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> To amend part A of title IV of the Social Security Act, and for other purposes.

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### A BILL

To amend part A of title IV of the Social Security Act, 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,

#### **3** SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

4 This Act may be cited as the "Jobs and Opportunity

5 with Benefits and Services for Success Act".

#### 6 SEC. 2. TABLE OF CONTENTS.

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#### 1 SEC. 3. REFERENCES.

Except as otherwise expressly provided, wherever in
this Act an amendment or repeal is expressed in terms
of an amendment to, or repeal of, a section or other provision, the reference shall be considered to be made to a
section or other provision of the Social Security Act.

#### 7 SEC. 4. RE-NAMING OF PROGRAM.

- 8 (a) IN GENERAL.—The heading for part A of title
- 9 IV is amended to read as follows:

#### 10 "PART A—JOBS AND OPPORTUNITY WITH

#### 11 BENEFITS AND SERVICES PROGRAM".

- 12 (b) Conforming Amendments.—
- 13 (1) The heading for section 403(a)(2)(B) (42
- 14 U.S.C. 603(a)(2)(B)) is amended by striking
- 15 "TANF" and inserting "JOBS".

| 1  | (2) The heading for section $413$ (42 U.S.C.  |
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| 2  | 613) is amended by striking " <b>TEMPORARY AS-</b>  |
| 3  | SISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES" and inserting  |
| 4  | "JOBS AND OPPORTUNITY WITH BENEFITS AND   |
| 5  | SERVICES''.   |
| 6  | (3) The heading for section 413(a) (42 U.S.C.   |
| 7  | 613(a)) is amended by striking "TANF" and insert-   |
| 8  | ing "JOBS".   |
| 9  | (4) The heading for section $471(e)(7)(B)(i)$ (42)  |
| 10   | U.S.C. $671(e)(7)(B)(i)$ , as in effect pursuant to the   |
| 11   | amendment made by section $50711(a)(2)$ of division   |
| 12   | E of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 (Public  |
| 13   | Law 115–123), is amended by striking "TANF"   |
| 14   | and inserting "JOBS".   |
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| 15   | SEC. 5. HELPING MORE AMERICANS ENTER AND REMAIN IN  |
|  | SEC. 5. HELPING MORE AMERICANS ENTER AND REMAIN IN<br>THE WORKFORCE.  |
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| 15<br>16<br>17   | THE WORKFORCE.  |
| 15<br>16<br>17   | <b>THE WORKFORCE.</b><br>(a) FAMILY ASSISTANCE GRANTS.—Section  |
| 15<br>16<br>17<br>18   | THE WORKFORCE.(a)FAMILYASSISTANCEGRANTS.—Section403(a)(1)(42 U.S.C.603(a)(1)) is amended in each of   |
| 15<br>16<br>17<br>18<br>19   | THE WORKFORCE.(a)FAMILYASSISTANCEGRANTS.—Section403(a)(1)(42U.S.C.603(a)(1))is amended in each ofsubparagraphs(A)and(C)by striking "2017 and 2018"  |
| 15<br>16<br>17<br>18<br>19<br>20   | THE WORKFORCE.(a)FAMILYASSISTANCEGRANTS.—Section403(a)(1)(42U.S.C.603(a)(1)) is amended in each ofsubparagraphs (A) and (C) by striking "2017 and 2018"and inserting "2019 through 2024".   |
| <ol> <li>15</li> <li>16</li> <li>17</li> <li>18</li> <li>19</li> <li>20</li> <li>21</li> </ol>             | THE WORKFORCE.(a)FAMILYASSISTANCEGRANTS.—Section403(a)(1)(42U.S.C.603(a)(1))is amended in each ofsubparagraphs (A) and (C) by striking "2017 and 2018"and inserting "2019 through 2024".(b)HEALTHY MARRIAGE PROMOTION AND RESPON-               |
| <ol> <li>15</li> <li>16</li> <li>17</li> <li>18</li> <li>19</li> <li>20</li> <li>21</li> <li>22</li> </ol> | THE WORKFORCE.(a)FAMILYASSISTANCEGRANTS.—Section403(a)(1)(42U.S.C.603(a)(1))isamended in each ofsubparagraphs(A)and(C)by striking"2017 and 2018"and inserting"2019through 2024".(b)HEALTHYMARRIAGESIBLEFATHERHOODGRANTS.—Section403(a)(2)(D)(42 |

1 (2) by striking "for fiscal year 2017 or 2018". 2 (c) TRIBAL GRANTS.—Section 412(a) (42 U.S.C. 3 612(a)) is amended in each of paragraphs (1)(A) and (2)(A) by striking "2017 and 2018" and inserting "2019 4 5 through 2024". 6 (d) IMPROVING ACCESS TO CHILD CARE TO SUP-7 PORT WORK.—Section 418(a)(3) (42 U.S.C. 618(a)(3)) is 8 amended to read as follows: 9 "(3) APPROPRIATION.—For grants under this 10 section, there are appropriated— 11 "(A) \$2,917,000,000 for fiscal year 2019; 12 and 13 "(B) \$3,525,000,000 for each of fiscal 14 vears 2020 through 2024.". 15 (e) GRANTS то **TERRITORIES.**—Section THE 1108(b)(2) (42 U.S.C. 1308(b)(2)) is amended by striking 16 "2017 and 2018" and inserting "2019 through 2024". 17 18 (f) PRORATING OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019.—Notwithstanding the amendments made by 19 the subsections (a) through (c) and (e) of this section, the 20 21 amount appropriated in each provision of law amended by 22 such subsections for fiscal year 2019 shall be— 23 (1) the amount that would be so appropriated

24 in the absence of this subsection; multiplied by

(2) the number of days in the period from the
 date of the enactment of this Act through September
 30, 2019, divided by 365.

4 (g) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section and the amend5 ments made by this section shall take effect on the date
6 of the enactment of this Act.

## 7 SEC. 6. EXPECTING UNIVERSAL ENGAGEMENT AND CASE 8 MANAGEMENT.

9 Section 408(b) (42 U.S.C. 608(b)) is amended to10 read as follows:

11 "(b) Individual Opportunity Plans.—

"(1) ASSESSMENT.—The State agency responsible for administering the State program funded
under this part shall make an initial assessment of
the following for each work-eligible individual (as defined in the regulations promulgated pursuant to
section 407(i)(1)(A)(i)):

18 "(A) The education obtained, skills, prior
19 work experience, work readiness, and barriers
20 to work of the individual.

21 "(B) The well-being of the children in the
22 family of the individual and, where appropriate,
23 activities or services (such as services offered by
24 a program funded under section 511) to im25 prove the well-being of the children.

| 1  | "(2) CONTENTS OF PLANS.—On the basis of            |
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| 2  | the assessment required by paragraph $(1)$ of this |
| 3  | subsection, the State agency, in consultation with |
| 4  | the individual, shall develop an individual oppor- |
| 5  | tunity plan that—                                  |
| 6  | "(A) includes a personal responsibility            |
| 7  | agreement in which the individual acknowledges     |
| 8  | receipt of publicly funded benefits and responsi-  |
| 9  | bility to comply with program requirements in      |
| 10 | order to receive the benefits;                     |
| 11 | "(B) sets forth the obligations of the indi-       |
| 12 | vidual to participate in work activities (as de-   |
| 13 | fined in section 407(d)), and the number of        |
| 14 | hours per month for which the individual will so   |
| 15 | participate pursuant to section 407;               |
| 16 | "(C) sets forth an employment goal and             |
| 17 | planned short-, intermediate-, and long-term ac-   |
| 18 | tions to achieve the goal, and, in the case of an  |
| 19 | individual who has not attained 24 years of age    |
| 20 | and is in secondary school or the equivalent, the  |
| 21 | intermediate action may be completion of sec-      |
| 22 | ondary school or the equivalent;                   |
| 23 | "(D) describes the job counseling and              |
| 24 | other services the State will provide to the indi- |

| 1  | vidual to enable the individual to obtain and           |
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| 2  | keep unsubsidized employment;                           |
| 3  | "(E) may include referral to appropriate                |
| 4  | substance abuse or mental health treatment;             |
| 5  | and   |
| 6  | "(F) is signed by the individual.                       |
| 7  | "(3) TIMING.—The State agency shall comply              |
| 8  | with paragraphs $(1)$ and $(2)$ with respect to a work- |
| 9  | eligible individual—                                    |
| 10 | "(A) within 1 year after the effective date             |
| 11 | of this subsection, in the case of an individual        |
| 12 | who, as of such effective date, is a recipient of       |
| 13 | assistance under the State program funded               |
| 14 | under this part (as in effect immediately before        |
| 15 | such effective date); or                                |
| 16 | "(B) within 60 days after the individual is             |
| 17 | determined to be eligible for the assistance, in        |
| 18 | the case of any other individual.                       |
| 19 | "(4) UNIVERSAL ENGAGEMENT.—Subject to the               |
| 20 | exceptions in paragraph (3), each State shall require   |
| 21 | all work-eligible recipients receiving funds under the  |
| 22 | State program funded under this part to engage in       |
| 23 |   |
|    | work in accordance with the provisions of section       |

"(5) PENALTY FOR NONCOMPLIANCE BY INDI-1 2 VIDUAL.—In addition to any other penalties required 3 under the State program funded under this part, the 4 State shall reduce, by such amount as the State con-5 siders appropriate, the amount of assistance other-6 wise payable under the State program to a family 7 that includes an individual who fails without good 8 cause to comply with an individual opportunity plan 9 developed pursuant to this subsection, that is signed 10 by the individual. "(6) PERIODIC REVIEW.—The State shall meet 11 12 with each work-eligible individual assessed by the 13 State under paragraph (1), not less frequently than 14 every 90 days, to-"(A) review the individual opportunity plan 15 16 developed for the individual, including the eligi-17 bility of the individual for benefits; 18 "(B) discuss with the individual the 19 progress made by the individual in achieving 20 the goals specified in the plan; and "(C) update the plan, as necessary, to re-21 22 flect any changes in the circumstances of the 23 individual since the plan was last reviewed.".

