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To amend part A of title IV of the Social Security Act to ensure the identification of the biological parents of each child who receives aid to families with dependent children.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. FRANKS of Connecticut 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 “Parental Responsibility
5 Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. REDUCTION IN PAYMENTS TO STATES FOR AID TO**
2 **FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 403 of the Social Security
4 Act (42 U.S.C. 603) is amended by adding at the end the
5 following:

6 “(o)(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this
7 part, the Secretary shall reduce the amounts payable to
8 any State under this part for any calendar quarter by—

9 “(A) 5 percent, if the parental identity percent-
10 age of the State for the calendar quarter is less than
11 70 percent but not less than 60 percent;

12 “(B) 7 percent, if the parental identity percent-
13 age of the State for the calendar quarter is less than
14 60 percent but not less than 50 percent;

15 “(C) 10 percent, if the parental identity per-
16 centage of the State for the calendar quarter is less
17 than 50 percent but not less than 40 percent;

18 “(D) 15 percent, if the parental identity per-
19 centage of the State for the calendar quarter is less
20 than 40 percent but not less than 22 percent; or

21 “(E) 20 percent, if the parental identity per-
22 centage of the State for the calendar quarter is less
23 than 22 percent.

24 “(2) As used in paragraph (1), the term ‘parental
25 identity percentage of a State for a calendar quarter’
26 means the percentage of dependent children who received

1 aid during the calendar quarter under the State plan ap-
2 proved under this part whose biological parents have not
3 been identified to the State agency referred to in section
4 402(a)(3).”.

5 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
6 subsection (a) shall apply to payments for calendar quar-
7 ters ending at least 1 year after the date of the enactment
8 of this Act.

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