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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 13, 2018

Mr. BISHOP of Michigan (for himself, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, and Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on June 13, 2018]
A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Improving Social Secu-
ritv’s Service to Victims of Identity Theft Act”.

SEC. 2. SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT FOR IDENTITY THEFT

VICTIMS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Title VII of the Social Security Act
(42 U.S.C. 901 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end
the following:

“SECTION 714. SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT FOR IDENTITY
THEFT VICTIMS.

“(a) IN GENERAL.—The Commissioner of Social Secu-
ritv shall establish and implement procedures to ensure that
any individual whose social security account number has
been misused (such as to fraudulently obtain benefits under
title II, VIII, or XVI of this Act, in a manner that affects
an individual’s records at the Social Security Administra-
tion, or in a manner that prompts the individual to request
a new social security account number) has a single point
of contact at the Social Security Administration throughout
the resolution of the individual’s case. The single point of
contact shall track the individual’s case to completion and
coordinate with other units to resolve issues as quickly as
possible.
“(b) SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of subsection (a), the single point of contact shall consist of a team or subset of specially trained employees who—

“(A) have the ability to coordinate with other units to resolve the issues involved in the individual’s case, and

“(B) shall be accountable for the case until its resolution.

“(2) TEAM OR SUBSET.—The employees included within the team or subset described in paragraph (1) may change as required to meet the needs of the Social Security Administration, provided that procedures have been established to—

“(A) ensure continuity of records and case history, and

“(B) notify the individual when appropriate.”.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall take effect 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act.