# SEC. 7. PROMOTING ACCOUNTABILITY BY MEASURING WORK OUTCOMES. (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 407(a) (42 U.S.C. 607(a)) is amended to read as follows: "(a) PERFORMANCE ACCOUNTABILITY AND WORK

6 OUTCOMES.—

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"(1) Work outcomes.—

8 "(A) IN GENERAL.—A State to which a 9 grant is made under section 403 shall achieve 10 the requisite minimum level of performance for 11 a fiscal year described in this paragraph with 12 respect to the percentage of employment exits 13 for families receiving assistance under the State 14 program funded under this part, or be subject 15 to penalty as described in section 409(a)(3).

16 "(B) CALCULATION OF PERCENTAGE OF EMPLOYMENT EXITS.—For purposes of this 17 18 paragraph, the percentage of employment exits 19 with respect to a State equals the ratio of the 20 number of work-eligible individuals who are in 21 unsubsidized employment 6 months after their 22 exit to the average monthly number of families 23 receiving assistance under the State program 24 funded under this part.

25 "(C) AGREEMENT ON REQUISITE LEVEL
26 OF PERFORMANCE.—The Secretary and the

| 1  | State shall negotiate the requisite level of per-  |
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| 2  | formance for the State with respect to employ-     |
| 3  | ment exits for each fiscal year beginning with     |
| 4  | fiscal year 2021.                                  |
| 5  | "(2) Performance accountability.—                  |
| 6  | "(A) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this para-            |
| 7  | graph is to provide for the establishment of per-  |
| 8  | formance accountability measures to assess the     |
| 9  | effectiveness of States in increasing employ-      |
| 10 | ment, retention, and advancement among fami-       |
| 11 | lies receiving assistance under the State pro-     |
| 12 | gram funded under this part.                       |
| 13 | "(B) IN GENERAL.—A State to which a                |
| 14 | grant is made under section 403 for a fiscal       |
| 15 | year shall achieve the requisite level of perform- |
| 16 | ance on an indicator described in subparagraph     |
| 17 | (D) of this paragraph for the fiscal year.         |
| 18 | "(C) Measuring state performance.—                 |
| 19 | Each State, in consultation with the Secretary,    |
| 20 | shall collect and submit to the Secretary the in-  |
| 21 | formation necessary to measure the level of per-   |
| 22 | formance of the State for each indicator de-       |
| 23 | scribed in subparagraph (D), for fiscal year       |
| 24 | 2021 and each fiscal year thereafter, and the      |
| 25 | Secretary shall use the information collected for  |
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| 1  | fiscal year 2021 to establish the baseline level |
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| 2  | of performance for each State for each such in-  |
| 3  | dicator.   |
| 4  | "(D) INDICATORS OF PERFORMANCE                   |
| 5  | The indicators described in this subparagraph,   |
| 6  | for a fiscal year, are the following:            |
| 7  | "(i) The percentage of individuals who           |
| 8  | were work-eligible individuals as of the         |
| 9  | time of exit from the program, who are in        |
| 10 | unsubsidized employment during the 2nd           |
| 11 | quarter after the exit.                          |
| 12 | "(ii) The percentage of individuals              |
| 13 | who were work-eligible individuals who           |
| 14 | were in unsubsidized employment in the           |
| 15 | 2nd quarter after the exit, who are also in      |
| 16 | unsubsidized employment during the 4th           |
| 17 | quarter after the exit.                          |
| 18 | "(iii) The median earnings of individ-           |
| 19 | uals who were work-eligible individuals as       |
| 20 | of the time of exit from the program, who        |
| 21 | are in unsubsidized employment during the        |
| 22 | 2nd quarter after the exit.                      |
| 23 | "(iv) The percentage of individuals              |
| 24 | who have not attained 24 years of age, are       |
| 25 | attending high school or enrolled in an          |

| 1  | equivalency program, and are work-eligible     |
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| 2  | individuals or were work-eligible individ-     |
| 3  | uals as of the time of exit from the pro-      |
| 4  | gram, who obtain a high school degree or       |
| 5  | its recognized equivalent while receiving as-  |
| 6  | sistance under the State program funded        |
| 7  | under this part or within 1 year after the     |
| 8  | exit.  |
| 9  | "(E) Levels of performance.—                   |
| 10 | "(i) IN GENERAL.—For each State                |
| 11 | submitting a State plan pursuant to sec-       |
| 12 | tion $402(a)$ , there shall be established, in |
| 13 | accordance with this subparagraph, levels      |
| 14 | of performance for each of the indicators      |
| 15 | described in subparagraph (D).                 |
| 16 | "(ii) WEIGHT.—The weight assigned              |
| 17 | to such an indicator shall be the following:   |
| 18 | "(I) Forty percent, in the case of             |
| 19 | the indicator described in subpara-            |
| 20 | graph $(D)(i)$ .                               |
| 21 | "(II) Twenty-five percent, in the              |
| 22 | case of the indicator described in sub-        |
| 23 | paragraph (D)(ii).                             |

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| 1  | "(III) Twenty-five percent, in the        |
| 2  | case of the indicator described in sub-   |
| 3  | paragraph (D)(iii).                       |
| 4  | "(IV) Ten percent, in the case of         |
| 5  | the indicator described in subpara-       |
| 6  | graph $(D)(iv)$ .                         |
| 7  | "(iii) Agreement on requisite             |
| 8  | PERFORMANCE LEVEL FOR EACH INDI-          |
| 9  | CATOR.—                                   |
| 10 | "(I) IN GENERAL.—The Sec-                 |
| 11 | retary and the State shall negotiate      |
| 12 | the requisite level of performance for    |
| 13 | the State with respect to each indi-      |
| 14 | cator described in clause (ii), for each  |
| 15 | fiscal year beginning with fiscal year    |
| 16 | 2021, and shall do so before the be-      |
| 17 | ginning of the fiscal year involved.      |
| 18 | "(II) REQUIREMENTS IN ESTAB-              |
| 19 | LISHING PERFORMANCE LEVELS.—In            |
| 20 | establishing the requisite levels of per- |
| 21 | formance, the State and the Secretary     |
| 22 | shall—                                    |
| 23 | "(aa) take into account how               |
| 24 | the levels involved compare with          |
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| 1  | the levels established for other   |
| 2  | States; and                        |
| 3  | "(bb) ensure the levels in-        |
| 4  | volved are adjusted, using the ob- |
| 5  | jective statistical model referred |
| 6  | to in clause (v), based on-        |
| 7  | "(AA) the differences              |
| 8  | among States in economic           |
| 9  | conditions, including dif-         |
| 10 | ferences in unemployment           |
| 11 | rates or employment losses         |
| 12 | or gains in particular indus-      |
| 13 | tries;                             |
| 14 | "(BB) the characteris-             |
| 15 | tics of participants on entry      |
| 16 | into the program, including        |
| 17 | indicators of prior work his-      |
| 18 | tory, lack of educational or       |
| 19 | occupational skills attain-        |
| 20 | ment, or other factors that        |
| 21 | may affect employment and          |
| 22 | earnings; and                      |
| 23 | "(CC) take into account            |
| 24 | the extent to which the lev-       |
| 25 | els involved promote contin-       |

