

## S 1878

### Protecting Youth At-Risk for Sex Trafficking Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Social Welfare

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## Sponsor

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**Party:** Democratic • **State:** MT • **Chamber:** Senate

## Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Dec 19, 2013
Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]	D · PA		Dec 19, 2013
Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]	R · IA		Dec 19, 2013
Sen. Hatch, Orrin G. [R-UT]	R · UT		Dec 19, 2013
Sen. Rockefeller, John D., IV [D-WV]	D · WV		Dec 19, 2013
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Dec 19, 2013
Sen. Portman, Rob [R-OH]	R · OH		Jan 13, 2014
Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]	R · MS		Jul 8, 2014

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Dec 20, 2013

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Social Welfare

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 S 1870	Related bill	Feb 6, 2014: By Senator Baucus from Committee on Finance filed written report. Report No. 113-137. Minority views filed.

Protecting Youth At-Risk for Sex Trafficking Act - Amends part E (Foster Care and Adoption Assistance) of title IV of the Social Security Act (SSA) to require the state agency under its foster care and adoption assistance program plan to demonstrate to the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) that it has developed, and is implementing, policies and procedures for identifying and screening any child who the state has reasonable cause to believe is a victim of sex trafficking or is at risk of being a victim of trafficking.

Prescribes additional case plan and case review system requirements for placement of a child in another planned permanent living arrangement.

Requires a permanency plan for a child age 14 or older to be developed in consultation with the child, and allows the child to choose up to two members of his or her case planning team.

Requires foster youth to be discharged from care only if provided with an official birth certificate, a Social Security card, a driver's license or equivalent state-issued identification care, and a fee-free (or low-fee) bank account. Subjects any state to an administrative penalty for noncompliance.

Requires the state plan to require the state agency to: (1) identify and document each child who is a victim of sex trafficking or a victim of severe forms of trafficking in persons, and (2) report to law enforcement authorities within 24 hours after receiving any information on missing or abducted children for entry into the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) database of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

Amends part A of SSA title XI to require the head of each federal agency to report to Congress recommendations for expanding safe housing for youth victims of trafficking.

Directs the Secretary to establish a National Advisory Committee on Domestic Sex Trafficking.

## **Actions Timeline**

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