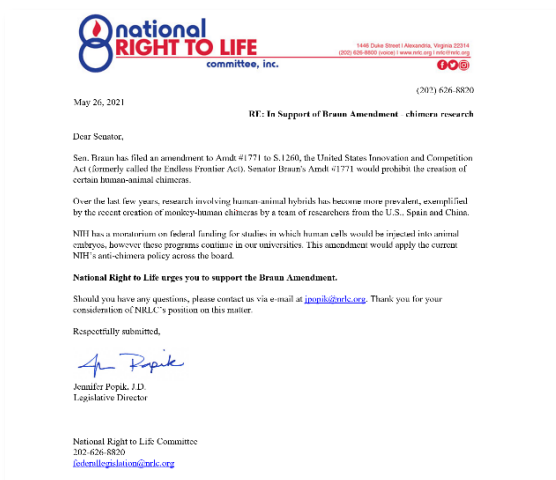
*Senator Mike Braun maintains an 'A+' rating from pro-life group Susan B. Anthony List.*

***S.Res. 494 – A resolution memorializing the unborn by lowering the United States flag to half staff on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of January each year.***



***S. 1800 – The Human-Animal Chimera Prohibition Act***

- S. 1800 establishes federal crimes related to conduct relating to the creation of human-animal chimeras.
- The legislation received a vote as S.Amdt.1771 to S. 1260, the Endless Frontiers Act.
  - On May 27, 2021, Sen. Braun’s amendment to prohibit and criminalize animal-human hybrids received a vote and was defeated on party lines (48-49).
  - The amendment was supported and scored by numerous life groups



## Proudly Cosponsored:

- ***S. 61 – Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act***, a bill which would establish a new criminal offense for performing or attempting to perform an abortion if the probable post-fertilization age of the fetus is 20 weeks or more;
- ***S. 75 – Protecting Individuals with Down Syndrome Act***, a bill that would create new federal crimes related to the abortion of an unborn child who has Down syndrome;
- ***S. 77 – Protecting Life and Integrity in Research Act***, a bill that prohibits the Department of Health and Human Services from conducting or supporting research involving human fetal tissue that is obtained pursuant to an abortion;
- ***S. 78 – Support and Value Expectant (SAVE) Moms and Babies Act***, a bill that would prohibit the approval of new abortion drugs and impose additional regulatory requirements for previously approved abortion drugs;
- ***S. 83 – Pregnant Women Health and Safety Act***, a bill that requires individuals who perform abortions to have admitting privileges at a nearby hospital and to require the abortion clinics receiving federal funds to be in compliance with federal standards for ambulatory surgical centers;
- ***S. 86 – Prenatal Nondiscrimination Act***, a bill which would create new federal crimes related to the performance of sex-selection abortions;
- ***S. 87 – Protecting Life in Crisis Act***, a bill that specifies that federal funds allocated to address the COVID-19 pandemic may not be used for abortion purposes;
- ***S. 88 – Title X Abortion Provider Prohibition Act***, a bill that would prohibit the Department of Health and Human Services from awarding federal family planning grants to entities that provide or financially support the provision of abortions;
- ***S. 92 – No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion and Abortion Insurance Full Disclosure Act***, a bill that would prohibit the use of any federal funding for the provision of abortions or health coverage that includes abortions;
- ***S. 95 – Women’s Public Health and Safety Act***, a bill which would allow states to exclude providers from participating in Medicaid should they perform abortions;
- ***S. 99 – Life at Conception Act***, a bill that would declare the right to life guaranteed by the Constitution is vested in each human being at all stages, including the moment of fertilization;
- ***S. 109 – Child Interstate Abortion Notification Act***, a bill that would make it a crime to transport a minor to another state to obtain an abortion without satisfying a parental notification requirement in the child’s home state;
- ***S. 123 – Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act***, a bill that would establish requirements for the degree of care a health care practitioner must exercise in the event a child is born alive following an abortion or attempted abortion;
- ***S. 124 – Abortion is Not Health Care Act***, a bill which would prohibit tax deductions for expenses related to the provision of an abortion as medical care;
- ***S. 125 – Protecting Life in Health Savings Accounts Act***, a bill that prohibits generally the payment of expenses from certain tax-exempt health related accounts for abortion purposes;

