

### 117TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

# H. R. 8876

# **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	$(\Pi)$ 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

1	modifications as necessary to reflect tribal
2	sovereignty, data privacy, and participant
3	confidentiality; and
4	"(iv) protects data privacy and con-
5	fidentiality of participant families.".
6	SEC. 3. FUNDING.
7	(a) Grant Amounts.—
8	(1) In general.—Section 511(c)(4) of the So-
9	cial Security Act (42 U.S.C. 711(c)(4)) is amended
10	to read as follows:
11	"(4) Grant amounts.—
12	"(A) Base grants.—
13	"(i) In general.—
14	"(I) General rule.—With re-
15	spect to each of fiscal years 2023
16	through 2027 for which an eligible en-
17	tity not referred to in subsection
18	(k)(2)(A) is awarded a base grant
19	under this section, the amount of the
20	grant payable to the eligible entity for
21	the fiscal year is the amount described
22	by clause (ii) of this subparagraph
23	with respect to the eligible entity, ex-
24	cept as provided in subclause (II) of
25	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-

1	tions required by Federal law for
2	fiscal year 2023; multiplied by
3	"(bb) the percentage of chil-
4	dren in all States who have not
5	attained 5 years of age (as deter-
6	mined by the Secretary on the
7	basis of the data most recently
8	available before fiscal year 2023)
9	that is represented by the num-
10	ber of such children in the State
11	in which the eligible entity is op-
12	erating a program pursuant to
13	this section (as so determined).
14	"(II) Adjustments to ensure
15	STABLE FUNDING.—If the amount
16	otherwise payable to an eligible entity
17	under subclause (I) for fiscal year
18	2023 is less than 90 percent, or great-
19	er than 110 percent, of the amount
20	payable under this section to the eligi-
21	ble entity for the program for fiscal
22	year 2021, the Secretary shall in-
23	crease the amount otherwise so pay-
24	able to 90 percent, or decrease the
25	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 availabl	le for the fiscal
3 year under	this subpara-
4 graph; and	
5 "(BB) th	ne total amount
6 so obligated	by the eligible
7 entity from	non-Federal
8 funds, deter	rmined under
9 subclause (III	[).
10 "(bb) Lim	IITATION.—The
11 matching amount	with respect to
12 an eligible entity f	for a fiscal year
shall not exceed	the allotment
14 under subclause	(IV) for the
15 State in which the	e eligible entity
is operating a p	program under
this section for the	e fiscal year.
18 "(III) DETERMINA	ATION OF OBLI-
19 GATIONS FROM	NON-FEDERAL
20 Funds.—For purposes	of this clause,
21 the total amount obliga	ted by an eligi-
ble entity from non-Fe	ederal funds is
the total of the amount	ts that are obli-
gated by the eligible en	ntity from non-
25 Federal sources, to the	e 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-

1	tion required by Federal law for
2	the fiscal year exceeds the sum of
3	the minimum matching grant al-
4	location amounts for all eligible
5	entities for the fiscal year; multi-
6	plied by
7	"(BB) the percentage of
8	children in all States who have
9	not attained 5 years of age and
10	are members of families with in-
11	come not exceeding the poverty
12	line (as determined by the Sec-
13	retary on the basis of the most
14	recently available data) that is
15	represented by the number of
16	such children in the State (as so
17	determined).
18	"(V) MINIMUM MATCHING GRANT
19	ALLOCATION AMOUNT.—Subject to
20	subclause (VI), for purposes of sub-
21	clause (IV), the minimum matching
22	grant allocation amount for a fiscal
23	year is—
24	"(aa) in the case of fiscal
25	year 2024, \$776,000;

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

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under this subparagraph for a program operated under this section, the eligible entity shall submit to the Secretary a statement as to whether the eligible entity desires additional matching grant funds that may be made available under clause (iii) for the fiscal year.

# "(iii) Carryover and reallocation of unobligated funds.—

"(I) IN GENERAL.—If the Secretary determines that an amount allotted under clause (i)(IV) of this subparagraph for a fiscal year will not be awarded during the fiscal year, or that an amount made available under subsection (k)(1) for a fiscal year for matching grants will not be obligated by an eligible entity for the fiscal year, the amount shall be available for matching grants under this subparagraph for the succeeding fiscal year for eligible entities that have made submissions under clause (ii) of this subparagraph for additional matching 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

respect to an eligible entity for a
fiscal year shall not exceed the
allotment under subclause (II)
for the State in which the eligible
entity is operating a program
under this section for the fiscal
year.".

