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Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union
and ordered to be printed

A BILL

To exclude payments from State eugenics compensation programs from consideration in determining eligibility for, or the amount of, Federal public benefits.

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 “Treatment of Certain
 5 Payments in Eugenics Compensation Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. EXCLUSION OF PAYMENTS FROM STATE EUGENICS**

7 **COMPENSATION PROGRAMS FROM CONSID-**
 8 **ERATION IN DETERMINING ELIGIBILITY FOR,**
 9 **OR THE AMOUNT OF, FEDERAL PUBLIC BENE-**
 10 **FITS.**

11 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provi-
 12 sion of law, payments made under a State eugenics com-
 13 pensation program shall not be considered as income or
 14 resources in determining eligibility for, or the amount of,
 15 any Federal public benefit.

16 (b) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section:

17 (1) FEDERAL PUBLIC BENEFIT.—The term
 18 “Federal public benefit” means—

19 (A) any grant, contract, loan, professional
 20 license, or commercial license provided by an
 21 agency of the United States or by appropriated
 22 funds of the United States; and

23 (B) any retirement, welfare, health, dis-
 24 ability, public or assisted housing, postsec-
 25 ondary education, food assistance, unemploy-

1 ment benefit, or any other similar benefit for
2 which payments or assistance are provided to
3 an individual, household, or family eligibility
4 unit by an agency of the United States or by
5 appropriated funds of the United States.

6 (2) STATE EUGENICS COMPENSATION PRO-
7 GRAM.—The term “State eugenics compensation
8 program” means a program established by State law
9 that is intended to compensate individuals who were
10 sterilized under the authority of the State.

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