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# H. R. 8876

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## AN ACT

To reauthorize the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood  
Home Visiting program, and for other purposes.

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. SHORT TITLE.**

2       This Act may be cited as the “Jackie Walorski Mater-  
3 nal and Child Home Visiting Reauthorization Act of  
4 2022”.

5 **SEC. 2. OUTCOMES DASHBOARD.**

6       Section 511(d)(1) of the Social Security Act (42  
7 U.S.C. 711(d)(1)) is amended—

8           (1) in the paragraph heading, by striking  
9       “BENCHMARK AREAS” and inserting “BENCHMARK  
10 AREAS RELATED TO INDIVIDUAL FAMILY OUT-  
11 COMES”;

12          (2) in subparagraph (D)(i), by striking “(B)”  
13 and inserting “(C)”; and

14          (3) by redesignating subparagraphs (B)  
15 through (D) as subparagraphs (C) through (E), re-  
16 spectively, and inserting after subparagraph (A) the  
17 following:

18           “(B) OUTCOMES DASHBOARDS.—The Sec-  
19 retary shall, directly or by grant or contract, es-  
20 tablish and operate a website accessible to the  
21 public that includes an annually updated dash-  
22 board that—

23           “(i) provides easy-to-understand infor-  
24 mation on the outcomes achieved by each  
25 eligible entity with respect to each of the  
26 benchmarks described in subparagraph (A)

1 of this paragraph that apply to the eligible  
2 entity, which shall be based on only the  
3 data elements or types of data collected be-  
4 fore the date of the enactment of this sec-  
5 tion unless administering agencies and the  
6 Secretary agree pursuant to subsection  
7 (h)(6) that additional data is required;

8 “(ii) includes a template provided by  
9 the Secretary that will enable comparison  
10 among eligible entities not referred to in  
11 subsection (k)(2)(A) of—

12 “(I) a profile of each eligible en-  
13 tity showing outcome indicators and  
14 how the outcomes compare to bench-  
15 marks described in subclause (II);

16 “(II) information on the outcome  
17 indicators and requisite outcome levels  
18 established for each eligible entity;

19 “(III) information on each model  
20 employed in the program operated by  
21 each eligible entity, and regarding  
22 each benchmark area described in  
23 subsection (d)(1)(A) in which the  
24 model used by the eligible entity is ex-  
25 pected to affect participant outcomes;

1 “(IV) the most recently available  
2 information from the report required  
3 by subparagraph (E) of this para-  
4 graph;

5 “(V) an electronic link to the  
6 State needs assessment under sub-  
7 section (b)(1); and

8 “(VI) information regarding any  
9 penalty imposed, or other corrective  
10 action taken, by the Secretary against  
11 a State for failing to achieve a req-  
12 uisite outcome level or any other re-  
13 quirement imposed by or under this  
14 section, and an indication as to  
15 whether the eligible entity is operating  
16 under a corrective action plan under  
17 subparagraph (E)(ii) of this para-  
18 graph, and if so, a link to the plan, an  
19 explanation of the reason for the im-  
20 plementation of the plan, and a report  
21 on any progress made in operating  
22 under the plan;

23 “(iii) includes information relating to  
24 those eligible entities for which funding is  
25 reserved under subsection (k)(2)(A), with

modifications as necessary to reflect tribal sovereignty, data privacy, and participant confidentiality; and

“(iv) protects data privacy and confidentiality of participant families.”.

**SEC. 3. FUNDING.**

(a) GRANT AMOUNTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 511(c)(4) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 711(c)(4)) is amended to read as follows:

“(4) GRANT AMOUNTS.—

“(A) BASE GRANTS.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—

“(I) GENERAL RULE.—With respect to each of fiscal years 2023 through 2027 for which an eligible entity not referred to in subsection (k)(2)(A) is awarded a base grant under this section, the amount of the grant payable to the eligible entity for the fiscal year is the amount described by clause (ii) of this subparagraph with respect to the eligible entity, except as provided in subclause (II) of this clause.