- ***S. 137 – Protecting Life in Foreign Assistance Act***, a bill which would prohibit the provision of federal funds to any foreign nonprofit, nongovernmental organization, multilateral organization, or foreign quasi-autonomous nongovernmental organization which performs or promotes abortions;
- ***S. 139 – Defund Planned Parenthood Act***, a bill that would prohibit federal funding of Planned Parenthood Federation of America and its affiliates;
- ***S. 1144 – Protect Funding for Women’s Health Care Act***, a bill which would prohibit federal funding from being directed to Planned Parenthood of America or its subsidiaries or affiliates;
- ***S. 1325 – Woman’s Right to Know Act***, a bill to ensure that women seeking an abortion are informed of the medical risks associated with the abortion procedure and the major developmental characteristics of the unborn child, before giving their informed consent to receive an abortion;
- ***S. 1382 – Abortion Providers Loan Elimination Act***, a bill that would make abortion providers ineligible to receive Paycheck Protection Program loans;
- ***S. 2270 – Protecting Life and Taxpayers Act***, a bill that would require federally funded entities to certify that they will not perform abortions and that they will not provide funds to any other entity that performs abortions, with certain exceptions;
- ***S. 2408 – Protecting Life on College Campus Act***, a bill that prohibits the award of federal funds to institutions of higher education that host or are affiliated with school-based service sites that provide abortion services to students or staff;
- ***S. 2878 – A bill to codify in statute the establishment of the Office of Global Women’s Issues and the Women’s Global Development and Prosperity Initiative***, an entity to advise foreign policy and international programs relating to equal opportunities for the advancement of women and girls. This entity may not promote abortion;
- ***S. 3500 – Ensuring Accurate and Complete Abortion Data Reporting Act of 2022***, a bill to require states to report certain abortion data to the CDC as a condition for federal payment under Medicaid for family planning services;
- ***S. 3790 – Ultrasound Informed Consent Act***, a bill that requires abortion providers, as a condition of receiving federal funding, to conduct an ultrasound before performing an abortion;
- ***S. Res. 207*** - A resolution honoring the work of Americans and pregnancy resource centers across the country that actively support pregnant women, children, and families in need;
- ***S. Amdt. 192 to S. Con. Res. 5*** - To establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to improving health care to prohibit a health care practitioner from failing to exercise the proper degree of care in the case of a child who survives an abortion or attempted abortion;
- ***S. Amdt. 3331 to S. Con. Res. 14*** – To establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to improving health programs, which may include prohibiting funding for abortions of unborn children with Down syndrome or other chromosomal conditions;
- ***S. J. Res. 41*** – A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services relating to “Ensuring Access to Equitable, Affordable, Client-Centered, Quality Family Planning Services.”

## Key Letters

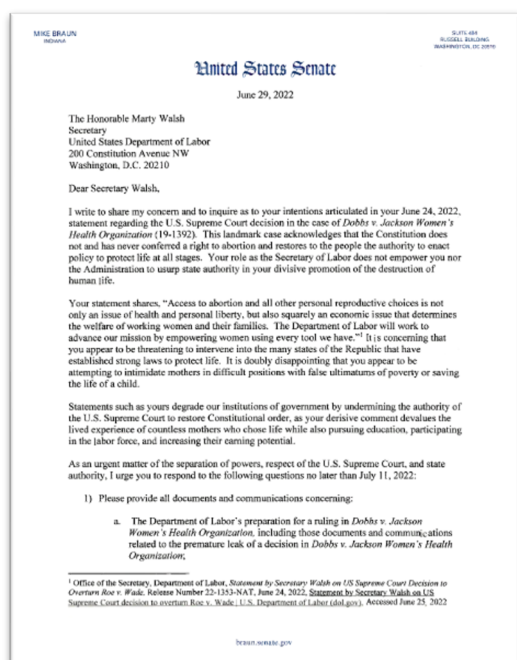
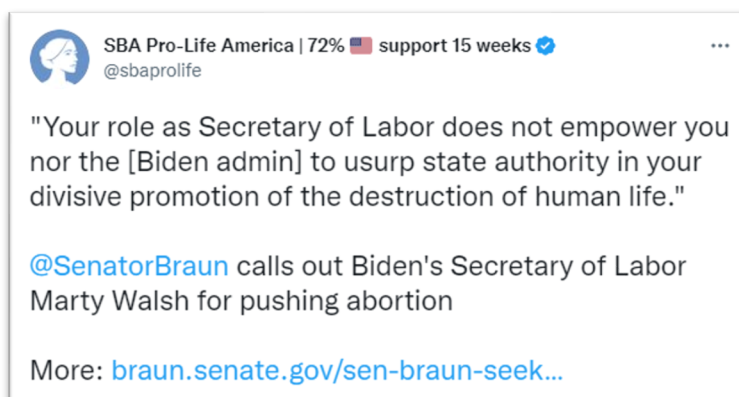
### Written:

**On May 24, 2021**, Senator Braun and Representative Christopher Smith sent a bicameral letter to Dr. Collins of the National Institutes of Health urging the NIH not to modify ethical research guidelines pertaining to human-animal chimeras.

