

118TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. R. 7554

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 5, 2024

Ms. TENNEY introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Protect TANF Re-  
5 sources for Families Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON STATE DIVERSION OF FEDERAL**  
2 **FUNDS TO REPLACE STATE SPENDING.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 404 of the Social Security  
4 Act (42 U.S.C. 604) is amended by adding at the end the  
5 following:

6 “(1) LIMITATION ON USE OF FEDERAL FUNDS TO  
7 REPLACE STATE GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS.—A State  
8 shall use Federal funds received under this part only to  
9 supplement funds that, in the absence of the Federal  
10 funds, would be made available from State and local  
11 sources for programs assisted under this part, and not to  
12 supplant the funds.”.

13 (b) STATE CERTIFICATION.—Section 402(a) of such  
14 Act (42 U.S.C. 602(a)) is amended by adding at the end  
15 the following:

16 “(9) CERTIFICATION OF STATE SUPPLEMEN-  
17 TATION.—A certification by the chief executive offi-  
18 cer of the State that the funds provided to the State  
19 under this part will not be used to supplant State  
20 or non-Federal funds for services and activities that  
21 promote the purposes of this part.”.

22 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
23 this section shall take effect on October 1, 2025.

1 **SEC. 3. TWO-YEAR REAUTHORIZATION OF THE TEMPORARY**  
2 **ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES PRO-**  
3 **GRAM.**

4 Activities authorized by part A of title IV (other than  
5 under section 403(c) or 418) and section 1108(b) of the  
6 Social Security Act shall continue through September 30,  
7 2026, in the manner authorized for fiscal year 2023, and  
8 out of any money in the Treasury of the United States  
9 not otherwise appropriated, there are hereby appropriated  
10 such sums as may be necessary for such purpose.

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