

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO H.R. 7655
OFFERED BY MR. SMITH OF MISSOURI**

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the “Support for Expectant
3 and Parenting Foster Youth Act”.

**4 SEC. 2. ENSURING EXPECTANT AND PARENTING YOUTH
5 HAVE ACCESS TO SERVICES PROVIDED
6 THROUGH THE MATERNAL, INFANT, AND
7 EARLY CHILDHOOD HOME VISITING PRO-
8 GRAM.**

9 (a) PURPOSE.—Section 477(a) of the Social Security
10 Act (42 U.S.C. 677(a)) is amended—

11 (1) in paragraph (6), by striking “and”;

12 (2) in paragraph (7), by striking the period and
13 inserting “; and”; and

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

15 “(8) to connect foster youth in eligible families
16 (as such term is defined in section 511) who receive
17 services under this part with evidence-based home

1 visiting and support services provided under section
2 511.”.

3 (b) APPLICATIONS.—Section 477(b)(3) of such Act
4 (42 U.S.C. 677(b)(3)) is amended by adding at the end
5 the following:

6 “(L) A certification by the chief executive
7 officer of the State that the State has processes
8 in place to ensure that a youth participating in
9 the program under this section who is in an eli-
10 gible family (as such term is defined in section
11 511) is provided with information regarding evi-
12 dence-based home visiting and support services
13 provided in the State under section 511.”.

14 **SEC. 3. TAILORED CASE MANAGEMENT AND RESOURCE CO-**
15 **ORDINATION SERVICES FOR PARENTING AND**
16 **EXPECTANT YOUTH WHO HAVE EXPERI-**
17 **ENCED FOSTER CARE.**

18 Section 477(d)(1) of the Social Security Act (42
19 U.S.C. 677(d)(1)) is amended to read as follows:

20 “(1) IN GENERAL.—A State to which an
21 amount is paid from its allotment under subsection
22 (c)(1) may use the amount—

23 “(A) to provide tailored case management
24 and resource coordination services to youth oth-
25 erwise eligible for services under the State pro-

1 gram under this section who are expectant or
2 parenting; or

3 “(B) in any manner that is reasonably cal-
4 culated to accomplish the purposes of this sec-
5 tion.”.

6 **SEC. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

7 The amendments made by this Act shall take effect
8 on the date that is 1 year after the date of the enactment
9 of this Act and shall apply to payments under section 477
10 of the Social Security Act pursuant to plans approved by
11 the Secretary of Health and Human Services on or after
12 such date.

