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Step 1

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FOR EDUCATIONAL USE ONLY 18 U.S.C.A. § 248

UNITED STATES CODE ANNOTATED
TITLE 18. CRIMES AND CRIMINAL PROCEDURE
PART I--CRIMES
CHAPTER 13--CIVIL RIGHTS

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§ 248. Freedom of access to clinic entrances

(a) Prohibited activities.--Whoever--

(1) by force or threat of force or by physical obstruction, intentionally injures, intimidates or interferes with or attempts to injure, intimidate or interfere with any person because that person is or has been, or in order to intimidate such person or any other person or any class of persons from, obtaining or providing reproductive health services;

(2) by force or threat of force or by physical obstruction, intentionally injures, intimidates or interferes with or attempts to injure,

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(Added [Pub.L. 103-259, § 3](#), May 26, 1994, 108 Stat. 694, and amended [Pub.L. 103-322, Title XXXIII, § 330023\(a\)\(2\), \(3\)](#), Sept. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 2150.)

HISTORICAL AND STATUTORY NOTES

Revision Notes and Legislative Reports

1994 Acts. [House Report Nos. 103-324](#) and [103-489](#), and [House Conference Report No. 103-711](#), see 1994 U.S. Code Cong. and Adm. News, p. 1801.

[House Report No. 103-306](#) and [House Conference Report No. 103-488](#), see 1994 [U.S. Code](#) Cong. and Adm. News, p. 699.

Amendments

1994 Amendments. Catchline. [Pub.L. 103-322, § 330023\(a\)\(2\)](#), substituted "Freedom of access to clinic entrances" for "Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances". Amendment resulted in no change in text in light of prior editorial determination of probable Congressional intent.

Subsec. (b). [Pub.L. 103-322, § 330023\(a\)\(3\)](#), inserted ", notwithstanding section 3571," before "be not more than \$25,000".

Effective and Applicability Provisions

1994 Acts. [Section 330023\(b\) of Pub.L. 103-322](#) provided that: "The amendments made by this subsection (a) [amending this section] shall take effect on the date of enactment of the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act of 1994 [May 26, 1994]."

108 STAT. 694

PUBLIC LAW 103-259—MAY 26, 1994

Public Law 103-259
103d Congress

An Act

May 26, 1994
[S. 636]

To amend title 18, United States Code, to assure freedom of access to reproductive services.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

Freedom of
Access to Clinic
Entrances Act of
1994.
18 USC 248 note

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act of 1994”.

18 USC 248 note.

SEC. 2. PURPOSE.

Pursuant to the affirmative power of Congress to enact this legislation under section 8 of article I of the Constitution, as well as under section 5 of the fourteenth amendment to the Constitution, it is the purpose of this Act to protect and promote the public safety and health and activities affecting interstate commerce by establishing Federal criminal penalties and civil remedies for certain violent, threatening, obstructive and destructive conduct that is intended to injure, intimidate or interfere with persons seeking to obtain or provide reproductive health services.

SEC. 3. FREEDOM OF ACCESS TO CLINIC ENTRANCES.

Chapter 13 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new section:

“§ 248 Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances.

“(a) **PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES.**—Whoever—

“(1) by force or threat of force or by physical obstruction, intentionally injures, intimidates or interferes with or attempts to injure, intimidate or interfere with any person because that person is or has been, or in order to intimidate such person or any other person or any class of persons from, obtaining or providing reproductive health services;

“(2) by force or threat of force or by physical obstruction, intentionally injures, intimidates or interferes with or attempts to injure, intimidate or interfere with any person lawfully exercising or seeking to exercise the First Amendment right of religious freedom at a place of religious worship; or

“(3) intentionally damages or destroys the property of a facility, or attempts to do so, because such facility provides reproductive health services, or intentionally damages or destroys the property of a place of religious worship, shall be subject to the penalties provided in subsection (b) and the civil remedies provided in subsection (c), except that a parent

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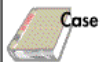
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CORE TERMS: Hobbs Act, extortion, interstate commerce, violence, abortion, codefendant, cross-examination, new trial, butyric, acid...

OPINION: ... **[*567]** **[**13]** state patients. Either of these connections can support Commerce Clause-based **[*568]** jurisdiction for the specific conduct prosecuted under the Hobbs Act in this case. Support for this holding can be found in the **legislative history of the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances ("FACE")** Act wherein Congress studied the effect upon interstate commerce of violent and obstructive conduct directed towards reproductive health centers. See, e.g., H.R. Conf. Rep. No. 488, 103d Cong., 2d ...



