

117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4539

To amend title IV of the Social Security Act to target funds to truly needy families.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 19, 2021

Mr. SMITH of Nebraska (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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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 “Focusing State Efforts
5 to Expand Opportunity Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. TARGETING FUNDS TO TRULY NEEDY FAMILIES.**

7 Section 404(k) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
8 604(k)) is amended to read as follows:

9 “(k) **PROHIBITIONS.**—A State to which a grant is
10 made under this part shall not use the grant to provide

1 any assistance or services to a family whose monthly in-
2 come exceeds twice the poverty line (as defined by the Of-
3 fice of Management and Budget, and revised annually in
4 accordance with section 673(2) of the Omnibus Budget
5 Reconciliation Act of 1981 (42 U.S.C. 9902(2))).”.

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