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A BILL

To reauthorize the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act, and
for other purposes.

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 “Runaway and Homeless*
5 *Youth and Trafficking Prevention Act of 2020”.*

6 **SEC. 2. REFERENCES.**

7 *Except as otherwise specifically provided, whenever in*
8 *this Act an amendment or repeal is expressed in terms of*
9 *an amendment to, or repeal of, a provision, the amendment*
10 *or repeal shall be considered to be made to a provision of*
11 *the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act (34 U.S.C. 11201*
12 *et seq.).*

13 **SEC. 3. FINDINGS.**

14 *Section 302 (34 U.S.C. 11201) is amended—*

15 *(1) in paragraph (1), by striking “share of, seri-*
16 *ous health, behavioral, and emotional problems” and*
17 *inserting “share of, trauma, serious health, behav-*
18 *ioral, social, and emotional problems, and substance*
19 *use disorder”;*

20 *(2) in paragraph (2), by inserting “socially, age,*
21 *gender, developmentally, culturally and” before “lin-*
22 *guistically appropriate”;*

23 *(3) by redesignating paragraphs (3) through (6),*
24 *as paragraphs (4) through (7), respectively;*

1 (4) by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-
2 lowing:

3 “(3) research has documented that youth experi-
4 ence homelessness as fluid, such that many youth ex-
5 perience 2 to 3 different types of homelessness, includ-
6 ing couch surfing, emergency shelters, and staying on
7 the streets;”;

8 (5) in paragraph (4)(C), as redesignated by
9 paragraph (3), by striking “social contribution” and
10 inserting “self-advocacy”;

11 (6) in paragraph (4)(E), as redesignated by
12 paragraph (3), by inserting “and peer” before “rela-
13 tionships”;

14 (7) in paragraph (5), as redesignated by para-
15 graph (3), by striking “outside the welfare system and
16 the law enforcement system” and inserting “, in col-
17 laboration with public assistance systems, the law en-
18 forcement system, and the child welfare system”;

19 (8) in paragraph (6), as redesignated by para-
20 graph (3)—

21 (A) by inserting “a safe place to live, con-
22 nection to caring adults, and” after “youth
23 need”; and

24 (B) by striking “and” at the end;

1 (9) in paragraph (7), as redesignated by para-
2 graph (3)—

3 (A) by striking “between the Federal pro-
4 grams that serve runaway and homeless youth
5 are” and inserting “at the Federal level is”; and

6 (B) by striking the period at the end and
7 inserting a semicolon; and

8 (10) by adding at the end the following:

9 “(8) runaway and homeless youth are at a high
10 risk of substance use disorder and becoming victims
11 of sexual abuse, sexual exploitation, trafficking in
12 persons, and sex trafficking;

13 “(9) research has shown that—

14 “(A) the prevalence of homelessness among
15 youth and young adults is similar in rural and
16 urban communities; and

17 “(B) runaway and homeless youth pro-
18 grams, such as those funded under this Act, are
19 integral services that every community, regard-
20 less of size, should provide; and

21 “(10) runaway and homeless youth programs
22 provide expert adolescent services and are integral
23 community partners for the child welfare and juvenile
24 justice systems.”.

1 **SEC. 4. BASIC CENTER GRANT PROGRAM.**

2 (a) *GRANTS FOR CENTERS AND SERVICES.*—Section
3 311(a) (34 U.S.C. 11211(a)) is amended—

4 (1) in paragraph (1)—

5 (A) by striking “The Secretary” and insert-
6 ing “Every 2 or 3 years, the Secretary”;

7 (B) by striking “and operate” and inserting
8 “, operate, and maintain”; and

9 (C) by striking “services” and all that fol-
10 lows through the period at the end and inserting
11 “safe shelter and services, including trauma-in-
12 formed services, for runaway and homeless youth
13 and, if appropriate, services for the families of
14 such youth, including (if appropriate) individ-
15 uals identified by such youth as family. Grants
16 shall be awarded for a 5-year period.”; and

17 (2) in paragraph (2)—

18 (A) by striking subparagraph (A) and in-
19 serting the following:

20 “(A) shall be provided to runaway youth,
21 street youth, homeless youth, and youth at risk
22 of separation from his or her family or at risk
23 of becoming homeless;”;

24 (B) in subparagraph (B)—

25 (i) in clause (i), by striking “21 days;
26 and” and inserting “30 days or the max-

imum allowed by the State, whichever is greater;”;

