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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SCHWEIKERT introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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 “AIDEN (Advancing
5 Integrated Data for Equitable National Child Welfare)”.

1 **SEC. 2. OFFENDER CHILD WELFARE INTERVENTION HIS-**
2 **TORY SURVEY.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 305 of title 18, United
4 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
5 lowing:

6 **“§ 4087. Offender child welfare intervention history**
7 **survey**

8 “(a) SURVEY.—The Attorney General shall develop
9 and distribute to each offender who is committed to the
10 custody of the Attorney General by a court of the United
11 States a survey on the child welfare intervention history
12 of the offender that includes the collection of the following
13 information:

14 “(1) Whether the offender is aware of any child
15 welfare intervention with a caregiver that occurred
16 while the offender was a minor, including at home,
17 at school, or from a law enforcement officer.

18 “(2) If the offender is aware of a child welfare
19 intervention described in paragraph (1), whether the
20 offender is aware of the condition on which such
21 intervention was based, and if so, the nature of the
22 condition, including physical abuse, sexual abuse,
23 emotional or spiritual abuse, substance exposure, or
24 domestic violence.

25 “(3) If the offender is aware of a child welfare
26 intervention described in paragraph (1), the type of

1 intervention, including visits from caseworkers, in-
2 home services, foster care, juvenile detention, or any
3 other intervention.

4 “(4) If the offender was placed in foster care as
5 a result of a child welfare intervention, the manner
6 in which the case was resolved, including reunifica-
7 tion with the caregiver, guardianship, adoption, or
8 aging out of the foster care system.

9 “(5) If the offender was placed in foster care as
10 a result of a child welfare intervention, the support
11 services that the offender received, if any, while in
12 foster care, including check-ins from the State child
13 welfare agency and support from community-based
14 organizations.

15 “(6) If the offender was not placed in foster
16 care as a result of the child welfare intervention, the
17 manner in which the case was resolved.

18 “(b) TIMING FOR DISTRIBUTION.—

19 “(1) IN GENERAL.—For each offender who is
20 committed to the custody of the Attorney General
21 after the date that is 90 days after the date of en-
22 actment of this section, the Attorney General shall
23 distribute the survey under subsection (a) to the of-
24 fender during the intake process.

1 “(2) EXISTING PRISONERS.—For each offender
2 who was committed to the custody of the Attorney
3 General before the date that is 90 days after the
4 date of enactment of this section, the Attorney Gen-
5 eral shall distribute the survey under subsection (a)
6 to the offender before the date that is 180 days after
7 the date of enactment of this section. Surveys dis-
8 tributed pursuant to this paragraph shall indicate
9 that they were distributed to prisoners described in
10 this paragraph.

11 “(c) NOTIFICATION.—The Attorney General shall no-
12 tify each offender to whom a survey is distributed, at the
13 time of distribution, of the protection described in sub-
14 section (d)(2), and each survey shall include a confirma-
15 tion of receipt of such notice.

16 “(d) REPORT.—

17 “(1) IN GENERAL.—On an annual basis, the
18 Attorney General shall submit to the Associate Com-
19 missioner of the Children’s Bureau of the Adminis-
20 tration for Children and Families of the Department
21 of Health and Human Services a report on the infor-
22 mation collected pursuant to the survey under sub-
23 section (a).

24 “(2) PROTECTION OF INFORMATION.—The re-
25 port under paragraph (1) may not include the per-

1 sonally identifiable information of any offender or
2 any individual identified by an offender in the sur-
3 vey.

4 “(3) REPORT TO STATES.—On an annual basis,
5 the Associate Commissioner of the Children’s Bu-
6 reau of the Administration for Children and Fami-
7 lies of the Department of Health and Human Serv-
8 ices shall submit a report containing the information
9 received under paragraph (1) to the chief executive
10 of each State in a manner that is consistent with the
11 framework of the Adoption and Foster Care Anal-
12 ysis and Reporting System, the National Child
13 Abuse and Neglect Data System and the National
14 Youth in Transition Database, for use by States as
15 an evidentiary resource in evaluating child welfare
16 agency case planning and support service frame-
17 works.”.

18 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
19 for chapter 305 of title 18, United States Code, is amend-
20 ed by adding at the end the following:

“4087. Offender child welfare intervention history survey.”.

21 **SEC. 3. STATE REQUIREMENT.**

22 Beginning in the first fiscal year that begins after
23 the date of enactment of this Act, in order to be eligible
24 for a grant program administered by the Department of
25 Justice, a State shall—

1 (1) develop and distribute to offenders in the
2 custody of the State a survey that is substantially
3 similar to the survey under section 4087(a) of title
4 18, United States Code; and

5 (2) submit to the Associate Commissioner of
6 the Children's Bureau of the Administration for
7 Children and Families of the Department of Health
8 and Human Services a report on the information
9 collected pursuant to the survey, in a manner that
10 does not contain the personally identifiable informa-
11 tion of any offender or any individual identified by
12 an offender in the survey.

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