

KID Applauds Senate Committee for Passing Life-saving Children's Product Safety Bills

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Washington, D.C. – Kids In Danger applauds the U.S. Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee for passing two life-saving children's product safety bills: **The STURDY Act**, and **Reese's Law**.

The STURDY (Stop Tip-overs of Unstable, Risky Dressers on Youth) Act (<u>S. 3232</u>) will protect children from furniture tip-overs by requiring the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) to create a strong, mandatory rule to make clothing storage units safer. According to CPSC data, a child is sent to the emergency room because of a tip-over incident every 60 minutes, and on average, one to two children die every month.

Reese's Law (<u>S. 3278</u>), named after <u>Reese Hamsmith</u>, will protect children from button cell or coin battery ingestion by requiring the CPSC to create a safety standard to require child-resistant closures on consumer products that use those batteries, and new labeling requirements.

KID thanks the members of the Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee for passing these critical bills, and calls on the full Senate to immediately pass the bills to save children's lives.

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