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To reauthorize the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting program, and for other purposes.

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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as “The Jackie Walorski Ma-
3 ternal and Child Home Visiting Reauthorization Act of
4 2022”.

5 **SEC. 2. OUTCOMES DASHBOARD.**

6 Section 511(d)(1) of the Social Security Act (42
7 U.S.C. 711(d)(1)) is amended—

8 (1) in the paragraph heading, by striking
9 “BENCHMARK AREAS” and inserting “BENCHMARK
10 AREAS RELATED TO INDIVIDUAL FAMILY OUT-
11 COMES”;

12 (2) in subparagraph (D)(i), by striking “(B)”
13 and inserting “(C)”; and

14 (3) by redesignating subparagraphs (B)
15 through (D) as subparagraphs (C) through (E), re-
16 spectively, and inserting after subparagraph (A) the
17 following:

18 “(B) OUTCOMES DASHBOARDS.—The Sec-
19 retary shall, directly or by grant or contract, es-
20 tablish and operate a website accessible to the
21 public that includes an annually updated dash-
22 board that—

23 “(i) provides easy-to-understand infor-
24 mation on the outcomes achieved by each
25 eligible entity with respect to each of the
26 benchmarks described in subparagraph (A)

1 of this paragraph that apply to the eligible
2 entity, which shall be based on only the
3 data elements or types of data collected be-
4 fore the date of the enactment of this sec-
5 tion unless administering agencies and the
6 Secretary agree pursuant to subsection
7 (h)(6) that additional data is required;

8 “(ii) includes a template provided by
9 the Secretary that will enable comparison
10 among eligible entities not referred to in
11 subsection (k)(2)(A) of—

12 “(I) a profile of each eligible en-
13 tity showing outcome indicators and
14 how the outcomes compare to bench-
15 marks described in subclause (II);

16 “(II) information on the outcome
17 indicators and requisite outcome levels
18 established for each eligible entity;

19 “(III) information on each model
20 employed in the program operated by
21 each eligible entity, and regarding
22 each benchmark area described in
23 subsection (d)(1)(A) in which the
24 model used by the eligible entity is ex-
25 pected to affect participant outcomes;

1 “(IV) the most recently available
2 information from the report required
3 by subparagraph (E) of this para-
4 graph;

5 “(V) an electronic link to the
6 State needs assessment under sub-
7 section (b)(1); and

8 “(VI) information regarding any
9 penalty imposed, or other corrective
10 action taken, by the Secretary against
11 a State for failing to achieve a req-
12 uisite outcome level or any other re-
13 quirement imposed by or under this
14 section, and an indication as to
15 whether the eligible entity is operating
16 under a corrective action plan under
17 subparagraph (E)(ii) of this para-
18 graph, and if so, a link to the plan, an
19 explanation of the reason for the im-
20 plementation of the plan, and a report
21 on any progress made in operating
22 under the plan;

23 “(iii) includes information relating to
24 those eligible entities for which funding is
25 reserved under subsection (k)(2)(A), with

modifications as necessary to reflect tribal sovereignty, data privacy, and participant confidentiality; and

“(iv) protects data privacy and confidentiality of participant families.”.

SEC. 3. FUNDING.

(a) GRANT AMOUNTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 511(c)(4) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 711(c)(4)) is amended to read as follows:

“(4) GRANT AMOUNTS.—

“(A) BASE GRANTS.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—

“(I) GENERAL RULE.—With respect to each of fiscal years 2023 through 2027 for which an eligible entity not referred to in subsection (k)(2)(A) is awarded a base grant under this section, the amount of the grant payable to the eligible entity for the fiscal year is the amount described by clause (ii) of this subparagraph with respect to the eligible entity, except as provided in subclause (II) of this clause.

1 “(II) SUBSTITUTION OF SUC-
2 CESSOR ELIGIBLE ENTITY FOR PRED-
3 ECESSOR.—If the 1st fiscal year for
4 which an eligible entity is awarded a
5 base grant under this section for a
6 program operated in a State is among
7 fiscal years 2024 through 2027, the
8 amount described by clause (ii) with
9 respect to the eligible entity is the
10 amount of the base grant for which a
11 program operated in the State was eli-
12 gible under this subparagraph for fis-
13 cal year 2023.

