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AN ACT

To amend the Federal Financial Assistance Management Improvement Act of 1999 to require data with respect to Federal financial assistance to be available for public access in a searchable and user friendly form.

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

1 **SECTION 1. DATA WITH RESPECT TO FEDERAL FINANCIAL**
2 **ASSISTANCE REQUIRED TO BE AVAILABLE**
3 **FOR PUBLIC ACCESS IN SEARCHABLE AND**
4 **USER-FRIENDLY FORM.**

5 (a) DATA REQUIREMENTS.—The Director of the Of-
6 fice of Management and Budget shall, as part of the im-
7 plementation of the Federal Financial Assistance Manage-
8 ment Improvement Act of 1999 (Public Law 106–107; 31
9 U.S.C. 6101 note), work with the Administrator of Gen-
10 eral Services and other agencies to make available data
11 with respect to Federal financial assistance in accordance
12 with this section and section 204 of the E-Government Act
13 of 2002 (Public Law 107–347; 44 U.S.C. 3501 note).

14 (b) MATTERS COVERED.—The Director shall ensure
15 that the data required under subsection (a), at a min-
16 imum—

17 (1) are available on the Internet, from a single
18 website database, at no cost to the public;

19 (2) contain—

20 (A) all information and types of informa-
21 tion (in this section referred to as “data
22 fields”) collected through the Federal Assist-
23 ance Award Data System, Grants.gov, or any
24 other existing Federal database; and

25 (B) additional information about each Fed-
26 eral financial assistance award, including pro-

1 gram source or funding authority, statutory or
2 regulatory authority, renewability, number of
3 applicants and recipients, type of activity being
4 performed, required measurable outcomes, and
5 any other relevant information;

6 (3) are in a form that allows for full searching
7 and aggregation of all data fields across all agencies;

8 (4) include information about Federal financial
9 assistance awards within 30 days after award of the
10 assistance;

11 (5) identify the Federal financial assistance
12 that a recipient has received during the preceding
13 10-year period, including an itemized breakdown of
14 that assistance by agency and program source;

15 (6) include lists of Federal financial assistance
16 awards and the dates and amounts of Federal fund
17 disbursements; and

18 (7) identify subgrantees that are non-Federal
19 entities.

20 (c) DOWNLOAD ABILITY.—The Director also shall
21 ensure that the website containing the data allows for the
22 public to download—

23 (1) results of searches; and

24 (2) the entire database on a quarterly basis.

1 (d) PERIOD COVERED.—For purposes of subsection
2 (b)(5), the first 10-year period to be covered shall begin
3 with the year 2006.

4 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this Act:

5 (1) The term “Federal financial assistance” has
6 the same meaning as defined in section 7501(a)(5)
7 of title 31, United States Code, except that, in ap-
8 plying such definition, the term “non-Federal enti-
9 ty” has the meaning provided in paragraph (2).

10 (2) The term “non-Federal entity” means a
11 State, local government, nonprofit organization, cor-
12 poration, association, partnership, limited liability
13 company, limited liability partnership, or any other
14 legal business entity.

15 (f) COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENT.—The website data-
16 base made available pursuant to this section shall not be
17 considered in compliance with this section if it only pro-
18 vides electronic links to the Federal Assistance Award
19 Data System, Grants.gov, or other existing websites and
20 databases, unless each of those sites has information from
21 all agencies and meets the requirements of subsections (b)
22 and (c).

1 (g) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The data shall be available
2 for public use not later than 1 year after the date of the
3 enactment of this Act.

Passed the House of Representatives June 21, 2006.

Attest:

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Clerk.