

S 2706

Kinship Caregiver Support Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Families

Introduced: Jul 21, 2004

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Jul 21, 2004)

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Committee Activity

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Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Kinship Caregiver Support Act - Authorizes the Assistant Secretary for Children and Families of the Department of Health and Human Services to make grants for kinship navigator programs to State agencies, metropolitan agencies, or tribal organizations with experience in addressing needs of kinship caregivers or children and connecting them with services and assistance.

Amends part E (Federal Payments for Foster Care and Adoption Assistance) of title IV of the Social Security Act to authorize all States to opt to enter agreements to provide kinship guardianship assistance payments on behalf of children to grandparents and other relatives who have assumed legal guardianship of children for whom they have cared as foster parents and have committed to care for on a permanent basis. Allows States to use part E funds to make such payments under specified conditions.

Requires States to: (1) notify all adult grandparents and other adult relatives (with exceptions due to family or domestic violence) when a child is removed from custody of a parent or parents; and (2) explain the options the relative has to participate in the child's care and placement.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 21, 2004:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jul 21, 2004:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S8557-8558)
- **Jul 21, 2004:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

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