

114TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 2966

To amend the purposes of TANF to include reducing poverty by increasing employment entry, retention, and advancement.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 8, 2015

Mr. SMITH of Missouri (for himself and Mrs. NOEM) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Reducing Poverty  
5 through Employment Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. PURPOSES OF THE TANF PROGRAM TO INCLUDE**  
7 **REDUCING POVERTY.**

8 Section 401(a) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.  
9 601(a)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

1           “(5) reduce poverty by increasing employment  
2           entry, retention, and advancement.”.

3 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

4           The amendment made by this Act shall take effect  
5           on October 1, 2015.

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