| 1  | uous improvement in per-   |
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| 2  | formance by each State.  |
| 3  | "(iv) Revisions based on economic  |
| 4  | CONDITIONS AND INDIVIDUALS RECEIVING   |
| 5  | ASSISTANCE DURING THE FISCAL YEAR.—  |
| 6  | The Secretary shall, in accordance with the  |
| 7  | objective statistical model referred to in   |
| 8  | clause (v), revise the requisite levels of per-  |
| 9  | formance for a State and a fiscal year to  |
| 10   | reflect the economic conditions and charac-  |
| 11   | teristics of the relevant individuals in the   |
| 12   | State during the fiscal year.  |
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| 13   | "(v) Statistical adjustment  |
| 13<br>14                                     | "(v) Statistical adjustment<br>Model.—The Secretary shall use an objec-  |
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| 14   | MODEL.—The Secretary shall use an objec-   |
| 14<br>15                                     | MODEL.—The Secretary shall use an objec-<br>tive statistical model to make adjustments   |
| 14<br>15<br>16                               | MODEL.—The Secretary shall use an objec-<br>tive statistical model to make adjustments<br>to the requisite levels of performance for   |
| 14<br>15<br>16<br>17                         | MODEL.—The Secretary shall use an objec-<br>tive statistical model to make adjustments<br>to the requisite levels of performance for<br>the economic conditions and characteristics  |
| 14<br>15<br>16<br>17<br>18                   | MODEL.—The Secretary shall use an objec-<br>tive statistical model to make adjustments<br>to the requisite levels of performance for<br>the economic conditions and characteristics<br>of the relevant individuals, and shall con-   |
| 14<br>15<br>16<br>17<br>18<br>19             | MODEL.—The Secretary shall use an objec-<br>tive statistical model to make adjustments<br>to the requisite levels of performance for<br>the economic conditions and characteristics<br>of the relevant individuals, and shall con-<br>sult with the Secretary of Labor to develop  |
| 14<br>15<br>16<br>17<br>18<br>19<br>20       | MODEL.—The Secretary shall use an objec-<br>tive statistical model to make adjustments<br>to the requisite levels of performance for<br>the economic conditions and characteristics<br>of the relevant individuals, and shall con-<br>sult with the Secretary of Labor to develop<br>a model that is the same as or similar to                                   |
| 14<br>15<br>16<br>17<br>18<br>19<br>20<br>21 | MODEL.—The Secretary shall use an objec-<br>tive statistical model to make adjustments<br>to the requisite levels of performance for<br>the economic conditions and characteristics<br>of the relevant individuals, and shall con-<br>sult with the Secretary of Labor to develop<br>a model that is the same as or similar to<br>the model described in section |

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| 1  | "(vi) DEFINITION OF EXIT.—In this                 |
| 2  | paragraph, the term 'exit' means, with re-        |
| 3  | spect to a State program funded under             |
| 4  | this part, ceases to a receive a JOBS ben-        |
| 5  | efit under the program.                           |
| 6  | "(F) STATE OPTION TO ESTABLISH COM-               |
| 7  | MON EXIT MEASURES.—Notwithstanding sub-           |
| 8  | paragraph (E)(vi) of this paragraph, a State      |
| 9  | that has not provided the notification under      |
| 10 | section 121(b)(1)(C)(ii) of the Workforce Inno-   |
| 11 | vation and Opportunity Act to exclude the State   |
| 12 | program funded under this part as a mandatory     |
| 13 | one-stop partner may adopt an alternative defi-   |
| 14 | nition of 'exit' for the purpose of creating com- |
| 15 | mon exit measures to improve alignment with       |
| 16 | workforce programs operated under title I of      |
| 17 | such Act.   |
| 18 | "(G) Regulations.—In order to ensure              |
| 19 | nationwide comparability of data, the Secretary,  |
| 20 | after consultation with the Secretary of Labor    |
| 21 | and with States, shall issue regulations gov-     |
| 22 | erning the establishment of the performance ac-   |
| 23 | countability system under this paragraph and a    |
| 24 | template for performance reports to be used by    |
| 25 | all States consistent with subsection (b).".      |

(b) REPORTS ON STATE PERFORMANCE ON HHS
 ONLINE DASHBOARD.—Section 407(b) (42 U.S.C.
 607(b)) is amended to read as follows:

4 "(b) PUBLICATION OF STATE PERFORMANCE.—The 5 Secretary shall, directly or through the use of grants or contracts, establish and operate an Internet website that 6 7 is accessible to the public, with a dashboard that is regu-8 larly updated and provides easy-to-understand information 9 on the performance of each State program funded under 10 this part, including a profile for each such program, expressed by use of a template, which shall include— 11

12 "(1) information on the indicators and requisite 13 performance levels established for the State under 14 subsection (a), including, with respect to each such 15 level, whether the State achieves, exceeds, or fails to 16 achieve the level on an ongoing basis, including—

17 "(A) information on any adjustments made
18 to the requisite levels using the statistical ad19 justment model described in subsection
20 (a)(3)(D)(v); and

21 "(B) a grade based on the overall perform22 ance of the State, as determined by the Sec23 retary and in consultation with the State, and
24 the overall performance shall be graded based
25 on the performance indicators and weights for

| 1  | each such indicator as described in subsection       |
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| 2  | (a);   |
| 3  | ((2) information reported under section 411 on       |
| 4  | the characteristics and demographics of individuals  |
| 5  | receiving assistance under the State program, in-    |
| 6  | cluding—   |
| 7  | "(A) the number and percentage of child-             |
| 8  | only cases and reason why the cases are child-       |
| 9  | only; and  |
| 10 | "(B) the average weekly number of hours              |
| 11 | that each work-eligible individual in the State      |
| 12 | program participates in work activities, includ-     |
| 13 | ing a separate section showing the number and        |
| 14 | percentage of the work-eligible individuals with     |
| 15 | zero hours of the participation and the reason       |
| 16 | for non-participation;                               |
| 17 | "(3) information on the results of improper          |
| 18 | payments reviews;                                    |
| 19 | "(4) a link to the State plan approved under         |
| 20 | section 402; and                                     |
| 21 | "(5) information regarding any penalty im-           |
| 22 | posed, or other corrective action taken, by the Sec- |
| 23 | retary against a State for failing to achieve a req- |
| 24 | uisite performance level or any other requirement    |
| 25 | imposed by or under this part.".                     |

| 1  | (c) Modification of Rules for Determining      |
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| 2  | Whether an Individual Is Engaged in Work.—Sec- |
| 3  | tion 407(c) (42 U.S.C. 607(c)) is amended—     |
| 4  | (1) in paragraph $(1)$ —                       |
| 5  | (A) in subparagraph (A)—                       |
| 6  | (i) by striking "For purposes of sub-          |
| 7  | section (b)(1)(B)(i), a" and inserting "A";    |
| 8  | and  |
| 9  | (ii) by striking ", not fewer than" and        |
| 10 | all that follows through "this subsection";    |
| 11 | and  |
| 12 | (B) in subparagraph (B)—                       |
| 13 | (i) in the matter preceding clause (i),        |
| 14 | by striking "For purposes of subsection        |
| 15 | (b)(2)(B), an" and inserting "An";             |
| 16 | (ii) in clause (i), by striking ", not         |
| 17 | fewer than" and all that follows through       |
| 18 | "this subsection"; and                         |
| 19 | (iii) in clause (ii), by striking ", not       |
| 20 | fewer than" and all that follows through       |
| 21 | "subsection (d)"; and                          |
| 22 | (2) in paragraph $(2)$ —                       |
| 23 | (A) by striking subparagraphs (A) and          |
| 24 | (D);   |

| 1  | (B) in each of subparagraphs (B) and (C),           |
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| 2  | by striking "For purposes of determining            |
| 3  | monthly participation rates under subsection        |
| 4  | (b)(1)(B)(i), a" and inserting "A";                 |
| 5  | (C) by redesignating subparagraphs (B)              |
| 6  | and (C) as subparagraphs (A) and (B), respec-       |
| 7  | tively; and   |
| 8  | (D) by adding at the end the following:             |
| 9  | "(C) STATE OPTION FOR PARTICIPATION                 |
| 10 | REQUIREMENT EXEMPTIONS.—For any fiscal              |
| 11 | year, a State may, at its option, not require an    |
| 12 | individual who is a single custodial parent car-    |
| 13 | ing for a child who has not attained 12 months      |
| 14 | of age to engage in work, for not more than 12      |
| 15 | months.".   |
| 16 | (d) Modifications to Allowable Work Activi-         |
| 17 | TIES.—Section 407(d) (42 U.S.C. 607(d)) is amended— |
| 18 | (1) in paragraph $(5)$ , by inserting ", including  |
| 19 | apprenticeship" before the semicolon;               |
| 20 | (2) in paragraph (6), by inserting "supervised"     |
| 21 | before "job search";                                |
| 22 | (3) in paragraph (8), by striking "(not to ex-      |
| 23 | ceed 12 months with respect to any individual)" and |
| 24 | inserting ", including career technical education"; |

(4) in paragraph (11), by striking "and" at the 1 2 end; 3 (5) in paragraph (12), by striking the period and inserting "; and"; and 4 5 (6) by adding at the end the following: 6 "(13) participation in an in-home program 7 teaching parenting skills that complies with the re-8 quirements of section 407(c).". 9 (e) PENALTY AGAINST STATES.— 10 GENERAL.—Section (1)IN 409(a)(3)(42)11 U.S.C. 609(a)(3) is amended by striking all that 12 precedes subparagraph (B) and inserting the fol-13 lowing: 14 "(3) FAILURE TO SATISFY WORK OUTCOMES 15 AND WORK ENGAGEMENT.-"(A) IN GENERAL.—If the Secretary deter-16 17 mines that a State to which a grant is made 18 under section 403 for a fiscal year has failed to 19 comply with any of section 407(a)(1), section 20 408(b)(3), or section 408(b)(4) for the fiscal 21 year, the Secretary shall reduce the grant pay-22 able to the State under section 403(a)(1) for 23 the immediately succeeding fiscal year by an 24 amount equal to the applicable percentage of 25 the State family assistance grant.".