1 “(II) SUBSTITUTION OF SUC-  
2 CESSOR ELIGIBLE ENTITY FOR PRED-  
3 ECESSOR.—If the 1st fiscal year for  
4 which an eligible entity is awarded a  
5 base grant under this section for a  
6 program operated in a State is among  
7 fiscal years 2024 through 2027, the  
8 amount described by clause (ii) with  
9 respect to the eligible entity is the  
10 amount of the base grant for which a  
11 program operated in the State was eli-  
12 gible under this subparagraph for fis-  
13 cal year 2023.

14 “(ii) AMOUNT DESCRIBED.—

15 “(I) GENERAL RULE.—Subject to  
16 the succeeding provisions of this  
17 clause, the amount described by this  
18 clause with respect to an eligible enti-  
19 ty is—

20 “(aa) the amount made  
21 available under subsection (k) for  
22 base grants for fiscal year 2023  
23 that remains after making the  
24 reservations required by sub-  
25 section (k)(2) or any other reduc-

tions required by Federal law for  
fiscal year 2023; multiplied by

“(bb) the percentage of children in all States who have not attained 5 years of age (as determined by the Secretary on the basis of the data most recently available before fiscal year 2023) that is represented by the number of such children in the State in which the eligible entity is operating a program pursuant to this section (as so determined).

“(II) ADJUSTMENTS TO ENSURE STABLE FUNDING.—If the amount otherwise payable to an eligible entity under subclause (I) for fiscal year 2023 is less than 90 percent, or greater than 110 percent, of the amount payable under this section to the eligible entity for the program for fiscal year 2021, the Secretary shall increase the amount otherwise so payable to 90 percent, or decrease the amount otherwise so payable to 110

1 percent, as the case may be, of the  
2 amount otherwise so payable.

3 “(III) ADJUSTMENT TO ENSURE  
4 ALL BASE GRANT FUNDS ARE ALLO-  
5 CATED.—If the amount described by  
6 subclause (I)(aa) is different than the  
7 total of the amounts otherwise de-  
8 scribed by subclause (I) after applying  
9 subclause (II), the Secretary shall in-  
10 crease or decrease the amounts other-  
11 wise so described after applying sub-  
12 clause (II) by such equal percentage  
13 as is necessary to reduce that dif-  
14 ference to zero.

15 “(IV) MINIMUM BASE GRANT  
16 AMOUNT.—Notwithstanding the pre-  
17 ceding provisions of this clause, the  
18 amount described by this clause with  
19 respect to an eligible entity shall be  
20 not less than \$1,000,000.

21 “(B) MATCHING GRANTS.—

22 “(i) AMOUNT OF GRANT.—

23 “(I) GENERAL RULE.—With re-  
24 spect to each of fiscal years 2024  
25 through 2027 for which an eligible en-



1           tity not referred to in subsection  
2           (k)(2)(A) is awarded a grant under  
3           this section, the Secretary shall in-  
4           crease the amount of the grant pay-  
5           able to the eligible entity for the fiscal  
6           year under subparagraph (A) of this  
7           paragraph by the matching amount (if  
8           any) determined under subclause (II)  
9           of this clause with respect to the eligi-  
10          ble entity for the fiscal year and the  
11          additional matching amount (if any)  
12          determined under clause (iii) of this  
13          subparagraph with respect to the eli-  
14          gible entity for the fiscal year.

15               “(II) MATCHING AMOUNT.—

16                   “(aa) IN GENERAL.—Sub-  
17                   ject to item (bb) of this sub-  
18                   clause, the matching amount  
19                   with respect to an eligible entity  
20                   for a fiscal year is 75 percent of  
21                   the sum of—

22                           “(AA) the total amount  
23                           obligated by the eligible enti-  
24                           ty for home visiting services  
25                           in the State for the fiscal

1 year, from Federal funds  
2 made available for the fiscal  
3 year under this subpara-  
4 graph; and

5 “(BB) the total amount  
6 so obligated by the eligible  
7 entity from non-Federal  
8 funds, determined under  
9 subclause (III).

