



Pro-Family Wins

Motion to Recommit Whistleblower Protection Enhancement Act – H.R. 985 – House Passed 3/14/07 (426-0) Ensures that employees who “whistleblow” when they witness (or are subject to) retaliation or discrimination based on religious practices are protected under the Act.

Resolution to Honor William Wilberforce – H.Res. 3043 – Passed 5/1/07 (Voice Vote) Observes the 200th anniversary of the abolition of British slave trade and honors the life of William Wilberforce.

Resolution Supporting Responsible Fatherhood – H.Res. 474 – Passed the house 6/12/07 (420 – 0) Recognizes the immeasurable contributions of fathers in the healthy development of children, supporting responsible fatherhood, and encouraging greater involvement of fathers in the lives of their children

Domestic Partnerships (Goode) Amendment to Financial Services Approps Bill – H.R. 2829 – House Passed 6/28/07 (226-200) Reinserts language to protect the traditional definition of marriage and prevent taxpayer funding for alternative definitions of marriage.

Broadcast Freedom (Pence) Amendment to Financial Services Approps Bill – H.R. 2829 – House Passed 6/28/07 (309 – 115) Prohibits federal funds from being used to implement the Fairness Doctrine, which would curb free speech.

Cord Blood (Smith-Davis) Amendment to LHHS Approps Bill – H.R. 3043 –Passed 7/17/07 (Voice Vote) Provides full funding (\$15 million) for the National Cord Blood Inventory program, which banks ethical, non-controversial stem cells that are already treating people.

HPV (Gingrey-Jordan) Amendment to LHHS Approps Bill – H.R. 3043 – House Passed 7/18/07 (Voice Vote) Prohibits federal funds from being used to implement a mandatory HPV vaccine program in schools.

Funding for Abstinence Education in LHHS Approps Bill – H.R. 3043 – House Passed 7/19/07 (276 – 140) Increases abstinence education funding by \$28 million.

Human Cloning Prohibition Act of 2007 – H.R. 2560 – Defeated 6/6/07 (204 – 213) A phony cloning ban that would have allowed for the unlimited cloning of human embryos, but would have then required that they be killed.

Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Upheld – S. 3 (108th) – Senate Passed 3/13/03 House Passed 6/4/03 Signed into Law 11/5/03 Supreme Court Decision 4/18/07 Supreme Court ruled 5-4 to uphold legislation that bans the gruesome partial-birth abortion procedure.

Pro-Family Losses

*** Stem Cell Research Enhancement Act of 2007 – S. 5 –Senate Passed 4/11/07 House Passed 6/7/07 (247-176) President Vetoed 6/20/07** Authorizes federal funding for research that requires the destruction of human embryos.

*** Local Law Enforcement Hate Crimes Prevention Act – H.R. 1592 – Passed 5/3/07 (237-180)** Creates a special class for certain violent “hate crimes” – including crimes motivated by “sexual orientation and gender identity” – to be treated differently under the law.

Motion to Recommit the Head Start for School Readiness Act – H.R. 1429 – Defeated 5/2/07 (195 – 222) Would have allowed faith-based organizations to take into account religious beliefs in their hiring practices.

*** Mexico City Policy (Smith-Stupak) Amendment to State/Foreign Ops Approps Bill – H.R. 2764 –Defeated 6/21/07 (205-218)** Would have maintained current policy and prevented in-kind contraceptive contributions to groups that are so radically pro-abortion that they refuse to accept the Mexico City Policy.

*** PEPFAR (Pitts) Amendment to State/Foreign Ops Approps Bill – H.R. 2764 –Defeated 6/21/07 (200-226)** Would have restored the existing spending requirement, which ensures that 33% of the 20% of PEPFAR AIDS prevention funds are used to promote abstinence and fidelity.

Needle Exchange (Souder) Amendment to Financial Services Approps Bill – H.R. 2829 – Defeated 6/28/07 (208 – 216) Would have prohibited funds from being used to subsidize the two existing needle exchange programs in Washington D.C. (Note: The underlying bill changes current policy to allow the use of D.C. funds for needle exchange programs.)

Planned Parenthood (Pence) Amendment to LHHS Approps Bill – H.R. 3043 – Defeated 7/18/07 (189 – 231) Would have prevented Title X funds from going to Planned Parenthood.

***Children’s Health and Medicare Protection Act – H.R. 3162 – House Passed 8/1/07 (225 – 204)** Contains provisions that override the unborn child regulation that currently gives states the option to cover unborn children under SCHIP and that gut the Title V abstinence education grant program.

** Indicates that legislation has a veto threat and did not indicate a sufficient number of votes to override a veto.*