| 1  | (2) TRANSITION RULE.—The Secretary of                  |
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| 2  | Health and Human Services may not impose a pen-        |
| 3  | alty under section $409(a)(3)$ of the Social Security  |
| 4  | Act by reason of the failure of a State to comply      |
| 5  | with section 407(a) of such Act for any fiscal year    |
| 6  | before fiscal year 2021.                               |
| 7  | (f) Pro Rata Reduction of Assistance for Indi-         |
| 8  | VIDUAL NONCOMPLIANCE.—Section 407(e) (42 U.S.C.        |
| 9  | 607(e)) is amended by adding at the end the following: |
| 10 | "(3) Pro rata reduction.—For purposes of               |
| 11 | paragraph (1)(A), the amount of a pro rata reduc-      |
| 12 | tion in assistance shall be determined by multiplying  |
| 13 | the total amount of monthly assistance that would,     |
| 14 | in the absence of the application of this paragraph,   |
| 15 | be paid to the entire family, by the ratio of—         |
| 16 | "(A) the number of hours of required work              |
| 17 | activities as designated in subsection (d) actu-       |
| 18 | ally performed by the individual during the            |
| 19 | month; to  |
| 20 | "(B) the number of hours of work activi-               |
| 21 | ties that the individual was required to perform       |
| 22 | during the month in accordance with subsection         |
| 23 | (c).   |
| 24 | "(4) PENALTIES AND ENGAGEMENT.—                        |

| 1  | "(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to the limita-               |
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| 2  | tion in (B), if in a given month an individual        |
| 3  | who received assistance under this part was re-       |
| 4  | quired to engage in work under section                |
| 5  | 408(b)(4), failed to fulfill those obligations and    |
| 6  | was subsequently sanctioned in accordance with        |
| 7  | section $407(e)(2)$ and (3), that individual shall    |
| 8  | judged to be engaged in work for that month           |
| 9  | for purposes of section $408(b)(4)$ .                 |
| 10 | "(B) LIMITATION.—If an individual re-                 |
| 11 | ceives no benefits for two consecutive months         |
| 12 | due to sanctioning under section $407(e)(2)$ and      |
| 13 | (3), that individual shall not be counted as en-      |
| 14 | gaged in work in subsequent months for pur-           |
| 15 | poses of section $408(b)(4)$ unless actual work in    |
| 16 | accordance with section 407(d) was resumed.".         |
| 17 | (g) Conforming Amendment.—The heading of sec-         |
| 18 | tion 412(c) (42 U.S.C. 612(c)) is amended by striking |
| 19 | "MINIMUM WORK PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS" and         |
| 20 | inserting "Requirements for Work Outcome Meas-        |
| 21 | URES''.   |
| 22 | SEC. 8. TARGETING FUNDS TO TRULY NEEDY FAMILIES.      |

23 (a) PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR FAMILIES24 WITH INCOME GREATER THAN TWICE THE POVERTY

LINE.—Section 404(k) (42 U.S.C. 604(k)) is amended to
 read as follows:

3 "(k) PROHIBITIONS.—

4 "(1) Use of funds for persons with in-5 COME GREATER THAN TWICE THE POVERTY LINE.-6 A State to which a grant is made under this part 7 shall not use the grant to provide any assistance or 8 services to a family whose monthly income exceeds 9 twice the poverty line (as defined by the Office of 10 Management and Budget, and revised annually in 11 accordance with section 673(2) of the Omnibus 12 Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981 (42 U.S.C. 13 9902(2))).".

(b) ELIMINATION OF LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS
FOR CASE MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES.—Section 404(b)(2)
(42 U.S.C. 604(b)(2)) is amended to read as follows:

17 "(2) EXCEPTIONS.—Paragraph (1) of this sub18 section shall not apply to the use of a grant for—
19 "(A) information technology and comput20 erization needed for tracking, monitoring, or
21 data collection required by or under this part;
22 or

23 "(B) case management activities to carry
24 out section 408(b).".

(c) PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR DIRECT
 SPENDING ON CHILD CARE SERVICES OR ACTIVITIES.—
 Section 404(k) (42 U.S.C. 604(k)), as amended by sub section (a) of this section, is amended by adding at the
 end the following:

6 "(2) DIRECT SPENDING ON CHILD CARE SERV-7 ICES OR ACTIVITIES.—A State to which a grant is 8 made under this part shall not use the grant for di-9 rect spending on child care and other early childhood 10 education programs, services, or activities.".

(d) LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR CHILD WELFARE SERVICES OR ACTIVITIES.—Section 404(k) (42
U.S.C. 604(k)), as amended by subsections (a) and (c)
of this section, is amended—

15 (1) in the subsection heading, by inserting ";
16 LIMITATION" after "PROHIBITIONS"; and

17 (2) by adding at the end the following:

18 "(3) LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR CHILD
19 WELFARE SERVICES OR ACTIVITIES.—A State may
20 use not more than 10 percent of a grant made to
21 the State under section 403(a)(1) for child welfare
22 services or activities, taking into account any
23 amount transferred under subsection (d)(2) of this
24 section.".

| 1  | (e) Expansion of Authority To Transfer                   |
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| 2  | FUNDS.—Section 404(d) (42 U.S.C. 604(d)) is amended      |
| 3  | by striking paragraphs (1) through (3) and inserting the |
| 4  | following:   |
| 5  | "(1) IN GENERAL.—A State may transfer not                |
| 6  | more than 50 percent of the grant made to the State      |
| 7  | under section $403(a)(1)$ to a State program pursu-      |
| 8  | ant to any or all of the following provisions of law:    |
| 9  | "(A) The Child Care and Development                      |
| 10 | Block Grant Act of 1990.                                 |
| 11 | "(B) Title I of the Workforce Innovation                 |
| 12 | and Opportunity Act.                                     |
| 13 | "(C) Subpart 1 of part B of this title.                  |
| 14 | "(2) Limitation on amount transferable                   |
| 15 | to subpart 1 of part B.—A State may transfer             |
| 16 | not more than 10 percent of a grant made to the          |
| 17 | State under section $403(a)(1)$ to carry out State       |
| 18 | programs operated pursuant to the State plan devel-      |
| 19 | oped under subpart 1 of part B, taking into account      |
| 20 | any amount used as described in subsection $(k)(3)$      |
| 21 | of this section.   |
| 22 | "(3) Applicable rules.—                                  |
| 23 | "(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in                   |
| 24 | subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, any                  |
| 25 | amount paid to a State under this part that is           |
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| 1  | used to carry out a State program pursuant to    |
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| 2  | a provision of law specified in paragraph $(1)$  |
| 3  | shall not be subject to the requirements of this |
| 4  | part, but shall be subject to the requirements   |
| 5  | that apply to Federal funds provided directly    |
| 6  | under the provision of law to carry out the pro- |
| 7  | gram, and the expenditure of any amount so       |
| 8  | used shall not be considered to be an expendi-   |
| 9  | ture under this part.                            |
| 10 | "(B) Funds transferred to the                    |
| 11 | WIOA.—In the case of funds transferred under     |
| 12 | paragraph $(1)(B)$ of this subsection—           |
| 13 | "(i) the State shall provide an assur-           |
| 14 | ance that the funds will be used to support      |
| 15 | individuals eligible for assistance or serv-     |
| 16 | ices under this part pursuant to subsection      |
| 17 | (k)(1); and                                      |
| 18 | "(ii) not more than 15 percent of the            |
| 19 | funds will be reserved for statewide work-       |
| 20 | force investment activities referred to in       |
| 21 | section $128(a)(1)$ of the Workforce Innova-     |
| 22 | tion and Opportunity Act.                        |
| 23 | "(4) WIOA TRANSFER AUTHORITY NOT AVAIL-          |
| 24 | ABLE TO STATES EXCLUDING THE STATE JOBS PRO-     |
| 25 | GRAM AS A MANDATORY ONE-STOP PARTNER UNDER       |

THE WIOA.—The authority provided by paragraph
 (1)(B) of this subsection may not be exercised by a
 State that has provided the notification referred to
 in section 407(a)(2)(F).".

