

S 1069

Every Child Deserves a Family Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Families

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Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (May 23, 2013)

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Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Sep 9, 2013
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Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		Nov 6, 2013
Sen. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI]	D · WI		Dec 11, 2013
Sen. Udall, Mark [D-CO]	D · CO		Feb 4, 2014
Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]	D · CA		Feb 24, 2014
Sen. Begich, Mark [D-AK]	D · AK		Mar 24, 2014
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Apr 29, 2014
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Jun 2, 2014

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 23, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Families

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 HR 2028	Identical bill	May 16, 2013: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

Summary (as of May 23, 2013)

Every Child Deserves a Family Act - Prohibits an entity that receives federal assistance and is involved in adoption or foster care placements from discriminating against prospective adoptive or foster parents solely on the basis of their sexual orientation, gender identification, or marital status or on the basis of the sexual orientation or gender identity of the child involved.

Requires the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS), in order to ensure compliance with, and ensure understanding of the legal, practice, and culture changes required by this Act in making foster care and adoption placement decisions, to provide specified technical assistance to all entities covered by this Act.

Requires a Government Accountability Office (GAO) study of whether states have substantially complied with this Act in eliminating policies, practices, or statutes that deny adoption rights on the basis of these criteria.

Actions Timeline

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