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[5] Given these standards, the court finds that the evidence adduced at trial was sufficient for a rational trier of fact to conclude that interstate commerce was affected by the butyric acid attacks. There was testimony that Planned Parenthood and Dr. Yoffa's offices purchased medical supplies from out-of-state and that services were offered to out-of-state patients. Either of these connections can support Commerce Clause-based ***568** jurisdiction for the specific conduct prosecuted under the Hobbs Act in this case. Support for this holding can be found in the legislative history of the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances ("FACE") Act wherein Congress studied the effect upon interstate commerce of violent and obstructive conduct directed towards reproductive health centers. See, e.g., H.R. Conf. Rep. No. 488, 103d Cong., 2d Sess. 7 (1994), *reprinted in* 1994 U.S.C.C.A.N. pp. 699, 724, 724 (finding that violent protest conduct directed at reproductive health clinics interferes "with the interstate commercial activities of health care providers"); H.R. Rep. 306, 103d Cong., 2d Sess. 7-8 (1993), *reprinted in* 1994 U.S.C.C.A.N. 699, 704-05 (relating story of patient who traveled from Virginia to Kansas to obtain abortion for fetus with malformed heart).

The aggregate effect of violence directed at reproductive health facilities upon interstate commerce is actually increasing the interstate nature of abortion services. Because of the fear of violence, the number of doctors performing these services has declined, particularly for women in rural areas, leaving only 17% of U.S. counties with abortion providers. H.R. Rep. No. 306 at 8, 1994 U.S.C.C.A.N. at 705. This in turn has compelled the physicians who do perform abortions to travel periodically to underserved communities in neighboring states, as did the late Dr. David Gunn. See H.R. Rep. No. 306 at 7, 1994 U.S.C.C.A.N. at 704. For further support that obstructive and violent conduct targeting reproductive health clinics constitutes interference with interstate commerce to a degree sufficient enough to satisfy *Lopez*, see *United States v. Wilson*, 73 F.3d 675, 678-688 (7th Cir.1995) and *Cheffer v. Reno*, 55 F.3d 1517, 1520 (11th Cir.1995) wherein the post-*Lopez* constitutionality of the FACE Act was upheld.

Furthermore, it can hardly be doubted that the specific act of a butyric acid attack against a medical clinic is an activity which, through repetition, has a substantial effect on interstate commerce; Congress found as much in considering the FACE Act. See H.R. Rep. No. 306 at 9, 1994

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Prohibits the use of force, threats, or physical obstruction that injures, intimidates, or interferes with persons obtaining or providing reproductive health services or counseling, or seeking to exercise the right to religious freedom.

Prohibits damage or destruction of property belonging to facilities providing reproductive health services or property of places of religious worship.

Establishes criminal penalties and civil remedies for prohibited conduct, including the right of the U.S. Attorney General and State Attorneys General to bring suit in Federal district courts on behalf of aggrieved persons.

CONTENT-NOTATION: Abortion clinic blockades and violence by anti-abortion demonstrators, prohibition and penalties estab

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Conference report on S. 636, the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act of 1994, to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish prohibitions and criminal penalties to address acts of violence by persons seeking to block access to abortion clinics.

CONTENT-NOTATION: Abortion clinic blockades and violence by anti-abortion demonstrators, prohibition and penalties estab

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1993

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Mr. BROOKS, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the
following

R E P O R T

together with

DISSENTING VIEWS

[To accompany H.R. 796]

[Including cost estimate of the Congressional Budget Office]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 796) to assure freedom of access to clinic entrances, having considered the same, report favorably thereon with amendments and recommend that the bill as amended do pass.

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§ 248. Freedom of access to clinic entrances

(a) Prohibited activities.--Whoever--

(1) by force or threat of force or by physical obstruction, intentionally injures, intimidates or interferes with or attempts to injure, intimidate or interfere with any person because that person is or has been, or in order to intimidate such person or any other person or any class of persons from, obtaining or providing reproductive health services;

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(Added [Pub.L. 103-259, § 3](#), May 26, 1994, 108 Stat. 694, and amended [Pub.L. 103-322, Title XXXIII, § 330023\(a\)\(2\), \(3\)](#), Sept. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 2150.)

