AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT RELATING TO
H.R. 7
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Page 1, strike line 1 and all that follows through page 11, line 14, and insert the following:

SECTION 1. SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING DECISIONS CONCERNING REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH SERVICES.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

(1) Access to comprehensive health care, including reproductive health services, improves economic opportunities and outcomes for women and their families.

(2) Reproductive rights, including the right to bear healthy children, to prevent pregnancy, and to terminate a pregnancy, are essential to the health and well-being of women, families, and communities.

(3) Because the decision about when and whether to bear a child is so intensely personal and the right to privacy is such a cherished and integral part of American tradition, in Roe v. Wade and other cases, the Supreme Court has affirmed that
 safe, legal abortion is a constitutionally protected right.

(b) Sense of Congress.—It is the Sense of Congress that women have the right to make their own decisions about their own reproductive health, and neither the Federal nor State governments shall infringe upon that right by imposing restrictions that burden or block access to safe, legal reproductive health services.