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Native American Child Protection Act

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Sponsor

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Indian Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Oct 16, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Native Americans

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Oct 16, 2023)

Native American Child Protection Act

This bill revises certain programs related to the prevention, investigation, treatment, and prosecution of family violence, child abuse, and child neglect involving Indian children and families.

Specifically, the bill revises the Indian Child Abuse Treatment Grant Program to encourage the use of grants for culturally appropriate treatment services and programs.

The bill renames the Indian Child Resource and Family Services Centers as the National Indian Child Resource and Family Services Center. It also requires the center to (1) provide advice, technical assistance, and training to urban Indian organizations; (2) develop certain technical assistance materials for Indian tribes, tribal organizations, and urban Indian organizations; and (3) develop model intergovernmental agreements between tribes and states to prevent, investigate, treat, and prosecute incidents of family violence, child abuse, and child neglect involving Indian children and families.

Additionally, the bill revises the Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Prevention Program to allow Indian tribes, tribal organizations, and intertribal consortia to use program funds for additional activities, such as operational costs for child protective services.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 16, 2023:** Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Schatz without amendment. With written report No. 118-106.
- **Oct 16, 2023:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 227.
- **Jul 19, 2023:** Committee on Indian Affairs. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Jul 12, 2023:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jul 12, 2023:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

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