



EVENT TOMORROW

Landrieu, Alexander to Unveil Children in Disasters Bill

Advocates to join Senators at press conference in Capitol Visitors Center

WASHINGTON – United States Senators Mary L. Landrieu, D-La., and Lamar Alexander, R-Tenn., will hold a press conference on Thursday, December 17 at 11 a.m. to unveil their new legislation to address the unique needs of children before, during, and after a disaster. This bill is the culmination of months of work, including two hearings held by Sen. Landrieu, Chair of the Disaster Recovery Subcommittee. Sen. Alexander is Ranking Member of the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pension’s Subcommittee on Children and Families.

The legislation incorporates recommendations made by a National Commission on Children and Disasters report released in October.

The Senators will be joined by a coalition of advocates, including Ernie Allen, the Co-

Founder, President and CEO of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children and member of the National Commission on Children and Disasters. Dr. Cathy Grace, Director, Early Childhood Development Policy at The Children's Defense Fund will also participate in the press conference. Dr. Grace worked extensively with children in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina and other gulf coast storms.

Your coverage is invited

- Who:** U.S. Senator Mary L. Landrieu, D-La.
U.S. Senator Lamar Alexander, R-Tenn.
Ernie Allen, National Center for Missing and Exploited Children
Dr. Cathy Grace, Director, Early Childhood Development Policy at The Children’s Defense Fund
- What:** Press conference to unveil legislation on children in disasters
- When:** Thursday, December 17th at 11:00 a.m. EST
- Where:** SVC 208
U.S. Capitol
Washington D.C.