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To support foster youth in successful parenting by reducing unintended pregnancies and promoting the well-being of expectant or parenting foster youth and their children.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## A BILL

To support foster youth in successful parenting by reducing unintended pregnancies and promoting the well-being of expectant or parenting foster youth and their children.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Supporting Foster  
5 Youth in Successful Parenting Act of 2017”.

1 **SEC. 2. REQUIREMENT THAT STATES REPORT ON STEPS**  
2 **TAKEN TO ADDRESS PREGNANCY AND PAR-**  
3 **ENTHOOD AMONG FOSTER YOUTH.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 432(a) of the Social Secu-  
5 rity Act (42 U.S.C. 629b(a)) is amended—

6 (1) by striking “and” at the end of paragraph  
7 (9);

8 (2) by striking the period at the end of para-  
9 graph (10) and inserting “; and”; and

10 (3) by adding at the end the following:

11 “(11) provides that the State agency shall sub-  
12 mit to the Secretary such reports as the Secretary  
13 may require not more frequently than annually, on  
14 the steps being taken by the State agency to—

15 “(A) identify youth in foster care under  
16 the responsibility of the State who are expect-  
17 ant or parenting (including as a noncustodial  
18 parent);

19 “(B) increase access to sexual health care  
20 information and services, including all methods  
21 of contraception for youth in foster care;

22 “(C) prevent unintended pregnancies  
23 among youth in foster care under the responsi-  
24 bility of the State;

25 “(D) promote the well-being of foster  
26 youth under the responsibility of the State who

1 are expectant or parenting (including as a non-  
2 custodial parent), and their children, by pro-  
3 viding coordinated services to the youth that  
4 support their development and the development  
5 of their children, including assistance to ob-  
6 tain—

7 “(i) an education (including by main-  
8 taining or restoring a connection to an  
9 educational institution);

10 “(ii) Medicaid coverage for both pre-  
11 natal care and postpartum health care;

12 “(iii) mental and behavioral health  
13 care;

14 “(iv) appropriate housing;

15 “(v) employment and job training;

16 and

17 “(vi) other services that support pa-  
18 rental and child well-being (such as home  
19 visiting services, early intervention services,  
20 early childhood education, child care, and  
21 child care assistance);

22 “(E) train caseworkers, foster parents, and  
23 other foster care facility caregivers and staff on  
24 how to support foster youth in preventing unin-  
25 tended pregnancies and to promote the well-

1 being of foster youth who are expectant or par-  
2 enting (including as a noncustodial parent), and  
3 their children;

4 “(F) improve supports for foster youth  
5 who are expectant or parenting (including as a  
6 noncustodial parent) by minimizing the number  
7 of placements, both during pregnancy and after  
8 delivery, for foster youth who become pregnant  
9 and by implementing specialized recruitment,  
10 training, retention, and support for foster par-  
11 ents who mentor and care for young parents  
12 and their children together;

13 “(G) monitor the well-being of the children  
14 of youth in foster care, including their enroll-  
15 ment in early education programs, access to ap-  
16 propriate developmental assessments and inter-  
17 ventions if needed, and their involvement in the  
18 child welfare system (such as in child abuse and  
19 neglect investigations or foster care place-  
20 ments); and

21 “(H) train caseworkers to promote coordi-  
22 nated efforts with the courts to support foster  
23 youth who are expectant or parenting (including  
24 as a noncustodial parent), and recognize that  
25 services for young parents and their children

1           can be provided without bringing their children  
2           into the child welfare system.”.

3           (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—

4           (1) IN GENERAL.—The amendments made by  
5           subsection (a) shall take effect on the first day of  
6           the first fiscal year that begins one year or more  
7           after the date of the enactment of this Act, and shall  
8           apply to payments under subpart 2 of part B of title  
9           IV of the Social Security Act for calendar quarters  
10          beginning on or after such date.

11          (2) DELAY PERMITTED IF STATE LEGISLATION  
12          REQUIRED.—If the Secretary of Health and Human  
13          Services determines that State legislation (other  
14          than legislation appropriating funds) is required in  
15          order for a State plan developed pursuant to subpart  
16          2 of part B of title IV of the Social Security Act to  
17          meet the additional requirements imposed by the  
18          amendments made by subsection (a), the plan shall  
19          not be regarded as failing to meet any of the addi-  
20          tional requirements before the first day of the first  
21          calendar quarter beginning after the first regular  
22          session of the State legislature that begins after the  
23          date of the enactment of this Act. For purposes of  
24          the preceding sentence, if the State has a 2-year leg-  
25          islative session, each year of the session is deemed

1 to be a separate regular session of the State legisla-  
2 ture.