(2) Maintenance of Effort.—Section 511(f) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 711) is amended to read as follows:

### "(f) Maintenance of Effort.—

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

"(2) Publication of amounts.—Not later than June 30, 2023, the Secretary shall cause to have published in the Federal Register the amount 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);

1	"(C) 2 percent of such amount for pur-
2	poses of workforce support, retention, and case
3	management, including workforce-related tech-
4	nical assistance, research and evaluation, and
5	program administration, directly or through
6	grants or contracts, of which the Secretary shall
7	use not more than \$1,500,000 to establish and
8	operate the Jackie Walorski Center for Evi-
9	dence-Based Case Management; and
10	"(D) 3 percent of such amount for pur-
11	poses of research and evaluation (directly or
12	through grants or contracts), and for admin-
13	istering this section (directly, through contracts,
14	or otherwise).".
15	(c) Appropriations.—Section $511(j)(1)$ of such $Act$
16	(42 U.S.C. 711(j)(1)) is amended by striking subpara-
17	graphs (A) through (H) and inserting the following:
18	"(A) for fiscal year 2023, \$500,000,000
19	for base grants;
20	"(B) for fiscal year 2024, \$550,000,000,
21	of which \$500,000,000 shall be for base grants
22	and \$50,000,000 shall be for matching grants;
23	"(C) for fiscal year 2025, \$600,000,000, of
24	which \$500,000,000 shall be for base grants
25	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
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	not obligated in the fiscal year, the Secretary may
18	use the funds for any purpose described in this sec-
18 19	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	use the funds for any purpose described in this sec-
19	use the funds for any purpose described in this sec- tion or to offset any reduction with respect to this
19 20	use the funds for any purpose described in this section or to offset any reduction with respect to this section that is required by Federal law.".
19 20 21	use the funds for any purpose described in this section or to offset any reduction with respect to this section that is required by Federal law.".  SEC. 4. REQUIREMENT THAT HOME VISITING PROGRAMS

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 (e) 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

subparagraph (C) and redesignating subparagraphs (D) through (G) as subparagraphs (C) through (F), respec-3 tively. 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 31, 2023, and annually thereafter, the Secretary shall sub-10 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-

sible while respecting participant confidentiality, in-

cluding race, ethnicity, educational attainment at en-

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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 (e)(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(e) 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 referred to in subsection (1)(1)(B), including 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; "(iii) conducting a review of paper-13 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; "(iv) collecting input from relevant 20 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-

mula grant programs; and

1	"(v) consulting with administering
2	agencies and service delivery model rep-
3	resentatives on needed and unneeded data
4	elements regarding the dashboards pro-
5	vided for in subsection $(d)(1)(B)$ , con-
6	sistent with the data requirements of such
7	subsection.
8	"(B) Findings on Paperwork reduc-
9	TION.—
10	"(i) Inclusion in report.—In the
11	1st report submitted pursuant to sub-
12	section (j) more than 18 months after the
13	date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
14	retary shall include the findings of the Sec-
15	retary with respect to the matters de-
16	scribed in subparagraph (A).
17	"(ii) Implementation.—Within 2
18	years after complying with clause (i), the
19	Secretary shall implement the findings re-
20	ferred to in clause (i).".
21	SEC. 8. VIRTUAL HOME VISITING AUTHORIZATION AND RE-
22	STRICTIONS.
23	(a) Virtual Home Visits.—
24	(1) APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS.—Section
25	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

1	effectiveness review conducted using the
2	criteria established under subsection
3	(d)(3)(A)(iii); and
4	"(C) an assurance to the Secretary that at
5	least 1 in-person home visit shall be conducted
6	for each client family under the program during
7	the 12-month period that begins with the entry
8	of the client family into the program, and dur-
9	ing each succeeding 12-month period, except
10	that any such period in which a public health
11	emergency declared under Federal law, or
12	under the law of the State in which the pro-
13	gram is conducted, is in effect shall be extended
14	by the length of time in which the declaration
15	is in effect.".
16	(2) Applicable Rules.—Section 511(d) of
17	such Act (42 U.S.C. 711(d)) is amended by redesig-
18	nating paragraph (4) and paragraph (5) (as added
19	by section 5(a) of this Act) as paragraphs (5) and
20	(6), respectively, and inserting after paragraph (3)
21	the following:
22	"(4) Virtual home visits.—
23	"(A) In general.—A virtual home visit
24	conducted under the program shall be consid-
25	ered a home visit for purposes of this section if

the application for funding of the program submitted pursuant to this section most recently after the effective date of this paragraph includes the material described in subsection (e)(10).

- "(B) STANDARDS FOR TRAINING APPLICA-BLE TO VIRTUAL SERVICE DELIVERY.—The standards for training requirements applicable to virtual service delivery under a home visiting model shall be equivalent to those that apply to in-person service delivery under the model.
- "(C) REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—A grant made under this section for the program may not be used for any virtual home visit during a year, unless the eligible entity to which the grant is made submits the report described in subsection (e)(8)(A) for the year.
- "(D) VIRTUAL HOME VISIT DEFINED.—In this section, the term 'virtual home visit' means a visit conducted solely by use of electronic information and telecommunications technologies.
- "(E) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—If the Secretary finds that an eligible entity has not complied with the assurance described in subsection (e)(10)(C), the Secretary shall, directly

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- or through grants, contracts, or cooperative agreements, provide the eligible entity with such technical assistance as is necessary to assist the 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:
- "(vii) If the application submitted by
  the eligible entity includes the assurance
  described in subsection (e)(10)(C) with respect to the program, the program provides in-person service consistent with the
  assurances.".
  - (4) Reports.—Section 511(e)(8)(A) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 711(e)(8)(A)) is amended by inserting ", including the number of virtual home visits conducted under the program in the year covered by the report, disaggregated with respect to each home visiting model under which the virtual home visits are conducted" before the semicolon.

## (b) Transition Rule.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—A virtual home visit conducted before the effective date of the amendments made by this section under an early childhood home

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- 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 Childhood Home Visiting program, and for other purposes.