

117TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 1713

To amend the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment and Adoption Reform Act of 1978 to require a study and report on adoption outcomes and the factors affecting those outcomes, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 9, 2021

Mr. SMUCKER (for himself and Ms. UNDERWOOD) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

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## 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. STUDY AND REPORT ON SUCCESSFUL ADOP-**  
4       **TIONS.**

5       Section 204 of the Child Abuse Prevention and  
6       Treatment and Adoption Reform Act of 1978 (42 U.S.C.  
7       5114) is amended to read as follows:

1 **“SEC. 204. STUDY AND REPORT ON SUCCESSFUL ADOPT-**  
2 **IONS.**

3       “(a) STUDY.—The Secretary shall conduct a study  
4 (directly or by grant to, or contract with, public or private  
5 nonprofit research agencies or organizations) on adoption  
6 outcomes and the factors (including parental substance  
7 use disorder) affecting those outcomes.

8       “(b) REPORT.—Not later than the date that is 36  
9 months after the date of the enactment of the Stronger  
10 Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act the Secretary  
11 shall submit a report to Congress that includes the results  
12 of the study required under subsection (a).”.

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