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To require military child and youth programs to provide prompt notice of alleged or suspected neglect or abuse of children to the parents or guardians of those children, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. TOKUDA (for herself, Mr. MOORE of Utah, Ms. JACOBS, Mr. WITTMAN, Ms. STRICKLAND, Mr. BACON, Mr. BELL, Mr. SCHMIDT, Mr. CASE, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. KIGGANS of Virginia, Mr. CARSON, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, and Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

A BILL

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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 “Military Child and
5 Youth Program Abuse and Neglect Notification Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. NOTIFICATION OF SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE AT**
2 **PROVIDERS OF CHILD CARE SERVICES OR**
3 **YOUTH PROGRAMS.**

4 Section 1794 of title 10, United States Code, is
5 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
6 section:

7 “(g) NOTIFICATION OF SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE.—

8 (1) The Secretary of Defense shall prescribe a policy that
9 requires covered child and youth programs to—

10 “(A) not later than 24 hours after a program
11 becomes aware of alleged or suspected abuse or ne-
12 glect of a child occurring in such program, notify the
13 parents and guardians of such child of such alleged
14 or suspected abuse or neglect; and

15 “(B) not later than 72 hours after a program
16 becomes aware of alleged abuse or neglect of a child
17 occurring in such program, provide notice of such al-
18 leged abuse or neglect to—

19 “(i) the Committees on Armed Services of
20 the Senate and the House of Representatives;

21 “(ii) if the alleged abuse or neglect occurs
22 in one of the several States, the Senators that
23 represent the State in which the alleged abuse
24 or neglect occurred; and

25 “(iii) if the alleged abuse or neglect occurs
26 in a location represented by a Member of, or

1 Delegate or Resident Commissioner to, the
2 House of Representatives, the Member of, or
3 Delegate or Resident Commissioner to, the
4 House of Representatives that represents such
5 location.

6 “(2) In this subsection, the term ‘covered child and
7 youth program’ means a military child development cen-
8 ter, a Department of Defense youth program, a family
9 home day care, or a provider of child care services or youth
10 program services that receives financial assistance under
11 section 1798.”.

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