

Union Calendar No. 620

119TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 8884

[Report No. 119-714]

To amend title II of the Social Security Act to reauthorize demonstration authority for the disability insurance program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 19, 2026

Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

JUNE 25, 2026

Additional sponsor: Mr. WITTMAN

JUNE 25, 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 italics]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on May 19, 2026]

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 “Removing Barriers to*
 5 *Work for Disabled Americans Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. TEMPORARY REAUTHORIZATION OF DISABILITY IN-**
 7 **SURANCE DEMONSTRATION PROJECT AU-**
 8 **THORITY.**

9 (a) *TERMINATION DATE.*—Section 234(d)(2) of the So-
 10 *cial Security Act (42 U.S.C. 434(d)(2)) is amended by*
 11 *striking “December 31, 2021, and the authority to carry*
 12 *out such projects shall terminate on December 31, 2022”*
 13 *and inserting “December 31, 2030, and the authority to*
 14 *carry out such projects shall terminate on December 31,*
 15 *2031”.*

16 (b) *AUTHORITY TO WAIVE COMPLIANCE WITH BENE-*
 17 *FITS REQUIREMENTS.*—Section 234(c) of such Act (42
 18 *U.S.C. 434(c)) is amended—*

19 (1) *by striking “December 30, 2021” and insert-*
 20 *ing “December 31, 2030”;*

21 (2) *by striking “90 days” and inserting “120*
 22 *days”; and*

23 (3) *by inserting after “the expected annual and*
 24 *total costs,” the following: “evaluation metrics to be*

1 *used with respect to the experiment or demonstration*
 2 *project,”.*

3 (c) *EXPENDITURE.*—Section 201(k) of such Act (42
 4 *U.S.C. 401(k)) is amended to read as follows:*

5 “(k) *Administrative expenditures for experiments and*
 6 *demonstration projects under section 234 shall be paid from*
 7 *funds made available for the administration of this title.*
 8 *Benefits payable to or on behalf of individuals by reason*
 9 *of participation in experiments and demonstration projects*
 10 *under section 234 shall be made from the Federal Old-Age*
 11 *and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund or the Federal Dis-*
 12 *ability Insurance Trust Fund, as determined appropriate*
 13 *by the Commissioner of Social Security.”.*

14 (d) *LIMITATION.*—Section 234(e) of such Act (42
 15 *U.S.C. 434(e)) is amended—*

16 (1) *in paragraph (2), by striking the “and” at*
 17 *the end;*

18 (2) *in paragraph (3), by striking the period at*
 19 *the end and inserting “; and”; and*

20 (3) *by adding at the end the following:*

21 “(4) *that the total income of an individual will*
 22 *not be reduced due to the individual’s participation*
 23 *in an experiment or demonstration project.”.*

24 (e) *TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.*—Section 234 of such
 25 *Act (42 U.S.C. 434) is further amended—*

1 (1) *in subsection (d)(1), by striking “subsection”*
2 *and inserting “section”; and*
3 (2) *by striking subsection (f).*
4 (f) *EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this*
5 *section shall take effect on January 1, 2027.*

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