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S. 3412

To prohibit the use of Federal funds to enforce the rule submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services relating to COVID–19 vaccine and mask requirements for Head Start programs.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

DECEMBER 16, 2021

Mr. THUNE (for himself, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. HAWLEY, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. LANKFORD, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. MORAN, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. CRUZ) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

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 “Preventing Mandates
5 on Toddlers Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON FUNDING THE HHS RULE ON**
2 **HEAD START COVID VACCINE AND MASK RE-**
3 **QUIREMENTS.**

4 Notwithstanding any other law, no funds appro-
5 priated or otherwise made available to the Department of
6 Health and Human Services shall be obligated or ex-
7 pended to—

8 (1) implement or enforce the rule submitted by
9 the Department of Health and Human Services re-
10 lating to “Vaccine and Mask Requirements To Miti-
11 gate the Spread of COVID–19 in Head Start Pro-
12 grams” (86 Fed. Reg. 68052 (November 30, 2021));
13 or

14 (2) promulgate, implement, or enforce any rule,
15 regulation, or other agency statement, that is sub-
16 stantially similar to the rule described in paragraph
17 (1).

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