(ii) by striking clause (ii) and inserting the following:

“(ii) age, gender, developmentally, and culturally and linguistically appropriate individual, family, and group counseling, as appropriate (including, if appropriate, counseling for individuals identified by such youth as family); and”;

(iii) by adding at the end the following:

“(iii) suicide prevention services; and”;

and
(C) in subparagraph (C)—

(i) in clause (ii), by inserting “age, gender, developmentally, and culturally and linguistically appropriate, to the extent practicable,” before “home-based services”;

(ii) in clause (iii), by striking “and” after the semicolon;

(iii) in clause (iv), by striking “diseases.” and inserting “infections;”;

(iv) by adding at the end the following:

1 “(v) *trauma-informed and gender-re-*
 2 *sponsive services for runaway or homeless*
 3 *youth, including such youth who are vic-*
 4 *tims of sexual abuse, sexual exploitation,*
 5 *trafficking in persons, or sex trafficking;*
 6 *and*

7 “(vi) *if safe and appropriate, supports*
 8 *for youth and their parents, legal guard-*
 9 *ians, or (if appropriate) those identified by*
 10 *such youth as family, including—*

11 “(I) *an assessment of family en-*
 12 *gagement to improve support for youth*
 13 *(and if appropriate) reunify youth;*

14 “(II) *strength-based interventions;*
 15 *and*

16 “(III) *ongoing supportive serv-*
 17 *ices.”.*

18 (b) *ELIGIBILITY; PLAN REQUIREMENTS.—Section 312*
 19 *(34 U.S.C. 11212) is amended—*

20 (1) *in subsection (a), by inserting “, to youth*
 21 *who are at risk of separation from the family,” after*
 22 *“guardians”;*

23 (2) *in subsection (b)—*

24 (A) *in paragraph (2), by striking “facility”*
 25 *the 1st place it appears and inserting “project”;*

1 (B) in paragraph (2)(A)—

2 (i) by striking “facility” and inserting
3 “project”; and

4 (ii) by striking “requires” and insert-
5 ing “allows”;

6 (C) in paragraph (5), by inserting “, or (if
7 appropriate) individuals identified by such
8 youth as family,” after “parents or legal guard-
9 ians”;

10 (D) in paragraph (6)—

11 (i) by inserting “(which may include
12 the use of online resources in order to reach
13 and engage youth)” after “programs”; and

14 (ii) by striking “cultural minority and
15 persons with limited ability to speak
16 English” and inserting “cultural minority,
17 persons with limited ability to speak
18 English, and runaway or homeless youth
19 who are victims of sexual abuse, sexual ex-
20 ploitation, trafficking in persons, or sex
21 trafficking”;

22 (E) by striking paragraph (7) and inserting
23 the following:

24 “(7) shall keep adequate statistical records
25 profiling the youth and family members of such youth

1 *whom the applicant serves, including demographic in-*
2 *formation on and the number of such youth who—*

3 *“(A) are not referred to out-of-home shelter*
4 *services;*

5 *“(B) are members of vulnerable or under-*
6 *served populations;*

7 *“(C) are victims of sexual abuse, sexual ex-*
8 *ploitation, trafficking in persons, or sex traf-*
9 *ficking;*

10 *“(D) are pregnant or parenting;*

11 *“(E) have been involved in the child welfare*
12 *system; and*

13 *“(F) have been involved in the juvenile jus-*
14 *tice system;”;*

15 *(F) by striking paragraph (8) and inserting*
16 *the following:*

17 *“(8) shall ensure that—*

18 *“(A) the records described in paragraph (7),*
19 *on an individual runaway or homeless youth,*
20 *shall not be disclosed without the consent of the*
21 *individual youth and of the parent or legal*
22 *guardian of such youth or (if appropriate) an*
23 *individual identified by such youth as family, to*
24 *anyone other than another agency compiling sta-*
25 *tistical records or a government agency involved*

1 *in the disposition of criminal charges against an*
2 *individual runaway or homeless youth; and*

3 “(B) reports or other documents based on
4 the statistics described in paragraph (7) shall
5 not disclose the identity of any individual run-
6 away or homeless youth;”;

7 (G) in paragraph (12)—

8 (i) by striking subparagraph (B) and
9 inserting the following:

10 “(B) detailed information on how the center
11 has been able to meet the goals of its plans; and”;
12 and

