

116TH CONGRESS
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S. 1670

To amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to establish a grant program for multigenerational activities for long-term care facilities.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 23 (legislative day, MAY 22), 2019

Mr. JONES (for himself and Ms. MCSALLY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

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 “Care Across Genera-
5 tions Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE FUNDING**
 2 **OF MULTIGENERATIONAL PROGRAMS IN**
 3 **LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES.**

4 Part A of title IV of the Older Americans Act of 1965
 5 (42 U.S.C. 3032 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end
 6 the following:

7 **“SEC. 423. COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE FUND-**
 8 **ING OF MULTIGENERATIONAL PROGRAMS IN**
 9 **LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES.**

10 **“(a) ESTABLISHMENT OF GRANT PROGRAM.—**The
 11 Assistant Secretary shall award grants, on a competitive
 12 basis, to eligible entities to—

13 **“(1)** operate a qualified child care facility with-
 14 in the long-term care facility operated by the eligible
 15 entity; and

16 **“(2)** coordinate multigenerational activities be-
 17 tween the integrated qualified child care facility and
 18 long-term care facility.

19 **“(b) APPLICATION.—**An entity seeking a grant under
 20 this section shall submit an application to the Assistant
 21 Secretary at such time, in such manner, and accompanied
 22 by such information as the Assistant Secretary may rea-
 23 sonably require.

24 **“(c) EVALUATION AND REPORT.—**

25 **“(1) EVALUATION.—**Each eligible entity receiv-
 26 ing a grant under this section shall evaluate—

1 “(A) the effectiveness of the entity in oper-
2 ating a qualified child care facility within a
3 long-term care facility as required under sub-
4 section (a)(1);

5 “(B) the effectiveness of the multigenera-
6 tional activities coordinated under subsection
7 (a)(2); and

8 “(C) the impact on older individuals of the
9 co-location and multigenerational activities car-
10 ried out by the entity.

11 “(2) REPORT.—Each eligible entity receiving a
12 grant under this section shall, not later than 6
13 months after the expiration of the period for which
14 the grant is in effect, submit a report to the Assist-
15 ant Secretary containing the evaluation under para-
16 graph (1).

17 “(d) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 6
18 months after the Assistant Secretary receives all reports
19 required under subsection (c)(2), the Assistant Secretary
20 shall prepare and submit to the Committee on Education
21 and Labor of the House of Representatives and the Com-
22 mittee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the
23 Senate a report that assesses the evaluations contained in
24 the reports required under subsection (c)(2). The report

1 required of the Assistant Secretary under this subsection
2 shall include, at a minimum—

3 “(1) the names and addresses of all eligible en-
4 tities that received grants under this section;

5 “(2) a description of the methods such eligible
6 entities used in operating qualified child care facili-
7 ties within long-term care facilities as required
8 under subsection (a)(1);

9 “(3) a description of the methods such eligible
10 entities used in coordinating multigenerational ac-
11 tivities required under subsection (a)(2);

12 “(4) a strategy for disseminating the findings
13 resulting from the projects carried out through
14 grants under this section; and

15 “(5) any policy change recommendations relat-
16 ing to operating qualified child care facilities within
17 long-term care facilities.

18 “(e) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section:

19 “(1) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term ‘eligible en-
20 tity’ means an organization operating a long-term
21 care facility that submits an application meeting the
22 requirements under subsection (b).

23 “(2) MULTIGENERATIONAL ACTIVITY.—The
24 term ‘multigenerational activity’ means an activity

1 that provides an opportunity for interaction between
2 two or more individuals of different generations.

3 “(3) QUALIFIED CHILD CARE FACILITY.—The
4 term ‘qualified child care facility’ means a facility—

5 “(A) the principal use of which is to pro-
6 vide child care assistance, and

7 “(B) that meets the requirements of all ap-
8 plicable laws and regulations of the State or
9 local government in which the facility is located,
10 including with respect to the licensing of the fa-
11 cility as a child care facility.

12 “(f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
13 are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section
14 such sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years
15 2020 through 2025.”.

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