10 “(bb) LIMITATION.—The  
11 matching amount with respect to  
12 an eligible entity for a fiscal year  
13 shall not exceed the allotment  
14 under subclause (IV) for the  
15 State in which the eligible entity  
16 is operating a program under  
17 this section for the fiscal year.

18 “(III) DETERMINATION OF OBLI-  
19 GATIONS FROM NON-FEDERAL  
20 FUNDS.—For purposes of this clause,  
21 the total amount obligated by an eligi-  
22 ble entity from non-Federal funds is  
23 the total of the amounts that are obli-  
24 gated by the eligible entity from non-  
25 Federal sources, to the extent that—

1 “(aa) the services are deliv-  
2 ered in compliance with sub-  
3 sections (d)(2) and (d)(3);

4 “(bb) the eligible entity has  
5 reported the obligations to the  
6 Secretary; and

7 “(cc) the amount is not  
8 counted toward meeting the  
9 maintenance of effort require-  
10 ment in subsection (f).

11 “(IV) STATE ALLOTMENTS.—The  
12 amount allotted under this subclause  
13 for a State in which an eligible entity  
14 is operating a program under this sec-  
15 tion for a fiscal year is—

16 “(aa) the minimum match-  
17 ing grant allocation amount for  
18 the fiscal year; plus

19 “(bb)(AA) the amount (if  
20 any) by which the amount made  
21 available under subsection (k) for  
22 matching grants for the fiscal  
23 year that remains after making  
24 the reservations required by sub-  
25 section (k)(2) or any other reduc-

tion required by Federal law for the fiscal year exceeds the sum of the minimum matching grant allocation amounts for all eligible entities for the fiscal year; multiplied by

“(BB) the percentage of children in all States who have not attained 5 years of age and are members of families with income not exceeding the poverty line (as determined by the Secretary on the basis of the most recently available data) that is represented by the number of such children in the State (as so determined).

“(V) MINIMUM MATCHING GRANT ALLOCATION AMOUNT.—Subject to subclause (VI), for purposes of subclause (IV), the minimum matching grant allocation amount for a fiscal year is—

“(aa) in the case of fiscal year 2024, \$776,000;

1 “(bb) in the case of fiscal  
2 year 2025, \$1,000,000;

3 “(cc) in the case of fiscal  
4 year 2026, \$1,500,000; and

5 “(dd) in the case of fiscal  
6 year 2027, \$2,000,000.

7 “(VI) SPECIAL RULE.—If, after  
8 making any reductions otherwise re-  
9 quired by law for a fiscal year, the  
10 amount made available for matching  
11 grants under this clause for the fiscal  
12 year is insufficient to provide the min-  
13 imum matching grant allocation  
14 amount to each eligible entity oper-  
15 ating a program under this section for  
16 the fiscal year, the Secretary may  
17 make a proportionate adjustment to  
18 the minimum matching grant alloca-  
19 tion amount for the fiscal year to ac-  
20 commodate the reductions.

21 “(ii) SUBMISSION OF STATEMENT EX-  
22 PRESSING INTEREST IN ADDITIONAL  
23 MATCHING FUNDS IF AVAILABLE.—Before  
24 the beginning of a fiscal year for which an  
25 eligible entity desires a matching grant

1 under this subparagraph for a program op-  
2 erated under this section, the eligible entity  
3 shall submit to the Secretary a statement  
4 as to whether the eligible entity desires ad-  
5 ditional matching grant funds that may be  
6 made available under clause (iii) for the  
7 fiscal year.