13 (ii) in subparagraph (C)—

14 (I) by striking clause (i) and in-
15 serting the following:

16 “(i) the number and characteristics of
17 runaway and homeless youth, and youth at
18 risk of family separation, who participate
19 in the project, including such information
20 on—

21 “(I) such youth (including run-
22 away and homeless youth, and youth
23 at risk of family separation) who are
24 victims of sexual abuse, sexual exploi-

1 *tation, trafficking in persons, or sex*
 2 *trafficking;*

3 *“(II) such youth who are preg-*
 4 *nant or parenting;*

5 *“(III) such youth who have been*
 6 *involved in the child welfare system;*
 7 *and*

8 *“(IV) such youth who have been*
 9 *involved in the juvenile justice system;*
 10 *and”;* *and*

11 *(II) in clause (ii), by striking*
 12 *“and” after the semicolon;*

13 *(H) in paragraph (13) by striking the pe-*
 14 *riod at the end and inserting “for natural disas-*
 15 *ters, inclement weather, and mental health emer-*
 16 *gencies;”;* *and*

17 *(I) by adding at the end the following:*

18 *“(14) shall provide age, gender, developmentally,*
 19 *and culturally and linguistically appropriate, to the*
 20 *extent practicable, services to runaway and homeless*
 21 *youth; and*

22 *“(15) shall inform youth of their status as inde-*
 23 *pendent students under section 480 of the Higher*
 24 *Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1087vv), provide*
 25 *verification of such status for the purposes of the Free*

1 *Application for Federal Student Aid described in sec-*
2 *tion 483 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20*
3 *U.S.C. 1090), and assist youth in completing this ap-*
4 *plication at the youth’s request.”;*

5 *(3) in subsection (d)—*

6 *(A) in paragraph (1)—*

7 *(i) by inserting “age, gender, develop-*
8 *mentally, and culturally and linguistically*
9 *appropriate, to the extent practicable,” after*
10 *“provide”;*

11 *(ii) by striking “families (including*
12 *unrelated individuals in the family house-*
13 *holds) of such youth” and inserting “fami-*
14 *lies of such youth (including unrelated indi-*
15 *viduals in the family households of such*
16 *youth and, if appropriate, individuals iden-*
17 *tified by such youth as family)”;* and

18 *(iii) by inserting “suicide prevention,”*
19 *after “physical health care,”;*

20 *(B) in paragraph (4)—*

21 *(i) by inserting “, including training*
22 *on trauma-informed and youth-centered*
23 *care” after “home-based services”; and*

24 *(ii) by striking “and” after the semi-*
25 *colon; and*

1 (C) in paragraph (5)—

2 (i) in subparagraph (A), by striking
3 “and” after the semicolon;

4 (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking
5 the period at the end and inserting “; and”;
6 and

7 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-
8 lowing:

9 “(C) youth are eligible for home-based serv-
10 ices when determined by the applicant to be at
11 risk of separation from the family.”; and
12 (4) by adding at the end the following:

13 “(f) *ONLINE RESOURCES FOR OUTREACH.*—An appli-
14 cant may develop a plan, consistent with local needs, for
15 the use of online resources, if appropriate, in order to reach
16 and engage youth.”.

17 (c) *APPROVAL OF APPLICATIONS.*—Section 313(b) (34
18 U.S.C. 11213(b)) is amended by striking paragraph (2) and
19 inserting the following:

20 “(2) eligible applicants that request grants—

21 “(A) of less than \$225,000, if this title is
22 funded at less than \$200,000,000 for the relevant
23 fiscal year; and

1 “(B) of less than \$250,000, if this title is
 2 funded at \$200,000,000 or more for the relevant
 3 fiscal year.”.

4 **SEC. 5. TRANSITIONAL LIVING GRANT PROGRAM.**

5 (a) *AUTHORITY FOR PROGRAM.*—Section 321 (34
 6 U.S.C. 11221) is amended—

7 (1) by striking “The Secretary is authorized to
 8 make grants and to provide technical assistance” and
 9 inserting “The Secretary shall award grants every 2
 10 or 3 years, and shall provide technical assistance”;
 11 and

12 (2) by inserting “Grants shall be awarded for a
 13 5-year period.” after “homeless youth.”.