#### 5 SEC. 9. TARGETING FUNDS TO CORE PURPOSES.

6 (a) REQUIREMENT THAT STATES RESERVE 25 PER7 CENT OF JOBS GRANT FOR SPENDING ON CORE ACTIVI8 TIES.—Section 408(a) (42 U.S.C. 608(a)) is amended by
9 adding at the end the following:

10 "(13) Requirement that states reserve 25 11 PERCENT OF JOBS GRANT FOR SPENDING ON CORE ACTIVITIES.—A State to which a grant is made 12 13 under section 403(a)(1) for a fiscal year shall ex-14 pend not less than 25 percent of the grant on assist-15 ance, case management, work supports and sup-16 portive services, work, wage subsidies, work activities 17 (as defined in section 407(d)), and non-recurring 18 short-term benefits.".

(b) REQUIREMENT THAT AT LEAST 25 PERCENT OF
QUALIFIED STATE EXPENDITURES BE FOR CORE ACTIVITIES.—Section 408(a) (42 U.S.C. 608(a)), as amended by
subsection (a) of this section, is amended by adding at
the end the following:

24 "(14) REQUIREMENT THAT AT LEAST 25 PER25 CENT OF QUALIFIED STATE EXPENDITURES BE FOR

CORE ACTIVITIES.—Not less than 25 percent of the
 qualified State expenditures (as defined in section
 409(a)(7)(B)(ii)) of a State during the fiscal year
 shall be for assistance, case management, work supports and supportive services, work, wage subsidies,
 work activities (as defined in section 407(d)), and
 non-recurring short-term benefits.".

8 (c) PHASE-OUT OF COUNTING OF THIRD-PARTY
9 CONTRIBUTIONS AS QUALIFIED STATE EXPENDI10 TURES.—Section 408(a) (42 U.S.C. 608(a)), as amended
11 by subsections (a) and (b) of this section, is amended by
12 adding at the end the following:

13 "(15) Phase-out of counting of third14 Party contributions as qualified state ex15 Penditures.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—The qualified State 16 17 expenditures defined (as in section 18 409(a)(7)(B)(i)) of a State for a fiscal year 19 that are attributable to the value of goods and 20 services provided by a source other than a State 21 or local government shall not exceed the appli-22 cable percentage of the expenditures for the fis-23 cal year.

1 "(B) APPLICABLE PERCENTAGE.—In sub-2 paragraph (A), the term 'applicable percentage' 3 means, with respect to a fiscal year— "(i) 75 percent, in the case of fiscal 4 5 year 2020; 6 "(ii) 50 percent, in the case of fiscal 7 year 2021; 8 "(iii) 25 percent, in the case of fiscal 9 year 2022; and "(iv) 0 percent, in the case of fiscal 10 11 year 2023 or any succeeding fiscal year.". 12 SEC. 10. STRENGTHENING PROGRAM INTEGRITY BY MEAS-13 URING IMPROPER PAYMENTS. 14 Section 404 (42 U.S.C. 604) is amended by adding 15 at the end the following: 16 "(l) APPLICABILITY OF IMPROPER PAYMENTS 17 LAWS.— 18 "(1) IN GENERAL.—The Improper Payments 19 Information Act of 2002 and the Improper Pay-20 ments Elimination and Recovery Act of 2010 shall 21 apply to a State in respect of the State program 22 funded under this part in the same manner in which 23 such Acts apply to a Federal agency.

24 "(2) REGULATIONS.—Within 2 years after the
25 date of the enactment of this subsection, the Sec-

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| 1  | retary shall prescribe regulations governing how a       |
| 2  | State reviews and reports improper payments under        |
| 3  | the State program funded under this part.".              |
| 4  | SEC. 11. PROHIBITION ON STATE DIVERSION OF FEDERAL       |
| 5  | FUNDS TO REPLACE STATE SPENDING.                         |
| 6  | (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 408(a) (42 U.S.C.                |
| 7  | 608(a)), as amended by section 9 of this Act, is amended |
| 8  | by adding at the end the following:                      |
| 9  | "(16) Non-supplantation requirement.—                    |
| 10 | Funds made available to a State under this part          |
| 11 | shall be used to supplement, not supplant, State         |
| 12 | general revenue spending on activities described in      |
| 13 | section 404.".   |
| 14 | (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by                |
| 15 | subsection (a) shall take effect on October 1, 2020.     |
| 16 | SEC. 12. INCLUSION OF POVERTY REDUCTION AS A PRO-        |
| 17 | GRAM PURPOSE.  |
| 18 | Section 401(a) (42 U.S.C. 601(a)) is amended—            |
| 19 | (1) by striking "and" at the end of paragraph            |
| 20 | (3);   |
| 21 | (2) by striking the period at the end of para-           |
| 22 | graph (4) and inserting "; and"; and                     |
| 23 | (3) by adding at the end the following:                  |

| 1  | "(5) reduce child poverty by increasing employ-              |
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| 2  | ment entry, retention, and advancement of needy              |
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| 3  | parents.".   |
| 4  | SEC. 13. WELFARE FOR NEEDS NOT WEED.                         |
| 5  | (a) PROHIBITION.—Section $408(a)(12)(A)$ (42)                |
| 6  | U.S.C. 608(a)(12)(A)) is amended—                            |
| 7  | (1) by striking "or" at the end of clause (ii);              |
| 8  | (2) by striking the period at the end of clause              |
| 9  | (iii) and inserting "; or"; and                              |
| 10 | (3) by adding at the end the following:                      |
| 11 | "(iv) any establishment that offers                          |
| 12 | marihuana (as defined in section $102(16)$                   |
| 13 | of the Controlled Substances Act) for                        |
| 14 | sale.".  |
| 15 | (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by                   |
| 16 | subsection (a) shall take effect on the date that is 3 years |
| 17 | after the date of the enactment of this Act.                 |
| 18 | SEC. 14. STRENGTHENING ACCOUNTABILITY THROUGH                |
| 19 | HHS APPROVAL OF STATE PLANS.                                 |
| 20 | (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 402 (42 U.S.C. 602) is               |
| 21 | amended—   |
| 22 | (1) in subsection (a)—                                       |
| 23 | (A) in the matter preceding paragraph                        |
| 24 | (1)—   |
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- (i) by striking "27-month" and insert-1 ing "24-month"; and 2 (ii) by striking "found" and inserting 3 "approved that"; and 4 5 (B) in paragraph (1)— (i) in subparagraph (A)— 6 7 (I) by striking clauses (ii) and 8 (iii) and inserting the following: 9 "(ii) Require work-eligible individuals 10 (as defined in the regulations promulgated 11 pursuant to section 407(i)(1)(A)(i) to en-12 gage in work activities consistent with sec-13 tion 407(c). The document shall describe 14 any in-home parenting program participa-15 tion in which will be considered by the 16 State as a work activity pursuant to sec-17 tion 407(d)(13)."; 18 (II) by redesignating clauses (iv) 19 through (viii) as clauses (iii) through 20 (vii), respectively; and 21 (III) by adding at the end the 22 following: 23 "(viii) Describe the case management 24 practices of the State with respect to the
- 25 requirements of section 408(b), provide a

| 1  | copy of the form or forms that will be used  |
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| 2  | to assess a work-eligible individual (as so  |
| 3  | defined) and prepare an individual oppor-    |
| 4  | tunity plan for the individual, describe how |
| 5  | the State will ensure that such a plan is    |
| 6  | reviewed in accordance with section          |
| 7  | 408(b)(6), and describe how the State will   |
| 8  | measure progress under the plan.             |
| 9  | "(ix) Propose the requisite levels of        |
| 10 | performance for the State for purposes of    |
| 11 | section 407(a) for each year in the 2-year   |
| 12 | period referred to in subsection (d) of this |
| 13 | section, and provide an explanation with     |
| 14 | supporting data of why each such level is    |
| 15 | appropriate.                                 |
| 16 | "(x) Describe how the State will en-         |
| 17 | gage low-income noncustodial parents who     |
| 18 | owe child support and how such a parent      |
| 19 | will be provided with access to work sup-    |
| 20 | port and other services under the program    |
| 21 | to which the parent is referred to support   |
| 22 | their employment and advancement.            |
| 23 | "(xi) Describe how the State will com-       |
| 24 | ply with improper payments provisions in     |
| 25 | section 404(l).                              |

| "(xii) Describe coordination with           |
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| other programs, including whether the       |
| State intends to exercise authority pro-    |
| vided by section 404(d) of this Act to      |
| transfer any funds paid to the State under  |
| this part, provide assurance that, in the   |
| case of a transfer to carry out a program   |
| under title I of the Workforce Innovation   |
| and Opportunity Act, the State will comply  |
| with section $404(d)(3)(B)$ of this Act and |
| coordinate with the one-stop delivery sys-  |
| tem under the Workforce Innovation and      |
| Opportunity Act, and describe how the       |
| State will coordinate with the programs in- |
| volved to provide services to families re-  |
| ceiving assistance under the program re-    |
| ferred to in paragraph (1) of this sub-     |
| section.                                    |
| "(xiii) Describe how the State will         |
| promote marriage, such as through tem-      |
| porary disregard of the income of a new     |
| spouse when an individual receiving assist- |
| ance under the State program marries so     |
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that the couple doesn't automatically lose

25 benefits due to marriage.