3 **SEC. 3. COMPETITIVE RESEARCH AND DEMONSTRATION**  
4 **GRANTS TO DEVELOP EVIDENCE-BASED AP-**  
5 **PROACHES TO SUPPORT FOSTER YOUTH IN**  
6 **SUCCESSFUL PARENTING.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subpart 2 of part B of title IV  
8 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 629–629i) is amend-  
9 ed—

10 (1) in section 437—

11 (A) in subsection (a), by striking  
12 “\$200,000,000” and inserting “\$250,000,000”;  
13 and

14 (B) in subsection (b), by adding at the end  
15 the following:

16 “(4) COMPETITIVE RESEARCH AND DEM-  
17 ONSTRATION GRANTS TO DEVELOP EVIDENCE-BASED  
18 APPROACHES TO SUPPORT FOSTER YOUTH IN SUC-  
19 CESSFUL PARENTING.—For any fiscal year for  
20 which the amount made available to carry out this  
21 section exceeds \$60,000,000, the Secretary shall re-  
22 serve the lesser of 50 percent of such excess or  
23 \$50,000,000 for grants under section 439A.”; and

24 (2) by adding at the end the following:

1 **“SEC. 439A. COMPETITIVE RESEARCH AND DEMONSTRATION GRANTS TO DEVELOP EVIDENCE-BASED**  
2 **APPROACHES TO SUPPORT FOSTER YOUTH**  
3 **IN SUCCESSFUL PARENTING.**

4  
5 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall make grants  
6 to States to identify and implement approaches to support  
7 foster youth in successful parenting that are age-appropriate, medically accurate, trauma-informed, culturally  
8 relevant, gender-responsive, and evidence-informed, and  
9 that focus on either or both of the following:  
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11 “(1) Developing strategies that focus on preventing unintended pregnancies among foster youth.  
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13 “(2) Promoting the well-being of foster youth who are expectant or parenting (including as a non-custodial parent), and their children.  
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16 “(b) PROGRAM QUALIFICATIONS.—In making grants  
17 under this section, the Secretary shall—

18 “(1) provide support for—

19 “(A) approaches that help identify, develop, replicate, and evaluate evidence-informed  
20 approaches to preventing unintended pregnancies among foster youth and promoting the  
21 well-being of foster youth who are expectant or parenting (including as a noncustodial parent),  
22 and their children, including ways to improve  
23 training for foster parents, child welfare staff,  
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1 and other foster care facility caregivers and  
2 staff;

3 “(B) approaches that address the specific  
4 needs and circumstances of different groups of  
5 foster youth, such as older youth preparing to  
6 exit care, those living in a variety of settings,  
7 those who are already parents, those in rural  
8 areas, those who identify across the sexual ori-  
9 entation and gender-identity spectrum (includ-  
10 ing gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgender),  
11 youth of color, youth with disabilities, and non-  
12 custodial parents;

13 “(C) approaches that coordinate with other  
14 Federal, State, or local programs and related  
15 research on addressing the prevention of unin-  
16 tended pregnancies among foster youth (or  
17 other relevant youth) or the promotion of the  
18 well-being of foster youth (or other relevant  
19 youth) who are expectant or parenting (includ-  
20 ing as a noncustodial parent) and their chil-  
21 dren, including—

22 “(i) the Teen Pregnancy Prevention  
23 program of the Office of Adolescent  
24 Health;



1                   “(ii) the Personal Responsibility Edu-  
2                   cation Program under section 513; and

3                   “(iii) the Pregnancy Assistance Fund  
4                   established under section 10212 of Public  
5                   Law 111–148;

6                   “(D) approaches that coordinate with  
7                   other Federal, State, or local programs that  
8                   successfully connect foster youth (or other rel-  
9                   evant youth) to important services that support  
10                  their development and the development of their  
11                  children, including services described in clauses  
12                  (i) through (vi) of section 432(a)(11)(D);