14 (b) *ELIGIBILITY.*—Section 322 (34 U.S.C. 11222) is
 15 amended—

16 (1) in subsection (a)—

17 (A) in paragraph (1)—

18 (i) by inserting “age, gender, develop-
 19 mentally, and culturally and linguistically
 20 appropriate, to the extent practicable,” be-
 21 fore “information and counseling services”;
 22 and

23 (ii) by striking “job attainment skills,
 24 and mental and physical health care” and
 25 inserting “job attainment skills, mental and

1 *physical health care, and suicide prevention*
2 *services”;*

3 *(B) in paragraph (2)—*

4 *(i) by striking “18” and inserting*
5 *“21”; and*

6 *(ii) by striking “18th” and inserting*
7 *“21st”;*

8 *(C) by redesignating paragraphs (3)*
9 *through (8) and (9) through (16) as paragraphs*
10 *(5) through (10) and (12) through (19), respec-*
11 *tively;*

12 *(D) by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-*
13 *lowing:*

14 *“(3) to provide counseling to homeless youth and*
15 *to encourage, if appropriate, the involvement in such*
16 *counseling of their parents or legal guardians, or (if*
17 *appropriate) individuals identified by such youth as*
18 *family;*

19 *“(4) to provide aftercare services, if possible, to*
20 *homeless youth who have received shelter and services*
21 *from a transitional living youth project, including (to*
22 *the extent practicable) such youth who, after receiving*
23 *such shelter and services, relocate to a geographic area*
24 *or State other than the geographic area or State in*
25 *which such project is located;”;*

1 (E) in paragraph (5), as redesignated by
2 subparagraph (C), by striking “shelter facility”
3 and inserting “project”;

4 (F) in paragraph (6), as redesignated by
5 subparagraph (C), by striking “shelter facility
6 used to carry out such project” and inserting
7 “project”;

8 (G) in paragraph (8), as so redesignated, by
9 striking “to provide a written transitional living
10 plan to each youth” and inserting “to develop a
11 written transitional living plan in partnership
12 with each youth”;

13 (H) in paragraph (9), as so redesignated—

14 (i) by inserting “age, gender, develop-
15 mentally, and culturally and linguistically
16 appropriate, to the extent practicable,” after
17 “referral of homeless youth to”;

18 (ii) by striking “vocational, training”
19 and inserting “career and technical edu-
20 cation”;

21 (iii) by striking “and health care pro-
22 grams” and inserting “mental health service
23 and health care programs, substance use
24 disorder treatment, and programs providing
25 wrap-around services to victims of sexual

1 *abuse, sexual exploitation, trafficking in*
2 *persons, or sex trafficking”; and*

3 *(iv) by striking “such services for*
4 *youths;” and inserting “such programs de-*
5 *scribed in this paragraph;”;*

6 *(I) in paragraph (10), as so redesignated,*
7 *by inserting “, which may include the use of on-*
8 *line and social media engagements, as appro-*
9 *priate” before the semicolon;*

10 *(J) by inserting after paragraph (10), as so*
11 *redesignated, the following:*

12 *“(11) to develop a plan to provide age, gender,*
13 *developmentally, and culturally and linguistically ap-*
14 *propriate services, to the extent practicable, that ad-*
15 *dress the needs of homeless and street youth;”;*

16 *(K) in paragraph (12), as so redesignated,*
17 *by striking “the applicant and statistical” and*
18 *all that follows through “who participate in such*
19 *project,” and inserting “the applicant, statistical*
20 *summaries describing the number, the character-*
21 *istics, and the demographic information of the*
22 *homeless youth who participate in such project,*
23 *including the prevalence of sexual abuse, sexual*
24 *exploitation, trafficking in persons, and sex traf-*
25 *ficking of such youth;”;*

1 (L) in paragraph (18), as so redesignated,
2 by striking “and” after the semicolon;

3 (M) in paragraph (19), as so redesignated,
4 by striking the period at the end and inserting
5 “regarding responses to natural disasters, in-
6 clement weather, and mental health emergencies;
7 and”; and

8 (N) by adding at the end the following:

9 “(20) to inform youth of their status as inde-
10 pendent students under section 480 of the Higher
11 Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1087vv), provide
12 verification of such status for the purposes of the Free
13 Application for Federal Student Aid described in sec-
14 tion 483 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20
15 U.S.C. 1090), and assist the youth in completing this
16 application at the youth’s request.”; and

17 (2) by amending subsection (b) to read as fol-
18 lows:

19 “(b) *PRIORITY; EQUITABLE GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION.*—In selecting eligible applicants to receive grants
20 under this part, the Secretary shall—

22 “(1) give priority to—

23 “(A) entities that have experience in pro-
24 viding to homeless youth shelter and services of
25 the types described in subsection (a)(1); and

1 “(B) entities that request grants—

2 “(i) of less than \$225,000, if this title
3 is funded at less than \$200,000,000 for the
4 relevant fiscal year; and

5 “(ii) of less than \$250,000, if this title
6 is funded at \$200,000,000 or more for the
7 relevant fiscal year; and

8 “(2) consider providing an equitable geographic
9 distribution of grants.”.

