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# S. 3127

To protect infants who are born alive.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 27 (legislative day, SEPTEMBER 22), 2000

Mr. SANTORUM (for himself, Mr. HUTCHINSON, and Mr. FITZGERALD) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## 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, caesarean 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-  
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