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H. R. 5854

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

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 16, 2018

Mr. SCHWEIKERT (for himself, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. SMITH of Nebraska, and Mr. BIGGS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

To amend title IV–A 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 “Improving Trans-
5 parency in TANF through Data Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. ALIGNING AND IMPROVING DATA REPORTING.**

7 (a) REQUIRE STATES TO REPORT FULL-POPULATION DATA.—Section 411(a)(1) of the Social Security
8 Act (42 U.S.C. 611(a)(1)) is amended—
9 Act (42 U.S.C. 611(a)(1)) is amended—

10 (1) by striking subparagraph (B);

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) REPORTING OF PARTICIPATION IN WORK OR
22 WORK PREPARATION ACTIVITIES.—Section 411(a)(1) of
23 such Act (42 U.S.C. 611(a)(1)), as amended by subsection
24 (a) of this section, is amended by striking subparagraphs
25 (K) and (L) and inserting the following:

1 “(K) The work eligibility status of each in-
2 dividual in the family, and—

3 “(i) in the case of each work-eligible
4 individual in the family—

5 “(I) the number of hours (includ-
6 ing zero hours) per month of partici-
7 pation in—

8 “(aa) work activities (as de-
9 fined in section 407(d)); and

10 “(bb) any other activity re-
11 quired by the State to remove a
12 barrier to employment.; and

13 “(ii) in the case of each individual in
14 the family who is not a work-eligible indi-
15 vidual, the reason for that status.

16 “(L) For each work-eligible individual and
17 each adult in the family who did not participate
18 in work activities (as so defined) during a
19 month, the reason for the lack of participa-
20 tion.”.

21 (c) REPORTING TO DETERMINE INFORMATION ON
22 EMPLOYMENT AND EARNINGS OUTCOMES.—Section
23 411(c) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 611(c)) is amended to read
24 as follows:

1 “(c) REPORTING TO DETERMINE INFORMATION ON
2 EMPLOYMENT AND EARNINGS OUTCOMES.—The Sec-
3 retary, in consultation with the Secretary of Labor, shall
4 determine the information that is necessary to compute
5 the employment and earnings outcomes and the statistical
6 adjustment model for the employment and earnings out-
7 comes required under section 407, and each eligible State
8 shall collect and report that information to the Sec-
9 retary.”.

10 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

11 The amendments made by this Act shall take effect
12 on October 1, 2018.

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