13                  “(E) approaches that focus on specialized  
14                  recruitment and training of foster families who  
15                  are committed to supporting foster youth who  
16                  are expectant or parenting (including as a non-  
17                  custodial parent), and their children;

18                  “(F) approaches that identify and imple-  
19                  ment a sexual health curriculum aimed at edu-  
20                  cating foster youth on pregnancy and parenting  
21                  services, healthy romantic relationships, and,  
22                  for expectant youth, education on healthy devel-  
23                  opment of babies, including prenatal and  
24                  postpartum care and parent training to prepare  
25                  to care for their children; and

1           “(G) approaches that promote collabora-  
2           tion among key public and private stakeholders  
3           (such as child welfare and juvenile justice sys-  
4           tems, courts, health and mental health pro-  
5           viders, higher education institutions, hospitals,  
6           and philanthropic organizations) to identify ef-  
7           fective ways to reduce unintended pregnancies  
8           among youth in foster care and to promote the  
9           well-being of foster youth who are expectant or  
10          parenting (including as a noncustodial parent);  
11          and

12          “(2) take into account input from current and  
13          former foster youth who have experienced unin-  
14          tended pregnancies or parented as foster youth.

15          “(c) APPLICATION.—To be eligible for a grant under  
16          this section, a State shall submit an application to the Sec-  
17          retary describing the activities the State intends to carry  
18          out using grant funds consistent with the requirements of  
19          this section and providing an assurance that the State will  
20          cooperate fully with any evaluation provided for by the  
21          Secretary under this section.

22          “(d) SELECTION OF GRANTEES.—In awarding grants  
23          under this section, the Secretary shall ensure that the  
24          grants are distributed to a diversity of States based on  
25          region, population size, racial or ethnic minority represen-

1 tation, economic well-being, or other factors that may in-  
2 form how the activities to be carried out using such grants  
3 address the needs of the country. No State may be award-  
4 ed more than 25 percent of the amounts reserved under  
5 section 437(b)(4) for a fiscal year unless such reserved  
6 amounts for such fiscal year exceed \$10,000,000.

7 “(e) AMOUNT OF GRANT.—The Secretary shall deter-  
8 mine the amount of each grant to be made under this sec-  
9 tion on the basis of the scope of the activities to be carried  
10 out using the grant.

11 “(f) EVALUATIONS.—The Secretary shall conduct  
12 evaluations of the activities carried out using each grant  
13 made under this section to build evidence of the effective-  
14 ness of the activities, with evidence ranging from emerg-  
15 ing, to promising, and to best practice. The evaluations  
16 shall—

17 “(1) determine the lessons learned (including  
18 barriers to success) as a result of the activities car-  
19 ried out using all such grants;

20 “(2) include research designs that encourage in-  
21 novation and reflect the nature of the activities un-  
22 dertaken, successful implementation efforts, and the  
23 needs of the communities, without prioritizing effi-  
24 cacy research over effectiveness research;

1           “(3) recognize that both efficacy and effective-  
2           ness research (including statistical modeling re-  
3           search) using rigorous designs are needed over time  
4           to understand the success of activities with the tar-  
5           get populations in real-world circumstances; and

6           “(4) to the extent practicable, help to build  
7           local evaluation capacity, including the capacity to  
8           use evaluation data to inform continuous program  
9           improvement.

10          “(g) REPORTS.—

11           “(1) STATE REPORTS.—Each State to which a  
12           grant is made under this section for a fiscal year  
13           shall submit to the Secretary a report on the use of  
14           the grant.

15           “(2) REPORT TO THE CONGRESS.—Not later  
16           than September 30, 2022, and every 5 years there-  
17           after, the Secretary shall submit to the Congress a  
18           report on the activities supported by the grants  
19           made under this section. The report shall include the  
20           evaluation conducted under subsection (d) and the  
21           recommendations of the Secretary for policy changes  
22           to decrease unintended pregnancies among foster  
23           youth and to promote the well-being of foster youth  
24           who are expectant or parenting (including as a non-  
25           custodial parent), and their children.

1 “(h) RESERVATIONS OF FUNDS.—Of the amounts re-  
2 served under section 437(b)(4) for a fiscal year:

3 “(1) Not more than 10 percent shall be re-  
4 served for evaluation of the programs funded under  
5 this section during the fiscal year.

6 “(2) Not more than 10 percent shall be re-  
7 served to administer this section and provide tech-  
8 nical assistance to the States in using grants made  
9 under this section during the fiscal year.