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| 1  | "(xiv) Describe how the State will                         |
| 2  | allow for a transitional period of benefits,               |
| 3  | such as through temporary earned income                    |
| 4  | disregards or a gradual reduction in the                   |
| 5  | monthly benefit amount, for an individual                  |
| 6  | receiving assistance who obtains employ-                   |
| 7  | ment and becomes ineligible due to an in-                  |
| 8  | crease in income obtained through employ-                  |
| 9  | ment or through an increase in wages.";                    |
| 10 | and  |
| 11 | (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking                      |
| 12 | clauses (iv) and (v);                                      |
| 13 | (2) by striking subsection (c) and inserting the           |
| 14 | following:   |
| 15 | "(c) Public Availability of State Plans.—The               |
| 16 | Secretary shall make available to the public a link to any |
| 17 | plan or plan amendment submitted by a State under this     |
| 18 | subsection."; and  |
| 19 | (3) by adding at the end the following:                    |
| 20 | "(d) 2-YEAR PLAN.—A plan submitted pursuant to             |
| 21 | this section shall be designed to be implemented during    |
| 22 | a 2-year period.   |
| 23 | "(e) Combined Plan Allowed.—A State may sub-               |
| 24 | mit to the Secretary and the Secretary of Labor a com-     |
| 25 | bined State plan that meets the requirements of sub-       |

| 1  | sections (a) and (d) and that is for programs and activities  |
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| 2  | under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.           |
| 3  | "(f) Approval of Plans.—The Secretary shall ap-               |
| 4  | prove any plan submitted pursuant to this section that        |
| 5  | meets the requirements of subsections (a) through (d).".      |
| 6  | (b) DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY.—                                 |
| 7  | (1) Coordination of activities; dissemina-                    |
| 8  | TION OF INFORMATION.—Section 416 (42 U.S.C.                   |
| 9  | 616) is amended—  |
| 10 | (A) by inserting "(a) IN GENERAL.—" be-                       |
| 11 | fore "The programs"; and                                      |
| 12 | (B) by adding at the end the following:                       |
| 13 | "(b) Coordination of Activities.—The Secretary                |
| 14 | shall coordinate all activities of the Department of Health   |
| 15 | and Human Services relating to work activities (as defined    |
| 16 | in section $407(d)$ ) and requirements and measurement of     |
| 17 | employment outcomes, and, to the maximum extent prac-         |
| 18 | ticable, coordinate the activities of the Department in this  |
| 19 | regard with similar activities of other Federal entities.     |
| 20 | "(c) Dissemination of Information.—The Sec-                   |
| 21 | retary shall disseminate, for voluntary informational pur-    |
| 22 | poses, information on practices that scientifically valid re- |
| 23 | search indicates are most successful in improving the qual-   |
| 24 | ity of State and tribal programs funded under this part.".    |
| 25 | (c) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—                                    |

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 406 (42 U.S.C. 606)
 is amended to read as follows:

## 3 "SEC. 406. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.

"(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall provide tech-4 5 nical assistance to States and Indian tribes (which may include providing technical assistance on a reimbursable 6 7 basis), which shall be provided by qualified experts on 8 practices grounded in scientifically valid research, where 9 appropriate, to support activities related publication of 10 State performance under section 407(b) and to carry out State and tribal programs funded under this part. 11

"(b) RESERVATION OF FUNDS.—The Secretary shall
reserve not more than 0.25 percent of the amount appropriated by section 403(a)(1)(C) for a fiscal year to carry
out subsection (a) of this section.".

16 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section
17 403(a)(1)(B) (42 U.S.C. 603(a)(1)(B)) is amended
18 by striking "percentage specified in section
19 413(h)(1)" and inserting "the sum of the percent20 ages specified in sections 406(b) and 413(h)".

## 21 SEC. 15. ALIGNING AND IMPROVING DATA REPORTING.

(a) REQUIREMENT THAT STATES REPORT FULL23 POPULATION DATA.—Section 411(a)(1) (42 U.S.C.
24 611(a)(1)) is amended—

25 (1) by striking subparagraph (B);

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| 1  | (2) by striking "(1) GENERAL REPORTING RE-                 |
| 2  | QUIREMENT.—"; and  |
| 3  | (3) by—  |
| 4  | (A) redesignating—   |
| 5  | (i) subparagraph (A) as paragraph                          |
| 6  | (1);   |
| 7  | (ii) clauses (i) through (xvii) of sub-                    |
| 8  | paragraph (A) as subparagraphs (A)                         |
| 9  | through (Q), respectively;                                 |
| 10 | (iii) subclauses (I) through (V) of                        |
| 11 | clause (ii) as clauses (i) through (v), re-                |
| 12 | spectively;  |
| 13 | (iv) subclauses (I) through (VII) of                       |
| 14 | clause (xi) as clauses (i) through (vii), re-              |
| 15 | spectively; and  |
| 16 | (v) subclauses $(I)$ through $(V)$ of                      |
| 17 | clause (xvi) as clauses (i) through (v), re-               |
| 18 | spectively; and  |
| 19 | (B) moving each such redesignated provi-                   |
| 20 | sion 2 ems to the left.                                    |
| 21 | (b) Report on Participation in Work Activi-                |
| 22 | TIES.—Section $411(a)(1)$ (42 U.S.C. $611(a)(1)$ ), as     |
| 23 | amended by subsection $(a)(3)$ of this section, is amended |
| 24 | by striking subparagraphs (K) and (L) and inserting the    |
| 25 | following:   |
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| 1  | "(K) The work eligibility status of each in-      |
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| 2  | dividual in the family, and—                      |
| 3  | "(i) in the case of each work-eligible            |
| 4  | individual (as defined in the regulations         |
| 5  | promulgated pursuant to section                   |
| 6  | 407(i)(1)(A)(i)) in the family—                   |
| 7  | "(I) the number of hours (includ-                 |
| 8  | ing zero hours) per month of partici-             |
| 9  | pation in—  |
| 10 | "(aa) work activities (as de-                     |
| 11 | fined in section 407(d)); and                     |
| 12 | "(bb) any other activity re-                      |
| 13 | quired by the State to remove a                   |
| 14 | barrier to employment; and                        |
| 15 | "(ii) in the case of each individual in           |
| 16 | the family who is not a work-eligible indi-       |
| 17 | vidual (as so defined), the reason for that       |
| 18 | status.   |
| 19 | "(L) For each work-eligible individual (as        |
| 20 | so defined) and each adult in the family who      |
| 21 | did not participate in work activities (as so de- |
| 22 | fined) during a month, the reason for the lack    |
| 23 | of participation.".                               |

(c) REPORTING OF INFORMATION ON EMPLOYMENT
 AND EARNINGS OUTCOMES.—Section 411(c) (42 U.S.C.
 611(c)) is amended to read as follows:

4 "(c) Reporting of Information on Employment 5 AND EARNINGS OUTCOMES.—The Secretary, in consultation with the Secretary of Labor, shall determine the in-6 7 formation that is necessary to compute the employment 8 and earnings outcomes and the statistical adjustment 9 model for the employment and earnings outcomes required 10 under section 407, and each eligible State shall collect and report that information to the Secretary.". 11

12SEC. 16. TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO DATA EXCHANGE13STANDARDS TO IMPROVE PROGRAM COORDI-

## 14 NATION.

15 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 411(d) (42 U.S.C.
16 611(d)) is amended to read as follows:

17 "(d) DATA EXCHANGE STANDARDS FOR IMPROVED18 INTEROPERABILITY.—

"(1) DESIGNATION.—The Secretary shall, in
consultation with an interagency work group established by the Office of Management and Budget and
considering State government perspectives, by rule,
designate data exchange standards to govern, under
this part—

| 1  | "(A) necessary categories of information              |
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| 2  | that State agencies operating programs under          |
| 3  | State plans approved under this part are re-          |
| 4  | quired under applicable Federal law to elec-          |
| 5  | tronically exchange with another State agency;        |
| 6  | and   |
| 7  | "(B) Federal reporting and data exchange              |
| 8  | required under applicable Federal law.                |
| 9  | "(2) REQUIREMENTS.—The data exchange                  |
| 10 | standards required by paragraph (1) shall, to the ex- |
| 11 | tent practicable—                                     |
| 12 | "(A) incorporate a widely accepted, non-              |
| 13 | proprietary, searchable, computer-readable for-       |
| 14 | mat, such as the eXtensible Markup Language;          |
| 15 | "(B) contain interoperable standards devel-           |
| 16 | oped and maintained by intergovernmental              |
| 17 | partnerships, such as the National Information        |
| 18 | Exchange Model;                                       |
| 19 | "(C) incorporate interoperable standards              |
| 20 | developed and maintained by Federal entities          |
| 21 | with authority over contracting and financial         |
| 22 | assistance;   |
| 23 | "(D) be consistent with and implement ap-             |
| 24 | plicable accounting principles;                       |

