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USCCB Urges Congress to Pass Pregnant Workers Fairness Act

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) is urging Catholics to contact their members of Congress, asking that they pass the [Pregnant Workers Fairness Act \(S. 1486\)](#), which would make the workplace safer for pregnant workers and their unborn children by requiring employers to provide pregnant employees with reasonable accommodations.

Common requests made by pregnant women include a chair for jobs that require long periods of standing up, a modified schedule, light duty for jobs that require heavy lifting, being able to carry a bottle of water, or permission to take additional breaks to use the restroom or drink water.

Unfortunately, the current legal landscape does not require employers to provide pregnant workers with reasonable accommodations. Consequently, some pregnant workers are denied such temporary accommodations and are forced to take leave, are terminated, or experience other forms of retaliation.

No woman should be forced to risk her or her child's health, miscarriage, preterm birth, economic security or losing insurance by being denied a short-term, reasonable, pregnancy-related accommodation. Please take action today and encourage your U.S. Senators to protect pregnant workers by advancing the Pregnant Workers Fairness Act.

If you have personal experience with the denial of workplace accommodations during pregnancy, we encourage you to include it in your message.

[Read](#) the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' letter to Congress supporting S. 1486.

To send your message, please click below:

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Thank you for helping pregnant women and their children.