14 “(ii) AMOUNT DESCRIBED.—

15 “(I) GENERAL RULE.—Subject to
16 the succeeding provisions of this
17 clause, the amount described by this
18 clause with respect to an eligible enti-
19 ty is—

20 “(aa) the amount made
21 available under subsection (k) for
22 base grants for fiscal year 2023
23 that remains after making the
24 reservations required by sub-
25 section (k)(2) or any other reduc-

tions required by Federal law for
fiscal year 2023; multiplied by

“(bb) the percentage of children in all States who have not attained 5 years of age (as determined by the Secretary on the basis of the data most recently available before fiscal year 2023) that is represented by the number of such children in the State in which the eligible entity is operating a program pursuant to this section (as so determined).

“(II) ADJUSTMENTS TO ENSURE STABLE FUNDING.—If the amount otherwise payable to an eligible entity under subclause (I) for fiscal year 2023 is less than 90 percent, or greater than 110 percent, of the amount payable under this section to the eligible entity for the program for fiscal year 2021, the Secretary shall increase the amount otherwise so payable to 90 percent, or decrease the amount otherwise so payable to 110

1 percent, as the case may be, of the
2 amount otherwise so payable.

3 “(III) ADJUSTMENT TO ENSURE
4 ALL BASE GRANT FUNDS ARE ALLO-
5 CATED.—If the amount described by
6 subclause (I)(aa) is different than the
7 total of the amounts otherwise de-
8 scribed by subclause (I) after applying
9 subclause (II), the Secretary shall in-
10 crease or decrease the amounts other-
11 wise so described after applying sub-
12 clause (II) by such equal percentage
13 as is necessary to reduce that dif-
14 ference to zero.

15 “(IV) MINIMUM BASE GRANT
16 AMOUNT.—Notwithstanding the pre-
17 ceding provisions of this clause, the
18 amount described by this clause with
19 respect to an eligible entity shall be
20 not less than \$1,000,000.

21 “(B) MATCHING GRANTS.—

22 “(i) AMOUNT OF GRANT.—

23 “(I) GENERAL RULE.—With re-
24 spect to each of fiscal years 2024
25 through 2027 for which an eligible en-

1 tity not referred to in subsection
2 (k)(2)(A) is awarded a grant under
3 this section, the Secretary shall in-
4 crease the amount of the grant pay-
5 able to the eligible entity for the fiscal
6 year under subparagraph (A) of this
7 paragraph by the matching amount (if
8 any) determined under subclause (II)
9 of this clause with respect to the eligi-
10 ble entity for the fiscal year and the
11 additional matching amount (if any)
12 determined under clause (iii) of this
13 subparagraph with respect to the eli-
14 gible entity for the fiscal year.

15 “(II) MATCHING AMOUNT.—

16 “(aa) IN GENERAL.—Sub-
17 ject to item (bb) of this sub-
18 clause, the matching amount
19 with respect to an eligible entity
20 for a fiscal year is 75 percent of
21 the sum of—

22 “(AA) the total amount
23 obligated by the eligible enti-
24 ty for home visiting services
25 in the State for the fiscal

1 year, from Federal funds
2 made available for the fiscal
3 year under this subpara-
4 graph; and

5 “(BB) the total amount
6 so obligated by the eligible
7 entity from non-Federal
8 funds, determined under
9 subclause (III).

10 “(bb) LIMITATION.—The
11 matching amount with respect to
12 an eligible entity for a fiscal year
13 shall not exceed the allotment
14 under subclause (IV) for the
15 State in which the eligible entity
16 is operating a program under
17 this section for the fiscal year.

18 “(III) DETERMINATION OF OBLI-
19 GATIONS FROM NON-FEDERAL
20 FUNDS.—For purposes of this clause,
21 the total amount obligated by an eligi-
22 ble entity from non-Federal funds is
23 the total of the amounts that are obli-
24 gated by the eligible entity from non-
25 Federal sources, to the extent that—

1 “(aa) the services are deliv-
2 ered in compliance with sub-
3 sections (d)(2) and (d)(3);

4 “(bb) the eligible entity has
5 reported the obligations to the
6 Secretary; and

7 “(cc) the amount is not
8 counted toward meeting the
9 maintenance of effort require-
10 ment in subsection (f).