8 “(iii) CARRYOVER AND REALLOCATION  
9 OF UNOBLIGATED FUNDS.—

10 “(I) IN GENERAL.—If the Sec-  
11 retary determines that an amount al-  
12 lotted under clause (i)(IV) of this sub-  
13 paragraph for a fiscal year will not be  
14 awarded during the fiscal year, or  
15 that an amount made available under  
16 subsection (k)(1) for a fiscal year for  
17 matching grants will not be obligated  
18 by an eligible entity for the fiscal  
19 year, the amount shall be available for  
20 matching grants under this subpara-  
21 graph for the succeeding fiscal year  
22 for eligible entities that have made  
23 submissions under clause (ii) of this  
24 subparagraph for additional matching  
25 grant funds from the amount.

1           “(II) STATE ALLOTMENTS.—The  
2           Secretary shall allot to each eligible  
3           entity that has made such a submis-  
4           sion for a fiscal year—

5                   “(aa) the total amount (if  
6                   any) made available under sub-  
7                   clause (I) for the fiscal year;  
8                   multiplied by

9                   “(bb) the percentage of chil-  
10                  dren who have not attained 5  
11                  years of age and are members of  
12                  families with income not exceed-  
13                  ing the poverty line (as deter-  
14                  mined by the Secretary on the  
15                  basis of the most recently avail-  
16                  able data) in all of the States in  
17                  which any eligible entity that has  
18                  made such a submission is so op-  
19                  erating a program, that is rep-  
20                  resented by the number of such  
21                  children in the State (as so deter-  
22                  mined) in which the eligible enti-  
23                  ty is operating such a program.

24           “(III) ADDITIONAL MATCHING  
25           AMOUNT.—

1           “(aa) IN GENERAL.—Sub-  
2           ject to item (bb) of this sub-  
3           clause, the additional matching  
4           amount with respect to an eligi-  
5           ble entity for a fiscal year is 75  
6           percent of the sum of—

7                       “(AA) the total amount  
8                       obligated by the eligible enti-  
9                       ty for home visiting services  
10                      in the State for the fiscal  
11                      year, from Federal funds  
12                      made available for the fiscal  
13                      year under this subpara-  
14                      graph; and

15                      “(BB) the total amount  
16                      so obligated by the eligible  
17                      entity from non-Federal  
18                      funds, determined under  
19                      clause (i)(III),

20                      that are not taken into account  
21                      in determining the matching  
22                      amount with respect to the eligi-  
23                      ble entity under clause (i).

24                      “(bb) LIMITATION.—The  
25                      additional matching amount with



1                   respect to an eligible entity for a  
2                   fiscal year shall not exceed the  
3                   allotment under subclause (II)  
4                   for the State in which the eligible  
5                   entity is operating a program  
6                   under this section for the fiscal  
7                   year.”.

8                   (2) MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT.—Section 511(f)  
9                   of such Act (42 U.S.C. 711) is amended to read as  
10                  follows:

11                 “(f) MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT.—

12                         “(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other  
13                   provision of this section, the Secretary may not  
14                   make a grant to an eligible entity under this section  
15                   for a fiscal year if the total amount of non-Federal  
16                   funds obligated by the eligible entity in the State in  
17                   the fiscal year for a program operated pursuant to  
18                   this section is less than the total amount of non-  
19                   Federal funds reported to have been expended by  
20                   any eligible entity for such a program in the State  
21                   in fiscal year 2019 or 2021, whichever is the lesser.

22                         “(2) PUBLICATION OF AMOUNTS.—Not later  
23                   than June 30, 2023, the Secretary shall cause to  
24                   have published in the Federal Register the amount  
25                   of non-Federal funds expended as described in this

1 section that has been reported by each eligible entity  
 2 not referred to in subsection (k)(2)(A) for each of  
 3 fiscal years 2019 and 2021.

4 “(3) GRACE PERIOD.—The Secretary may, in  
 5 exceptional circumstances, allow an eligible entity a  
 6 period to come into compliance with this subsection.  
 7 The Secretary shall provide technical assistance to  
 8 any eligible entity to assist the entity in doing so.”.