10 “(3) Five percent shall be reserved for grants  
11 to Indian tribes under this section for the fiscal  
12 year.

13 “(4) Three percent shall be reserved for grants  
14 to territories under this section for the fiscal year.”.

15 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
16 this section shall take effect on October 1, 2017.

17 **SEC. 4. CLARIFYING EXISTING SUPPORTS IN CURRENT**  
18 **LAW.**

19 (a) CLARIFICATION THAT PREGNANCY AND PAR-  
20 ENTING ARE SUFFICIENT REASONS TO REMAIN IN FOS-  
21 TER CARE UNTIL AGE 21.—Section 475(8)(B)(iv) of the  
22 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 675(8)(B)(iv)) is amend-  
23 ed—

24 (1) by striking “or” at the end of subclause  
25 (IV);

1           (2) by striking the period at the end of sub-  
2           clause (V) and inserting “; or”; and

3           (3) by adding at the end the following:

4                               “(VI) expectant or parenting (in-  
5                               cluding as a noncustodial parent).”.

6           (b) CLARIFICATION THAT STATES, BEFORE REMOV-  
7           ING CHILDREN FROM FOSTER YOUTH, MUST MAKE AC-  
8           TIVE EFFORTS TO KEEP THE PARENTS WITH THEIR  
9           CHILDREN, AND MUST PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF THE  
10          PARENTS.—Section 471(a)(15) of such Act (42 U.S.C.  
11          671(a)(15)) is amended—

12           (1) by striking “and” at the end of subpara-  
13          graph (E);

14           (2) by adding at the end the following:

15                               “(G) before removing a child from parents  
16                               who are in foster care, the State shall obtain a  
17                               judicial finding that the State—

18                                       “(i) has made, and documented, active  
19                                       efforts to keep the parents with the child;  
20                                       and

21                                       “(ii) has protected the rights of the  
22                                       parents with respect to the child; and

23                               “(H) if a child is removed from parents  
24                               who are in foster care, the State shall ensure  
25                               that the following accommodations are made to

1 support the healthy attachment and eventual  
2 reunification of the parent and child:

3 “(i) frequent visitation to match the  
4 recommended guidelines by national ex-  
5 perts in early child development;

6 “(ii) regular coordination between the  
7 case worker for the child and the case-  
8 worker for the parents; and

9 “(iii) long-term planning to ensure  
10 that placement setting does not present a  
11 barrier to reunification;”.

12 (c) CLARIFY THAT THE LAW DOES NOT REQUIRE  
13 CHILDREN BORN TO FOSTER YOUTH TO ENTER FOSTER  
14 CARE, AND THAT SUCH CHILDREN CAN RECEIVE SERV-  
15 ICES FOR FOSTER CHILDREN WITHOUT ENTERING FOS-  
16 TER CARE; PROHIBIT STATES FROM REQUIRING FOSTER  
17 YOUTH TO PUT THEIR CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE IN  
18 ORDER TO REMAIN TOGETHER OR RECEIVE ASSIST-  
19 ANCE.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 471(a) of such Act  
21 (42 U.S.C. 671(a)) is amended—

22 (A) by striking “and” at the end of para-  
23 graph (34);

24 (B) by striking the period at the end of  
25 paragraph (35) and inserting a semicolon; and

1 (C) by adding at the end the following:

2 “(36) provides that the State shall have in  
3 place such laws and procedures as are necessary—

4 “(A) to ensure that a child born to one or  
5 more parents in foster care under the responsi-  
6 bility of the State—

7 “(i) is not placed in foster care under  
8 the responsibility of the State solely be-  
9 cause of the age or foster youth status of  
10 the parents; and

11 “(ii) is placed in a setting that accom-  
12 modates the child and the parents;

13 “(B) to prohibit the State from requiring  
14 a foster youth who is expectant or parenting  
15 (including as a noncustodial parent) to place  
16 their children into foster care in order for the  
17 foster youth to remain together with the chil-  
18 dren or to receive services provided to, or for  
19 the benefit of, foster youth.”.

20 (2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—

21 (A) IN GENERAL.—The amendments made  
22 by this subsection shall take effect on the first  
23 day of the first fiscal year that begins one year  
24 or more after the date of the enactment of this  
25 Act, and shall apply to payments under part E



1 of title IV of the Social Security Act for cal-  
2 endar quarters beginning on or after such date.