11 “(IV) STATE ALLOTMENTS.—The
12 amount allotted under this subclause
13 for a State in which an eligible entity
14 is operating a program under this sec-
15 tion for a fiscal year is—

16 “(aa) the minimum match-
17 ing grant allocation amount for
18 the fiscal year; plus

19 “(bb)(AA) the amount (if
20 any) by which the amount made
21 available under subsection (k) for
22 matching grants for the fiscal
23 year that remains after making
24 the reservations required by sub-
25 section (k)(2) or any other reduc-

tion required by Federal law for the fiscal year exceeds the sum of the minimum matching grant allocation amounts for all eligible entities for the fiscal year; multiplied by

“(BB) the percentage of children in all States who have not attained 5 years of age and are members of families with income not exceeding the poverty line (as determined by the Secretary on the basis of the most recently available data) that is represented by the number of such children in the State (as so determined).

“(V) MINIMUM MATCHING GRANT ALLOCATION AMOUNT.—Subject to subclause (VI), for purposes of subclause (IV), the minimum matching grant allocation amount for a fiscal year is—

“(aa) in the case of fiscal year 2024, \$776,000;

1 “(bb) in the case of fiscal
2 year 2025, \$1,000,000;

3 “(cc) in the case of fiscal
4 year 2026, \$1,500,000; and

5 “(dd) in the case of fiscal
6 year 2027, \$2,000,000.

7 “(VI) SPECIAL RULE.—If, after
8 making any reductions otherwise re-
9 quired by law for a fiscal year, the
10 amount made available for matching
11 grants under this clause for the fiscal
12 year is insufficient to provide the min-
13 imum matching grant allocation
14 amount to each eligible entity oper-
15 ating a program under this section for
16 the fiscal year, the Secretary may
17 make a proportionate adjustment to
18 the minimum matching grant alloca-
19 tion amount for the fiscal year to ac-
20 commodate the reductions.

21 “(ii) SUBMISSION OF STATEMENT EX-
22 PRESSING INTEREST IN ADDITIONAL
23 MATCHING FUNDS IF AVAILABLE.—Before
24 the beginning of a fiscal year for which an
25 eligible entity desires a matching grant

1 under this subparagraph for a program op-
2 erated under this section, the eligible entity
3 shall submit to the Secretary a statement
4 as to whether the eligible entity desires ad-
5 ditional matching grant funds that may be
6 made available under clause (iii) for the
7 fiscal year.

8 “(iii) CARRYOVER AND REALLOCATION
9 OF UNOBLIGATED FUNDS.—

10 “(I) IN GENERAL.—If the Sec-
11 retary determines that an amount al-
12 lotted under clause (i)(IV) of this sub-
13 paragraph for a fiscal year will not be
14 awarded during the fiscal year, or
15 that an amount made available under
16 subsection (k)(1) for a fiscal year for
17 matching grants will not be obligated
18 by an eligible entity for the fiscal
19 year, the amount shall be available for
20 matching grants under this subpara-
21 graph for the succeeding fiscal year
22 for eligible entities that have made
23 submissions under clause (ii) of this
24 subparagraph for additional matching
25 grant funds from the amount.

1 “(II) STATE ALLOTMENTS.—The
2 Secretary shall allot to each eligible
3 entity that has made such a submis-
4 sion for a fiscal year—

5 “(aa) the total amount (if
6 any) made available under sub-
7 clause (I) for the fiscal year;
8 multiplied by

9 “(bb) the percentage of chil-
10 dren who have not attained 5
11 years of age and are members of
12 families with income not exceed-
13 ing the poverty line (as deter-
14 mined by the Secretary on the
15 basis of the most recently avail-
16 able data) in all of the States in
17 which any eligible entity that has
18 made such a submission is so op-
19 erating a program, that is rep-
20 resented by the number of such
21 children in the State (as so deter-
22 mined) in which the eligible enti-
23 ty is operating such a program.