9 (b) RESERVATIONS OF FUNDS FOR CERTAIN PUR-  
 10 POSES.—Section 511(j)(2) of such Act (42 U.S.C.  
 11 711(j)(2)) is amended—

12 (1) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A),  
 13 by striking “the amount” and inserting “each  
 14 amount made available for base grants and each  
 15 amount made available for matching grants”;

16 (2) in subparagraph (A)—

17 (A) by striking “3” and inserting “6”; and

18 (B) by striking “and” at the end; and

19 (3) by striking subparagraph (B) and inserting  
 20 the following:

21 “(B) 2 percent of such amount for pur-  
 22 poses of providing technical assistance, directly  
 23 or through grants or contracts, for purposes as  
 24 otherwise described in subsections (c)(5),  
 25 (d)(1)(C)(iii), (d)(1)(E)(iii), and (d)(4)(E);

“(C) 2 percent of such amount for purposes of workforce support, retention, and case management, including workforce-related technical assistance, research and evaluation, and program administration, directly or through grants or contracts, of which the Secretary shall use not more than \$1,500,000 to establish and operate the Jackie Walorski Center for Evidence-Based Case Management; and

“(D) 3 percent of such amount for purposes of research and evaluation (directly or through grants or contracts), and for administering this section (directly, through contracts, or otherwise).”.

(c) APPROPRIATIONS.—Section 511(j)(1) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 711(j)(1)) is amended by striking subparagraphs (A) through (H) and inserting the following:

“(A) for fiscal year 2023, \$500,000,000 for base grants;

“(B) for fiscal year 2024, \$550,000,000, of which \$500,000,000 shall be for base grants and \$50,000,000 shall be for matching grants;

“(C) for fiscal year 2025, \$600,000,000, of which \$500,000,000 shall be for base grants and \$100,000,000 shall be for matching grants;

1           “(D) for fiscal year 2026, \$650,000,000,  
 2           of which \$500,000,000 shall be for base grants  
 3           and \$150,000,000 shall be for matching grants;  
 4           and

5           “(E) for fiscal year 2027, \$800,000,000,  
 6           of which \$500,000,000 shall be for base grants  
 7           and \$300,000,000 shall be for matching  
 8           grants.”.

9           (d) DISPOSITION OF EXCESS FUNDS RESERVED FOR  
 10 RESEARCH, EVALUATION, AND ADMINISTRATION.—Sec-  
 11 tion 511(j) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 711(j)) is amended by  
 12 adding at the end the following:

13           “(5) DISPOSITION OF EXCESS FUNDS RE-  
 14 SERVED FOR RESEARCH, EVALUATION, AND ADMIN-  
 15 ISTRATION.—To the extent that the amounts re-  
 16 served under paragraph (2)(D) for a fiscal year are  
 17 not obligated in the fiscal year, the Secretary may  
 18 use the funds for any purpose described in this sec-  
 19 tion or to offset any reduction with respect to this  
 20 section that is required by Federal law.”.

21 **SEC. 4. REQUIREMENT THAT HOME VISITING PROGRAMS**  
 22 **BE TARGETED AND INTENSIVE.**

23           Section 511(d)(3) of the Social Security Act (42  
 24 U.S.C. 711(d)(3)) is amended by redesignating subpara-

1 graph (B) as subparagraph (C) and inserting after sub-  
2 paragraph (A) the following:

3 “(B) USE OF GRANT TO PROVIDE OR SUP-  
4 PORT TARGETED, INTENSIVE HOME VISITING  
5 SERVICES.—The program uses the grant to pro-  
6 vide or support targeted, intensive home visiting  
7 services for the populations described in para-  
8 graph (5).”.

9 **SEC. 5. LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR ADMINISTRA-**  
10 **TION.**

11 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 511(d) of the Social Secu-  
12 rity Act (42 U.S.C. 711(d)) is amended by adding at the  
13 end the following:

14 “(5) LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR AD-  
15 MINISTRATIVE COSTS.—

16 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in  
17 subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, an eligible  
18 entity to which funds are provided under sub-  
19 section (c) or (h)(2)(B) shall not use more than  
20 10 percent of the funds to cover the costs of ad-  
21 ministration.

