

Union Calendar No. 558

119TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 7655

[Report No. 119-641]

To amend section 477 of the Social Security Act to improve supports for expectant and parenting youth who have experienced foster care by strengthening coordination with the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 24, 2026

Mr. YAKYM (for himself and Mr. DAVIS of Illinois) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

MAY 11, 2026

Additional sponsors: Mr. BUCHANAN and Mr. SCHWEIKERT

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Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on February 24, 2026]

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 *This Act may be cited as the “Support for Expectant*
5 *and Parenting Foster Youth Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. ENSURING EXPECTANT AND PARENTING YOUTH**
7 **HAVE ACCESS TO SERVICES PROVIDED**
8 **THROUGH THE MATERNAL, INFANT, AND**
9 **EARLY CHILDHOOD HOME VISITING PRO-**
10 **GRAM.**

11 *(a) PURPOSE.—Section 477(a) of the Social Security*
12 *Act (42 U.S.C. 677(a)) is amended—*

13 *(1) in paragraph (6), by striking “and”;*

14 *(2) in paragraph (7), by striking the period and*
15 *inserting “; and”; and*

16 *(3) by adding at the end the following:*

17 *“(8) to connect foster youth in eligible families*
18 *(as such term is defined in section 511) who receive*
19 *services under this part with evidence-based home vis-*
20 *iting and support services provided under section*
21 *511.”.*

22 *(b) APPLICATIONS.—Section 477(b)(3) of such Act (42*
23 *U.S.C. 677(b)(3)) is amended by adding at the end the fol-*
24 *lowing:*

1 “(L) A certification by the chief executive
 2 officer of the State that the State has processes
 3 in place to ensure that a youth participating in
 4 the program under this section who is in an eli-
 5 gible family (as such term is defined in section
 6 511) is provided with information regarding evi-
 7 dence-based home visiting and support services
 8 provided in the State under section 511.”.

9 **SEC. 3. TAILORED CASE MANAGEMENT AND RESOURCE CO-**
 10 **ORDINATION SERVICES FOR PARENTING AND**
 11 **EXPECTANT YOUTH WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED**
 12 **FOSTER CARE.**

13 Section 477(d)(1) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
 14 677(d)(1)) is amended to read as follows:

15 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—A State to which an amount
 16 is paid from its allotment under subsection (c)(1)
 17 may use the amount—

18 “(A) to provide tailored case management
 19 and resource coordination services to youth oth-
 20 erwise eligible for services under the State pro-
 21 gram under this section who are expectant or
 22 parenting; or

23 “(B) in any manner that is reasonably cal-
 24 culated to accomplish the purposes of this sec-
 25 tion.”.

1 **SEC. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

2 *The amendments made by this Act shall take effect on*
3 *the date that is 1 year after the date of the enactment of*
4 *this Act and shall apply to payments under section 477*
5 *of the Social Security Act pursuant to plans approved by*
6 *the Secretary of Health and Human Services on or after*
7 *such date.*

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