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H. R. 7906

[Report No. 118–951]

To improve the effectiveness and available tools of State and tribal child support enforcement agencies, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 9, 2024

Mr. HERN (for himself, Ms. DELBENE, Mr. SMUCKER, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Mr. SCHWEIKERT, and Mr. LAHOOD) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

DECEMBER 24, 2024

Additional sponsors: Mr. BALDERSON, Mr. CAREY, Mr. MOOLENAAR, Mrs. DINGELL, Ms. TENNEY, Mr. SMITH of Nebraska, Mr. MOORE of Utah, Ms. STANSBURY, Mr. MANN, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. FLOOD, Mr. STEIL, Mrs. LESKO, Mr. PFLUGER, Mr. VAN ORDEN, Mr. PANETTA, Ms. CHU, Mr. POCAN, Mrs. CHAVEZ-DEREMER, Ms. VAN DUYNE, Mr. CARBAJAL, Ms. SCHOLTEN, Mr. GOMEZ, Mr. NEGUSE, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. ESTES, Mrs. MILLER of West Virginia, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mrs. FISCHBACH, Mr. FEENSTRA, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Mr. WENSTRUP, Mr. STEUBE, Mrs. STEEL, Mrs. HINSON, and Mr. LANGWORTHY

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[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italic*]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on April 9, 2024]

A BILL

To improve the effectiveness and available tools of State and tribal child support enforcement agencies, 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 “Strengthening State and*
 5 *Tribal Child Support Enforcement Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. IMPROVING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF TRIBAL CHILD**
 7 **SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES.**

8 *(a) IMPROVING THE COLLECTION OF PAST-DUE CHILD*
 9 *SUPPORT THROUGH STATE AND TRIBAL PARITY IN THE*
 10 *ALLOWABLE USE OF TAX INFORMATION.—*

11 *(1) AMENDMENT TO THE SOCIAL SECURITY*
 12 *ACT.—Section 464 of the Social Security Act (42*
 13 *U.S.C. 664) is amended by adding at the end the fol-*
 14 *lowing:*

15 *“(d) APPLICABILITY TO INDIAN TRIBES AND TRIBAL*
 16 *ORGANIZATIONS RECEIVING A GRANT UNDER THIS*
 17 *PART.—This section, except for the requirement to dis-*
 18 *tribute amounts in accordance with section 457, shall apply*
 19 *to an Indian tribe or tribal organization receiving a grant*
 20 *under section 455(f) in the same manner in which this sec-*
 21 *tion applies to a State with a plan approved under this*
 22 *part.”.*

23 *(2) AMENDMENTS TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE*
 24 *CODE.—*

1 (A) Section 6103(a)(2) of the Internal Rev-
2 enue Code of 1986 is amended by striking “any
3 local child support enforcement agency” and in-
4 serting “any tribal or local child support en-
5 forcement agency”.

6 (B) Section 6103(a)(3) of such Code is
7 amended by inserting “, (8)” after “(6)”.

8 (C) Section 6103(l) of such Code is amend-
9 ed—

10 (i) in paragraph (6)—

11 (I) by striking “or local” in sub-
12 paragraph (A) and inserting “tribal,
13 or local”;

14 (II) by striking “AND LOCAL” in
15 the heading thereof and inserting
16 “TRIBAL, AND LOCAL”;

17 (III) by striking “The following”
18 in subparagraph (B) and inserting
19 “The”;

20 (IV) by striking the colon and all
21 that follows in subparagraph (B) and
22 inserting a period; and

23 (V) by adding at the end the fol-
24 lowing:

1 “(D) STATE, TRIBAL, OR LOCAL CHILD SUP-
2 PORT ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.—For purposes of
3 this paragraph, the following shall be treated as
4 a State, tribal, or local child support enforce-
5 ment agency:

6 “(i) Any agency of a State or political
7 subdivision thereof operating pursuant to a
8 plan described in section 454 of the Social
9 Security Act which has been approved by
10 the Secretary of Health and Human Serv-
11 ices under part D of title IV of such Act.

