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To establish consistent requirements for the electronic content and format of data used in the administration of certain human services programs under the Social Security Act.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. DAVIS of Kentucky (for himself, Mr. DOGGETT, Mr. ISSA, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. HERGER, Mr. NUNES, Mr. TIBERI, Mr. REICHERT, Mr. BOUSTANY, Mr. PRICE of Georgia, Ms. JENKINS, Mr. PAULSEN, Mr. MARCHANT, Mr. BERG, Mrs. BLACK, Mr. REED, and Mr. LANKFORD) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To establish consistent requirements for the electronic content and format of data used in the administration of certain human services programs under the Social Security Act.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Standard Data and
3 Technology Advancement Act” or the “Standard DATA
4 Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. DATA STANDARDIZATION FOR IMPROVED DATA**
6 **MATCHING.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Part A of title XI of the Social
8 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1301–1320b-25) is amended by
9 inserting after section 1121 the following:

10 **“SEC. 1121A. DATA STANDARDIZATION FOR IMPROVED**
11 **DATA MATCHING.**

12 “(a) STANDARD DATA ELEMENTS.—

13 “(1) DESIGNATION.—The head of the depart-
14 ment or agency responsible for administering a pro-
15 vision of title III, IV, IX, XII, XVI, or subtitle A
16 of title XX, or section 511, shall, in consultation
17 with an interagency work group established by the
18 Office of Management and Budget and considering
19 State perspectives, by rule, designate standard data
20 elements for any category of information required to
21 be reported under the provision of law.

22 “(2) DATA ELEMENTS MUST BE NONPROPRI-
23 ETARY AND INTEROPERABLE.—The standard data
24 elements designated under paragraph (1) shall, to
25 the extent practicable, be nonproprietary and inter-
26 operable.

1 “(3) OTHER REQUIREMENTS.—In designating
2 standard data elements under this subsection, the
3 Secretary shall, to the extent practicable, incor-
4 porate—

5 “(A) interoperable standards developed
6 and maintained by an international voluntary
7 consensus standards body, as defined by the Of-
8 fice of Management and Budget, such as the
9 International Organization for Standardization;

10 “(B) interoperable standards developed
11 and maintained by intergovernmental partner-
12 ships, such as the National Information Ex-
13 change Model; and

14 “(C) interoperable standards developed
15 and maintained by Federal entities with author-
16 ity over contracting and financial assistance,
17 such as the Federal Acquisition Regulatory
18 Council.

19 “(b) DATA STANDARDS FOR REPORTING.—

20 “(1) DESIGNATION.—The head of the depart-
21 ment or agency responsible for administering a pro-
22 vision of law referred to in subsection (a)(1) shall,
23 in consultation with an interagency work group es-
24 tablished by the Office of Management and Budget,
25 and considering State government perspectives, by

1 rule, designate data reporting standards to govern
2 the reporting required under the provision of law.

3 “(2) REQUIREMENTS.—The data reporting
4 standards required by paragraph (1) shall, to the ex-
5 tent practicable—

6 “(A) incorporate a widely accepted, non-
7 proprietary, searchable, computer-readable for-
8 mat;

9 “(B) be consistent with and implement ap-
10 plicable accounting principles; and

11 “(C) be capable of being continually up-
12 graded as necessary.

13 “(3) INCORPORATION OF NONPROPRIETARY
14 STANDARDS.—In designating reporting standards
15 under this subsection, the Secretary shall, to the ex-
16 tent practicable, incorporate existing nonproprietary
17 standards, such as the eXtensible Business Report-
18 ing Language.”.

19 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
20 subsection (a) shall take effect on October 1, 2012, and
21 shall apply with respect to information required to be re-
22 ported on or after such date.

23 (c) CONFORMING REPEAL.—Effective on the date of
24 the enactment of this Act, section 105 of the Child and

- 1 Family Services Improvement and Innovation Act (Public
- 2 Law 112–34) is repealed.

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