24 “(III) ADDITIONAL MATCHING
25 AMOUNT.—

1 “(aa) IN GENERAL.—Sub-
2 ject to item (bb) of this sub-
3 clause, the additional matching
4 amount with respect to an eligi-
5 ble entity for a fiscal year is 75
6 percent of the sum of—

7 “(AA) the total amount
8 obligated by the eligible enti-
9 ty for home visiting services
10 in the State for the fiscal
11 year, from Federal funds
12 made available for the fiscal
13 year under this subpara-
14 graph; and

15 “(BB) the total amount
16 so obligated by the eligible
17 entity from non-Federal
18 funds, determined under
19 clause (i)(III),

20 that are not taken into account
21 in determining the matching
22 amount with respect to the eligi-
23 ble entity under clause (i).

24 “(bb) LIMITATION.—The
25 additional matching amount with

1 respect to an eligible entity for a
2 fiscal year shall not exceed the
3 allotment under subclause (II)
4 for the State in which the eligible
5 entity is operating a program
6 under this section for the fiscal
7 year.”.

8 (2) MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT.—Section 511(f)
9 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 711) is amended to read as
10 follows:

11 “(f) MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT.—

12 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other
13 provision of this section, the Secretary may not
14 make a grant to an eligible entity under this section
15 for a fiscal year if the total amount of non-Federal
16 funds obligated by the eligible entity in the State in
17 the fiscal year for a program operated pursuant to
18 this section is less than the total amount of non-
19 Federal funds reported to have been expended by
20 any eligible entity for such a program in the State
21 in fiscal year 2019 or 2021, whichever is the lesser.

22 “(2) PUBLICATION OF AMOUNTS.—Not later
23 than June 30, 2023, the Secretary shall cause to
24 have published in the Federal Register the amount
25 of non-Federal funds expended as described in this

1 section that has been reported by each eligible entity
 2 not referred to in subsection (k)(2)(A) for each of
 3 fiscal years 2019 and 2021.

4 “(3) GRACE PERIOD.—The Secretary may, in
 5 exceptional circumstances, allow an eligible entity a
 6 period to come into compliance with this subsection.
 7 The Secretary shall provide technical assistance to
 8 any eligible entity to assist the entity in doing so.”.

9 (b) RESERVATIONS OF FUNDS FOR CERTAIN PUR-
 10 POSES.—Section 511(j)(2) of such Act (42 U.S.C.
 11 711(j)(2)) is amended—

12 (1) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A),
 13 by striking “the amount” and inserting “each
 14 amount made available for base grants and each
 15 amount made available for matching grants”;

16 (2) in subparagraph (A)—

17 (A) by striking “3” and inserting “6”; and

18 (B) by striking “and” at the end; and

19 (3) by striking subparagraph (B) and inserting
 20 the following:

21 “(B) 2 percent of such amount for pur-
 22 poses of providing technical assistance, directly
 23 or through grants or contracts, for purposes as
 24 otherwise described in subsections (c)(5),
 25 (d)(1)(C)(iii), (d)(1)(E)(iii), and (d)(4)(E);

1 “(C) 2 percent of such amount for pur-
2 poses of workforce support, retention, and case
3 management, including workforce-related tech-
4 nical assistance, research and evaluation, and
5 program administration, directly or through
6 grants or contracts; and

7 “(D) 3 percent of such amount for pur-
8 poses of research and evaluation (directly or
9 through grants or contracts), and for admin-
10 istering this section (directly, through contracts,
11 or otherwise).”.

12 (c) APPROPRIATIONS.—Section 511(j)(1) of such Act
13 (42 U.S.C. 711(j)(1)) is amended by striking subpara-
14 graphs (A) through (H) and inserting the following:

15 “(A) for fiscal year 2023, \$500,000,000
16 for base grants;

17 “(B) for fiscal year 2024, \$550,000,000,
18 of which \$500,000,000 shall be for base grants
19 and \$50,000,000 shall be for matching grants;

20 “(C) for fiscal year 2025, \$600,000,000, of
21 which \$500,000,000 shall be for base grants
22 and \$100,000,000 shall be for matching grants;

23 “(D) for fiscal year 2026, \$650,000,000,
24 of which \$500,000,000 shall be for base grants

1 and \$150,000,000 shall be for matching grants;
 2 and

3 “(E) for fiscal year 2027, \$800,000,000,
 4 of which \$500,000,000 shall be for base grants
 5 and \$300,000,000 shall be for matching
 6 grants.”.

