

# HR 2644

Indian Child Welfare Act Amendments of 2001

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Chamber: House

**Policy Area:** Native Americans **Introduced:** Jul 25, 2001

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### **Sponsor**

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## **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 25, 2001

### **Subjects & Policy Tags**

### **Policy Area:**

Native Americans

#### **Related Bills**

No related bills are listed.

#### **Summary** (as of Jul 25, 2001)

Indian Child Welfare Act Amendments of 2001 - Amends the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978 (the Act) to provide for retention by an Indian tribe of exclusive jurisdiction over child custody proceedings involving Indian children that are or become wards of a tribal court of that tribe, except in Alaska, where the State and tribe shall have concurrent jurisdiction.

Requires the determination of the appropriate foster or adoptive home placement of Indian children to include placement in homes that reflect the unique values of Indian culture.

Revises requirements with respect to: (1) voluntary termination of parental rights; and (2) withdrawal of consent to such termination or to adoption.

Requires a party seeking the voluntary placement of an Indian child or the voluntary termination of parental rights to provide written notice to such child's tribe. Provides conditions under which an Indian tribe may intervene in such actions.

Requires a party that terminates or changes the voluntary adoptive placement of an Indian child, or that commences a proceeding for the adoption of an Indian child, to provide written notice thereof to such child's parents.

Revises requirements with respect to: (1) disclosure of information regarding the biological parents of an adopted Indian child; and (2) resumption of State jurisdiction over Indian child custody proceedings.

Subjects to criminal sanctions a person who makes fraudulent representations with respect to any proceeding under the Act.

Authorizes a court to approve visitation rights with respect to an adopted Indian child.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Aug 1, 2001: Executive Comment Requested from Interior.
- Jul 25, 2001: Introduced in House
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- Jul 25, 2001: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E1426-1427)
- Jul 25, 2001: Referred to the House Committee on Resources.