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# S. 1094

To reauthorize the Combating Autism Act of 2006 (Public Law 109–416).

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 26, 2011

Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. ENZI, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

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## A BILL

To reauthorize the Combating Autism Act of 2006 (Public Law 109–416).

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 “Combating Autism Re-  
5 authorization Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. CONTINUATION OF PROGRAMS RELATING TO AU-**  
7 **TISM.**

8 Part R of title III of the Public Health Service Act  
9 (42 U.S.C. 280i et seq.) is amended—

1 (a) in section 399AA(e), by striking “2011” and in-  
2 serting “2014”;

3 (b) in section 399BB(g), by striking “2011” and in-  
4 serting “2014”;

5 (c) in section 399CC(f), by striking “2011” and in-  
6 serting “2014”; and

7 (d) by inserting after section 399DD the following:

8 **“SEC. 399DD-1. REPORT TO CONGRESS ON REAUTHORIZA-**  
9 **TION.**

10 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years after the  
11 date of enactment of the Combating Autism Reauthoriza-  
12 tion Act, the Secretary, in coordination with the Secretary  
13 of Education, shall prepare and submit to the Committee  
14 on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate  
15 and the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the  
16 House of Representatives a progress report on activities  
17 related to autism spectrum disorder and other develop-  
18 mental disabilities.

19 “(b) CONTENTS.—The report submitted under sub-  
20 section (a) shall include—

21 “(1) a description of the progress made in im-  
22 plementing the provisions of the Combating Autism  
23 Act of 2006;

1           “(2) a description of the amounts expended on  
2           the implementation of each particular provision of  
3           the Combating Autism Act of 2006;

4           “(3) information on the incidence of autism  
5           spectrum disorder and trend data of such incidence  
6           since the date of enactment of the Combating Au-  
7           tism Act of 2006;

8           “(4) information on the average age of diag-  
9           nosis for individuals with autism spectrum disorder  
10          and other disabilities, including how that age may  
11          have changed during the 6-year period beginning on  
12          the date of enactment of the Combating Autism Act  
13          of 2006;

14          “(5) information on the average age for inter-  
15          vention for individuals diagnosed with autism spec-  
16          trum disorder and other developmental disabilities,  
17          including how that age may have changed during the  
18          6-year period beginning on the date of enactment of  
19          the Combating Autism Act of 2006;

20          “(6) information on the average time between  
21          initial screening for autism spectrum disorder and  
22          diagnosis of, or the ruling out of, autism spectrum  
23          disorder or other developmental disabilities, and in-  
24          formation on the average time between diagnosis  
25          and evidence-based intervention for individuals with

1 autism spectrum disorder or other developmental  
2 disabilities;

3 “(7) information on the effectiveness and out-  
4 comes of interventions for individuals diagnosed with  
5 autism spectrum disorder, including information  
6 with respect to various subtypes of autism spectrum  
7 disorder and other developmental disabilities and  
8 how the age of the individual so diagnosed may af-  
9 fect such effectiveness;

10 “(8) information on the effectiveness and out-  
11 comes of innovative and newly developed intervention  
12 strategies for individuals with autism spectrum dis-  
13 order or other developmental disabilities; and

14 “(9) information on services and supports pro-  
15 vided to individuals with autism spectrum disorder  
16 and other developmental disabilities who have  
17 reached the age of majority (as described in section  
18 615(m) of the Individuals with Disabilities Edu-  
19 cation Act (20 U.S.C. 1415(m)).”.

20 **SEC. 3. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

21 Section 399EE of the Public Health Service Act (42  
22 U.S.C. 280i-4) is amended—

23 (a) in subsection (a) (relating to developmental dis-  
24 abilities surveillance and research program), by adding at  
25 the end the following:

1           “(6) For each of fiscal years 2012, 2013, and  
2           2014, \$22,000,000.”;

3           (b) in subsection (b) (relating to autism education,  
4           early detection, and intervention), by adding at the end  
5           the following:

6           “(6) For each of fiscal years 2012, 2013, and  
7           2014, \$48,000,000.”; and

8           (c) in subsection (c) (relating to interagency autism  
9           coordinating committee; certain other programs), by add-  
10          ing at the end the following:

11          “(6) For each of fiscal years 2012, 2013, and  
12          2014, \$161,000,000.”.

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