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IN THE SENATE

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 105

BY HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

STATING FINDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE AND DECLARING SUPPORT FOR THE RECEIV-ING OF FEDERAL FUNDS FOR PURPOSES OF SUPPORTING ADOPTION IN THE STATE OF IDAHO.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Legislature to provide an avenue for the State of Idaho to receive federal funds for the purpose of adoption education, adoption awareness, and the improvement of birth mother support and care; and

WHEREAS, receiving such federal funds would allow the State of Idaho to receive back a portion of Idaho taxpayer money to be used in a manner that aligns with Idaho's pro-life values; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes the value of providing a healthy and welcoming environment and advancing the health and well-being of birth mothers who choose adoption and making Idaho the most adoption-friendly state in the nation while investing public moneys in the creation of future Idaho families; and

WHEREAS, the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare engaging in actions supporting an informed choice by Idaho birth mothers to participate in adoption would further these aims.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the First Regular Session of the Sixty-eighth Idaho Legislature, the Senate and the House of Representatives concurring therein, that the Legislature declares its support for the receiving of federal funds for adoption education, adoption awareness, and the improvement and expansion of birth mother support and care.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the Legislature support the use of such funds, if received, by the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare for the administration, oversight, management, and reporting of programs related to adoption education resources, emotional support resources, physical and medical support, and adoption-related legal support.