Revision Notes and Legislative Reports

1994 Acts. [House Report Nos. 103-324](#) and [103-489](#), and [House Conference Report No. 103-711](#), see 1994 U.S. Code Cong. and Adm. News, p. 1801.

[House Report No. 103-306](#) and [House Conference Report No. 103-488](#), see 1994 [U.S. Code](#) Cong. and Adm. News, p. 699.

Amendments

1994 Amendments. Catchline. [Pub.L. 103-322, § 330023\(a\)\(2\)](#), substituted "Freedom of access to clinic entrances" for "Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances". Amendment resulted in no change in text in light of prior editorial determination of probable Congressional intent.

Subsec. (b). [Pub.L. 103-322, § 330023\(a\)\(3\)](#), inserted ", notwithstanding section 3571," before "be not more than \$25,000".

Effective and Applicability Provisions

1994 Acts. [Section 330023\(b\) of Pub.L. 103-322](#) provided that: "The amendments made by this subsection (a) [amending this section] shall take effect on the date of enactment of the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act of 1994 [May 26, 1994]."



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4. [S.636](#) : A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to permit individuals to have freedom of access to certain medical clinics and facilities, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen Kennedy, Edward M.](#) [MA] (introduced 3/23/1993) [Cosponsors](#) (31)

Committees: Senate Labor and Human Resources

Senate Reports: 103-117; **Latest Conference Report:** 103-488

Latest Major Action: 5/26/1994 Became Public Law No: 103-259.

5. [S.2266](#) : A bill to amend the Recreation Management Act of 1992, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen Bradley, Bill](#) [NJ] (by request) (introduced 7/1/1994) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Energy and Natural Resources

Senate Reports: 103-382

Latest Major Action: 9/26/1994 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 636.

6. [S.AMDT.1196](#) to [S.636](#) To prevent S. 636 from being used as a vehicle to protect illegal abortions.

Sponsor: [Sen Hatch, Orrin G.](#) [UT] (introduced 11/16/1993) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: 11/16/1993 Senate amendment agreed to. Status: Amendment SP 1196 agreed to in Senate by Voice Vote.

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SUMMARY AS OF:

5/2/1994--Conference report filed in House. (There are 4 [other summaries](#))

Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act of 1994 - Amends the Federal criminal code to prohibit: (1) intentionally injuring, intimidating, or interfering with, or attempting to injure, intimidate, or interfere, any person by force, threat of force, or physical obstruction because that person is or has been, or in order to intimidate such person or any other person or any class of persons from, obtaining or providing reproductive health services; (2) intentionally injuring, intimidating, or interfering with, or attempting to injure, intimidate, or interfere, any person by force, threat of force, or physical obstruction exercising or seeking to exercise the First Amendment right of religious freedom at a place of religious worship; or (3) intentionally damaging or destroying the property of a facility, or attempting to do so, because such facility provides reproductive health services, or intentionally damaging or destroying the property of a place of religious worship.

Sets maximum dollar amounts of fines (including for exclusively nonviolent physical obstruction) and maximum imprisonment terms. Includes in the available civil remedies injunctive relief, compensatory and punitive damages, and costs.

Authorizes civil actions by aggrieved persons, the Attorney General, and State attorneys general for violations.

Specifies that nothing in this Act shall be construed to: (1) prohibit any expressive conduct (including peaceful picketing or other peaceful demonstration) protected from legal prohibition by the First Amendment to the Constitution; (2) create new remedies for interference with activities protected by free speech or free exercise clauses of the First Amendment to the Constitution, occurring outside a facility, regardless of the point of view expressed, or to limit any existing legal remedies for such interference; (3) provide exclusive criminal penalties or civil remedies with respect to conduct prohibited by this Act, or to preempt State or local laws that may provide such penalties or remedies; or (4) interfere with the enforcement of State or local laws regulating the performance of abortions or other reproductive health services.

MAJOR ACTIONS: *16*

3/23/1993	Introduced/originated in Senate
7/29/1993	Committee on Labor and Human Resources. Reported to Senate by Senator Kennedy with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 103-117. Additional and minority views filed.
11/16/1993	Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Yea-Nay Vote. 69-30. Record Vote No: 373 .
3/17/1994	Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by recorded vote: 237 - 169 (Roll No. 70).
5/2/1994	Conference report H. Rept. 103-488 filed.
5/5/1994	Conference report agreed to in House: On agreeing to the conference report Agreed to by recorded vote: 241 - 174 (Roll no. 159).
5/12/1994	Conference report agreed to in Senate: Senate agreed to conference report by Yea-Nay Vote. 69-30. Record Vote No: 112 .
5/26/1994	Signed by President.
5/26/1994	Became Public Law No: 103-259.

