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Missing Children's Assistance Act of 2018

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]

Party: Republican • **State:** IA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (9 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Aug 16, 2018
Sen. Hatch, Orrin G. [R-UT]	R · UT		Aug 16, 2018
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Aug 16, 2018
Sen. Portman, Rob [R-OH]	R · OH		Aug 16, 2018
Sen. Heller, Dean [R-NV]	R · NV		Aug 20, 2018
Sen. Tillis, Thomas [R-NC]	R · NC		Aug 20, 2018
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Aug 27, 2018
Sen. Cornyn, John [R-TX]	R · TX		Sep 12, 2018
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Sep 17, 2018

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Reported By	Sep 18, 2018

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 1312	Related bill	Dec 21, 2018: Became Public Law No: 115-393.
115 HR 4601	Related bill	Jan 22, 2018: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations.
115 HR 1808	Related bill	May 24, 2017: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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(Sec. 2) This bill amends the Missing Children's Assistance Act:

- to revise the definition of "missing child" to mean an individual under 18 years of age whose whereabouts are unknown to the individual's parent (currently, legal custodian),
- to specify that a parent includes a legal guardian or an individual who functions as a parent (e.g., a grandparent),
- to revise the functions and duties of the National Center on Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC), and
- to require the NCMEC to make publicly available the annual report on missing children and the incidence of attempted child abductions.

(Sec. 3) The bill reauthorizes through FY2023 the following:

- programs and activities for missing and exploited children, and
- audit requirements for grant recipients.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 11, 2018:** Signed by President.
- **Oct 11, 2018:** Became Public Law No: 115-267.
- **Oct 2, 2018:** Presented to President.
- **Sep 28, 2018:** Received in the House.
- **Sep 28, 2018:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Sep 28, 2018:** Held at the desk.
- **Sep 28, 2018:** Mr. Guthrie asked unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table and consider.
- **Sep 28, 2018:** Considered by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR H9358-9359)
- **Sep 28, 2018:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed without objection.(text: CR H9358-9359)
- **Sep 28, 2018:** On passage Passed without objection. (text: CR H9358-9359)
- **Sep 28, 2018:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 27, 2018:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S6364)
- **Sep 27, 2018:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Sep 27, 2018:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Sep 18, 2018:** Committee on the Judiciary. Reported by Senator Grassley without amendment. Without written report.
- **Sep 18, 2018:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 583.
- **Sep 13, 2018:** Committee on the Judiciary. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Aug 16, 2018:** Introduced in Senate
- **Aug 16, 2018:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: CR S5694)