H. R. 1791

To amend title XXI of the Social Security Act to permanently extend the Children's Health Insurance Program, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 11, 2021

Ms. Barragán (for herself, Mr. Cárdenas, Mr. Rush, Mr. Bishop of Georgia, Mr. Hastings, Ms. Norton, and Mr. Cohen) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

- To amend title XXI of the Social Security Act to permanently extend the Children's Health Insurance Program, and for other purposes.
 - 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 "Children's Health In-
 - 5 surance Program Permanency Act" or the "CHIPP Act".

| 1 | SEC. 2. PERMANENT EXTENSION OF CHILDREN'S HEALTH |
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| 2 | INSURANCE PROGRAM. |
| 3 | (a) In General.—Section 2104(a)(28) of the Social |
| 4 | Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1397dd(a)(28)) is amended to |
| 5 | read as follows: |
| 6 | "(28) for fiscal year 2027 and each subsequent |
| 7 | year, such sums as are necessary to fund allotments |
| 8 | to States under subsections (c) and (m).". |
| 9 | (b) Allotments.— |
| 10 | (1) In General.—Section 2104(m) of the So- |
| 11 | cial Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1397dd(m)) is amend- |
| 12 | ed— |
| 13 | (A) in paragraph (2)(B)(i), by striking ",, |
| 14 | 2023, and 2027" and inserting "and 2023"; |
| 15 | (B) in paragraph (5)— |
| 16 | (i) by striking "for a fiscal year" and |
| 17 | inserting "for a fiscal year before 2027"; |
| 18 | and |
| 19 | (ii) by striking "2023, or 2027" and |
| 20 | inserting "or 2023"; |
| 21 | (C) in paragraph (7)— |
| 22 | (i) in subparagraph (A), by striking |
| 23 | "and ending with fiscal year 2027,"; and |
| 24 | (ii) in the flush left matter at the end, |
| 25 | by striking "or fiscal year 2026" and in- |

| 1 | serting "fiscal year 2026, or a subsequent |
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| 2 | even-numbered fiscal year"; |
| 3 | (D) in paragraph (9)— |
| 4 | (i) by striking "(10), or (11)" and in- |
| 5 | serting "or (10)"; and |
| 6 | (ii) by striking "2023, or 2027," and |
| 7 | inserting "or 2023"; and |
| 8 | (E) by striking paragraph (11). |
| 9 | (2) Conforming Amendment.—Section |
| 10 | 50101(b)(2) of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 |
| 11 | (Public Law 115–123) is repealed. |
| 12 | SEC. 3. PERMANENT EXTENSIONS OF OTHER PROGRAMS |
| 13 | AND DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS. |
| 14 | (a) Pediatric Quality Measures Program.— |
| 15 | Section 1139A(i)(1) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. |
| 16 | 1320b-9a(i)(1)) is amended— |
| 17 | (1) in subparagraph (C), by striking at the end |
| 18 | "and"; |
| 19 | (2) in subparagraph (D), by striking the period |
| 20 | at the end and insert a semicolon; and |
| 21 | (3) by adding at the end the following new sub- |
| 22 | paragraphs: |
| 23 | "(E) for fiscal year 2028, $$15,000,000$ for |
| 24 | the purpose of carrying out this section (other |
| 25 | than subsections (e), (f), and (g)); and |

| 1 | "(F) for a subsequent fiscal year, the |
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| 2 | amount appropriated under this paragraph for |
| 3 | the previous fiscal year, increased by the per- |
| 4 | centage increase in the consumer price index for |
| 5 | all urban consumers (all items; United States |
| 6 | city average) over such previous fiscal year, for |
| 7 | the purpose of carrying out this section (other |
| 8 | than subsections (e), (f), and (g)).". |
| 9 | (b) Express Lane Eligibility Option.—Section |
| 10 | 1902(e)(13) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. |
| 11 | 1396a(e)(13)) is amended by striking subparagraph (I). |
| 12 | (c) Assurance of Affordability Standard for |
| 13 | CHILDREN AND FAMILIES.— |
| 14 | (1) In General.—Section 2105(d)(3) of the |
| 15 | Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1397ee(d)(3)) is |
| 16 | amended— |
| 17 | (A) in the paragraph heading, by striking |
| 18 | "THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2027"; and |
| 19 | (B) in subparagraph (A), in the matter |
| 20 | preceding clause (i)— |
| 21 | (i) by striking "During the period |
| 22 | that begins on the date of enactment of |
| 23 | the Patient Protection and Affordable Care |
| 24 | Act and ends on September 30, 2027" and |
| 25 | inserting "Beginning on the date of the en- |

