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To establish a grant program to provide assistance to eligible individuals
to cover the costs of childcare services.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 29, 2023

Mr. MENENDEZ introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Education and the Workforce

A BILL

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individuals to cover the costs of childcare services.

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 “Parental Workforce
5 Training Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. CHILDCARE GRANT PROGRAM.**

7 (a) GRANTS AUTHORIZED.—From the amount appro-
8 priated under subsection (f), and not later than 1 year
9 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of
10 Labor shall award grants, on a competitive basis, to local

1 boards to provide assistance to eligible individuals to cover
2 the costs of childcare services as supportive services.

3 (b) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a grant
4 under this Act, a local board shall submit an application
5 to the Secretary, at such time, in such manner, and con-
6 taining such information as the Secretary may require.

7 (c) USES OF FUNDS.—A local board that receives a
8 grant under this Act shall provide funds to eligible individ-
9 uals who are participating in an employment and training
10 activity in the local area served by such local board, for
11 such individuals to cover the costs of childcare services as
12 supportive services.

13 (d) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date
14 that the Secretary awards the first grant under subsection
15 (a), the Secretary shall submit to Congress a report on
16 the effect of the grants on the individuals who received
17 assistance, including the enrollment and completion rates
18 of such individuals in employment and training activities.

19 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this Act:

20 (1) ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS.—The term “eligi-
21 ble individual” means an individual who—

22 (A) has one or more dependent children;

23 and

24 (B) is participating in an employment and
25 training activity.

1 (2) WIOA TERMS.—The terms “employment
2 and training activity”, “local area”, “local board”,
3 and “supportive services” have the meanings given
4 such terms in section 3 of the Workforce Innovation
5 and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3102).

6 (f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
7 are authorized to be appropriated \$10,000,000 to carry
8 out this Act.

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