7 (d) DISPOSITION OF EXCESS FUNDS RESERVED FOR
 8 RESEARCH, EVALUATION, AND ADMINISTRATION.—Sec-
 9 tion 511(j) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 711(j)) is amended by
 10 adding at the end the following:

11 “(3) DISPOSITION OF EXCESS FUNDS RE-
 12 SERVED FOR RESEARCH, EVALUATION, AND ADMIN-
 13 ISTRATION.—To the extent that the amounts re-
 14 served under paragraph (2)(D) for a fiscal year are
 15 not obligated in the fiscal year, the Secretary may
 16 use the funds for any purpose described in this sec-
 17 tion or to offset any reduction with respect to this
 18 section that is required by Federal law.”.

19 **SEC. 4. REQUIREMENT THAT HOME VISITING PROGRAMS**
 20 **BE TARGETED AND INTENSIVE.**

21 Section 511(d)(3) of the Social Security Act (42
 22 U.S.C. 711(d)(3)) is amended by redesignating subpara-
 23 graph (B) as subparagraph (C) and inserting after sub-
 24 paragraph (A) the following:

“(B) USE OF GRANT TO PROVIDE OR SUPPORT TARGETED, INTENSIVE HOME VISITING SERVICES.—The program uses the grant to provide or support targeted, intensive home visiting services for the populations described in paragraph (5).”.

SEC. 5. LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR ADMINISTRATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 511(d) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 711(d)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(5) LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, an eligible entity to which funds are provided under subsection (c) or (h)(2)(B) shall not use more than 10 percent of the funds to cover the costs of administration.

“(B) AUTHORITY TO GRANT EXCEPTIONS.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may authorize an eligible entity that meets a condition of clause (ii) of this subparagraph to exceed the percentage limitation

1 in subparagraph (A) with respect to a pro-
2 gram conducted under this subsection by
3 not more than 5 percentage points, subject
4 to such terms and conditions as the Sec-
5 retary deems appropriate.

6 “(ii) CONDITIONS.—An eligible entity
7 meets a condition of this clause if the eligi-
8 ble entity—

9 “(I) conducts the program by di-
10 rectly providing home visits to eligible
11 families and without a sub-recipient;

12 “(II) in the fiscal year for which
13 the grant for the program is made
14 under this section, proposes to expand
15 services in 1 or more communities
16 identified in the statewide needs as-
17 sessment under subsection (b) and in
18 which home visiting services are not
19 provided; or

20 “(III) has conducted the program
21 for fewer than 3 years.”.

22 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 511(i)(2)
23 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 711(i)(2)) is amended by striking
24 subparagraph (C) and redesignating subparagraphs (D)

1 through (G) as subparagraphs (C) through (F), respectively.
 2 tively.

3 **SEC. 6. ANNUAL REPORT TO CONGRESS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 511 of the Social Security
 5 Act (42 U.S.C. 711) is amended by redesignating sub-
 6 sections (j) and (k) as subsections (k) and (l), respectively,
 7 and inserting after subsection (i) the following:

8 “(j) ANNUAL REPORT TO CONGRESS.—By December
 9 31, 2023, and annually thereafter, the Secretary shall sub-
 10 mit to the Congress a written report on the grants made
 11 under this section for the then preceding fiscal year, which
 12 shall include—

13 “(1) an eligible entity-by-eligible entity sum-
 14 mary of the outcomes measured by the entity with
 15 respect to each benchmark described in subsection
 16 (e)(5) that apply to the entity;

17 “(2) information regarding any technical assist-
 18 ance funded under subparagraph (B) or (C) of sub-
 19 section (k)(2), including the type of any such assist-
 20 ance provided;

21 “(3) information on the demographic makeup of
 22 families served by each such entity to the extent pos-
 23 sible while respecting participant confidentiality, in-
 24 cluding race, ethnicity, educational attainment at en-

1 rollment, household income, and other demographic
2 markers as determined by the Secretary;