12 “(ii) Any child support enforcement
13 agency of an Indian tribe or tribal organi-
14 zation receiving a grant under section
15 455(f) of the Social Security Act.”;

16 (ii) in paragraph (8)—

17 (I) in subparagraph (A), by strik-
18 ing “or State or local” and inserting “,
19 State, tribal, or local”;

20 (II) in subparagraph (B), by
21 striking “enforced pursuant to a plan
22 described” and all that follows through
23 “of such Act” and inserting “enforced
24 pursuant to the provisions of part D of
25 title IV of the Social Security Act”;

1 (III) by adding at the end of sub-
2 paragraph (B) the following: “The in-
3 formation disclosed to any child sup-
4 port enforcement agency under sub-
5 paragraph (A) with respect to any in-
6 dividual with respect to whom child
7 support obligations are sought to be es-
8 tablished or enforced may be disclosed
9 by such agency to any agent of such
10 agency which is under contract with
11 such agency for purposes of, and to the
12 extent necessary in, establishing and
13 collecting child support obligations
14 from, and locating, individuals owing
15 such obligations.”;

16 (IV) by striking subparagraph (C)
17 and inserting the following:

18 “(C) STATE, TRIBAL, OR LOCAL CHILD SUP-
19 PORT ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.—For purposes of
20 this paragraph, the term ‘State, tribal, or local
21 child support enforcement agency’ has the same
22 meaning as when used in paragraph (6)(D).”;
23 and

1 (V) by striking “AND LOCAL” in
2 the heading thereof and inserting
3 “TRIBAL, AND LOCAL”; and

4 (iii) in paragraph (10)(B), by adding
5 at the end the following new clause:

6 “(iii) The information disclosed to any
7 child support enforcement agency under
8 subparagraph (A) with respect to any indi-
9 vidual with respect to whom child support
10 obligations are sought to be established or
11 enforced may be disclosed by such agency to
12 any agent of such agency which is under
13 contract with such agency for purposes of,
14 and to the extent necessary in, establishing
15 and collecting child support obligations
16 from, and locating, individuals owing such
17 obligations.”.

18 (D) Section 6103(p)(4) of such Code is
19 amended—

20 (i) by striking “subsection (l)(10),
21 (13)(A), (13)(B), (13)(C), (13)(D)(i), (16),
22 (18), (19), or (20), or any entity” in the
23 matter preceding subparagraph (A) and in-
24 serting “subsection (l)(6), (8), (10), (13)(A),
25 (13)(B), (13)(C), (13)(D)(i), (16), (18),

1 (19), or (20), or any Indian tribe or tribal
2 organization receiving a grant under sec-
3 tion 455(f) of the Social Security Act, or
4 any entity”;

5 (ii) by striking “subsection (l)(10)” in
6 subparagraph (F)(i) and inserting “sub-
7 section (l)(6), (8), (10)”;

8 (iii) by striking “subsection (l)(10),
9 (13)(A), (13)(B), (13)(C), (13)(D)(i), (16),
10 (18), (19), or (20) or any entity” each place
11 it appears in the matter following subpara-
12 graph (F)(iii) and inserting “subsection
13 (l)(6), (8), (10), (13)(A), (13)(B), (13)(C),
14 (13)(D)(i), (16), (18), (19), or (20), or any
15 Indian tribe or tribal organization receiv-
16 ing a grant under section 455(f) of the So-
17 cial Security Act, or any entity”; and

18 (iv) by inserting “, (8)” after “para-
19 graph (6)(A)” in the matter following sub-
20 paragraph (F)(iii).

21 (E) Section 6103(p)(9) of such Code is
22 amended by striking “or local” and inserting
23 “tribal, or local”.

24 (F) Section 6402(c) of such Code is amend-
25 ed by adding at the end the following: “For pur-

1 *poses of this subsection, any reference to a State*
2 *shall include a reference to any Indian tribe or*
3 *tribal organization receiving a grant under sec-*
4 *tion 455(f) of the Social Security Act.”.*

5 ***(b) REIMBURSEMENT FOR REPORTS.***—*Section 453(g)*
6 *of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 653(g)) is amended—*

7 *(1) in the subsection heading, by striking*
8 *“STATE”; and*

9 *(2) by striking “and State” and inserting “,*
10 *State, and tribal”.*

11 ***(c) TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.***—*Paragraphs (7) and*
12 *(33) of section 454 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.*
13 *654) are each amended by striking “450b” and inserting*
14 *“5304”.*

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