ALL ACTIONS: ([Floor Actions/Congressional Record Page References](#))**3/23/1993:**

Read twice and referred to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

5/12/1993:

Committee on Labor and Human Resources. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 103-138.

6/23/1993:

Committee on Labor and Human Resources. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.

7/29/1993:

Committee on Labor and Human Resources. Reported to Senate by Senator Kennedy with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 103-117. Additional and minority views filed.

7/29/1993:

Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 169.

11/16/1993:

S. 636 on Thomas (cont.)

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Bill:	Relationship:
H.RES.374	Rule related to S.636 in House
H.RES.417	Rule related to S.636 in House
H.R.796	S.636 passed in House in lieu of this bill
H.R.796	Related bill as identified by the House Clerk's office

AMENDMENT(S):

- [S.AMDT.1190](#) to [S.636](#) To protect the First Amendment right to exercise religion.
Sponsor: [Sen Hatch, Orrin G.](#) [UT] (introduced 11/16/1993) **Cosponsors** (None)
Latest Major Action: 11/16/1993 Senate amendment agreed to. Status: Amendment SP 1190 agreed to in Senate by Voice Vote.
- [S.AMDT.1191](#) to [S.636](#) To differentiate between violent and non-violent activities.
Sponsor: [Sen Smith, Bob](#) [NH] (introduced 11/16/1993) **Cosponsors** (None)
Latest Major Action: 11/16/1993 Senate amendment agreed to. Status: Amendment SP 1191 agreed to in Senate by Voice Vote.
- [S.AMDT.1192](#) to [S.636](#) To lower the maximum penalties applicable for offenses not involving force or threat of force.
Sponsor: [Sen Kennedy, Edward M.](#) [MA] (introduced 11/16/1993) **Cosponsors** (None)
Latest Major Action: 11/16/1993 Senate amendment agreed to. Status: Amendment SP 1192 as modified agreed to in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 56-40. Record Vote No: 369.
- [S.AMDT.1193](#) to [S.636](#) In the nature of a substitute.
Sponsor: [Sen Smith, Bob](#) [NH] (introduced 11/16/1993) **Cosponsors** (None)
Latest Major Action: 11/16/1993 SP 1193 ruled out of order by the chair.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

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To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the reporting period for certain statements sent to taxpayers.

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February 15, 2007

Mr. Schumer introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

A BILL

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the reporting period for certain statements sent to taxpayers.

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DATES OF CONSIDERATION AND PASSAGE

Senate: November 16, 1993; May 12, 1994
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SPONSOR: Mr. Brooks, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following

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(To accompany H.R. 796)
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Mr. RODINO, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following

REPORT

(To accompany H.R. 7152)

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 7152) to enforce the constitutional right to vote, to confer jurisdiction upon the district courts of the United States to provide injunctive relief against discrimination in public accommodations, to authorize the Attorney General to institute suits to protect constitutional rights in education, to establish a Community Relations Service, to extend for 4 years the Commission on Civil Rights, to prevent discrimination in federally assisted programs, to establish a Commission on Equal Employment Opportunity, and for other purposes, having considered the same, report favorably thereon with amendments and recommend that the bill do pass.

The amendments are as follows:

Amendment No. 1: Strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof the following:

That this Act may be cited as "The Civil Rights Act of 1963."



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On January 31, 1963, several Republicans introduced comprehensive civil rights bills in the House. Representatives McCulloch, Lindsay, Moore, Cahill, Mac Gregor, Mathias, Bromwell, Shriver, and Martin (Calif.) proposed legislation to make the Civil Rights Commission permanent and to authorize it to investigate vote frauds; to establish a Commission for Equality of Opportunity in Employment with authority to enforce non-discrimination by Federal contractors, by labor unions with members employed on Federal contract work, and by employment agencies receiving any Federal financial assistance; to authorize the Attorney General to enforce school desegregation by civil actions; to provide Federal financial assistance to facilitate school desegregation; and to provide a legal presumption for the courts that any one who has completed the sixth grade is sufficiently literate and intelligent to vote.

On February 28, President Kennedy recommended civil rights measures regarding voting, education, and the Civil Rights Commission.