



National Committee for a Human Life Amendment

Partial-Birth Abortion Debate in the Senate

March 10 -- March 13, 2003

The full Senate debate on the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act (S. 3) took place over four days and fills more than 100 pages in the *Congressional Record*. Sen. Rick Santorum (R-PA) was the floor leader for support of the bill and Sen. Barbara Boxer (D-CA) was the leader for opposition. Sixteen senators spoke in support. Twenty-two senators spoke in opposition, either in regard to the whole bill or in regard to support for one or more opposition amendments.

The debate can be found in the *Congressional Record* at:

March 10, 2003: [S3383-89](#), [S3390-99](#), [S3420](#)

March 11, 2003: [S3422-29](#), [S3454](#), [S3456-63](#), [S3482-94](#)

March 12, 2003: [S3560-S3614](#)

March 13, 2003: [S3653-62](#)

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I. Text of the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act of 2003 (S. 3) [PDF](#)

II. Senators who made pro-life statements (listed alphabetically by state):

Senators are listed alphabetically by state. Links to their statements in the *Congressional Record* are to the right of the statements' description. All links are in PDF.

Arizona

Jon Kyl (R)

1. General Statement -- [S3399](#) (3/10/03)

2. General Statement -- [S3473](#) (3/11/03)

Illinois

Peter Fitzgerald (R)

1. General Statement -- [S3569](#) (3/12/03)

Iowa

Charles Grassley (R)

1. Statement against Murray-Reid Amendment -- [S3476](#) (3/11/03)
2. General Statement -- [S3655](#) (3/13/03)

Kansas

Sam Brownback (R)

1. General Statement and submission of KS Abortion Statistics 1999 -- [S3471-S3473](#) (3/11/03)
2. General Statement -- [S3597](#), [S3598](#) (3/12/03)

Kentucky

Jim Bunning (R)

1. General Statement -- [S3580](#), [S3581](#) (3/12/03)

Minnesota

Norm Coleman (R)

1. General Statement -- [S3568](#), [S3569](#) (3/12/03)

Montana

Conrad Burns (R)

1. General Statement -- [S3654](#) (3/13/03)

Nevada

John Ensign (R)

1. General Statement -- [S3584](#), [S3585](#) (3/12/03)

New Mexico

Pete Domenici (R)

1. General Statement -- [S3602](#), [S3603](#) (3/12/03)

Ohio

Mike Dewine (R)

1. General Statement -- [S3390](#), [S3391](#) (3/10/03)
2. Response to Senator Boxer (D-CA) -- [S3393](#) (3/10/03)
3. Exchange with Senator Boxer (D-CA) -- [S3394](#), [S3395](#) (3/10/03)
4. General Statement -- [S3462](#), [S3463](#) (3/11/03)
5. Statement that PBA is never medically indicated -- [S3489](#) (3/11/03)
6. Statement against Durbin Amendment -- [S3573-S3575](#) (3/12/03)

7. Statement against Feinstein Amendment -- [S3604](#), [S3605](#) (3/12/03)

George Voinovich (R)

1. Support for PBA ban -- [S3396](#) (3/10/03)
2. Exchange with Senator Boxer (D-CA) -- [S3397](#), [S3398](#) (3/10/03)
3. General Statement -- [S3461](#), [S3462](#) (3/11/03)

Pennsylvania

Rick Santorum (R)

1. Introduction to PBA ban -- [S3384](#) (3/10/03)
2. Exchange with Senator Boxer (D-CA) using example of female genital mutilation -- [S3387](#) (3/10/03)
3. Response to claims made by Senator Murray (D-WA) -- [S3388](#) (3/10/03)
4. Closing Statements -- [S3389](#) (3/10/03)
5. General Statement -- [S3422](#), [S3423](#) (3/11/03)
6. Questioned by Senator Durbin (D-IL) on Murray-Reid Amendment -- [S3428](#), [S3429](#) (3/11/03)
7. General Statement -- [S3456](#), [S3457](#) (3/11/03)
8. Raised Point Of Order against Murray-Reid Amendment -- [S3466](#) (3/11/03)
9. Point of Order against Murray-Reid Amendment -- [S3470](#), [S3471](#) (3/11/03)
10. Response to Senator Durbin (D-IL) re: role of legislation in medical decision making -- [S3471](#) (3/11/03)
11. General Statement -- [S3474](#) (3/11/03)
12. Exchange with Senator Durbin (D-IL) -- [S3475](#) (3/11/03)
13. Statement against Murray-Reid Amendment -- [S3478](#) (3/11/03)
14. Statement against Durbin Amendment -- [S3484](#)-[S3486](#) (3/11/03)
15. Challenge to Durbin Health Exception -- [S3487](#)-[S3493](#) (3/11/03)
16. Statement against Senator Boxer's (D-CA) Proposal to send bill to committee -- [S3562](#)-[S3565](#) (3/12/03)
17. Statement of difference between NE Statute and S. 3 -- [S3568](#) (3/12/03)
18. Statement of difference between NE Statute and S. 3 -- [S3570](#) (3/12/03)
19. Statement against Durbin Amendment -- [S3573](#) (3/12/03)
20. Statement against Durbin Amendment -- [S3577](#) S3578 (3/12/03)
21. Statement against Senator Boxer's (D-CA) Proposal to send bill to committee -- [S3580](#) (3/12/03)
22. Statement against Harkin Amendment -- [S3583](#) (3/12/03)
23. Exchange with Senator Clinton (D-NY) -- [S3583](#), [S3588](#)-[S3590](#) (3/12/03)
24. Exchange with Senator Harkin (D-IA) -- [S3590](#), [S3591](#) (3/12/03)
25. General Statement -- [S3591](#), [S3592](#) (3/12/03)
26. General Statement -- [S3599](#) (3/12/03)
27. Statement against Feinstein Amendment -- [S3606](#), [S3607](#) (3/12/03)
28. Exchange with Senator Boxer (D-CA) -- [S3607](#), [S3608](#) (3/12/03)
29. Statement against Feinstein Amendment -- [S3609](#), [S3610](#) (3/12/03)
30. Concluding remarks -- [S3644](#)-[S3647](#) (3/12/03)
31. Submission of 5 letters from physicians refuting need for PBA -- [S3653](#) (3/13/03)

South Carolina

Lindsey Graham (R)

1. Statement against Harkin Amendment -- [S3583](#) (3/12/03)

Tennessee

Bill Frist (R)

1. General Statement -- [S3457](#), [S3458](#) (3/11/03)

Utah

Orrin Hatch (R)

1. General Statement -- [S3467](#), [S3468](#) (3/11/03)
2. Applauded Senate for passing S. 3 and thanked leadership -- [S3660](#) (3/13/03)

Wyoming

Michael Enzi (R)

1. General Statement -- [S3482](#), [S3483](#) (3/11/03)

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