

## HR 2640

Every Child Deserves a Family Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Families

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Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Jan 19, 2018

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Rep. Grijalva, Raúl M. [D-AZ-3]	D · AZ		Jan 19, 2018
Rep. Bass, Karen [D-CA-37]	D · CA		Feb 16, 2018
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Rep. Wasserman Schultz, Debbie [D-FL-23]	D · FL		Apr 27, 2018
Rep. Doyle, Michael F. [D-PA-14]	D · PA		May 10, 2018
Rep. Takano, Mark [D-CA-41]	D · CA		May 10, 2018
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Rep. Gomez, Jimmy [D-CA-34]	D · CA		Jun 7, 2018
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Rep. Lowenthal, Alan S. [D-CA-47]	D · CA		Jun 7, 2018
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Rep. Clark, Katherine M. [D-MA-5]	D · MA		Sep 25, 2018
Rep. Clarke, Yvette D. [D-NY-9]	D · NY		Sep 25, 2018
Rep. Deutch, Theodore E. [D-FL-22]	D · FL		Sep 25, 2018
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Rep. Johnson, Henry C. "Hank," Jr. [D-GA-4]	D · GA		Sep 25, 2018
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Sep 25, 2018
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Rep. Beatty, Joyce [D-OH-3]	D · OH		Nov 30, 2018
Rep. Bishop, Sanford D., Jr. [D-GA-2]	D · GA		Nov 30, 2018
Rep. DelBene, Suzan K. [D-WA-1]	D · WA		Nov 30, 2018

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Rep. Doggett, Lloyd [D-TX-35]	D · TX		Nov 30, 2018
Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Nov 30, 2018
Rep. Gutierrez, Luis V. [D-IL-4]	D · IL		Nov 30, 2018
Rep. Kuster, Ann M. [D-NH-2]	D · NH		Nov 30, 2018
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Rep. Perlmutter, Ed [D-CO-7]	D · CO		Nov 30, 2018
Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Nov 30, 2018
Rep. Scott, David [D-GA-13]	D · GA		Nov 30, 2018
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Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	D · VA		Dec 12, 2018
Rep. Costa, Jim [D-CA-16]	D · CA		Dec 12, 2018
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Rep. Sánchez, Linda T. [D-CA-38]	D · CA		Dec 12, 2018
Rep. Speier, Jackie [D-CA-14]	D · CA		Dec 12, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 7, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Families

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 1303	Related bill	<b>Jun 7, 2017:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

## **Every Child Deserves a Family Act**

This bill prohibits adoption or foster care placement entities that receive federal assistance from using the sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status of a prospective adoptive or foster parent, or from using the sexual orientation or gender identity of the child, to: (1) deny a person the opportunity to become an adoptive or foster parent; (2) delay or deny the placement of a child for adoption or into foster care; or (3) require different or additional screenings or procedures for adoptive or foster placement decisions, including whether to seek the termination of birth parent rights or to make a child legally available for adoptive placement.

This bill directs the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to publish guidance on legal compliance with the requirements of this bill and to assist entities with casework practices, recruitment efforts, and cultural competency training.

This bill allows HHS to withhold payments under part B (Child and Family Services) or part E (Foster Care and Adoption Assistance) of title IV of the Social Security Act from states that fail to comply with the requirements of this bill.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jun 7, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Human Resources.
- **May 24, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **May 24, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.