| 1  | "(E) be implemented in a manner that is                   |
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| 2  | cost-effective and improves program efficiency            |
| 3  | and effectiveness; and                                    |
| 4  | "(F) be capable of being continually up-                  |
| 5  | graded as necessary.                                      |
| 6  | "(3) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in                     |
| 7  | this subsection shall be construed to require a           |
| 8  | change to existing data exchange standards found to       |
| 9  | be effective and efficient.".                             |
| 10 | (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Not later than the date that          |
| 11 | is 24 months after the date of the enactment of this sec- |
| 12 | tion, the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall    |
| 13 | issue a proposed rule that—                               |
| 14 | (1) identifies federally required data exchanges,         |
| 15 | include specification and timing of exchanges to be       |
| 16 | standardized, and address the factors used in deter-      |
| 17 | mining whether and when to standardize data ex-           |
| 18 | changes; and  |
| 19 | (2) specifies State implementation options and            |
| 20 | describes future milestones.                              |
| 21 | SEC. 17. SET-ASIDE FOR ECONOMIC DOWNTURNS.                |
| 22 | Section 404(e) (42 U.S.C. 604(e)) is amended to read      |
| 23 | as follows:   |
| 24 | "(e) Deadlines for Obligation and Expendi-                |
| 25 | TURES OF FUNDS BY STATES.—                                |
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| 1  | "(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-          |
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| 2  | graph (2), a State to which a grant is made under     |
| 3  | section $403(a)(1)$ shall obligate the funds within 2 |
| 4  | years after the date the funds are made available,    |
| 5  | and shall expend the funds within 3 years after such  |
| 6  | date.   |
| 7  | ((2) Exception for limited amount of                  |
| 8  | FUNDS SET ASIDE FOR FUTURE USE.—                      |
| 9  | "(A) IN GENERAL.—A State to which                     |
| 10 | funds are paid under section $403(a)(1)$ may re-      |
| 11 | serve not more than 15 percent of the funds for       |
| 12 | use in the State program funded under this            |
| 13 | part without fiscal year limitation.                  |
| 14 | "(B) NOTICE OF INTENT TO RESERVE                      |
| 15 | FUNDS.—A State that intends to reserve funds          |
| 16 | paid to the State under section $402(a)(1)$ shall     |
| 17 | notify the Secretary of the intention not later       |
| 18 | than the end of the period in which the funds         |
| 19 | are available for obligation without regard to        |
| 20 | subparagraph (A) of this paragraph.".                 |
| 21 | SEC. 18. DEFINITIONS RELATED TO USE OF FUNDS.         |
| 22 | Section 419 (42 U.S.C. 619) is amended by adding      |
| 23 | at the end the following:                             |
| 24 | "(6) Assistance.—The term 'assistance'                |
| 25 | means cash, payments, vouchers, and other forms of    |
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benefits designed to meet a family's ongoing basic
 needs (such as for food, clothing, shelter, utilities,
 household goods, personal care items, and general
 incidental expenses).

"(7) WORK SUPPORTS.—The term 'work sup-5 6 ports' means assistance and non-assistance transpor-7 tation benefits (such as the value of allowances, bus 8 tokens, car payments, auto repair, auto insurance 9 reimbursement, and van services) provided in order 10 to help families obtain, retain, or advance in employ-11 ment, participate in work activities (as defined in 12 section 407(d)), or as a non-recurrent, short-term 13 benefit, including goods provided to individuals in 14 order to help them obtain or maintain employment 15 (such as tools, uniforms, fees to obtain special li-16 censes, bonuses, incentives, and work support allow-17 ances and expenditures for job access).

18 "(8) SUPPORTIVE SERVICES.—The term 'supportive services' means services such as domestic violence services, and mental health, substance abuse
20 lence services, and mental health, substance abuse
21 and disability services, housing counseling services,
22 and other family supports, except to the extent that
23 the provision of the service would violate section
24 408(a)(6).

| 1  | "(9) JOBS BENEFIT.—The term 'JOBS ben-               |
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| 2  | efit' means—   |
| 3  | "(A) assistance; or                                  |
| 4  | "(B) wage subsidies that are paid, with              |
| 5  | funds provided under section 403(a) or with          |
| 6  | qualified State expenditures, with respect to a      |
| 7  | person who—  |
| 8  | "(i) was a work-eligible individual (as              |
| 9  | defined in the regulations promulgated               |
| 10 | pursuant to section $407(i)(1)(A)(i)$ ) at the       |
| 11 | time of entry into subsidized employment,            |
| 12 | such as on-the-job training or apprentice-           |
| 13 | ship; and  |
| 14 | "(ii) is not receiving assistance.".                 |
| 15 | SEC. 19. ELIMINATION OF OBSOLETE PROVISIONS.         |
| 16 | (a) Elimination of Supplemental Grants to            |
| 17 | STATES.—Section 403(a) (42 U.S.C. 603(a)) is amended |
| 18 | by striking paragraph (3).                           |
| 19 | (b) Elimination of Bonus To Reward High Per-         |
| 20 | FORMANCE STATES.—                                    |
| 21 | (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 403(a) (42 U.S.C.            |
| 22 | 603(a)) is amended by striking paragraph (4).        |
| 23 | (2) Conforming Amendment.—Section                    |
| 24 | 1108(a)(2) (42 U.S.C. $1308(a)(2)$ ) is amended by   |
| 25 | striking ''403(a)(4),''.                             |

| 1  | (c) Elimination of Welfare-to-Work Grants.—      |
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| 2  | (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 403(a) (42 U.S.C.        |
| 3  | 603(a)) is amended by striking paragraph (5).    |
| 4  | (2) Conforming Amendments.—                      |
| 5  | (A) Elimination of exclusion from                |
| 6  | TIME LIMIT.—Section 408(a)(7) (42 U.S.C.         |
| 7  | 608(a)(7)) is amended by striking subpara-       |
| 8  | graph (G).                                       |
| 9  | (B) ELIMINATION OF PENALTY FOR MIS-              |
| 10 | USE OF COMPETITIVE WELFARE-TO-WORK               |
| 11 | FUNDS.—Section 409(a)(1) (42 U.S.C.              |
| 12 | 609(a)(1)) is amended by striking subpara-       |
| 13 | graph (C).                                       |
| 14 | (C) Elimination of exclusion from                |
| 15 | QUALIFIED STATE EXPENDITURES OF STATE            |
| 16 | FUNDS USED TO MATCH WELFARE-TO-WORK              |
| 17 | GRANT FUNDS.—Section $409(a)(7)(B)(iv)$ (42      |
| 18 | U.S.C. $609(a)(7)(B)(iv))$ is amended in the 1st |
| 19 | sentence   |
| 20 | (i) by adding "or" at the end of sub-            |
| 21 | clause (II); and                                 |
| 22 | (ii) by striking subclause (III) and re-         |
| 23 | designating subclause (IV) as subclause          |
| 24 | (III).   |

| 1  | (D) Elimination of penalty for fail-           |
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| 2  | URE OF STATE TO MAINTAIN HISTORIC EFFORT       |
| 3  | DURING YEAR IN WHICH WELFARE-TO-WORK           |
| 4  | GRANT IS RECEIVED.—Section 409(a) (42          |
| 5  | U.S.C. 609(a)) is amended by striking para-    |
| 6  | graph (13).                                    |
| 7  | (E) Elimination of requirements re-            |
| 8  | LATING TO WELFARE-TO-WORK GRANTS IN            |
| 9  | QUARTERLY STATE REPORTS.—Section 411(a)        |
| 10 | (42 U.S.C. 611(a)), as amended by section      |
| 11 | 15(a) of this Act, is amended—                 |
| 12 | (i) in paragraph (1), by striking "(ex-        |
| 13 | cept for information relating to activities    |
| 14 | carried out under section $403(a)(5)$ )"; and  |
| 15 | (ii) in each of paragraphs (2) through         |
| 16 | (4), by striking the comma and all that fol-   |
| 17 | lows and inserting a period.                   |
| 18 | (F) INDIAN TRIBAL PROGRAMS.—Section            |
| 19 | 412(a) (42 U.S.C. 612(a)) is amended by strik- |
| 20 | ing paragraph (3).                             |
| 21 | (G) Elimination of requirement to              |
| 22 | DISCLOSE CERTAIN INFORMATION TO PRIVATE        |
| 23 | INDUSTRY COUNCIL RECEIVING WELFARE-TO-         |
| 24 | WORK FUNDS.—Section 454A(f) (42 U.S.C.         |
| 25 | 654a(f)) is amended by striking paragraph (5). |

| 3  | by striking ''403(a)(5),''.                         |
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| 4  | (d) Elimination of Contingency Fund.—               |
| 5  | (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 403 (42 U.S.C. 603)         |
| 6  | is amended by striking all of subsection (b) except |
| 7  | paragraph (5).                                      |
| 8  | (2) Conforming Amendments.—                         |
| 9  | (A) TRANSFER OF NEEDY STATE DEFINI-                 |
| 10 | TION.—  |
| 11 | (i) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (5) of                    |
| 12 | section 403(b) (42 U.S.C. 603(b)(5)) is—            |
| 13 | (I) amended—  |
| 14 | (aa) in the matter preceding                        |
| 15 | subparagraph (A), by striking                       |
| 16 | "paragraph (4)" and inserting                       |
| 17 | "subparagraph (C)";                                 |
| 18 | (bb) in each of subpara-                            |
| 19 | graphs (A) and (B), by redesig-                     |
| 20 | nating clauses (i) and (ii) as sub-                 |
| 21 | clauses (I) and (II), respectively;                 |
| 22 | (cc) by redesignating sub-                          |
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23 paragraphs (A) and (B) as24 clauses (i) and (ii), respectively;