10 **SEC. 6. NATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM.**

11 *Section 331 (34 U.S.C. 11231) is amended—*

12 *(1) by inserting “5-year” before “grants”; and*

13 *(2) by inserting “, online, and social media”*
14 *after “telephone”.*

15 **SEC. 7. COORDINATING, TRAINING, RESEARCH, AND OTHER**
16 **ACTIVITIES.**

17 *(a) COORDINATION.—Section 341 (34 U.S.C. 11241)*
18 *is amended—*

19 *(1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by*
20 *inserting “safety, well-being,” after “health,”; and*

21 *(2) in paragraph (2), by striking “other Federal*
22 *entities” and inserting “the Department of Housing*
23 *and Urban Development, the Department of Edu-*
24 *cation, the Department of Labor, and the Department*
25 *of Justice”.*

1 (b) *GRANTS FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND TRAIN-*
 2 *ING.—Section 342 (34 U.S.C. 11242) is amended—*

- 3 (1) *by inserting “5-year” before “grants to”;*
 4 (2) *by inserting “, including onsite and web-*
 5 *based techniques, such as on-demand and online*
 6 *learning,” before “to public and private entities”; and*
 7 (3) *by striking “carrying out” and inserting*
 8 *“implementing in a trauma-informed manner”.*

9 (c) *GRANTS FOR RESEARCH, EVALUATION, DEM-*
 10 *ONSTRATION, AND SERVICE PROJECTS.—Section 343(b) (34*
 11 *U.S.C. 11243(b)) is amended—*

12 (1) *in paragraph (5)—*

13 (A) *in subparagraph (A)—*

14 (i) *by striking “sexual abuse and as-*
 15 *sault” and inserting “violence, trauma, sex-*
 16 *ual abuse, sexual exploitation”; and*

17 (ii) *by striking “and sex trafficking”*
 18 *and inserting “or sex trafficking”;*

19 (B) *in subparagraph (B)—*

20 (i) *by striking “assault” and inserting*
 21 *“ sexual exploitation”; and*

22 (ii) *by striking “and” after the semi-*
 23 *colon;*

24 (C) *in subparagraph (C), by striking “who*
 25 *have been sexually victimized” and inserting*

1 *“who are victims of sexual abuse or sexual ex-*
2 *ploitation”*; and

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

4 *“(D) best practices for identifying and pro-*
5 *viding age, gender, developmentally, and cul-*
6 *turally and linguistically appropriate services to*
7 *the extent practicable to—*

8 *“(i) vulnerable and underserved youth*
9 *populations; and*

10 *“(ii) youth who are victims of sexual*
11 *abuse, sexual exploitation, trafficking in*
12 *persons, or sex trafficking; and*

13 *“(E) informing youth of their status as*
14 *independent students under section 480 of the*
15 *Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.*
16 *1087vv), providing verification of such status for*
17 *the purposes of the Free Application for Federal*
18 *Student Aid described in section 483 of the*
19 *Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1090),*
20 *and assisting youth in completing this applica-*
21 *tion at the youth’s request;”*;

22 *(2) in paragraph (9), by striking “and” at the*
23 *end;*

24 *(3) in paragraph (10), by striking the period*
25 *and inserting a semicolon; and*

1 (4) *by adding at the end the following:*

2 “(11) *examining the intersection between the*
 3 *runaway and homeless youth populations and traf-*
 4 *ficking in persons, including noting whether such*
 5 *youth who are victims of trafficking in persons or sex*
 6 *trafficking were previously involved in the child wel-*
 7 *fare or juvenile justice systems; and*

8 “(12) *the needs of runaway youth and homeless*
 9 *youth with disabilities, including projects that exam-*
 10 *ine best practices for serving these youth.”.*