- **32 members of Congress signed on to the letter.**
- Senator Braun drafted S. 1800, the *Human-Animal Chimera Prohibition Act* to address this situation. The legislation received a vote as an amendment to the *Endless Frontiers Act* and was blocked by congressional Democrats by a margin of 48-49.

*“The creation of monkey-human hybrids increases ethical concerns about blurring species lines and endowing animals with human characteristics...None of these issues have received thorough public discussion.”*

**On June 29, 2022**, Senator Braun sent a letter to Department of Labor Secretary Walsh regarding the Department’s divisive promotion of abortion following the U.S. Supreme Court’s decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization*.



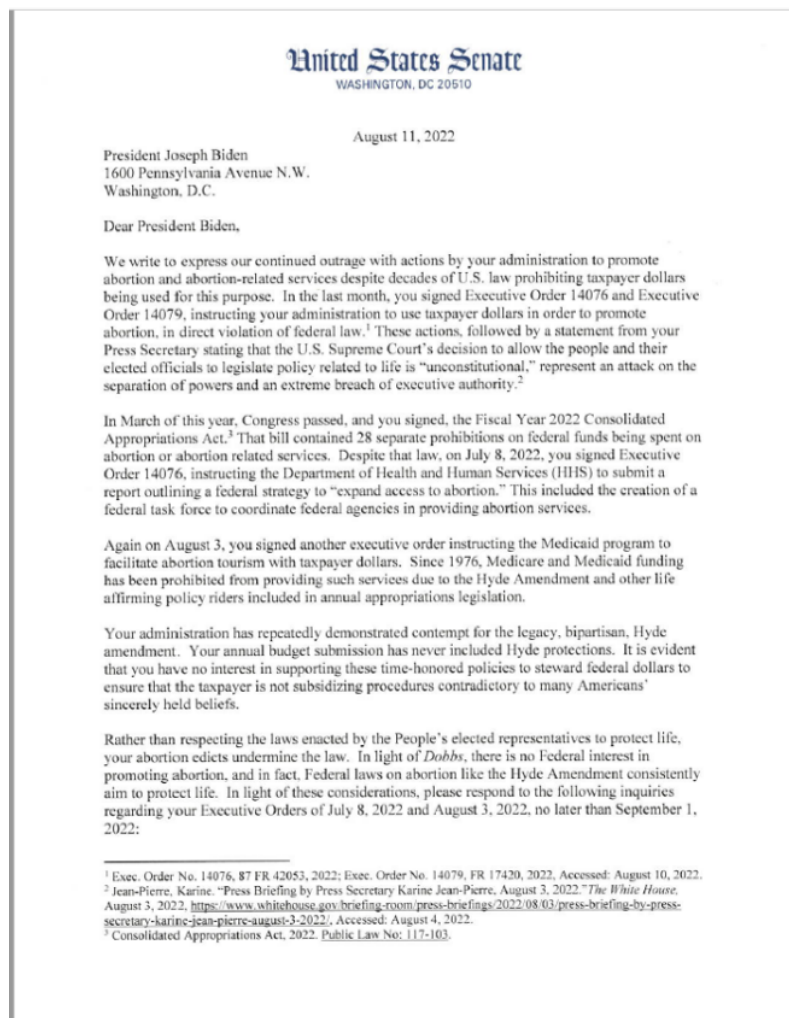
*“Statements such as yours degrade our institutions of government by undermining the authority of the U.S. Supreme Court to restore Constitutional order, as your derisive comment devalues the lived experience of countless mothers who chose life while also pursuing education, participating in the labor force, and increasing their earning potential.”*

**On August 11, 2022**, Senator Braun sent a letter to President Biden regarding the Administration's actions to undermine Congress and promote abortion without regard to longstanding, bipartisan appropriations measures that protect life.

- Nine other Senators signed onto the letter

*"In the last month, you signed Executive Order 14076 and Executive Order 14079, instructing your administration to use taxpayer dollars in order to promote abortion, in direct violation of federal law. These actions, followed by a statement from your Press Secretary stating that the U.S. Supreme Court's decision to allow the people and their elected officials to legislate policy related to life is 'unconstitutional,' represent an attack on the separation of powers and an extreme breach of executive authority.*

Full letters available on my website [braun.senate.gov](https://braun.senate.gov)