3 (B) DELAY PERMITTED IF STATE LEGISLA-  
4 TION REQUIRED.—If the Secretary of Health  
5 and Human Services determines that State leg-  
6 islation (other than legislation appropriating  
7 funds) is required in order for a State plan de-  
8 veloped pursuant to part E of title IV of the  
9 Social Security Act to meet the additional re-  
10 quirements imposed by the amendments made  
11 by this subsection, the plan shall not be re-  
12 garded as failing to meet any of the additional  
13 requirements before the first day of the first  
14 calendar quarter beginning after the first reg-  
15 ular session of the State legislature that begins  
16 after the date of the enactment of this Act. For  
17 purposes of the preceding sentence, if the State  
18 has a 2-year legislative session, each year of the  
19 session is deemed to be a separate regular ses-  
20 sion of the State legislature.

21 (d) CLARIFY THAT THE TRANSITION PLANS FOR  
22 PARENTS IN FOSTER CARE AND THEIR CHILDREN  
23 SHOULD BE INDIVIDUALIZED TO MEET THE UNIQUE  
24 NEEDS OF THE YOUNG FAMILY.—Section 475(5)(H) of  
25 such Act (42 U.S.C. 675(5)(H)) is amended by inserting

1 “, and if the youth is expectant or parenting (including  
2 as a noncustodial parent), covers the period beginning at  
3 least 12 months before the youth is scheduled to leave fos-  
4 ter care, focuses on developing and maintaining support  
5 networks for foster youth who are parents through com-  
6 munity, family, and others, ensuring adequate family in-  
7 come, including through referrals to State programs fund-  
8 ed under part A, and promoting the developmental needs  
9 of their children, identifies specific programs and services  
10 that will help support the unique needs of such a youth  
11 and their children, is developed in collaboration with the  
12 youth and other stakeholders from areas such as edu-  
13 cation, health care services, mental and behavioral health  
14 services, housing, employment and training, and other  
15 services that support parental and child well-being (such  
16 as home visiting services, early intervention services, early  
17 childhood education, child care, and child care assist-  
18 ance)” before the semicolon.

19 (e) OUTREACH TO ENSURE THAT YOUTH LEAVING  
20 FOSTER CARE ARE PROVIDED INFORMATION ABOUT  
21 THEIR HEALTH INSURANCE OPTIONS.—The Secretary of  
22 Health and Human Services shall conduct outreach to in-  
23 form each State that section 475(5)(H) of the Social Secu-  
24 rity Act requires a caseworker for a youth who is due to  
25 age out of foster care within 90 days to provide the youth

1 with assistance and support in developing a transition plan  
2 that includes specific options on health insurance for the  
3 youth (including enrollment in the State plan under title  
4 XIX of the Social Security Act pursuant to section  
5 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(IX) of such Act) and any documenta-  
6 tion needed to secure such insurance.

7 **SEC. 5. REQUIREMENT THAT THE FEDERAL INTERAGENCY**  
8 **WORK GROUP ON CHILD ABUSE AND NE-**  
9 **GLECT ADDRESS ISSUES FACING FOSTER**  
10 **YOUTH WHO ARE EXPECTANT OR PAR-**  
11 **ENTING.**

12 The Federal Interagency Work Group on Child Abuse  
13 and Neglect shall identify, and seek ways to address,  
14 issues facing foster youth who are expectant or parenting  
15 (including as a noncustodial parent), including consider-  
16 ation of data collected pursuant to section 479A(7)(B) of  
17 the Social Security Act, educating child welfare staff and  
18 agencies about the rights of the youth and the permanent  
19 negative limits on the youth's employability and volunteer  
20 work with minors when placing the children of foster  
21 youth in care, and consulting with current and former fos-  
22 ter youth with relevant experience to inform recommenda-  
23 tions.

1 **SEC. 6. ENCOURAGEMENT TO SHARE INFORMATION ON**  
2 **HOW TO PREVENT UNINTENDED PREGNANCY**  
3 **AMONG FOSTER YOUTH, AND TO SUPPORT**  
4 **FOSTER YOUTH WHO ARE PARENTS.**

5 The Secretary of Health and Human Services is en-  
6 couraged to promote the sharing of emerging lessons, re-  
7 search, and best practices about preventing teen preg-  
8 nancy among foster youth, and enable foster youth who  
9 are parents to receive support from those working in the  
10 fields of teen pregnancy prevention and child welfare.

