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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 5, 2025

Ms. ERNST (for herself, Mr. PETERS, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. MORENO, and Mrs. MOODY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

NOVEMBER 7, 2025

Reported by Mr. PAUL, with amendments

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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Stop Secret Spending
3 Act of 2025”.

4 **SEC. 2. OTHER TRANSACTION AGREEMENT REPORTING.**

5 (a) OTHER TRANSACTION AGREEMENTS.—Section
6 2(a) of the Federal Funding Accountability and Trans-
7 parency Act of 2006 (31 U.S.C. 6101 note) is amended—

8 (1) in paragraph (4)(A)—

9 (A) in clause (ii), by adding “*or and*” and
10 the end; and

11 (B) by adding at the end the following:

12 “(iii) ~~includes~~*include* other transaction
13 agreements;”; and

14 (2) in paragraph (7)—

15 (A) in subparagraph (B), by striking

16 “(2)(A)(i)” and inserting “(4)(A)(i)”; and

17 (B) in subparagraph (C), by striking

18 “(2)(A)(ii)” and inserting “(4)(A)(ii)”.

19 (b) DATA STANDARDS.—Section 4 of the Federal
20 Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006
21 (31 U.S.C. 6101 note) is amended by adding at the end
22 the following:

23 “(e) OTHER TRANSACTION AGREEMENT DATA.—Not
24 later than 3 years after the date of enactment of the Stop
25 Secret Spending Act of 2025, the Secretary shall ensure

1 that, with respect to the website established under section
 2 2, or any successor website—

3 “(1) data relating to other transaction agree-
 4 ments is automatically transmitted to the website;
 5 and

6 “(2) a centralized view of the data described in
 7 paragraph (1) is available on the website.”.

8 (c) ANNUAL REPORT ON UNREPORTED FUNDING.—
 9 Section 2 of the Federal Funding Accountability and
 10 Transparency Act of 2006 (31 U.S.C. 6101 note) is
 11 amended by adding at the end the following:

12 “(h) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after
 13 the date of enactment of the Stop Secret Spending Act
 14 of 2025, and annually thereafter, the Secretary, in con-
 15 sultation with the Director, shall post to the website estab-
 16 lished under this section a report that includes—

17 “(1) the total amount of Federal spending on
 18 Federal awards for which data has not been posted
 19 to the website; and

20 “(2) the reason data on the Federal spending
 21 described in paragraph (1) has not been posted to
 22 the website, including whether the Federal spending
 23 was—

24 “(A) national security-related or classified;

“(B) a grant or contract awarded or entered into by a legislative or judicial branch agency; or

“(C) a subaward below a primary subaward.”.

(d) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.—

(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

(A) DIRECTOR.—The term “Director” means the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

(B) RELEVANT AGENCY.—The term “relevant agency” means a Federal agency (as defined in section 2(a) of the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (31 U.S.C. 6101 note)) that has the authority to enter into an other transaction agreement, as determined by the Director.

(C) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of the Treasury.

(D) USASPENDING.GOV.—The term “USAspending.gov” means the website established under section 2 of the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (31 U.S.C. 6101 note).

1 (2) INITIAL COMPILATION.—If the Secretary
2 has not yet complied with subsection (e) of section
3 4 of the Federal Funding Accountability and Trans-
4 parency Act of 2006 (31 U.S.C. 6101 note), as
5 added by this section, by the date that is 1 year
6 after the date of enactment of this Act, not later
7 than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act,
8 the Secretary, in coordination with the Director and
9 the heads of relevant agencies, shall publish on
10 USAspending.gov a report that lists and includes a
11 detailed description of all other transaction agree-
12 ments entered into by the relevant agencies for the
13 fiscal year preceding the fiscal year during which the
14 report is published.

15 (3) PLAN.—If the Secretary has not yet com-
16 plied with subsection (e) of section 4 of the Federal
17 Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of
18 2006 (31 U.S.C. 6101 note), as added by this sec-
19 tion, by the date that is 2 years after the date of
20 enactment of this Act, not later than 2 years after
21 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary, in
22 consultation with the Director and the heads of rel-
23 evant agencies, shall submit to Congress a plan that
24 includes—

1 (A) the status of including data relating to
 2 other transaction agreements on
 3 USAspending.gov; and

4 (B) actions underway and planned to en-
 5 sure that the data described in subparagraph
 6 (A) is fully incorporated into USAspending.gov
 7 by the date that is 3 years after the date of en-
 8 actment of this Act.

