

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2473
OFFERED BY M__ . _____

Page 1, beginning on line 4, strike “Enforcing Justice for Victims of Trafficking Act of 2017” and insert “Put Trafficking Victims First Act of 2017”.

Page 1, insert after line 5 the following (and redesignate provisions accordingly):

1 **SEC. 2. REPORT ON SAFE HARBOR LAWS.**

2 Not later than 3 years after the date of enactment
3 of this Act, the Attorney General, acting through the Di-
4 rector of the Office for Victims of Crime, shall issue a
5 report to be posted on a publicly available website that
6 includes—

7 (1) the impact of State safe harbor laws and
8 associated services on the re-victimization of victims
9 of trafficking (as such term is defined in section
10 103(15) of the Victims of Trafficking and Violence
11 Protection Act of 2000 (22 U.S.C. 7102(15))), the
12 recovery of victims, victim outcomes, and prosecu-
13 tions of traffickers; and

14 (2) best practices and recommendations on the
15 development and implementation of effective State

1 safe harbor laws that promote full recovery of vic-
2 tims of trafficking and do not interfere with prosecu-
3 tions of traffickers.

Page 2, strike line 1 and all that follows through
page 3, line 10, and insert the following:

4 **SEC. 3. TRAINING FOR PROSECUTIONS OF TRAFFICKERS**
5 **AND SUPPORT FOR STATE SERVICES FOR**
6 **VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING.**

7 Section 107(b)(2)(B)(ii) of the Victims of Trafficking
8 and Violence Protection Act of 2000 (22 U.S.C.
9 7105(b)(2)(B)(ii)) is amended to read as follows:

10 “(ii) 5 percent for training and tech-
11 nical assistance, to be provided in coordi-
12 nation with the Secretary of Health and
13 Human Services, including with respect
14 to—

15 “(I) increasing capacity and ex-
16 pertise on security for and protection
17 of service providers from intimidation
18 or retaliation for their activities;

19 “(II) “investigating, prosecuting,
20 and preventing human trafficking
21 through a trauma-informed and vic-
22 tim-centered approach that provides

1 services and protections for victims of
2 trafficking;

3 “(III) facilitating the provision of
4 evidence-based, trauma-informed care
5 and physical and mental health serv-
6 ices to victims of trafficking;

7 “(IV) ensuring that all victims of
8 trafficking who are United States citi-
9 zens, lawful permanent residents, and
10 foreign nationals are eligible for serv-
11 ices;

12 “(V) ensuring that law enforce-
13 ment officers and prosecutors make
14 every attempt to determine an individ-
15 ual’s participation in human traf-
16 ficking is free from force, fraud, or
17 coercion of any means before arrest-
18 ing them for, or charging them with,
19 an offense;

20 “(VI) facilitating access for child
21 victims of trafficking to the same type
22 of court procedures and legal protec-
23 tions accessible to child victims of sex-
24 ual assault, rape, child sexual abuse,

1 or incest, including the right to not be
2 treated as a criminal; and
3 “(VII) encouraging States to
4 identify the locations of victims of
5 trafficking, including through efforts
6 that utilize internet outreach, through
7 methods informed by survivors of
8 human trafficking, and to offer help
9 and services that are responsive to
10 victims’ needs.”.

Page 3, line 17, insert after “working group” the following: “, which shall include survivors of human trafficking, experts on human trafficking, representatives from organizations collecting data on human trafficking, and law enforcement officers,”.

Page 5, strike “census” each place it appears and insert “survey”.

Page 5, beginning on line 11, strike “in a single 24-hour period” through “the prevalence of human trafficking in the United States.” and insert “to assess how victims of trafficking are accessing services, how they are referred to services, how assessment tools work to identify victims of trafficking, and to help estimate the preva-

lence of human trafficking identification in the United States.”.

Page 5, insert after line 16 the following:

1 (d) NO ADDITIONAL FUNDS.—No additional funds
2 are authorized to carry out this section.

Page 5, line 20, insert after “Attorney General” the following: “, in consultation with the Administrative Office of the United States Courts,”

Page 6, after line 25, insert the following:

3 (5) The annual number and percentage of Federal
4 cases related to human trafficking, separating
5 sex trafficking and labor trafficking, during the period
6 beginning on June 1, 2015, and ending on the
7 date of the enactment of this Act, in which restitution
8 was ordered, and the amount of restitution ordered
9 in each case.

10 (6) Data on the participation and non-participation
11 of victims of trafficking in criminal proceedings, and
12 recommendations for encouraging the participation of
13 victims of trafficking in such proceedings.
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Page 7, after line 8, insert the following (and redesignate provisions accordingly):

1 (2) Adopt a survivor-centered approach to ad-
2 dressing human trafficking that ensures the safety,
3 confidentiality, and physical and mental well-being
4 of victims of trafficking, while recognizing symptoms
5 of trauma and coping mechanisms that may impact
6 victims' interactions with law enforcement, the jus-
7 tice system, and service providers.

Page 7, beginning on line 11, strike “, and for unac-
companied children migrating into the country,”.

Page 7, line 14, insert before the period at the end
the following: “, and to try to identify foreign nationals
who may be victims of trafficking”.

Page 10, strike lines 6 through 13, and redesignate
provisions accordingly.