11 **SEC. 7. CONNECTING FOSTER YOUTH WHO ARE EXPECT-**  
12 **ANT OR PARENTING WITH RELEVANT PRO-**  
13 **GRAMS AND SERVICES.**

14 Section 475(1) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 675(1)) is  
15 amended by adding at the end the following:

16 “(H) In the case of a foster youth who is  
17 expectant or parenting (including as a non-cus-  
18 todial parent), a written plan to address the  
19 safety and developmental well-being of any chil-  
20 dren of the foster youth, regardless of whether  
21 such children are under the care of the State,  
22 that includes—

23 “(i) a description of the programs and  
24 services available to assist a youth who is  
25 expectant or parenting (including as a non-  
26 custodial parent) in supporting the healthy

1 development of their young children, in-  
2 cluding, as applicable, high-quality early  
3 childhood programs (including the Child  
4 Care Development Block Grant, child care  
5 assistance, Early Head Start, Head Start,  
6 programs under the Individuals with Dis-  
7 abilities Education Act, including early  
8 intervention services, and home visiting  
9 services), the Medicaid program and pro-  
10 grams through which participants may ac-  
11 cess a pediatric medical home or receive  
12 regular health, mental health, or behavioral  
13 health care, food security programs (in-  
14 cluding the Supplemental Nutrition Assist-  
15 ance Program and the Special Supple-  
16 mental Nutrition Program for Women, In-  
17 fants, and Children), homelessness pro-  
18 grams (including HUD transitional hous-  
19 ing and the Supportive Housing Program),  
20 and other relevant Federal or State pro-  
21 grams, and

22 “(ii) assurances that the State agency  
23 will provide the foster youth with assist-  
24 ance with enrolling in the programs and  
25 services described in clause (i) and will

1 provide any children of the foster youth  
2 with assistance without requiring the child  
3 to enter foster care.”.

4 **SEC. 8. STATE CERTIFICATIONS UNDER THE JOHN H.**  
5 **CHAFEE FOSTER CARE INDEPENDENCE PRO-**  
6 **GRAM.**

7 Section 477(b)(3) of the Social Security Act (42  
8 U.S.C. 677(b)(3)) is amended—

9 (1) in subparagraph (F)—

10 (A) by inserting “pregnancy prevention  
11 programs,” before “local housing”; and

12 (B) by striking “and” the last place it ap-  
13 pears; and

14 (C) by inserting before the period the fol-  
15 lowing: “, and with other prevention and sup-  
16 port programs for youth who are expectant or  
17 parenting (including as a noncustodial parent),  
18 including high-quality early childhood learning  
19 programs, the Special Supplemental Nutrition  
20 Program for Women, Infants, and Children, the  
21 Early Head Start program, the Medicaid pro-  
22 gram, programs providing subsidies for child  
23 care, programs offering early intervention serv-  
24 ices, programs through which participants may  
25 access a pediatric medical home or receive reg-

1           ular health care visits, and other relevant Fed-  
2           eral programs”; and

3           (2) by adding at the end the following:

4                   “(L) A certification by the chief executive  
5           officer of the State that the State will ensure  
6           that each youth participating in the program  
7           under this section who is expectant or parenting  
8           (including as a noncustodial parent) will receive  
9           independent and transition planning services  
10          that can support them in raising a child, includ-  
11          ing financial literacy, budgeting, asset-building,  
12          housing assistance, employment and job train-  
13          ing, education, health care, and mental health  
14          care services, (including through the State Med-  
15          icaid program), and information on parenting  
16          and services for their children (including home  
17          visiting, early childhood education, early inter-  
18          vention services, child care, and child care as-  
19          sistance).”.

20   **SEC. 9. IDENTIFICATION OF MINOR PARENTS IN THE AN-**  
21                   **NUAL REPORT.**

22          Section 479A(a)(7)(B) of the Social Security Act (42  
23   U.S.C. 679b(a)(7)(B)) is amended by inserting before the  
24   period at the end the following: “, including the number  
25   of such children of each age who are 18 or older and the

- 1 number of such children of each age who are under the
- 2 age of 18”.