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| 1  | (dd) by redesignating such                     |
| 2  | paragraph as subparagraph (D);                 |
| 3  | and  |
| 4  | (ee) by moving each provi-                     |
| 5  | sion 2 ems to the right; and                   |
| 6  | (II) as so amended, hereby trans-              |
| 7  | ferred into section $409(a)(3)$ (42)           |
| 8  | U.S.C. $609(a)(3)$ ) and added to the          |
| 9  | end of such section.                           |
| 10 | (ii) Conforming Amendment.—Sec-                |
| 11 | tion $409(a)(3)(C)$ (42 U.S.C.                 |
| 12 | 609(a)(3)(C)) is amended by striking "(as      |
| 13 | defined in section $403(b)(5)$ )".             |
| 14 | (B) Elimination of penalty for fail-           |
| 15 | URE OF STATE RECEIVING AMOUNTS FROM            |
| 16 | CONTINGENCY FUND TO MAINTAIN 100 PER-          |
| 17 | CENT OF HISTORIC EFFORT.—Section 409(a)        |
| 18 | (42 U.S.C. 609(a)) is amended by striking      |
| 19 | paragraph (10).                                |
| 20 | (e) Conforming Amendments Related to Elimi-    |
| 21 | NATION OF FEDERAL LOANS FOR STATE WELFARE PRO- |
| 22 | GRAMS.—  |
| 23 | (1) Elimination of associated penalty          |
| 24 | PROVISION.—                                    |
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| 1  | (A) IN GENERAL.—Section 409(a) (42                   |
| 2  | U.S.C. 609(a)) is amended by striking para-          |
| 3  | graph $(6)$ .  |
| 4  | (B) Conforming Amendments.—Section                   |
| 5  | 412(g)(1) (42 U.S.C. $612(g)(1)$ ) is amended by     |
| 6  | striking ''(a)(6),''.                                |
| 7  | (2) Elimination of provision providing               |
| 8  | FOR TRIBAL ELIGIBILITY.—Section 412 (42 U.S.C.       |
| 9  | 612) is amended by striking subsection (f).          |
| 10 | (3) Elimination of disregard of loan in              |
| 11 | APPLYING LIMIT ON PAYMENTS TO THE TERRI-             |
| 12 | TORIES.—Section 1108(a)(2) (42 U.S.C.                |
| 13 | 1308(a)(2)) is amended by striking "406,".           |
| 14 | (f) Elimination of Limitations on Other State        |
| 15 | Programs Funded With Qualified State Expendi-        |
| 16 | TURES.—  |
| 17 | (1) The following provisions are each amended        |
| 18 | by striking ''or any other State program funded with |
| 19 | qualified State expenditures (as defined in section  |
| 20 | 409(a)(7)(B)(i))'':                                  |
| 21 | (A) Paragraphs (1) and (2) of section                |
| 22 | 407(e) (42 U.S.C. $607(e)(1)$ and (2)).              |
| 23 | (B) Section 411(a)(1) (42 U.S.C.                     |
| 24 | 611(a)(1)), as amended by section                    |
| 25 | 15(a)(3)(A)(i) of this Act.                          |
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| 1  | (C) Subsections (d) and $(e)(1)$ of section          |
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| 2  | 413 (42 U.S.C. 613(d) and (e)(1)).                   |
| 3  | (2) Section $413(a)$ (42 U.S.C. $613(a)$ ) is        |
| 4  | amended by striking "and any other State program     |
| 5  | funded with qualified State expenditures (as defined |
| 6  | in section 409(a)(7)(B)(i))".                        |
| 7  | (g) Conforming Amendments Related to Elimi-          |
| 8  | NATION OF REPORT.—                                   |
| 9  | (1) IN GENERAL.—Section $409(a)(2)$ (42)             |
| 10 | U.S.C. 609(a)(2)) is amended—                        |
| 11 | (A) in the paragraph heading, by inserting           |
| 12 | "QUARTERLY" before "REPORT";                         |
| 13 | (B) in subparagraph (A)(ii), by striking             |
| 14 | "clause (i)" and inserting "subparagraph (A)";       |
| 15 | (C) by striking "(A) QUARTERLY RE-                   |
| 16 | PORTS.—";  |
| 17 | (D) by striking subparagraph (B); and                |
| 18 | (E) by redesignating clauses (i) and (ii) of         |
| 19 | subparagraph (A) as subparagraphs (A) and            |
| 20 | (B), respectively (and adjusting the margins ac-     |
| 21 | cordingly).  |
| 22 | (2) Conforming Amendments.—                          |
| 23 | (A) Section $409(b)(2)$ (42 U.S.C.                   |
| 24 | 609(b)(2)) is amended by striking "and," and         |
| 25 | all that follows and inserting a period.             |

(B) Section 409(c)(4) (42 U.S.C. 609(c)(4)) is amended by striking "(2)(B),".
(h) ANNUAL REPORTS TO CONGRESS.—Section 411(b)(1)(A) (42 U.S.C. 611(b)(1)(A)) is amended by

4 411(b)(1)(A) (42 U.S.C. 611(b)(1)(A)) is amended by
5 striking "participation rates" and inserting "outcome
6 measures".

7 (i) REDUCTION IN FORCE PROVISIONS.—Section
8 416(a) (42 U.S.C. 616(a)), as so designated by section
9 14(b)(1)(A) of this Act, is amended by striking ", and the
10 Secretary" and all that follows and inserting a period.

11 (j) Conforming Cross-References.—

| 12 | (1) Section 409 (42 U.S.C. 609) is amended—             |
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| 13 | (A) in subsection $(a)(7)(B)(i)(III)$ , by              |
| 14 | striking "(12)" and inserting "(10)";                   |
| 15 | (B) in subsection (a) (as amended by sub-               |
| 16 | sections $(c)(2)(D)$ , $(d)(2)(B)$ , and $(e)(1)(A)$ of |
| 17 | this section), by redesignating paragraphs (7),         |
| 18 | (8), (9), (11), (12), (14), (15), and (16) as           |
| 19 | paragraphs (6) through (13), respectively;              |
| 20 | (C) in subsection (b)(2), by striking " $(8)$ ,         |
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21 (10), (12), or (13)" and inserting "or (10)";
22 and

23 (D) in subsection (c)(4), by striking "(8),
24 (10), (12), (13), or (16)" and inserting "(10),
25 or (13)".

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| 1  | (2) Section 452 (42 U.S.C. 652) is amended in               |
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| 2  | each of subsections $(d)(3)(A)(i)$ and $(g)(1)$ by strik-   |
| 3  | ing "409(a)(8)" and inserting "409(a)(7)".                  |
| 4  | (k) Modifications to Maintenance-of-Effort                  |
| 5  | REQUIREMENT.—Section 409(a)(6)(B)(i) (42 U.S.C.             |
| 6  | 609(a)(6)(B)(i)), as redesignated by subsection $(j)(1)(B)$ |
| 7  | of this section, is amended—                                |
| 8  | (1) in subclause (I)—                                       |
| 9  | (A) in the matter preceding item (aa), by                   |
| 10 | striking "all State programs" and inserting                 |
| 11 | "the State program funded under this part";                 |
| 12 | (B) by redesignating items (dd) and (ee)                    |
| 13 | as items (ee) and (ff), respectively, and insert-           |
| 14 | ing after item (cc) the following:                          |
| 15 | "(dd) Expenditures for a                                    |
| 16 | purpose described in paragraph                              |
| 17 | (3), (4),  or  (5)  of section                              |
| 18 | 401(a)."; and   |
| 19 | (C) in item (ee) (as so redesignated), by                   |
| 20 | striking "and (ee)" and inserting "(dd), and                |
| 21 | (ff)";  |
| 22 | (2) by striking subclause (V); and                          |
| 23 | (3) in subclause (IV), by inserting ", except any           |
| 24 | of such families whose monthly income exceeds twice         |
| 25 | the poverty line (as defined by the Office of Manage-       |

ment and Budget, and revised annually in accord ance with section 673(2) of the Omnibus Budget
 Reconciliation Act of 1981 (42 U.S.C. 9902(2)))"
 before the period.

## 5 SEC. 20. EFFECTIVE DATE.

6 Except as provided in sections 5(g), 11(b) and 13(b),
7 the amendments made by this Act shall take effect on Oc8 tober 1, 2019.

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