

Legislation Text

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Res. No. 1388

Resolution calling on Congress to pass, and the President to sign, the "All Dependent Children Count Act" (H.R. 6420) and the "All Dependents Count Act" (S. 3652), bills that would extend the 2020 recovery rebates of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act to qualifying children over the age of 16.

By Council Members Barron and Yeger

Whereas, The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act was passed by Congress

with overwhelming, bipartisan support and signed into law by the president on March 27, 2020; and

Whereas, The CARES Act was an over \$2 trillion economic relief package that provided direct payments of \$1,200 to each American making \$75,000 a year or less with an additional \$500 per qualifying dependent child; and

Whereas, The CARES Act defined a qualifying dependent child as someone under the age of 17, leaving out older children, young adults, and dependents with disabilities; and

Whereas, With high schools and colleges shuttered, parents and guardians of these students should be supported during the pandemic; and

Whereas, COVID-19 has been disruptive to all families, but the effects of school closures, medical equipment shortages, and social distancing are further exacerbated for families that include dependents with disabilities; and

Whereas, The economic relief money from the CARES Act should not be denied to those who need it most; and

Whereas, The "All Dependent Children Count Act" (H.R. 6420), sponsored by Representative Angie Craig (D-MN), and the "All Dependents Count Act" (S. 3652), sponsored by Senator Tina Smith (D-MN),

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would expand the qualifying age of a dependent under the CARES Act to 19, 24 for those who are a dependent and a student, and beyond 24 for individuals with disabilities; and

Whereas, These bills would extend the 2020 recovery rebates to all taxpayer dependents left out of the original CARES Act; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Council of the City of New York calls on Congress to pass, and the President to sign, the "All Dependent Children Count Act" (H.R. 6420) and the "All Dependents Count Act" (S. 3652), bills that would extend the 2020 recovery rebates of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act to qualifying children over the age of 16.

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