9 **SEC. 3. OTHER AMENDMENTS.**

10 (a) INSPECTOR GENERAL REPORTS.—Section 6(a) of
 11 the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency
 12 Act of 2006 (31 U.S.C. 6101 note) is amended—

13 (1) in paragraph (1)—

14 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph
 15 (A), by striking “each Federal agency” and in-
 16 serting “each agency described in ~~paragraphs~~
 17 ~~(1) and (2)~~ *paragraph (1) or (2)* of section
 18 901(b) of title 31, United States Code”;

19 (B) in subparagraph (A), by striking
 20 “Federal agency” and inserting “agency”; and

21 (C) in subparagraph (B), by striking
 22 “Federal agency” and inserting “agency”; and
 23 (2) by striking paragraph (2) and inserting the
 24 following:

1 “(2) DEADLINES.—The inspector general of
 2 each agency described in ~~paragraphs (1) and (2)~~
 3 *paragraph (1) or (2)* of section 901(b) of title 31,
 4 United States Code, shall submit to Congress and
 5 make publicly available a report described in para-
 6 graph (1)(B)—

7 “(A) not later than 1 year after the date
 8 of enactment of the Stop Secret Spending Act
 9 of 2025; and

10 “(B) not less than frequently than once
 11 every 2 years after the date described in sub-
 12 paragraph (A) until the date that is 10 years
 13 after the date of enactment of the Stop Secret
 14 Spending Act of 2025 on the date of submission
 15 of the report required under section 3521(f) or
 16 9105(a)(3) of title 31, United States Code, for
 17 the applicable fiscal year.”.

18 (b) FULL DISCLOSURE OF FEDERAL FUNDS.—

19 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 3 of the Federal
 20 Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of
 21 2006 (31 U.S.C. 6101 note) is amended—

22 (A) in subsection (b)—

23 (i) paragraph (1), in the matter pre-
 24 ceding subparagraph (A), by striking “a
 25 Federal agency or component of a Federal

agency” and inserting “a Federal agency or a component of a Federal agency included on the list posted under subsection (e)(2)”; and

(ii) in paragraph (2)(B), in the matter preceding clause (i), by striking “to be posted” and inserting “to be posted by a Federal agency or a component of a Federal agency included on the list posted under subsection (e)(2)”; and

(B) by adding at the end the following:

“(c) QUALITY OF INFORMATION.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary and the Director, in consultation with the heads of Federal agencies, shall establish requirements to ensure that the information to be posted under subsection (b) that is posted by a Federal agency or component of a Federal agency is complete and accurate.

“(2) FEDERAL AGENCY RESPONSIBILITY.—The head of each Federal agency or component of a Federal agency posting data under subsection (b) shall ensure that the data is complete and accurate.

“(3) AUTHORITY TO VERIFY ACCURACY.—The Secretary and the Director may verify that the data posted under subsection (b) by a Federal agency or

1 component of a Federal agency are complete, accu-
2 rate, and consistent.

3 “(d) DISPLAY STANDARDS.—The Secretary, in con-
4 sultation with the Director, shall ensure that the heads
5 of Federal agencies that post information under sub-
6 section (b) comply with display standards established by
7 the Secretary.

8 “(e) AGENCY REPORTING DETERMINATION.—Not
9 later than 1 year after the date of enactment of the Stop
10 Secret Spending Act of 2025, and not less frequently than
11 once every 2 years thereafter, the Secretary, in coordina-
12 tion with the Director, shall—

13 “(1) assess and make a determination with re-
14 spect to which Federal agencies and components of
15 Federal agencies are required to post information
16 under subsection (b);

17 “(2) publish a list of the Federal agencies and
18 components of Federal agencies determined under
19 paragraph (1) on the website established under sec-
20 tion 2(b)(1); and

21 “(3) provide to the head and inspector general
22 of each Federal agency or component of a Federal
23 agency included on the list published under para-
24 graph (2) written notice of the inclusion of the Fed-

1 eral agency or component of a Federal agency on the
2 list.”.

3 (2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made
4 by paragraph (1)(A) shall take effect on the date on
5 which the Secretary publishes the first list under
6 section 3(e)(2) of the Federal Funding Account-
7 ability and Transparency Act of 2006 (31 U.S.C.
8 6101 note), as added by paragraph (1).

9 **SEC. 4. GAO REPORT.**

10 Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment
11 of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States
12 shall make recommendations for any updates the Comp-
13 troller General of the United States determines advisable
14 to clause ~~52.204.10~~ 52.204—10 of the Federal Acquisition
15 Regulation with respect to incorporating requirements
16 under the Federal Funding Accountability and Trans-
17 parency Act of 2006 (31 U.S.C. 6101 note).

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