

## HR 911

Stop Child Abuse in Residential Programs for Teens Act of 2009

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Families

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**Latest Action:** Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities Discharged. (Mar 23, 2009)

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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Discharged from	Mar 23, 2009
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 24, 2009

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Families

## Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Feb 23, 2009)

**(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary has been expanded because action occurred on the measure.)**

Stop Child Abuse in Residential Programs for Teens Act of 2009 - (Sec. 3) Directs the Assistant Secretary for Children and Families of the Department of Health and Human Services to require each location of a covered program to meet specified minimum standards if individually or together with other locations it has an effect on interstate commerce.

Defines "covered program" as one operated by a public or private entity that with respect to one or more children unrelated to the program owner or operator: (1) provides a residential environment; and (2) operates with a focus on serving children with emotional, behavioral, or mental health problems or disorders, or problems with alcohol or substance abuse.

Directs the Assistant Secretary to: (1) implement an ongoing review process for investigating and evaluating reports of child abuse and neglect; (2) establish public websites with information about each covered program, as well as a national toll-free telephone hotline to receive complaints; (3) establish civil penalties for violations of standards; and (4) establish a process to ensure that complaints received by the hotline are promptly reviewed by persons with appropriate expertise.

(Sec. 4) Requires the Assistant Secretary to refer any violation of such standards to the Attorney General for appropriate action. Authorizes the Attorney General to file such a complaint on his or her own initiative regardless of whether such a referral has been made.

(Sec. 6) Authorizes appropriations for FY2010-FY2014.

(Sec. 7) Amends the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act to establish additional eligibility requirements for grants to states to prevent child abuse and neglect at residential programs. Require such states to develop policies and procedures to prevent child abuse and neglect at covered programs consistent with the standards specified by this Act.

(Sec. 8) Directs the Secretary of Health and Human Services to study and report to Congress on outcomes for children in both private and public covered programs under this Act encompassing a broad representation of treatment facilities and geographic regions.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Mar 23, 2009:** Late Referral to Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities (March 23, 2009).
- **Mar 23, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities.
- **Mar 23, 2009:** Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities Discharged.
- **Feb 24, 2009:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
- **Feb 23, 2009:** Mrs. McCarthy (NY) moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Feb 23, 2009:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H1629-1634)
- **Feb 23, 2009:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 911.
- **Feb 23, 2009:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Feb 23, 2009:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H1634-1635)
- **Feb 23, 2009:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 295 - 102 (Roll no. 72).(text: CR H1629-1632)
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- **Feb 23, 2009:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Feb 11, 2009:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Feb 11, 2009:** Ordered to be Reported by the Yeas and Nays: 32 - 10.
- **Feb 9, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 9, 2009:** Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.