

HR 8774

FAMILIES Act

Congress: 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Crime and Law Enforcement

Introduced: Nov 18, 2020

Current Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.

Latest Action: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary. (Nov 18, 2020)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Jayapal, Pramila [D-WA-7]

Party: Democratic • **State:** WA • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (5 total)

| Cosponsor | Party / State | Role | Date Joined |
|---|---------------|------|--------------|
| Rep. Trone, David J. [D-MD-6] | D · MD | | Nov 24, 2020 |
| Rep. Haaland, Debra A. [D-NM-1] | D · NM | | Nov 27, 2020 |
| Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large] | D · DC | | Dec 2, 2020 |
| Rep. Cárdenas, Tony [D-CA-29] | D · CA | | Dec 4, 2020 |
| Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-13] | D · CA | | Dec 14, 2020 |

Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Judiciary Committee | House | Referred To | Nov 18, 2020 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 116 S 4916 | Identical bill | Nov 18, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. |

Finding Alternatives to Mass Incarceration: Lives Improved by Ending Separation Act of 2020 or the FAMILIES Act

This bill establishes and provides funds for a program to divert eligible individuals (e.g., parents of minor children and caregivers) from a term of imprisonment or probation into comprehensive support services (e.g., education, jobs, in-home parenting, and substance abuse treatment programs). Additionally, the bill provides funds for the training of district court judges, a study on the effects of incarceration on children of incarcerated parents, and grants to states for parenting sentencing alternative programs.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 18, 2020:** Introduced in House
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