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Purpose: To ensure nondiscrimination on abortion and respect for rights of conscience.

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. COBURN

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- 1 At the end of subtitle B of title II, add the following:
- 2 **SEC. 2304. NONDISCRIMINATION ON ABORTION AND RE-**
- 3 **SPECT FOR RIGHTS OF CONSCIENCE.**
- 4 (a) NONDISCRIMINATION.—A Federal agency or pro-
- 5 gram, and any State or local government, or health care
- 6 entity that receives Federal financial assistance under the
- 7 Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (or an amend-
- 8 ment made by such Act), shall not—

1 (1) subject any individual or institutional health
2 care entity to discrimination; or

3 (2) require any health care entity that is estab-
4 lished or regulated under the Patient Protection and
5 Affordable Care Act (or an amendment made by
6 such Act) to subject any individual or institutional
7 health care entity to discrimination,

8 on the basis that the health care entity does not provide,
9 pay for, provide coverage of, or refer for abortions.

10 (b) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “health
11 care entity” includes an individual physician or other
12 health care professional, a hospital, a provider-sponsored
13 organization, a health maintenance organization, a health
14 insurance plan, a plan sponsor, a health insurance issuer,
15 a qualified health plan or issuer offering such a plan, or
16 any other kind of health care facility, organization, or
17 plan.

18 (c) ADMINISTRATION.—The Office for Civil Rights of
19 the Department of Health and Human Services is des-
20 ignated to receive complaints of discrimination based on
21 this section, and coordinate the investigation of such com-
22 plaints