AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5682
OFFERED BY MS. JACKSON LEE OF TEXAS

Page 54, after the matter following line 4, insert the following (and conform the table of contents accordingly):

1 SEC. 302. PILOT PROGRAM FOR YOUNG CHILDREN TO RESIDE WITH INCARCERATED MOTHERS.

2   (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 270 days after the
3   date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the Bu-
4   reau of prisons shall establish a pilot program to permit
5   women incarcerated in Federal prison and the children
6   born to such women during their term of incarceration to
7   reside together while the prisoner is incarcerated, in a
8   housing unit of the prison which is separate from the gen-
9   eral population of the prison.
10   (b) SAFETY.—The Director shall ensure the safety of
11   any children residing in a Federal prison pursuant to the
12   pilot program under this section.
13   (c) AGE REQUIREMENT FOR CHILDREN.—A child is
14   eligible to reside in Federal prison pursuant to the pilot
15   program under this section until the date on which the
16   child attains the age of 30 months.
(d) PRISONER ELIGIBILITY.—A prisoner is eligible for participation in the pilot program under this section if the prisoner—

(1) is pregnant at the time that the prisoner is taken into the custody of the Bureau of Prisons;

(2) agrees to—

(A) accept the responsibility of child-rearing in prison;

(B) participate in any educational or counseling requirements of the pilot program, including child development, parenting skills, domestic violence, vocational training, or substance abuse;

(C) abide by any court decision regarding the legal or physical custody of the child;

(D) transfer to the Bureau of Prisons any child support payments from any person or government entity for the child residing in Federal prison pursuant to the pilot program under this section; and

(E) specify a person who has agreed to take custody of the child if the prisoner’s participation in the pilot program terminated before prisoner’s release.