

118TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. R. 8084

---

## AN ACT

To amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to require States to verify certain eligibility criteria for individuals enrolled for medical assistance quarterly, 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 “Leveraging Integrity  
3 and Verification of Eligibility for Beneficiaries Act” or the  
4 “LIVE Beneficiaries Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. VERIFICATION OF CERTAIN ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**  
6 **FOR INDIVIDUALS ENROLLED FOR MEDICAL**  
7 **ASSISTANCE.**

8       Section 1902 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.  
9 1396a) is amended—

10           (1) in subsection (a)—

11               (A) in paragraph (86), by striking “; and”  
12 and inserting a semicolon;

13               (B) in paragraph (87)(D), by striking the  
14 period at the end and inserting “; and”; and

15               (C) by inserting after paragraph (87)(D)  
16 the following new paragraph:

17           “(88) provide that the State shall comply with  
18 the eligibility verification requirements under sub-  
19 section (uu), except that this paragraph shall apply  
20 only in the case of the 50 States and the District  
21 of Columbia.”; and

22           (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-  
23 section:

24           “(uu) VERIFICATION OF CERTAIN ELIGIBILITY CRI-  
25 TERIA.—

1           “(1) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of subsection  
2           (a)(88), the eligibility verification requirements, be-  
3           ginning January 1, 2026, are as follows:

4                   “(A) QUARTERLY SCREENING TO VERIFY  
5                   ENROLLEE STATUS.—The State shall, not less  
6                   frequently than quarterly, review the Death  
7                   Master File (as such term is defined in section  
8                   203(d) of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2013)  
9                   to determine whether any individuals enrolled  
10                  for medical assistance under the State plan (or  
11                  waiver of such plan) are deceased.

12                  “(B) DISENROLLMENT UNDER STATE  
13                  PLAN.—If the State determines, based on infor-  
14                  mation obtained from the Death Master File,  
15                  that an individual enrolled for medical assist-  
16                  ance under the State plan (or waiver of such  
17                  plan) is deceased, the State shall—

18                          “(i) treat such information as factual  
19                          information confirming the death of a ben-  
20                          eficiary for purposes of section 431.213(a)  
21                          of title 42, Code of Federal Regulations (or  
22                          any successor regulation);

23                          “(ii) disenroll such individual from the  
24                          State plan (or waiver of such plan); and

1                   “(iii) discontinue any payments for  
2                   medical assistance under this title made on  
3                   behalf of such individual (other than pay-  
4                   ments for any items or services furnished  
5                   to such individual prior to the death of  
6                   such individual).

7                   “(C) REINSTATEMENT OF COVERAGE IN  
8                   THE EVENT OF ERROR.—If a State determines  
9                   that an individual was misidentified as deceased  
10                  based on information obtained from the Death  
11                  Master File, and was erroneously disenrolled  
12                  from medical assistance under the State plan  
13                  (or waiver of such plan) based on such  
14                  misidentification, the State shall immediately  
15                  reenroll such individual under the State plan  
16                  (or waiver of such plan), retroactive to the date  
17                  of such disenrollment.

18                  “(2) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing under  
19                  this subsection shall be construed to preclude the  
20                  ability of a State to use other electronic data sources  
21                  to timely identify potentially deceased beneficiaries,  
22                  so long as the State is also in compliance with the  
23                  requirements of this subsection (and all other re-

- 1       quirements under this title relating to Medicaid eli-
- 2       gibility determination and redetermination).”.

Passed the House of Representatives September 17,  
2024.

Attest:

*Clerk.*

118<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 8084

## AN ACT

To amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to require States to verify certain eligibility criteria for individuals enrolled for medical assistance quarterly, and for other purposes.