3 “(4) the information described in subsection
4 (d)(1)(E);

5 “(5) the estimated share of the eligible popu-
6 lation served using grants made under this section;

7 “(6) a description of each service delivery model
8 funded under this section by the eligible entities in
9 each State, and the share (if any) of the grants ex-
10 pended on each model;

11 “(7) a description of non-Federal expenditures
12 by eligible entities to qualify for matching funds
13 under subsection (c)(4);

14 “(8) information on the uses of funds reserved
15 under subsection (k)(2)(C);

16 “(9) information relating to those eligible enti-
17 ties for which funding is reserved under subsection
18 (k)(2)(A), with modifications as necessary to reflect
19 tribal data sovereignty, data privacy, and participant
20 confidentiality; and

21 “(10) a list of data elements collected from eli-
22 gible entities, and the purpose of each data element
23 in measuring performance or enforcing requirements
24 under this section.”.

25 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

1 (1) Section 511 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 711) is
2 amended—

3 (A) in subsection (b)(1)(B)(iii), by striking
4 “(k)(2)” and inserting “(l)(2)”; and

5 (B) in subsection (h)(2)(B)—

6 (i) by striking “(j)” and inserting
7 “(k)”; and

8 (ii) by striking “(k)(1)(B)” and in-
9 serting “(l)(1)(B)”.

10 (2) Section 511A(c) of such Act (42 U.S.C.
11 711a(c)) is amended in each of paragraphs (5) and
12 (7) by striking “511(k)(2)” and inserting
13 “511(l)(2)”.

14 **SEC. 7. REDUCTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE BURDEN.**

15 Section 511(h) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
16 711(h)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

17 “(6) REDUCTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE BUR-
18 DEN.—

19 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall
20 reduce the burden, on States and public and
21 private implementing agencies at the local level,
22 of administering this section, by—

23 “(i) reviewing and revising adminis-
24 trative data collection instruments and
25 forms to eliminate duplication and stream-

1 line reporting requirements for States, eli-
2 gible entities referred to in subsection
3 (k)(2)(A), and nonprofit organizations re-
4 ferred to in subsection (l)(1)(B), including
5 timelines for submitting reports;

6 “(ii) conducting an analysis of the
7 total number of hours reported by admin-
8 istering agencies on complying with paper-
9 work requirements, and exploring, in con-
10 sultation with administering agencies, ways
11 to reduce the number of hours spent by at
12 least 15 percent;

13 “(iii) conducting a review of paper-
14 work and data collection requirements for
15 tribal grantees, and exploring, in consulta-
16 tion with tribes and tribal organizations,
17 ways to reduce administrative burden, re-
18 spect sovereignty, and acknowledge the dif-
19 ferent focus points for tribal grantees;

20 “(iv) collecting input from relevant
21 State fiscal officials to align fiscal require-
22 ments and oversight for States and eligible
23 entities to ensure consistency with stand-
24 ards and guidelines for other Federal for-
25 mula grant programs; and

“(v) consulting with administering agencies and service delivery model representatives on needed and unneeded data elements regarding the dashboards provided for in subsection (d)(1)(B), consistent with the data requirements of such subsection.

“(B) FINDINGS ON PAPERWORK REDUCTION.—

“(i) INCLUSION IN REPORT.—In the 1st report submitted pursuant to subsection (j) more than 18 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall include the findings of the Secretary with respect to the matters described in subparagraph (A).

“(ii) IMPLEMENTATION.—Within 2 years after complying with clause (i), the Secretary shall implement the findings referred to in clause (i).”.

SEC. 8. VIRTUAL HOME VISITING AUTHORIZATION AND RESTRICTIONS.