22 “(B) AUTHORITY TO GRANT EXCEP-  
23 TIONS.—

24 “(i) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary  
25 may authorize an eligible entity that meets

1 a condition of clause (ii) of this subpara-  
2 graph to exceed the percentage limitation  
3 in subparagraph (A) with respect to a pro-  
4 gram conducted under this subsection by  
5 not more than 5 percentage points, subject  
6 to such terms and conditions as the Sec-  
7 retary deems appropriate.

8 “(ii) CONDITIONS.—An eligible entity  
9 meets a condition of this clause if the eligi-  
10 ble entity—

11 “(I) conducts the program by di-  
12 rectly providing home visits to eligible  
13 families and without a sub-recipient;

14 “(II) in the fiscal year for which  
15 the grant for the program is made  
16 under this section, proposes to expand  
17 services in 1 or more communities  
18 identified in the statewide needs as-  
19 sessment under subsection (b) and in  
20 which home visiting services are not  
21 provided; or

22 “(III) has conducted the program  
23 for fewer than 3 years.”.

24 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 511(i)(2)  
25 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 711(i)(2)) is amended by striking

1 subparagraph (C) and redesignating subparagraphs (D)  
2 through (G) as subparagraphs (C) through (F), respec-  
3 tively.

4 **SEC. 6. ANNUAL REPORT TO CONGRESS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 511 of the Social Security  
6 Act (42 U.S.C. 711) is amended by redesignating sub-  
7 sections (j) and (k) as subsections (k) and (l), respectively,  
8 and inserting after subsection (i) the following:

9 “(j) ANNUAL REPORT TO CONGRESS.—By December  
10 31, 2023, and annually thereafter, the Secretary shall sub-  
11 mit to the Congress a written report on the grants made  
12 under this section for the then preceding fiscal year, which  
13 shall include—

14 “(1) an eligible entity-by-eligible entity sum-  
15 mary of the outcomes measured by the entity with  
16 respect to each benchmark described in subsection  
17 (e)(5) that apply to the entity;

18 “(2) information regarding any technical assist-  
19 ance funded under subparagraph (B) or (C) of sub-  
20 section (k)(2), including the type of any such assist-  
21 ance provided;

22 “(3) information on the demographic makeup of  
23 families served by each such entity to the extent pos-  
24 sible while respecting participant confidentiality, in-  
25 cluding race, ethnicity, educational attainment at en-

1 rollment, household income, and other demographic  
2 markers as determined by the Secretary;

3 “(4) the information described in subsection  
4 (d)(1)(E);

5 “(5) the estimated share of the eligible popu-  
6 lation served using grants made under this section;

7 “(6) a description of each service delivery model  
8 funded under this section by the eligible entities in  
9 each State, and the share (if any) of the grants ex-  
10 pended on each model;

11 “(7) a description of non-Federal expenditures  
12 by eligible entities to qualify for matching funds  
13 under subsection (c)(4);

14 “(8) information on the uses of funds reserved  
15 under subsection (k)(2)(C);

16 “(9) information relating to those eligible enti-  
17 ties for which funding is reserved under subsection  
18 (k)(2)(A), with modifications as necessary to reflect  
19 tribal data sovereignty, data privacy, and participant  
20 confidentiality; and

21 “(10) a list of data elements collected from eli-  
22 gible entities, and the purpose of each data element  
23 in measuring performance or enforcing requirements  
24 under this section.”.

25 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—



1           (1) Section 511 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 711) is  
2       amended—

3                   (A) in subsection (b)(1)(B)(iii), by striking  
4       “(k)(2)” and inserting “(l)(2)”; and

5                   (B) in subsection (h)(2)(B)—

6                           (i) by striking “(j)” and inserting  
7       “(k)”; and

8                           (ii) by striking “(k)(1)(B)” and in-  
9       serting “(l)(1)(B)”.

