

117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1713

To amend the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment and Adoption Reform Act of 1978 to require a study and report on adoption outcomes and the factors affecting those outcomes, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 9, 2021

Mr. SMUCKER (for himself and Ms. UNDERWOOD) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

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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. STUDY AND REPORT ON SUCCESSFUL ADOP-**
4 **TIONS.**

5 Section 204 of the Child Abuse Prevention and
6 Treatment and Adoption Reform Act of 1978 (42 U.S.C.
7 5114) is amended to read as follows:

1 **“SEC. 204. STUDY AND REPORT ON SUCCESSFUL ADOP-**
2 **TIONS.**

3 “(a) **STUDY.**—The Secretary shall conduct a study
4 (directly or by grant to, or contract with, public or private
5 nonprofit research agencies or organizations) on adoption
6 outcomes and the factors (including parental substance
7 use disorder) affecting those outcomes.

8 “(b) **REPORT.**—Not later than the date that is 36
9 months after the date of the enactment of the Stronger
10 Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act the Secretary
11 shall submit a report to Congress that includes the results
12 of the study required under subsection (a).”.

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