AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 670

OFFERED BY M__. _____

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the ''Think Differently Database Act''.

SEC. 2. PROMOTING AWARENESS OF AVAILABLE RESOURCES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 3 years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Health and Human Services (in this section referred to as the ''Secretary'') shall establish and update periodically a publicly-available website to provide information with respect to resources and information for people with a disability and the caregivers and families of such people. Such website shall include—

(1) information on eligibility to receive medical assistance under a State plan under the Medicaid program under title XIX of the Social Security Act

(42 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.) (or a waiver of such plan) based on a qualifying disability, including—

(A) general information about eligibility under subclauses (XIII), (XV), (XVI), and (XIX) of section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396a(a)(10)(A)(ii));

(B) which States offer Medicaid buy-in programs; and

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

(2) information about how to contact each State's Medicaid office for information about Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program eligibility, including links and phone numbers for State contacts;

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

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

(b) PROMOTION.—The Secretary shall, as applicable and appropriate, identify and disseminate promotional activities to improve, among people with a disability and the caretakers and families of such people, the awareness of the resources included in the website established under subsection (a), such as through collaboration with the Social Security Administration during its annual updates to the Red Book.

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

(d) NONAPPLICATION OF PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT.—Chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code (commonly referred to as the ''Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995''), shall not apply to the implementation of this section.

Amend the title to read as follows: ''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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