11 (d) *DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS TO PROVIDE SERV-*
 12 *ICES TO YOUTH IN RURAL AREAS.*—Section 344(a)(2)(A)
 13 (34 U.S.C. 11244(a)(2)(A)) *is amended by striking*
 14 *“\$100,000” and inserting “\$200,000”.*

15 (e) *PERIODIC ESTIMATE OF INCIDENCE AND PREVA-*
 16 *LENCE OF YOUTH HOMELESSNESS.*—Section 345 (34
 17 U.S.C. 11245) *is amended—*

18 (1) *in subsection (a)—*

19 (A) *in the matter preceding paragraph*

20 (1)—

21 (i) *by striking “Reconnecting Homeless*
 22 *Youth Act of 2008” and inserting “Run-*
 23 *away and Homeless Youth and Trafficking*
 24 *Prevention Act of 2019”;*

1 (ii) by striking “5” and inserting “3”;

2 and

3 (iii) by inserting “of Health and

4 Human Services, acting through the Asso-

5 ciate Commissioner of the Family and

6 Youth Services Bureau” after “Secretary”;

7 (B) in paragraph (1)—

8 (i) by striking “13” and inserting

9 “12”; and

10 (ii) by striking “and” after the semi-

11 colon;

12 (C) in paragraph (2), by striking the period

13 at the end and inserting a semicolon; and

14 (D) by adding at the end the following:

15 “(3) that includes demographic information

16 about and characteristics of runaway or homeless

17 youth, including such youth who are victims of sexual

18 abuse, sexual exploitation, trafficking in persons, or

19 sex trafficking; and

20 “(4) that does not disclose the identity of any

21 runaway or homeless youth.”; and

22 (2) in subsection (b)(1)—

23 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph

24 (A), by striking “13” and inserting “12”;

1 (B) in subparagraph (A), by striking “and”
2 at the end;

3 (C) by redesignating subparagraph (B) as
4 subparagraph (C);

5 (D) by inserting after subparagraph (A) the
6 following:

7 “(B) incidences, if any, of—

8 “(i) such individuals who are victims
9 of sexual abuse, sexual exploitation, traf-
10 ficking in persons; or

11 “(ii) such individuals who are victims
12 of sex trafficking; and”; and

13 (E) in subparagraph (C), as so redesign-
14 ated—

15 (i) in clause (ii), by striking “; and”
16 and inserting “, including mental health
17 services;”; and

18 (ii) by adding at the end the following:

19 “(iv) access to education (including
20 postsecondary education and career and
21 technical education); and”.

22 **SEC. 8. SEXUAL ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAM.**

23 Section 351 (34 U.S.C. 11261) is amended—

24 (1) in subsection (a)—

1 (A) by striking “The Secretary” and insert-
2 ing “Every 2 or 3 years, the Secretary”;

3 (B) by inserting “public and” before “non-
4 profit”; and

5 (C) by striking “prostitution,” and insert-
6 ing “violence,”;

7 (2) by amending subsection (b) to read as fol-
8 lows:

9 “(b) *PRIORITY; EQUITABLE GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION.*—In selecting applicants to receive grants under sub-
10 *section (a), the Secretary shall—*

12 “(1) give priority to—

13 “(A) public and nonprofit private agencies
14 that have experience in providing services to
15 runaway and homeless, and street youth; and

16 “(B) eligible applicants that request
17 grants—

18 “(i) of less than \$225,000, if this title
19 is funded at less than \$200,000,000 for the
20 relevant fiscal year; and

21 “(ii) of less than \$250,000, if this title
22 is funded at \$200,000,000 or more for the
23 relevant fiscal year; and

24 “(2) consider providing an equitable geographic
25 distribution of grants.”; and

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

2 “(c) *ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS.—To be eligible to*
 3 *receive a grant under subsection (a), an applicant shall cer-*
 4 *tify to the Secretary that such applicant has systems in*
 5 *place to ensure that such applicant can provide age, gender,*
 6 *developmentally, and culturally and linguistically appro-*
 7 *priate, to the extent practicable, services to all youth de-*
 8 *scribed in subsection (a).*

9 “(d) *DURATION.—Grants awarded under this section*
 10 *shall be for a period of 5 years.”.*

11 **SEC. 9. GENERAL PROVISIONS.**

12 (a) *LEASE OF SURPLUS FEDERAL FACILITIES FOR*
 13 *USE RUNAWAY AND HOMELESS YOUTH CENTERS OR AS*
 14 *TRANSITIONAL LIVING YOUTH SHELTER PROJECTS.—Sec-*
 15 *tion 381 (34 U.S.C. 11272) is amended—*

