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118<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 670

[Report No. 118–874]

To amend title IV of the Public Health Service Act to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to establish a clearinghouse on intellectual disabilities, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 31, 2023

Mr. MOLINARO (for himself and Ms. SHERRILL) introduced the following bill;  
which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

DECEMBER 16, 2024

Additional sponsors: Mr. RYAN, Mr. TRONE, Ms. KUSTER, Mr. PAPPAS, Mr. LAWLER, Mr. TONKO, Mr. LANGWORTHY, Mrs. HOUCHIN, Mr. LALOTA, Ms. MENG, Mr. D'ESPOSITO, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Ms. SEWELL, Mr. LIEU, Mr. GOTTHEIMER, Ms. CRAIG, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. CARBAJAL, Mr. LANDSMAN, Mr. PHILLIPS, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, Mr. JACKSON of North Carolina, Mrs. GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN, Mr. WILLIAMS of New York, and Ms. NORTON

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Reported with amendments, committed to the Committee of the Whole House  
on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italic*]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on January 31, 2023]

# **A BILL**

To amend title IV of the Public Health Service Act to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to establish a clearinghouse on intellectual 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 *This Act may be cited as the “Think Differently Data-*  
5 *base Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. PROMOTING AWARENESS OF AVAILABLE RE-**  
7 **SOURCES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABIL-**  
8 **ITIES.**

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

17 *(1) information on eligibility to receive medical*  
18 *assistance under a State plan under the Medicaid*  
19 *program under title XIX of the Social Security Act*  
20 *(42 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.) (or a waiver of such plan)*  
21 *based on a qualifying disability, including—*

22 *(A) general information about eligibility*  
23 *under subclauses (XIII), (XV), (XVI), and (XIX)*  
24 *of section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) of the Social Secu-*  
25 *rity Act (42 U.S.C. 1396a(a)(10)(A)(ii));*

1           (B) which States offer Medicaid buy-in pro-  
2           grams; and

3           (C) the specific eligibility requirements of  
4           each such program;

5           (2) information about how to contact each  
6           State's Medicaid office for information about Med-  
7           icaid and Children's Health Insurance Program eligi-  
8           bility, including links and phone numbers for State  
9           contacts;

10          (3) information on Medicaid-covered long-term  
11          services and supports available to individuals eligible  
12          for medical assistance under a State plan under the  
13          Medicaid program under title XIX of the Social Secu-  
14          rity Act (42 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.) (or a waiver of such  
15          plan); and

16          (4) where applicable, the duration of wait lists  
17          to receive the services described in paragraph (3).

18          (b) *PROMOTION*.—The Secretary shall, as applicable  
19          and appropriate, identify and disseminate promotional ac-  
20          tivities to improve, among people with a disability and the  
21          caretakers and families of such people, the awareness of the  
22          resources included in the website established under sub-  
23          section (a), such as through collaboration with the Social  
24          Security Administration during its annual updates to the  
25          Red Book.

1       (c) *MODEL.*—*In establishing the website under this*  
2 *section, the Secretary may use the website*  
3 *thinkdifferently.net as a model.*

4       (d) *NONAPPLICATION OF PAPERWORK REDUCTION*  
5 *ACT.*—*Chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code (com-*  
6 *monly referred to as the “Paperwork Reduction Act of*  
7 *1995”), shall not apply to the implementation of this sec-*  
8 *tion.*

Amend the title so as to read: “A bill 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”.

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