10           (2) Section 511A(c) of such Act (42 U.S.C.  
11       711a(c)) is amended in each of paragraphs (5) and  
12       (7) by striking “511(k)(2)” and inserting  
13       “511(l)(2)”.

14   **SEC. 7. REDUCTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE BURDEN.**

15       Section 511(h) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.  
16       711(h)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

17                   “(6) REDUCTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE BUR-  
18       DEN.—

19                           “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall  
20       reduce the burden, on States and public and  
21       private implementing agencies at the local level,  
22       of administering this section, by—

23                                   “(i) reviewing and revising adminis-  
24       trative data collection instruments and  
25       forms to eliminate duplication and stream-

1 line reporting requirements for States, eli-  
2 gible entities referred to in subsection  
3 (k)(2)(A), and nonprofit organizations re-  
4 ferred to in subsection (l)(1)(B), including  
5 timelines for submitting reports;

6 “(ii) conducting an analysis of the  
7 total number of hours reported by admin-  
8 istering agencies on complying with paper-  
9 work requirements, and exploring, in con-  
10 sultation with administering agencies, ways  
11 to reduce the number of hours spent by at  
12 least 15 percent;

13 “(iii) conducting a review of paper-  
14 work and data collection requirements for  
15 tribal grantees, and exploring, in consulta-  
16 tion with tribes and tribal organizations,  
17 ways to reduce administrative burden, re-  
18 spect sovereignty, and acknowledge the dif-  
19 ferent focus points for tribal grantees;

20 “(iv) collecting input from relevant  
21 State fiscal officials to align fiscal require-  
22 ments and oversight for States and eligible  
23 entities to ensure consistency with stand-  
24 ards and guidelines for other Federal for-  
25 mula grant programs; and

“(v) consulting with administering agencies and service delivery model representatives on needed and unneeded data elements regarding the dashboards provided for in subsection (d)(1)(B), consistent with the data requirements of such subsection.

“(B) FINDINGS ON PAPERWORK REDUCTION.—

“(i) INCLUSION IN REPORT.—In the 1st report submitted pursuant to subsection (j) more than 18 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall include the findings of the Secretary with respect to the matters described in subparagraph (A).

“(ii) IMPLEMENTATION.—Within 2 years after complying with clause (i), the Secretary shall implement the findings referred to in clause (i).”.

**SEC. 8. VIRTUAL HOME VISITING AUTHORIZATION AND RESTRICTIONS.**

(a) VIRTUAL HOME VISITS.—

(1) APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS.—Section 511(e) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 711(e))

1 is amended by redesignating paragraph (10) as  
2 paragraph (11) and inserting after paragraph (9)  
3 the following:

4 “(10) At the option of the eligible entity—

5 “(A) a description of any limitations or  
6 constraints on virtual home visits under the  
7 program, including—

8 “(i) a description of the plan of the el-  
9 igible entity to encourage in-person home  
10 visits; and

11 “(ii) a description of the consider-  
12 ations to be used in determining when a  
13 virtual home visit is appropriate, including  
14 client consent, client preference, geographic  
15 limitations, model fidelity, and hazardous  
16 conditions including public health emer-  
17 gencies, weather events, health concerns  
18 for home visitors and client families, and  
19 other local issues;

20 “(B) an assurance that—

21 “(i) the virtual home visit is imple-  
22 mented as a model enhancement; or

23 “(ii) the Secretary has identified the  
24 home visit as part of an effective model or  
25 model adaptation, based on an evidence of

effectiveness review conducted using the  
criteria established under subsection  
(d)(3)(A)(iii); and

“(C) an assurance to the Secretary that at  
least 1 in-person home visit shall be conducted  
for each client family under the program during  
the 12-month period that begins with the entry  
of the client family into the program, and dur-  
ing each succeeding 12-month period, except  
that any such period in which a public health  
emergency declared under Federal law, or  
under the law of the State in which the pro-  
gram is conducted, is in effect shall be extended  
by the length of time in which the declaration  
is in effect.”.

