

118TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 7431

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 23, 2024

Mr. ARRINGTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

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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 “Eliminating Fraud and
5 Improper Payments in TANF Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. STRENGTHENING PROGRAM INTEGRITY THROUGH**
2 **IMPROPER PAYMENTS REVIEW.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 404 of the Social Security
4 Act (42 U.S.C. 604) is amended by adding at the end the
5 following:

6 “(1) APPLICABILITY OF PAYMENT INTEGRITY LAW.—
7 The Payment Integrity Information Act of 2019 shall
8 apply to a State in respect of the State program funded
9 under this part in the same manner in which such Act
10 applies to a Federal agency.”.

11 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
12 subsection (a) shall take effect on October 1, 2025.

13 (c) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Within 1 year after the
14 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Health
15 and Human Services shall submit to the Congress a writ-
16 ten report that contains a plan to reduce or eliminate im-
17 proper payments made by States under part A of title IV
18 of the Social Security Act within 10 years.

19 **SEC. 3. TWO-YEAR REAUTHORIZATION OF THE TEMPORARY**
20 **ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES PRO-**
21 **GRAM.**

22 Activities authorized by part A of title IV (other than
23 under section 403(c) or 418) and section 1108(b) of the
24 Social Security Act shall continue through September 30,
25 2026, in the manner authorized for fiscal year 2023, and
26 out of any money in the Treasury of the United States

- 1 not otherwise appropriated, there are hereby appropriated
- 2 such sums as may be necessary for such purpose.

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