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To provide that a new Federal program shall terminate not later than 5 years after the date of the enactment of the law that authorizes the program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CUNNINGHAM (for himself, Mr. ROYCE, Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, Mr. McKEON, Mr. RIGGS, and Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight

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. TERMINATION OF CERTAIN FEDERAL PRO-**
4 **GRAMS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection
6 (b), a Federal program established after the date of the
7 enactment of this Act shall terminate on the earlier of—

8 (1) the termination date provided for the pro-
9 gram by the Act that authorizes the program; or

1 (2) 5 years after the date of the enactment of
2 such Act.

3 (b) EXCEPTION FOR ENTITLEMENTS.—Subsection
4 (a) shall not apply to a program that requires a payment
5 by the United States to a person (including a govern-
6 mental entity) if, under the provisions of the Act that au-
7 thorizes the program, the United States is obligated to
8 make such payment to any person that meets the eligi-
9 bility requirements established under the program for such
10 payment.

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