

HR 2750

Indian Child Welfare Act Amendments of 2003

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Native Americans

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Young, Don [R-AK-At Large]

Party: Republican • **State:** AK • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (3 total)

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 15, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Native Americans

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Indian Child Welfare Act Amendments of 2003 - Amends the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978 concerning: (1) the application of the Act to any Indian child involved in a child custody proceeding regardless of whether such child has ever been part of an Indian family or maintained a social or cultural relationship with an Indian tribe; (2) jurisdiction over child custody and child adoption proceedings; (3) transfer of jurisdiction to tribal court; (4) intervention in state court proceedings, including the intervention rights of the extended family; (5) full faith and credit of tribal court judgments; (6) pending involuntary child custody proceedings, including a prohibition against prebirth involuntary custody proceedings; (7) voluntary termination of parental rights; (8) withdrawal of consent before a final decree; (9) notice to Indian tribes of the voluntary termination of parental rights or voluntary placement of a child; (10) intervention by an Indian tribe upon filing a notice of intent or a written objection; (11) written notice to parents of a terminated or changed adoptive placement or a commenced proceeding to adopt; (12) notice to extended family members; (13) invalidation of child custody proceedings; (14) expanded release of information concerning the tribal affiliation of biological parents; (15) assumption of jurisdiction over child custody proceedings by Indian tribes; (16) agreements between States and Indian tribes as they affect jurisdiction; (17) the content of notices with respect to pending involuntary child custody proceedings; (18) criminal sanctions for fraudulent representation during Indian child adoption proceedings; (19) visitation as an enforceable right; (20) Alaska Native postadoption inheritance rights; (21) promulgation of regulations governing compliance reviews; and (22) the application of these requirements to children of State-recognized and Canadian tribes.

Amends the Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Prevention Act to deem investigations conducted under such Act, and any foster or adoptive home licensed or approved by an Indian tribe under standards equal to or more stringent than those established under such Act, to satisfy the requirement of any other pertinent Federal law.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 24, 2003:** Executive Comment Requested from Interior, HHS.
- **Jul 15, 2003:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 15, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E1484)
- **Jul 15, 2003:** Referred to the House Committee on Resources.

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