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S. 1961

To extend and expand the Child Safety Pilot Program.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 4, 2005

Mr. BIDEN (for himself, Mr. HATCH, Mr. CORNYN, and Mr. AKAKA) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

NOVEMBER 17, 2005

Reported by Mr. SPECTER, without amendment

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 “Extending the Child
5 Safety Pilot Program Act of 2005”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXTENSION OF THE CHILD SAFETY PILOT PRO-**
 2 **GRAM.**

3 Section 108 of the PROTECT Act (42 U.S.C. 5119a
 4 note) is amended—

5 (1) in subsection (a)—

6 (A) in paragraph (2)(B), by striking “A
 7 volunteer organization in a participating State
 8 may not submit background check requests
 9 under paragraph (3).”;

10 (B) in paragraph (3)—

11 (i) in subparagraph (A), by striking
 12 “a 30-month” and inserting: “a 60-
 13 month”;

14 (ii) by striking subparagraph (B) and
 15 inserting the following:

16 “(B) PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS.—

17 “(i) ELIGIBLE ORGANIZATIONS.—Eli-
 18 gible organizations include—

19 “(I) the Boys and Girls Clubs of
 20 America;

21 “(II) the MENTOR/National
 22 Mentoring Partnership;

23 “(III) the National Council of
 24 Youth Sports; and

25 “(IV) any nonprofit organization
 26 that provides care, as that term is de-

1 fined in section 5 of the National
2 Child Protection Act of 1993 (42
3 U.S.C. 5119e), for children.

4 “(ii) PILOT PROGRAM.—The eligibility
5 of an organization described in clause
6 (i)(IV) to participate in the pilot program
7 established under this section shall be de-
8 termined by the National Center for Miss-
9 ing and Exploited Children according to
10 criteria established by such Center, includ-
11 ing the potential number of applicants and
12 suitability of the organization to the intent
13 of this section.”;

14 (iii) by striking subparagraph (C) and
15 inserting the following:

16 “(C) APPLICANTS FROM PARTICIPATING
17 ORGANIZATIONS.—Participating organizations
18 may request background checks on applicants
19 for positions as volunteers and employees who
20 will be working with children or supervising vol-
21 unteers.”;

22 (iv) in subparagraph (D), by striking
23 “the organizations described in subpara-
24 graph (C)” and inserting “participating or-
25 ganizations”; and

1 (v) in subparagraph (F), by striking
2 “14 business days” and inserting “10 busi-
3 ness days”; and
4 (2) in subsection (c)(1), by striking “and 2005”
5 and inserting “through 2008”.

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