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H. R. 4919

To amend the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to provide for the establishment of the National Accuracy Clearinghouse.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 2, 2018

Mr. WALKER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

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 “SNAP Abuse and
5 Fraud Prevention Act of 2018”.

6 **SEC. 2. NATIONAL ACCURACY CLEARINGHOUSE.**

7 The Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2011
8 et seq.) is amended at the end by adding the following:

1 **“SEC. 30. NATIONAL ACCURACY CLEARINGHOUSE.**

2 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall establish an
3 interstate database, or system of databases, of supple-
4 mental nutrition assistance program information to be
5 known as the National Accuracy Clearinghouse.

6 “(b) PURPOSE.—Any database or system of data-
7 bases established pursuant to subsection (a) shall be used
8 by States when making eligibility determinations to pre-
9 vent supplemental nutrition assistance program partici-
10 pants from receiving duplicative benefits in multiple
11 States.

12 “(c) IMPLEMENTATION.—

13 “(1) ISSUANCE OF INTERIM FINAL REGULA-
14 TIONS.—Not later than 18 months after the effective
15 date of this section, the Secretary shall issue interim
16 final regulations to carry out this section that—

17 “(A) incorporate best practices and lessons
18 learned from the regional pilot project ref-
19 erenced in section 4032(c) of the Agricultural
20 Act of 2014 (7 U.S.C. 2036c(c));

21 “(B) safeguard the security of the data
22 stored in the National Accuracy Clearinghouse
23 and protect the privacy of supplemental nutri-
24 tion assistance program participants and appli-
25 cants; and

1 “(C) detail the process States will be re-
2 quired to follow for—

3 “(i) conducting initial and ongoing
4 matches of participant and applicant data;

5 “(ii) identifying and acting on all ap-
6 parent instances of duplicative participa-
7 tion by participants or applicants in mul-
8 tiple States; and

9 “(iii) complying with such other rules
10 and standards the Secretary determines
11 appropriate to carry out this section.

12 “(2) TIMING.—The initial match and cor-
13 responding actions required by paragraph (1)(C)
14 shall occur within 3 years after the effective date of
15 this section.”.

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