

A rising threat to the lives of unborn babies is the chemical abortion pill. The number of chemical abortions in the US has gone up dramatically, while the overall number of abortions has decreased. COVID -19 is expected to only make the problem worse, with more women (and teen girls) seeking chemical abortions at home - even illegally, by mail and without a doctor's prescription. This is especially scary because chemical abortion can be more painful, traumatic, and risky for women than surgical abortion. But there is hope: a new bill has been introduced that could help protect mothers and babies from chemical abortion.

The Support and Value Expectant (SAVE) Moms & Babies Act (H.R. 4399 / S. 3072) could help improve regulation of chemical abortion pills. The SAVE Moms & Babies Act would codify current FDA (Food and Drug Administration) safety regulations requiring physicians to dispense the pills, prevent providers from dispensing these drugs remotely, by mail, or via tele-medicine, and prevent the FDA from approving new chemical abortion drugs or from making labeling changes to existing abortion drugs.

Senator Cindy Hyde-Smith (R-MS) introduced S. 3072. Today, Tuesday, September 22, she plans to go to the Senate floor to ask the Senate to adopt the bill by "unanimous consent." While this request is unlikely to succeed (it only takes one member to object), this request will provide an opportunity to talk about the dangers of chemical abortion and to raise awareness about the need for this bill. You can <u>watch</u> Senator Hyde-Smith's request and other prolife senators' comments live, tentatively scheduled for 4:15 ET.

Please <u>TAKE ACTION NOW</u> to urge your Senators and Representative to cosponsor and work to enact S. 3072 or H.R. 4399 or to thank them if they have already done so.