(a) VIRTUAL HOME VISITS.—

(1) APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS.—Section 511(e) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 711(e))

1 is amended by redesignating paragraph (10) as
2 paragraph (11) and inserting after paragraph (9)
3 the following:

4 “(10) at the option of the eligible entity—

5 “(A) a description of any limitations or
6 constraints on virtual home visits under the
7 program, including—

8 “(i) a description of the plan of the el-
9 igible entity to encourage in-person home
10 visits; and

11 “(ii) a description of the consider-
12 ations to be used in determining when a
13 virtual home visit is appropriate, including
14 client consent, client preference, geographic
15 limitations, model fidelity, and hazardous
16 conditions including public health emer-
17 gencies, weather events, health concerns
18 for home visitors and client families, and
19 other local issues;

20 “(B) an assurance that—

21 “(i) the virtual home visit is imple-
22 mented as a model enhancement; or

23 “(ii) the Secretary has identified the
24 home visit as part of an effective model or
25 model adaptation, based on an evidence of

effectiveness review conducted using the
criteria established under subsection
(d)(3)(A)(iii); and

“(C) an assurance to the Secretary that at
least 1 in-person home visit shall be conducted
for each client family under the program during
the 12-month period that begins with the entry
of the client family into the program, and dur-
ing each succeeding 12-month period, except
that any such period in which a public health
emergency declared under Federal law, or
under the law of the State in which the pro-
gram is conducted, is in effect shall be extended
by the length of time in which the declaration
is in effect.”.

(2) APPLICABLE RULES.—Section 511(d) of
such Act (42 U.S.C. 711(d)) is amended by redesign-
ating paragraph (4) and paragraph (5) (as added
by section 5(a) of this Act) as paragraphs (5) and
(6), respectively, and inserting after paragraph (3)
the following:

“(4) VIRTUAL HOME VISITS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—A virtual home visit
conducted under the program shall be consid-
ered a home visit for purposes of this section if

1 the application for funding of the program sub-
2 mitted pursuant to this section most recently
3 after the effective date of this paragraph in-
4 cludes the material described in subsection
5 (e)(10).

6 “(B) STANDARDS FOR TRAINING APPLICA-
7 BLE TO VIRTUAL SERVICE DELIVERY.—The
8 standards for training requirements applicable
9 to virtual service delivery under a home visiting
10 model shall be equivalent to those that apply to
11 in-person service delivery under the model.

12 “(C) REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—A grant
13 made under this section for the program may
14 not be used for any virtual home visit during a
15 year, unless the eligible entity to which the
16 grant is made submits the report described in
17 subsection (e)(8)(A) for the year.

18 “(D) VIRTUAL HOME VISIT DEFINED.—In
19 this section, the term ‘virtual home visit’ means
20 a visit conducted solely by use of electronic in-
21 formation and telecommunications technologies.

22 “(E) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—If the
23 Secretary finds that an eligible entity has not
24 complied with the assurance described in sub-
25 section (e)(10)(C), the Secretary shall, directly

1 or through grants, contracts, or cooperative
2 agreements, provide the eligible entity with such
3 technical assistance as is necessary to assist the
4 eligible entity in doing so.”.

5 (3) PROGRAM REQUIREMENT.—Section
6 511(d)(3)(C) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 711(d)(3)(C)),
7 as so redesignated by section 4 of this Act, is
8 amended by adding at the end the following:

9 “(vii) If the application submitted by
10 the eligible entity includes the assurance
11 described in subsection (e)(10)(C) with re-
12 spect to the program, the program pro-
13 vides in-person service consistent with the
14 assurances.”.

15 (4) REPORTS.—Section 511(e)(8)(A) of such
16 Act (42 U.S.C. 711(e)(8)(A)) is amended by insert-
17 ing “, including the number of virtual home visits
18 conducted under the program in the year covered by
19 the report, disaggregated with respect to each home
20 visiting model under which the virtual home visits
21 are conducted” before the semicolon.

22 (b) TRANSITION RULE.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—A virtual home visit con-
24 ducted before the effective date of the amendments
25 made by this section under an early childhood home

1 visitation program funded under section 511 of the
2 Social Security Act shall be considered a home visit
3 for purposes of such section.

4 (2) VIRTUAL HOME VISIT DEFINED.—In para-
5 graph (1), the term “virtual home visit” means a
6 visit conducted solely by use of electronic informa-
7 tion and telecommunications technologies.

8 **SEC. 9. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection
10 (b), this Act and the amendments made by this Act shall
11 take effect on October 1, 2022.

12 (b) VIRTUAL HOME VISITING PROVISIONS.—The
13 amendments made by section 8 shall take effect on Octo-
14 ber 1, 2023.

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