

Time for Foster Care Reform: Five Reasons to Co-Sponsor Kinship Caregiver Support Act

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FEWER CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE

More than 15,000 foster children could leave the system today through guardianships ... for good



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PROVEN EFFECTIVE

Federal waivers show that, like adoptions, guardianships are effective at creating safe, permanent families for children to leave foster care



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RELATIVE PLACEMENTS KEEP BROTHERS AND SISTERS TOGETHER

Children remain connected to their extended family, culture and community



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BETTER STABILITY FOR CHILDREN

Foster children placed with relatives are more likely to be in the same home and same school a year later



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GUARDIANSHIP RECOMMENDED BY GAO

Reduces racial disparities in foster care



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