16 (1) *in the section heading—*

17 (A) *by inserting “, SITES,” after “CEN-*
 18 *TERS”;* *and*

19 (B) *by striking “SHELTER FACILITIES” and*
 20 *inserting “SHELTER PROJECTS”;* *and*

21 (2) *in subsection (a), in the matter preceding*
 22 *paragraph (1), by striking “youth shelter facilities”*
 23 *and inserting “youth shelter projects”.*

24 (b) *REPORTS.—Section 382(a) (34 U.S.C. 11273(a))*
 25 *is amended—*

1 (1) *in the matter preceding paragraph (1)—*

2 (A) *by striking “2000” and inserting*
3 *“2021”; and*

4 (B) *by striking “the Workforce” and insert-*
5 *ing “Labor”;*

6 (2) *in paragraph (1)—*

7 (A) *by redesignating subparagraphs (B)*
8 *through (D) as subparagraphs (C) through (E),*
9 *respectively; and*

10 (B) *by inserting after subparagraph (A) the*
11 *following:*

12 “(B) *collecting data on sexual abuse, sexual*
13 *exploitation, trafficking in persons, and sex traf-*
14 *ficking of runaway and homeless youth;”;* *and*

15 (3) *in paragraph (2)—*

16 (A) *by striking subparagraph (A) and in-*
17 *serting the following:*

18 “(A) *the number and characteristics of*
19 *homeless youth served by such projects, includ-*
20 *ing—*

21 “(i) *such youth who are victims of sex-*
22 *ual abuse, sexual exploitation, trafficking in*
23 *persons, and sex trafficking;*

24 “(ii) *such youth who are pregnant or*
25 *parenting;*

1 “(iii) such youth who have been in-
2 volved in the child welfare system; and

3 “(iv) such youth who have been in-
4 volved in the juvenile justice system;”; and

5 (B) in subparagraph (F), by striking
6 “intrafamily problems” and inserting “problems
7 within the family, including (if appropriate) in-
8 dividuals identified by such youth as family,”.

9 (c) *FEDERAL SHARE*.—Section 383(a) (34 U.S.C.
10 11274(a)) is amended by striking “facility’s budget” and
11 inserting “project’s budget”.

12 (d) *EVALUATION AND INFORMATION*.—Section 386(a)
13 (34 U.S.C. 11277(a)) is amended in the matter preceding
14 paragraph (1)—

15 (1) by striking “3” and inserting “5” each place
16 the term appears; and

17 (2) by inserting “, acting through the Associate
18 Commissioner of the Family and Youth Services Bu-
19 reau” after “Secretary”.

20 (e) *PERFORMANCE STANDARDS*.—Section 386A(a) (34
21 U.S.C. 11278(a)) is amended by striking “Reconnecting
22 Homeless Youth Act of 2008” and inserting “Runaway and
23 Homeless Youth and Trafficking Prevention Act of 2019”.

24 (f) *NONDISCRIMINATION*.—Part F is amended by in-
25 serting after section 386A (34 U.S.C. 11278) the following:

1 **“SEC. 386B. NONDISCRIMINATION.**

2 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—No person in the United States
3 shall, on the basis of actual or perceived race, color, religion,
4 national origin, sex, gender identity (as defined in section
5 249(c)(4) of title 18, United States Code), sexual orienta-
6 tion, or disability, be excluded from participation in, be
7 denied the benefits of, or subjected to discrimination under
8 any program or activity receiving Federal financial assist-
9 ance under title III of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency
10 Prevention Act of 1974.

11 “(b) *EXCEPTION.*—If programming that is segregated
12 by or specific to sex is necessary to the essential operation
13 of a program, nothing in this section shall be construed to
14 prevent the entity carrying out any such program or activ-
15 ity from consideration of an individual’s sex. In such a cir-
16 cumstance, the entity may meet the requirements of this sec-
17 tion by providing comparable services to individuals who
18 cannot be provided with the sex-segregated or sex-specific
19 programming.

