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118TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 6020

[Report No. 118–611]

To amend the Public Health Service Act to eliminate consideration of the income of organ recipients in providing reimbursement of expenses to donating individuals, and for other purposes.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 24, 2023

Mr. OBERNOLTE (for himself and Ms. DELBENE) introduced the following bill

OCTOBER 25, 2023

Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

JULY 23, 2024

Additional sponsors: Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Ms. NORTON, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. BUCSHON, Mr. PHILLIPS, Mr. BACON, Mr. NADLER, and Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina

JULY 23, 2024

Reported with an amendment, 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 October 24, 2023]

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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 "Honor Our Living Do-*

5 *nors Act".*

6   **SEC. 2. NO CONSIDERATION OF INCOME OF ORGAN RECIPI-**

7   **ENT.**

8   *Section 377 of the Public Health Service Act (42*

9 *U.S.C. 274f) is amended—*

10   *(1) by redesignating subsections (c) through (f)*

11 *as subsections (d) through (g), respectively;*

12   *(2) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-*

13 *lowing:*

14 *"(c) NO CONSIDERATION OF INCOME OF ORGAN RE-*

15 *CIPIENT.—The recipient of a grant under this section, in*

16 *providing reimbursement to a donating individual through*

17 *such grant, shall not give any consideration to the income*

18 *of the organ recipient."; and*

19   *(3) in subsection (f), as so redesignated—*

20   *(A) in paragraph (1), by striking "sub-*

21   *section (c)(1)" and inserting "subsection (d)(1)";*

22   *and*

23   *(B) in paragraph (2), by striking "sub-*

24   *section (c)(2)" and inserting "subsection (d)(2)".*

SEC. 3. REMOVAL OF EXPECTATION OF PAYMENTS BY ORGAN RECIPIENTS.

Section 377(e) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 274f(e)), as redesignated by section 2, is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by adding "or" at the end;

(2) in paragraph (2), by striking "; or" and inserting a period; and

(3) by striking paragraph (3).

SEC. 4. ANNUAL REPORT.

Section 377 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 274f), as amended by sections 2 and 3, is further amended by adding at the end the following:

"(h) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than December 31 of each year, the Secretary shall—

"(1) prepare, submit to the Congress, and make public a report on whether grants under this section provided adequate funding during the preceding fiscal year to reimburse all donating individuals participating in the grant program under this section for all qualifying expenses; and

"(2) include in each such report—

"(A) the estimated number of all donating individuals participating in the grant program under this section who did not receive reimbursement for all qualifying expenses during the preceding fiscal year; and

1   *"(B) the total amount of funding that is es-*

2   *timated to be necessary to fully reimburse all do-*

3   *nating individuals participating in the grant*

4   *program under this section for all qualifying ex-*

5   *penses.".*

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