

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

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To amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to streamline enrollment under the Medicaid program of certain providers across State lines.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. BENNET, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. REED, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. WARNOCK, Mr. WICKER, Mr. COONS, Mr. ROUNDS, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. HAWLEY, Mr. FETTERMAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. KAINE, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. PETERS, Mr. SCHMITT, Mr. WARNER, Mrs. CAPITO, Ms. WARREN, Ms. COLLINS, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. DAINES, Mr. KELLY, Mr. RICKETTS, Mr. BOOKER, and Mrs. FISCHER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on _____

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 “Accelerating Kids’ Ac-
5 cess to Care Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. STREAMLINED ENROLLMENT PROCESS FOR ELIGI-**
2 **BLE OUT-OF-STATE PROVIDERS UNDER MED-**
3 **ICAID AND CHIP.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1902(kk) of the Social Se-
5 curity Act (42 U.S.C. 1396a(kk)) is amended by adding
6 at the end the following new paragraph:

7 “(10) STREAMLINED ENROLLMENT PROCESS
8 FOR ELIGIBLE OUT-OF-STATE PROVIDERS.—

9 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The State—

10 “(i) adopts and implements a process
11 to allow an eligible out-of-State provider to
12 enroll under the State plan (or a waiver of
13 such plan) to furnish items and services to,
14 or order, prescribe, refer, or certify eligi-
15 bility for items and services for, qualifying
16 individuals without the imposition of
17 screening or enrollment requirements by
18 such State that exceed the minimum nec-
19 essary for such State to provide payment
20 to the eligible out-of-State provider under
21 the State plan (or a waiver of such plan),
22 such as the provider’s name and National
23 Provider Identifier (and such other infor-
24 mation specified by the Secretary); and

25 “(ii) provides that an eligible out-of-
26 State provider that enrolls as a partici-

1 pervising the administration of
2 the State plan (or a waiver of
3 such plan) of such other State to
4 have a limited risk of fraud,
5 waste, and abuse for purposes of
6 determining the level of screening
7 to be conducted under paragraph
8 (1) of this subsection, has been
9 so screened under such para-
10 graph (1), and is enrolled under
11 such State plan (or a waiver of
12 such plan); and

13 “(III) that has not been—

14 “(aa) excluded from partici-
15 pation in any Federal health care
16 program pursuant to section
17 1128 or 1128A;

18 “(bb) excluded from partici-
19 pation in the State plan (or a
20 waiver of such plan) pursuant to
21 part 1002 of title 42, Code of
22 Federal Regulations (or any suc-
23 cessor regulation), or State law;
24 or

1 “(cc) terminated from par-
2 ticipating in a Federal health
3 care program or the State plan
4 (or a waiver of such plan) for a
5 reason described in paragraph
6 (8)(A).

7 “(ii) QUALIFYING INDIVIDUAL.—The
8 term ‘qualifying individual’ means an indi-
9 vidual under 21 years of age who is en-
10 rolled under the State plan (or waiver of
11 such plan).

12 “(iii) STATE.—The term ‘State’
13 means 1 of the 50 States or the District
14 of Columbia.”.

15 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

16 (1) Section 1902(a)(77) of the Social Security
17 Act (42 U.S.C. 1396a(a)(77)) is amended by insert-
18 ing “enrollment,” after “screening,”.

19 (2) The subsection heading for section
20 1902(kk) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1396a(kk)) is
21 amended by inserting “ENROLLMENT,” after
22 “SCREENING,”.

23 (3) Section 2107(e)(1)(G) of such Act (42
24 U.S.C. 1397gg(e)(1)(G)) is amended by inserting
25 “enrollment,” after “screening,”.

1 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
2 this section shall take effect on the date that is 3 years
3 after the date of enactment of this section.