(2) APPLICABLE RULES.—Section 511(d) of  
such Act (42 U.S.C. 711(d)) is amended by redesign-  
ating paragraph (4) and paragraph (5) (as added  
by section 5(a) of this Act) as paragraphs (5) and  
(6), respectively, and inserting after paragraph (3)  
the following:

“(4) VIRTUAL HOME VISITS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—A virtual home visit  
conducted under the program shall be consid-  
ered a home visit for purposes of this section if

1 the application for funding of the program sub-  
2 mitted pursuant to this section most recently  
3 after the effective date of this paragraph in-  
4 cludes the material described in subsection  
5 (e)(10).

6 “(B) STANDARDS FOR TRAINING APPLICA-  
7 BLE TO VIRTUAL SERVICE DELIVERY.—The  
8 standards for training requirements applicable  
9 to virtual service delivery under a home visiting  
10 model shall be equivalent to those that apply to  
11 in-person service delivery under the model.

12 “(C) REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—A grant  
13 made under this section for the program may  
14 not be used for any virtual home visit during a  
15 year, unless the eligible entity to which the  
16 grant is made submits the report described in  
17 subsection (e)(8)(A) for the year.

18 “(D) VIRTUAL HOME VISIT DEFINED.—In  
19 this section, the term ‘virtual home visit’ means  
20 a visit conducted solely by use of electronic in-  
21 formation and telecommunications technologies.

22 “(E) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—If the  
23 Secretary finds that an eligible entity has not  
24 complied with the assurance described in sub-  
25 section (e)(10)(C), the Secretary shall, directly

1 or through grants, contracts, or cooperative  
2 agreements, provide the eligible entity with such  
3 technical assistance as is necessary to assist the  
4 eligible entity in doing so.”.

5 (3) PROGRAM REQUIREMENT.—Section  
6 511(d)(3)(C) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 711(d)(3)(C)),  
7 as so redesignated by section 4 of this Act, is  
8 amended by adding at the end the following:

9 “(vii) If the application submitted by  
10 the eligible entity includes the assurance  
11 described in subsection (e)(10)(C) with re-  
12 spect to the program, the program pro-  
13 vides in-person service consistent with the  
14 assurances.”.

15 (4) REPORTS.—Section 511(e)(8)(A) of such  
16 Act (42 U.S.C. 711(e)(8)(A)) is amended by insert-  
17 ing “, including the number of virtual home visits  
18 conducted under the program in the year covered by  
19 the report, disaggregated with respect to each home  
20 visiting model under which the virtual home visits  
21 are conducted” before the semicolon.

22 (b) TRANSITION RULE.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—A virtual home visit con-  
24 ducted before the effective date of the amendments  
25 made by this section under an early childhood home

1       visitation program funded under section 511 of the  
2       Social Security Act shall be considered a home visit  
3       for purposes of such section.

4               (2) VIRTUAL HOME VISIT DEFINED.—In para-  
5       graph (1), the term “virtual home visit” means a  
6       visit conducted solely by use of electronic informa-  
7       tion and telecommunications technologies.

8       **SEC. 9. BUDGET OFFSET.**

9       Section 1898(b)(1) of the Social Security Act (42  
10   U.S.C. 1395iii(b)(1)) is amended by striking  
11   “\$7,308,000,000” and inserting “\$4,418,000,000”.

12   **SEC. 10. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

13       (a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsections  
14   (b) and (c), this Act and the amendments made by this  
15   Act shall take effect on October 1, 2022.

16       (b) VIRTUAL HOME VISITING PROVISIONS.—The  
17   amendments made by section 8 shall take effect on Octo-  
18   ber 1, 2023.



1       (c) BUDGET OFFSET.—The amendment made by sec-  
2   tion 9 shall take effect on the date of the enactment of  
3   this Act.

Passed the House of Representatives December 2,  
2022.

Attest:

*Clerk.*

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**AN ACT**

To reauthorize the Maternal, Infant, and Early  
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