

117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1793

To amend the SUPPORT for Patients and Communities Act to provide for immediate eligibility for former foster youth under Medicaid.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 11, 2021

Ms. BASS (for herself, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, and Mr. MCGOVERN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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 “Immediate Coverage
5 for Former Foster Youth Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. PROVIDING FOR IMMEDIATE MEDICAID ELIGI-**
7 **BILITY FOR FORMER FOSTER YOUTH.**

8 Section 1002(a)(2) of the SUPPORT for Patients
9 and Communities Act (Public Law 115–271) is amended

1 by striking “January 1, 2023” and inserting “the date
2 of enactment of the Immediate Coverage for Former Fos-
3 ter Youth Act”.

4 **SEC. 3. OUTREACH EFFORTS FOR ENROLLMENT OF**
5 **FORMER FOSTER CHILDREN.**

6 Section 1902(a) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
7 1396a(a)) is amended—

8 (1) in paragraph (85), by striking “; and” and
9 inserting a semicolon;

10 (2) in paragraph (86), by striking the period at
11 the end and inserting “; and”; and

12 (3) by inserting after paragraph (86) the fol-
13 lowing new paragraph:

14 “(87) not later than January 1, 2022, establish
15 an outreach and enrollment program, in coordination
16 with the State agency responsible for administering
17 the State plan under part E of title IV and any
18 other appropriate or interested agencies, designed to
19 increase the enrollment of individuals who are eligi-
20 ble for medical assistance under the State plan
21 under paragraph (10)(A)(i)(IX) in accordance with
22 best practices established by the Secretary.”.

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