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Supporting Family Mental Health in CAPTA Act

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Sep 17, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 2971	Related bill	Jan 15, 2020: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 408.
116 HR 2503	Identical bill	May 2, 2019: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.

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This bill revises various programs that address the prevention and treatment of child abuse.

For example, the bill expands the Child Welfare Information Gateway to include best practices for referrals to resources for physical, behavioral, and mental health and developmental needs.

The bill also revises child abuse research programs to include elements such as (1) effective methods to address geographic, racial, and cultural inequities in the child welfare system; and (2) prevention of child abuse and neglect in families that have not had contact with the child welfare system. It further specifies that certain technical assistance must address, as applicable, best practices to prevent child abuse and neglect in families with complex needs (i.e., those who have experienced domestic violence or substance use disorders).

Additionally, the bill makes changes to specified grant programs for child abuse and neglect. Among these changes, it requires programs to include training on (1) improving coordination among child protective services agencies, health care providers, and community resources; and (2) the links between child abuse and neglect and domestic violence and approaches to working with families with mental health needs or substance use disorders. It also modifies the contents of applications related to these grants.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 22, 2020:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Sep 22, 2020:** Received in the House.
- **Sep 22, 2020:** Held at the desk.
- **Sep 17, 2020:** Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions discharged by Unanimous Consent.
- **Sep 17, 2020:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S5716-5717)
- **Sep 17, 2020:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Sep 17, 2020:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
- **Apr 11, 2019:** Introduced in Senate
- **Apr 11, 2019:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.