

## 115TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

## H. R. 5123

To abolish the Conscience and Religious Freedom Division in the Office of Civil Rights of the Department of Health and Human Services, and for other purposes.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 27, 2018

Ms. Michelle Lujan Grisham of New Mexico (for herself and Mr. Crist) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

## 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 "Eliminating the HHS
  - 5 Discrimination Division Act of 2018".
- 6 SEC. 2. ABOLISHMENT OF CONSCIENCE AND RELIGIOUS
- 7 FREEDOM DIVISION.
- 8 (a) In General.—Effective on the date that is 30
- 9 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Con-

- 1 science and Religious Freedom Division in the Office of
- 2 Civil Rights of the Department of Health and Human
- 3 Services is abolished.
- 4 (b) No Substantially Similar Division.—No
- 5 Federal funds may be used to establish or operate any
- 6 substantially similar division, agency, or office with re-
- 7 spect to the programs and activities of the Department
- 8 of Health and Human Services.
- 9 (c) Transition.—Before the effective date specified
- 10 in subsection (a), the Secretary of Health and Human
- 11 Services shall take such actions as may be necessary to
- 12 transfer the assets, personnel, and liabilities of the Con-
- 13 science and Religious Freedom Division to other agencies
- 14 and offices of the Department of Health and Human Serv-
- 15 ices.

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