



Where Do the Candidates Stand on Life?

U.S. Senate

George Nethercutt

Patty Murray

Partial-Birth Abortion

George Nethercutt voted 10 times against partial-birth abortion.

Patty Murray voted seven times to keep partial-birth abortion legal and against the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act.

The partial-birth abortion procedure -- used from the fifth month on -- involves pulling a living baby feet-first out of the womb, except for the head, puncturing the skull, and suctioning out the brain. The great majority of partial-birth abortions are performed on healthy babies and healthy mothers, for entirely non-medical reasons.

Abortion on Demand

George Nethercutt opposes the 1973 Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion on demand and he supports legal protection for unborn children.

Patty Murray supports the 1973 Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion on demand -- even as a method of birth control.

Government Funding of Abortion

George Nethercutt voted against using tax dollars to pay for abortion. He voted against giving U.S. tax dollars to private organizations that promote abortion in foreign countries.

Patty Murray voted many times to use tax dollars to pay for abortion. Murray voted to give U.S. tax dollars to private organizations that promote abortion in foreign countries.

Patty Murray co-sponsored a bill (S. 2020) that would prohibit virtually any state restrictions on abortion, including parental notification for minors or waiting periods, and would require tax funding of abortion on demand.

Parental Notification

George Nethercutt voted to prevent minor daughters from being taken across state lines for secret abortions without parental notice or consent.

Patty Murray voted to block a bill which would have prevented minor daughters from being taken across state lines for secret abortions without parental notice or consent.

The Unborn Victims of Violence Act

The Unborn Victims of Violence Act ("Laci and Conner's Law") recognizes unborn children as victims when they are killed or injured in violent federal crimes.

George Nethercutt voted for "Laci and Conner's Law."

Patty Murray voted against "Laci and Conner's Law."

Judicial Nominees

George Nethercutt will support President Bush's judicial nominees.

Patty Murray has helped block the confirmation of many of President Bush's most important judicial nominees.



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