

Union Calendar No. 506

119TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 7720

[Report No. 119–586]

To amend the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 to require States to account for fraudulent payments made under such Act.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 26, 2026

Mr. MESSMER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Education and Workforce

APRIL 6, 2026

Additional sponsor: Mr. WILSON of South Carolina

APRIL 6, 2026

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole
House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italie*]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on February 26, 2026]

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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 “Child Care Payment*
5 *Integrity and Fraud Accountability Act of 2026”.*

6 **SEC. 2. FRAUDULENT PAYMENTS.**

7 *Section 658J(b) of the Child Care and Development*
8 *Block Grant Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 9858h(b)) is amend-*
9 *ed—*

10 *(1) in paragraph (1) by inserting “(including*
11 *fraudulent payments)” after “overpayments”, and*

12 *(2) by adding at the end the following:*

13 *“(3) REPORT.—The State shall submit to the*
14 *Secretary an annual report that identifies the dollar*
15 *and percentage amount of improper payments made*
16 *by the State, disaggregated as specified by the Sec-*
17 *retary by standardized payment categories (including*
18 *suspected and verified fraudulent payments, non-*
19 *fraudulent overpayments, underpayments, and tech-*
20 *nically improper payments (e.g., system error pay-*
21 *ments)).”.*

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