



April 29, 2025

The Honorable Charles Grassley, Chair
Senate Committee on the Judiciary
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Dick Durbin, Ranking Member
Senate Committee on the Judiciary
711 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Support for the Comprehensive Health & Integrity in Licensing and Documentation Act of 2025
(the "CHILD Act of 2025")

Dear Chairman Grassley and Ranking Member Durbin,

We, the undersigned nonprofit organizations and businesses, write to express our unified support for the CHILD Act, the bipartisan bill to amend the National Child Protection Act of 1993 (NCPA).

This crucial legislation addresses a critical oversight in the current law, ensuring that all individuals, businesses, and organizations working with vulnerable populations can request background checks, not only for their employees and volunteers, but also for contractors and individuals they license or certify to provide unsupervised care for these populations. By passing this law, organizations that work with our most vulnerable populations will be able to provide an even safer experience for the children in our communities.

We applaud this bipartisan effort to strengthen child protection measures, which will:

1. **Close a Critical Gap:** The bill corrects a narrowing of the NCPA's scope, restoring nationwide background check access for contractors working with vulnerable populations.

2. **Implement Consistent Safety Standards:** This bill ensures uniform protection for children across all states by eliminating the current patchwork approach to background checks.
3. **Support Child-Serving Organizations:** The bill allows businesses and organizations contracting with qualified entities to request thorough background checks, enhancing their ability to protect the children in their care.

As entities dedicated to the well-being of children, we firmly believe this legislation is essential for maintaining the highest standards of safety in all environments where children learn, play, and grow.

We appreciate your consideration of our request to amend the NCPA and recommend its passage. This important bipartisan effort is crucial for protecting our nation's most vulnerable citizens.

Respectfully submitted,

Students Against Destructive Decisions
Student Transportation & Education Equity
Roundtable
Parents Helping Parents, Inc.

National Diversity Coalition
RaisingHOPE, Inc.
National Center on Adoption & Permanency
Streets Are For Everyone (SAFE)

Cc: Senate Judiciary Committee Members