

116TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1245

To amend title IV–A of the Social Security Act, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 14, 2019

Mr. LAHOOD (for himself and Mrs. WALORSKI) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

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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 “Improving Access to
5 Child Care Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. IMPROVING ACCESS TO CHILD CARE TO SUPPORT**
7 **WORK.**

8 Section 418(a)(3) of the Social Security Act (42
9 U.S.C. 618(a)(3)) is amended by striking
10 “\$2,917,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2017 and 2018”

1 and inserting “\$3,525,000,000 for each of fiscal years
2 2019 through 2023”.

3 **SEC. 3. ELIMINATION OF CONTINGENCY FUND.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 403 of the Social Security
5 Act (42 U.S.C. 603) is amended by striking all of sub-
6 section (b) except paragraph (5).

7 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

8 (1) TRANSFER OF NEEDY STATE DEFINI-
9 TION.—

10 (A) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (5) of sec-
11 tion 403(b) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 603(b)(5))
12 is—

13 (i) amended—

14 (I) in the matter preceding sub-
15 paragraph (A), by striking “para-
16 graph (4)” and inserting “subpara-
17 graph (C)”;

18 (II) in each of subparagraphs (A)
19 and (B), by redesignating clauses (i)
20 and (ii) as subclauses (I) and (II), re-
21 spectively;

22 (III) by redesignating subpara-
23 graphs (A) and (B) as clauses (i) and
24 (ii), respectively;

1 (IV) by redesignating such para-
2 graph as subparagraph (D); and

3 (V) by moving each provision 2
4 ems to the right; and

5 (ii) as so amended, hereby transferred
6 into section 409(a)(3) (42 U.S.C.
7 609(a)(3)) and added to the end of such
8 section.

9 (B) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section
10 409(a)(3)(C) (42 U.S.C. 609(a)(3)(C)) is
11 amended by striking “(as defined in section
12 403(b)(5))”.

13 (2) ELIMINATION OF PENALTY FOR FAILURE
14 OF STATE RECEIVING AMOUNTS FROM CONTINGENCY
15 FUND TO MAINTAIN 100 PERCENT OF HISTORIC EF-
16 FORT.—Section 409(a) of such Act (42 U.S.C.
17 609(a)) is amended by striking paragraph (10).

18 **SEC. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

19 The amendment made by this Act shall take effect
20 on October 1, 2019.

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