

105TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 558

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 6, 1997

Ms. SLAUGHTER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on the Judiciary

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## A BILL

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amendment rights, and for other purposes.

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 “Women’s Right To  
5 Know Act of 1997”.

6 **SEC. 2. FIRST AMENDMENT RIGHTS.**

7 Title XI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 is amended  
8 by adding at the end the following:

9 “SEC. 1107. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision  
10 of law, no governmental authority shall in or through any

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1 program or activity, administered or assisted by such au-  
2 thority, that provides health care services or information,  
3 limit the right of any person to provide, or the right of  
4 any person to receive, nonfraudulent information about  
5 the availability of reproductive health care services, includ-  
6 ing family planning, prenatal care, adoption, and abortion  
7 services.

8 “(b) As used in this section—

9 “(1) the term ‘governmental authority’ means  
10 any authority of any State or of the United States;  
11 and

12 “(2) the term ‘State’ includes the District of  
13 Columbia, Puerto Rico, and any other territory or  
14 possession of the United States.”.

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