

Senator Graham's *Protecting Pain-Capable Unborn Children from Late-Term Abortions Act* vs. European and International Law

No European nation allows elective abortion through all 9 months of pregnancy, as is permitted in California, Colorado, Massachusetts, Maryland, and New York... and as would be [imposed](#) nationwide under the so-called *Women's Health Protection Act*.

In fact, [47 out of 50](#) European nations limit *elective* abortion prior to 15 weeks.

- **14-week limit:** Germany, France, and Belgium
- **12-week limit:** Ukraine, Denmark, Norway, and 23 additional nations
- **Requires a reason for abortion:** In Great Britain, abortion is [not permitted unless two doctors have certified it is necessary](#). Ask Planned Parenthood if they would support a similar law in the U.S.
- These are black letter laws, **well-established and based on national consensus**, which limit abortion prior to 15 weeks.



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**We're not talking about U.S. states –
we're talking about European countries**

The United States is a global outlier.

Only a handful of countries, including China and North Korea – and the United States – allow elective abortion more than halfway through pregnancy.

- Lozier Institute’s analysis that in 2014 the U.S. was one of only seven nations to permit late-term abortion on demand was **rated “TRUE”** by [Washington Post fact checkers](#) in 2017, and cited by the Supreme Court in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization*.

Senator Graham’s *Protecting Pain-Capable Unborn Children from Late-Term Abortions Act*, based on the most [up-to-date science on fetal pain](#), would set a federal minimum protection for unborn children that is in line with European limits.

