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To amend the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 to ensure that other transaction agreements are reported to USAspending.gov, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Ms. ERNST (for herself, Mr. PETERS, Mr. LANKFORD, and Mr. MORENO) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

A BILL

To amend the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 to ensure that other transaction agreements are reported to USAspending.gov, and for other purposes.

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 “Stop Secret Spending
5 Act of 2025”.

1 **SEC. 2. OTHER TRANSACTION AGREEMENT REPORTING.**

2 (a) OTHER TRANSACTION AGREEMENTS.—Section
3 2(a) of the Federal Funding Accountability and Trans-
4 parency Act of 2006 (31 U.S.C. 6101 note) is amended—

5 (1) in paragraph (4)(A)—

6 (A) in clause (ii), by adding “and” and the
7 end; and

8 (B) by adding at the end the following:

9 “(iii) includes other transaction agree-
10 ments;”; and

11 (2) in paragraph (7)—

12 (A) in subparagraph (B), by striking
13 “(2)(A)(i)” and inserting “(4)(A)(i)”; and

14 (B) in subparagraph (C), by striking
15 “(2)(A)(ii)” and inserting “(4)(A)(ii)”.

16 (b) DATA STANDARDS.—Section 4 of the Federal
17 Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006
18 (31 U.S.C. 6101 note) is amended by adding at the end
19 the following:

20 “(e) OTHER TRANSACTION AGREEMENT DATA.—Not
21 later than 3 years after the date of enactment of the Stop
22 Secret Spending Act of 2025, the Secretary shall ensure
23 that, with respect to the website established under section
24 2, or any successor website—

1 “(1) data relating to other transaction agree-
2 ments is automatically transmitted to the website,
3 and

4 “(2) a centralized view of the data described in
5 paragraph (1) is available on the website.”.

6 (c) ANNUAL REPORT ON UNREPORTED FUNDING.—
7 Section 2 of the Federal Funding Accountability and
8 Transparency Act of 2006 (31 U.S.C. 6101 note) is
9 amended by adding at the end the following:

10 “(h) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after
11 the date of enactment of the Stop Secret Spending Act
12 of 2025, and annually thereafter, the Secretary, in con-
13 sultation with the Director, shall post to the website estab-
14 lished under this section a report that includes—

15 “(1) the total amount of Federal spending on
16 Federal awards for which data has not been posted
17 to the website; and

18 “(2) the reason data on the Federal spending
19 described in paragraph (1) has not been posted to
20 the website, including whether the Federal spending
21 was—

22 “(A) national security-related or classified;

23 “(B) a grant or contract awarded or en-
24 tered into by a legislative or judicial branch
25 agency; or

1 “(C) a subaward below a primary
2 subaward.”.

3 (d) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.—

4 (1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

5 (A) DIRECTOR.—The term “Director”
6 means the Director of the Office of Manage-
7 ment and Budget.

8 (B) RELEVANT AGENCY.—The term “rel-
9 evant agency” means a Federal agency (as de-
10 fined in section 2(a) of the Federal Funding
11 Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006
12 (31 U.S.C. 6101 note)) that has the authority
13 to enter into an other transaction agreement, as
14 determined by the Director.

15 (C) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary”
16 means the Secretary of the Treasury.

17 (D) USASPENDING.GOV.—The term
18 “USAspending.gov” means the website estab-
19 lished under section 2 of the Federal Funding
20 Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006
21 (31 U.S.C. 6101 note).

22 (2) INITIAL COMPILATION.—If the Secretary
23 has not yet complied with subsection (e) of section
24 4 of the Federal Funding Accountability and Trans-
25 parency Act of 2006 (31 U.S.C. 6101 note), as

1 added by this section, by the date that is 1 year
2 after the date of enactment of this Act, not later
3 than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act,
4 the Secretary, in coordination with the Director and
5 the heads of relevant agencies, shall publish on
6 USAspending.gov a report that lists and includes a
7 detailed description of all other transaction agree-
8 ments entered into by the relevant agencies for the
9 fiscal year preceding the fiscal year during which the
10 report is published.

11 (3) PLAN.—If the Secretary has not yet com-
12 plied with subsection (e) of section 4 of the Federal
13 Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of
14 2006 (31 U.S.C. 6101 note), as added by this sec-
15 tion, by the date that is 2 years after the date of
16 enactment of this Act, not later than 2 years after
17 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary, in
18 consultation with the Director and the heads of rel-
19 evant agencies, shall submit to Congress a plan that
20 includes—

21 (A) the status of including data relating to
22 other transaction agreements on
23 USAspending.gov; and

24 (B) actions underway and planned to en-
25 sure that the data described in subparagraph

1 (A) is fully incorporated into USAspending.gov
2 by the date that is 3 years after the date of en-
3 actment of this Act.

