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I support this measure as a current youth in foster care because I have had personal belongings that I valued lost by DHS in previous placements due to my belongings being in unlabeled trash bags. I know other foster youth who have had similar experiences, and it can be incredibly upsetting when you're already having to adjust to a new environment to also be informed that your clothes, bedding, personal hygiene items, and other personal belongings have been lost or stolen. Having the belongings of youth in care placed in clearly labeled duffel bags prevents the loss or theft of important items to a youth who has most likely lost placement and is already in a stressful situation.