| 1 | actment of the Patient Protection and Af- |
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| 2 | fordable Care Act''; |
| 3 | (ii) by striking "During the period |
| 4 | that begins on October 1, 2019, and ends |
| 5 | on September 30, 2027" and inserting |
| 6 | "Beginning on October 1, 2019"; and |
| 7 | (iii) by striking "The preceding sen- |
| 8 | tences shall not be construed as preventing |
| 9 | a State during any such periods from" and |
| 10 | inserting "The preceding sentences shall |
| 11 | not be construed as preventing a State |
| 12 | from". |
| 13 | (2) Conforming amendments.—Section |
| 14 | 1902(gg)(2) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. |
| 15 | 1396a(gg)(2)) is amended— |
| 16 | (A) in the paragraph heading, by striking |
| 17 | "THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2027"; and |
| 18 | (B) by striking "through September 30" |
| 19 | and all that follows through "ends on Sep- |
| 20 | tember 30, 2027" and inserting "(but begin- |
| 21 | ning on October 1, 2019,". |
| 22 | (d) Qualifying States Option.—Section |
| 23 | 2105(g)(4) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. |
| 24 | 1397ee(g)(4)) is amended— |

| 1 | (1) in the paragraph heading, by striking "FOR |
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| 2 | FISCAL YEARS 2009 THROUGH 2027" and inserting |
| 3 | "AFTER FISCAL YEAR 2008"; and |
| 4 | (2) in subparagraph (A), by striking "for any |
| 5 | of fiscal years 2009 through 2027" and inserting |
| 6 | "for any fiscal year after fiscal year 2008". |
| 7 | (e) Outreach and Enrollment Program.—Sec- |
| 8 | tion 2113 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1397mm) |
| 9 | is amended— |
| 10 | (1) in subsection (a)— |
| 11 | (A) in paragraph (1), by striking "during |
| 12 | the period of fiscal years 2009 through 2027" |
| 13 | and inserting ", beginning with fiscal year |
| 14 | 2009,"; |
| 15 | (B) in paragraph (2)— |
| 16 | (i) by striking "10 percent of such |
| 17 | amounts" and inserting "10 percent of |
| 18 | such amounts for the period or the fiscal |
| 19 | year for which such amounts are appro- |
| 20 | priated"; and |
| 21 | (ii) by striking "during such period" |
| 22 | and inserting ", during such period or such |
| 23 | fiscal year,"; and |
| 24 | (C) in paragraph (3), by striking "For the |
| 25 | period of fiscal years 2024 through 2027, an |

| 1 | amount equal to 10 percent of such amounts" |
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| 2 | and inserting "Beginning with fiscal year 2024, |
| 3 | an amount equal to 10 percent of such amounts |
| 4 | for the period or the fiscal year for which such |
| 5 | amounts are appropriated"; and |
| 6 | (2) in subsection (g)— |
| 7 | (A) by striking "2017,," and inserting |
| 8 | "2017,"; |
| 9 | (B) by striking "and \$48,000,000" and in- |
| 10 | serting "\$48,000,000"; and |
| 11 | (C) by inserting after "through 2027" the |
| 12 | following: ", \$12,000,000 for fiscal year 2028, |
| 13 | and, for each fiscal year after fiscal year 2028, |
| 14 | the amount appropriated under this subsection |
| 15 | for the previous fiscal year, increased by the |
| 16 | percentage increase in the consumer price index |
| 17 | for all urban consumers (all items; United |
| 18 | States city average) over such previous fiscal |
| 19 | year''. |
| 20 | (f) CHILD ENROLLMENT CONTINGENCY FUND.— |
| 21 | Section 2104(n) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. |
| 22 | 1397dd(n)) is amended— |
| 23 | (1) in paragraph (2)— |
| 24 | (A) in subparagraph (A)(ii)— |

| 1 | (i) by striking "and 2024 through |
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| 2 | 2026" and inserting "beginning with fiscal |
| 3 | year 2024"; and |
| 4 | (ii) by striking "2023, and 2027" and |
| 5 | inserting ", and 2023"; and |
| 6 | (B) in subparagraph (B)— |
| 7 | (i) by striking "2024 through 2026" |
| 8 | and inserting "beginning with fiscal year |
| 9 | 2024"; and |
| 10 | (ii) by striking "2023, and 2027" and |
| 11 | inserting ", and 2023"; and |
| 12 | (2) in paragraph (3)(A)— |
| 13 | (A) by striking "fiscal years 2024 through |
| 14 | 2026" and inserting "fiscal year 2024 or any |
| 15 | subsequent fiscal year"; and |
| 16 | (B) by striking "2023, or 2027" and in- |
| 17 | serting ", or 2023". |
| 18 | SEC. 4. STATE OPTION TO INCREASE CHILDREN'S ELIGI- |
| 19 | BILITY FOR MEDICAID AND CHIP. |
| 20 | Section 2110(b)(1)(B)(ii) of the Social Security Act |
| 21 | (42 U.S.C. 1397jj(b)(1)(B)(ii)) is amended— |
| 22 | (1) in subclause (II), by striking "or" at the |
| 23 | end; |
| 24 | (2) in subclause (III), by striking "and" at the |
| 25 | end and inserting "or"; and |

| 1 | (3) by inserting after subclause (III) the fol- |
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| 2 | lowing new subclause: |
| 3 | "(IV) at the option of the State, |
| 4 | whose family income exceeds the maximum |
| 5 | income level otherwise established for chil- |
| 6 | dren under the State child health plan as |
| 7 | of the date of the enactment of this sub- |
| 8 | clause; and". |

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