4 **SEC. 3. OTHER AMENDMENTS.**

5 (a) INSPECTOR GENERAL REPORTS.—Section 6(a) of
6 the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency
7 Act of 2006 (31 U.S.C. 6101 note) is amended—

8 (1) in paragraph (1)—

9 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph
10 (A), by striking “each Federal agency” and in-
11 serting “each agency described in paragraphs
12 (1) and (2) of section 901(b) of title 31, United
13 States Code”;

14 (B) in subparagraph (A), by striking
15 “Federal agency” and inserting “agency”; and

16 (C) in subparagraph (B), by striking
17 “Federal agency” and inserting “agency”; and

18 (2) by striking paragraph (2) and inserting the
19 following:

20 “(2) DEADLINES.—The inspector general of
21 each agency described in paragraphs (1) and (2) of
22 section 901(b) of title 31, United States Code, shall
23 submit to Congress and make publicly available a re-
24 port described in paragraph (1)(B)—

“(A) not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of the Stop Secret Spending Act of 2025; and

“(B) not less than frequently than once every 2 years after the date described in subparagraph (A) until the date that is 10 years after the date of enactment of the Stop Secret Spending Act of 2025 on the date of submission of the report required under section 3521(f) or 9105(a)(3) of title 31, United States Code, for the applicable fiscal year.”.

(b) FULL DISCLOSURE OF FEDERAL FUNDS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 3 of the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (31 U.S.C. 6101 note) is amended—

(A) in subsection (b)—

(i) paragraph (1), in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking “a Federal agency or component of a Federal agency” and inserting “a Federal agency or a component of a Federal agency included on the list posted under subsection (e)(2)”; and

(ii) in paragraph (2)(B), in the matter preceding clause (i), by striking “to be

1 posted” and inserting “to be posted by a
2 Federal agency or a component of a Fed-
3 eral agency included on the list posted
4 under subsection (e)(2)”;

5 (B) by adding at the end the following:

6 “(c) QUALITY OF INFORMATION.—

7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary and the Di-
8 rector, in consultation with the heads of Federal
9 agencies, shall establish requirements to ensure that
10 the information to be posted under subsection (b)
11 that is posted by a Federal agency or component of
12 a Federal agency is complete and accurate.

13 “(2) FEDERAL AGENCY RESPONSIBILITY.—The
14 head of each Federal agency or component of a Fed-
15 eral agency posting data under subsection (b) shall
16 ensure that the data is complete and accurate.

17 “(3) AUTHORITY TO VERIFY ACCURACY.—The
18 Secretary and the Director may verify that the data
19 posted under subsection (b) by a Federal agency or
20 component of a Federal agency are complete, accu-
21 rate, and consistent.

22 “(d) DISPLAY STANDARDS.—The Secretary, in con-
23 sultation with the Director, shall ensure that the heads
24 of Federal agencies that post information under sub-

1 section (b) comply with display standards established by
2 the Secretary.

3 “(e) AGENCY REPORTING DETERMINATION.—Not
4 later than 1 year after the date of enactment of the Stop
5 Secret Spending Act of 2025, and not less frequently than
6 once every 2 years thereafter, the Secretary, in coordina-
7 tion with the Director, shall—

8 “(1) assess and make a determination with re-
9 spect to which Federal agencies and components of
10 Federal agencies are required to post information
11 under subsection (b);

12 “(2) publish a list of the Federal agencies and
13 components of Federal agencies determined under
14 paragraph (1) on the website established under sec-
15 tion 2(b)(1); and

16 “(3) provide to the head and inspector general
17 of each Federal agency or component of a Federal
18 agency included on the list published under para-
19 graph (2) written notice of the inclusion of the Fed-
20 eral agency or component of a Federal agency on the
21 list.”.

22 (2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made
23 by paragraph (1)(A) shall take effect on the date on
24 which the Secretary publishes the first list under
25 section 3(e)(2) of the Federal Funding Account-

1 ability and Transparency Act of 2006 (31 U.S.C.
2 6101 note), as added by paragraph (1).

3 **SEC. 4. GAO REPORT.**

4 Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment
5 of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States
6 shall make recommendations for any updates the Comp-
7 troller General of the United States determines advisable
8 to clause 52.204.10 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation
9 with respect to incorporating requirements under the Fed-
10 eral Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of
11 2006 (31 U.S.C. 6101 note).

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