20 “(c) *DISQUALIFICATION.*—The authority provided for
21 the Secretary to enforce this section shall be the same as
22 the authority provided for the Secretary to enforce sub-
23 section (a) or (b) of section 654 of the Head Start Act (42
24 U.S.C. 9849). The procedures provided for review of an ac-
25 tion to enforce this section shall be the same as the proce-

1 *dures provided for review of an action to enforce subsection*
 2 *(b) of that section.*

3 “(d) *CONSTRUCTION.*—*Nothing in this section shall be*
 4 *construed, interpreted, or applied to supplant, displace,*
 5 *preempt, or otherwise limit the responsibilities and liabil-*
 6 *ities under other Federal or State laws with respect to dis-*
 7 *crimination on a basis described in subsection (a).”.*

8 (g) *DEFINITIONS.*—*Section 387 (34 U.S.C. 11279) is*
 9 *amended—*

10 (1) *by redesignating paragraphs (1) through (6),*
 11 *and paragraphs (7) and (8), as paragraphs (2)*
 12 *through (7), and paragraphs (9) and (10), respec-*
 13 *tively;*

14 (2) *by inserting before paragraph (2), the fol-*
 15 *lowing:*

16 “(1) *CULTURALLY AND LINGUISTICALLY APPRO-*
 17 *PRIATE.*—*The term ‘culturally and linguistically ap-*
 18 *propriate’, with respect to services, has the meaning*
 19 *given the term ‘culturally and linguistically appro-*
 20 *priate services’ in the ‘National Standards for Cul-*
 21 *turally and Linguistically Appropriate Services in*
 22 *Health and Health Care’, issued in April 2013, by the*
 23 *Office of Minority Health of the Department of*
 24 *Health and Human Services.”;*

25 (3) *in paragraph (4)(A) (as so redesignated)—*

1 (A) in clause (i), by striking “21” and in-
2 serting “26”; and

3 (B) in clause (ii), by striking “and either”
4 and all that follows through the end of the clause
5 and inserting “but less than 26 years of age;”;
6 (4) in paragraph (6)(B)(as so redesignated)—

7 (A) in clause (i), by striking the semicolon
8 and inserting “, including the use of online
9 methods of engagement, as appropriate, based on
10 the needs of the community and population
11 served;”; and

12 (B) in clause (v), by striking subclauses (I)
13 through (IV) and inserting the following:

14 “(I) alcohol and substance use dis-
15 order;

16 “(II) sexual abuse, sexual exploi-
17 tation, trafficking in persons, and sex
18 trafficking;

19 “(III) sexually transmitted infec-
20 tions, including human immuno-
21 deficiency virus (HIV);

22 “(IV) physical and sexual assault;
23 and

24 “(V) suicide.”;

(5) in paragraph (7)(B) (as so redesignated), by striking “prostitution, or drug abuse” and inserting “trafficking in persons, sex trafficking, or substance use disorder”;

(6) by inserting after paragraph (7) (as so redesignated), the following:

“(8) *TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS.*—The term ‘trafficking in persons’ has the meaning given the term ‘severe forms of trafficking in persons’ in section 103 of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2019 (22 U.S.C. 7102).”;

(7) in paragraph (9) (as so redesignated)—

(A) by inserting “to homeless youth” after “provides”; and

(B) by inserting “, to establish a stable family or community supports,” after “self-sufficient living”; and

(8) in paragraph (10)(B) (as so redesignated)—

(A) in clause (ii)—

(i) by inserting “or able” after “willing”; and

(ii) by striking “or” at the end;

(B) in clause (iii), by striking the period and inserting “; or”; and

(C) by adding at the end the following:

1 “(iv) who is involved in the child welfare or
2 juvenile justice system, but is not living in hous-
3 ing or shelter funded by the Federal Govern-
4 ment.”.

5 (h) *AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.*—Section
6 388(a) (34 U.S.C. 11280(a)) is amended—

7 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “\$127,421,000
8 for each of fiscal years 2019 through 2020” and in-
9 serting “\$225,000,000 for fiscal year 2021, and such
10 sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years
11 2022 through 2025”;

12 (2) in paragraph (3)(B), by striking “such sums
13 as may be necessary” and all that follows through the
14 period at the end and inserting “\$2,000,000 shall be
15 made available to carry out section 345 for fiscal year
16 2021 and such sums as may be necessary shall be
17 made available to carry out such section for each of
18 fiscal years 2022 through 2025”; and

19 (3) in paragraph (4), by striking “\$25,000,000
20 for each of fiscal years 2019 through 2020” and in-
21 serting “\$75,000,000 for fiscal year 2021, and such
22 sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years
23 2022 through 2025”.

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