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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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AN ACT

To direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to establish a website to promote awareness of available resources for individuals with disabilities, 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,*

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the “Think Differently
3 Database Act”.

4 SEC. 2. PROMOTING AWARENESS OF AVAILABLE RE-

5 SOURCES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABIL-

6 ITIES.

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 3 years after the
8 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Health
9 and Human Services (in this section referred to as the
10 “Secretary”) shall establish and update periodically a pub-
11 licly available website to provide information with respect
12 to resources and information for people with a disability
13 and the caregivers and families of such people. Such
14 website shall include—

24 (2) which States offer eligibility under sub-
25 clauses (XIII), (XV), (XVI), and (XIX) of section

1 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) of the Social Security Act (42
2 U.S.C. 1396a(a)(10)(A)(ii));

3 (3) each State's specific eligibility requirements,
4 if applicable, under subclauses (XIII), (XV), (XVI),
5 and (XIX) of section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) of the So-
6 cial Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396a(a)(10)(A)(ii));

7 (4) information about how to contact each
8 State's Medicaid office for information about Medi-
9 caid, including links and phone numbers for State
10 contacts;

11 (5) general information on Medicaid-covered
12 long-term services and supports that may be avail-
13 able to individuals eligible for medical assistance
14 under a State plan under the Medicaid program
15 under title XIX of the Social Security Act (42
16 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.) (or a waiver of such plan); and

17 (6) where applicable, the average amount of
18 time that individuals newly enrolled in a State's
19 waiver program for home and community-based
20 services in the past 12 months were on the list of
21 individuals waiting to enroll in such waiver program,
22 in such a manner and process as described in section
23 441.311(d)(1)(iii) of title 42, Code of Federal Regu-
24 lations.

1 (b) PROMOTION.—The Secretary shall, as applicable
2 and appropriate, identify and disseminate promotional ac-
3 tivities to improve, among people with a disability and the
4 caretakers and families of such people, the awareness of
5 the resources included in the website established under
6 subsection (a), such as through collaboration with the So-
7 cial Security Administration during its annual updates to
8 the Red Book.

9 (c) MODEL.—In establishing the website under this
10 section, the Secretary may use the website
11 thinkdifferently.net as a model.

12 (d) NONAPPLICATION OF PAPERWORK REDUCTION
13 ACT.—Chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code (com-
14 monly referred to as the “Paperwork Reduction Act of
15 1995”), shall not apply to the implementation of this sec-
16 tion.

Passed the House of Representatives December 17,
2024.

Attest: KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,
Clerk.