## Letters Signed On:

- In January 2021, Senator Braun signed onto a letter to the U.S. Small Business Administration regarding Planned Parenthood Federation of America and its affiliates receiving Paycheck Protection Program loans in contravention to federal law.
- In February 2021, Senator Braun signed onto a letter to the Department of Health and Human Services urging the Biden-Harris Administration to protect safeguards and program integrity requirements for research involving human fetal tissue.
- In April 2021, Senator Braun signed onto a letter to President Biden and Secretary Becerra regarding the Administration's decision to suspend and revise Title X rules to protect life through the funding of family planning projects.
- In May 2021, Senator Braun signed onto Senator Ernst's public comment letter submitted to the Federal Register that expressed concern over the Administration's decision to use Title X funds to support abortion, contrary to law.
- In June 2021, Senator Braun joined a letter to Senate leadership urging a vote on S. 75, the *Protecting Individuals with Down Syndrome Act*.
- In July 2021, Senator Braun signed onto a public comment letter submitted to the Federal Register that urged the Department of Health and Human Services to ensure funding associated with the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act insurance programs maintain separate accounts and payment for abortion services as Congress presented in Section 1303 of that legislation.
- In July 2021, Senator Braun signed onto an *amicus curiae* brief in support of Mississippi state law to protect life in the case of *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*.
- In August 2021, Senator Braun signed onto a letter to Attorney General Garland and Secretary Becerra expressing deep concern over the Administration's decision to seek voluntary dismissal in the federal lawsuit against the University of Vermont Medical Center for knowingly, willfully, and repeatedly violating federal conscience-protection laws after they forced staff to conduct abortions.
- In September 2021, Senator Braun signed onto a letter to Google CEO Pichai regarding Google's censorship of pro-life advertisements promoting Heartbeat International's Abortion Reversal hotline.
- In September 2021, Senator Braun signed onto a bicameral letter to Attorney General Garland, Secretary Becerra, and Director Collins regarding NIH funding directed to the University of Pittsburgh and Congress' concerns about unethical fetal tissue collection at the University's GenitoUrinary Developmental Molecular Anatomy Project.
- In January 2022, Senator Braun signed onto a letter to Acting Commissioner Woodcock asking for clarification of the FDA's regulatory review process of non-invasive prenatal testing and the high level of false-positive results from these genetic tests.
- In January 2022, Senator Braun signed onto a letter to Comptroller General Dodaro of the U.S. Government Accountability Office requesting updated information on federal funding of abortion providers such as Planned Parenthood Federation of America and MSI Reproductive Choices.
- In February 2022, Senator Braun signed onto a letter to Commissioner Robert Califf regarding the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's decision to weaken dangerous chemical abortion drug mifepristone's Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategy safety guidelines.

- In April 2022, Senator Braun signed onto a letter to Mayor Bowser and Metropolitan Police Chief Contee III of Washington, D.C., urging the city to investigate the circumstances of death related to five children believed to have passed as a result of illegal abortions.
- In April 2022, Senator Braun signed onto a bicameral letter to Attorney General Garland urging the Department of Justice to investigate the deaths of five children in Washington, D.C., that appear to have been a result of illegal abortions in contravention to the *Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act* and the *Born Alive Infants Protection Act*.
- In April 2022, Senator Braun signed onto a letter to Sergeant-at-Arms Gibson asking that the U.S. Senate end its contractual relationship with Citibank following Citibank's announcement that it would subsidize abortion travel for its employees.
- In May 2022, Senator Braun signed onto a letter to Majority Leader Schumer urging the Senate to protect longstanding, bipartisan appropriations measures to protect life in Fiscal Year 2023 spending.
- In May 2022, Senator Braun signed onto a bicameral letter to Director-General Ghebreyesus of the World Health Organization condemning the WHO's dangerous abortion guidelines and dehumanizing definition of human rights which discredits the legitimacy of the United Nations.
- In September 2022, Senator Braun signed onto a public comment letter submitted to the Federal Register to express concern about the Biden Administration's decision to revise Title IX in a manner that weakens conscious protections and promotions abortion.
- In September 2022, Senator Braun signed onto a letter to Secretary Becerra regarding the Department of Health and Human Services' decision to circumvent state law that protects life and transfer pregnant minors in the care of the Office of Refugee Resettlement to states where unaccompanied minors may receive elective late term abortions.
- In September 2022, Senator Braun signed onto a letter bicameral letter to AG Garland asking for details surrounding the FBI's rationale behind the arrest of pro-life activist Mark Houck.
- In October 2022, Senator Braun signed onto a public comment letter submitted to the Federal Register regarding the Department of Veterans Affairs decision to conduct abortions without regard to explicit statutory prohibitions.
- In October 2022, Senator Braun signed onto a letter to Director Wray of the Federal Bureau of Investigation regarding high-profile raids and arrests of pro-life Americans and the partisan application of the *FACE Act*.

## In Defense of Life



*Senator Braun voices his support for the end of Roe v. Wade on Fox Business (05/03/22)*



*Senator Braun maintains a 100% voting record with the National Right to Life Action Center.*

*Senator Braun earned another "True Blue" Award from Family Research Council for maintaining a perfect 100% voting record on pro-family issues.*



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**“We must remember the millions of lives lost  
to the tragedy of abortion.”  
—Senator Mike Braun**