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118<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 7906

[Report No. 118–951]

To improve the effectiveness and available tools of State and tribal child support enforcement agencies, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 9, 2024

Mr. HERN (for himself, Ms. DELBENE, Mr. SMUCKER, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Mr. SCHWEIKERT, and Mr. LAHOOD) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

DECEMBER 24, 2024

Additional sponsors: Mr. BALDERSON, Mr. CAREY, Mr. MOOLENAAR, Mrs. DINGELL, Ms. TENNEY, Mr. SMITH of Nebraska, Mr. MOORE of Utah, Ms. STANSBURY, Mr. MANN, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. FLOOD, Mr. STEIL, Mrs. LESKO, Mr. PFLUGER, Mr. VAN ORDEN, Mr. PANETTA, Ms. CHU, Mr. POCAN, Mrs. CHAVEZ-DEREMER, Ms. VAN DUYNE, Mr. CARBAJAL, Ms. SCHOLTEN, Mr. GOMEZ, Mr. NEGUSE, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. ESTES, Mrs. MILLER of West Virginia, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mrs. FISCHBACH, Mr. FEENSTRA, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Mr. WENSTRUP, Mr. STEUBE, Mrs. STEEL, Mrs. HINSON, and Mr. LANGWORTHY

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[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 April 9, 2024]

# **A BILL**

To improve the effectiveness and available tools of State and tribal child support enforcement agencies, 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 “Strengthening State and*  
5 *Tribal Child Support Enforcement Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. IMPROVING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF TRIBAL CHILD**  
7 **SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES.**

8 *(a) IMPROVING THE COLLECTION OF PAST-DUE CHILD*  
9 *SUPPORT THROUGH STATE AND TRIBAL PARITY IN THE*  
10 *ALLOWABLE USE OF TAX INFORMATION.—*

11 *(1) AMENDMENT TO THE SOCIAL SECURITY*  
12 *ACT.—Section 464 of the Social Security Act (42*  
13 *U.S.C. 664) is amended by adding at the end the fol-*  
14 *lowing:*

15 *“(d) APPLICABILITY TO INDIAN TRIBES AND TRIBAL*  
16 *ORGANIZATIONS RECEIVING A GRANT UNDER THIS*  
17 *PART.—This section, except for the requirement to dis-*  
18 *tribute amounts in accordance with section 457, shall apply*  
19 *to an Indian tribe or tribal organization receiving a grant*  
20 *under section 455(f) in the same manner in which this sec-*  
21 *tion applies to a State with a plan approved under this*  
22 *part.”.*

23 *(2) AMENDMENTS TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE*  
24 *CODE.—*

1           (A) *Section 6103(a)(2) of the Internal Rev-*  
2           *enue Code of 1986 is amended by striking “any*  
3           *local child support enforcement agency” and in-*  
4           *serting “any tribal or local child support en-*  
5           *forcement agency”.*

6           (B) *Section 6103(a)(3) of such Code is*  
7           *amended by inserting “, (8)” after “(6)”.*

8           (C) *Section 6103(l) of such Code is amend-*  
9           *ed—*

10           (i) *in paragraph (6)—*

11           (I) *by striking “or local” in sub-*  
12           *paragraph (A) and inserting “tribal,*  
13           *or local”;*

14           (II) *by striking “AND LOCAL” in*  
15           *the heading thereof and inserting*  
16           *“TRIBAL, AND LOCAL”;*

17           (III) *by striking “The following”*  
18           *in subparagraph (B) and inserting*  
19           *“The”;*

20           (IV) *by striking the colon and all*  
21           *that follows in subparagraph (B) and*  
22           *inserting a period; and*

23           (V) *by adding at the end the fol-*  
24           *lowing:*

1           “(D) STATE, TRIBAL, OR LOCAL CHILD SUP-  
2           PORT ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.—For purposes of  
3           this paragraph, the following shall be treated as  
4           a State, tribal, or local child support enforce-  
5           ment agency:

6                   “(i) Any agency of a State or political  
7                   subdivision thereof operating pursuant to a  
8                   plan described in section 454 of the Social  
9                   Security Act which has been approved by  
10                  the Secretary of Health and Human Serv-  
11                  ices under part D of title IV of such Act.

12                  “(ii) Any child support enforcement  
13                  agency of an Indian tribe or tribal organi-  
14                  zation receiving a grant under section  
15                  455(f) of the Social Security Act.”;

16                  (ii) in paragraph (8)—

17                         (I) in subparagraph (A), by strik-  
18                         ing “or State or local” and inserting “,  
19                         State, tribal, or local”;

20                         (II) in subparagraph (B), by  
21                         striking “enforced pursuant to a plan  
22                         described” and all that follows through  
23                         “of such Act” and inserting “enforced  
24                         pursuant to the provisions of part D of  
25                         title IV of the Social Security Act”;

1                   (III) by adding at the end of sub-  
2                   paragraph (B) the following: “The in-  
3                   formation disclosed to any child sup-  
4                   port enforcement agency under sub-  
5                   paragraph (A) with respect to any in-  
6                   dividual with respect to whom child  
7                   support obligations are sought to be es-  
8                   tablished or enforced may be disclosed  
9                   by such agency to any agent of such  
10                  agency which is under contract with  
11                  such agency for purposes of, and to the  
12                  extent necessary in, establishing and  
13                  collecting child support obligations  
14                  from, and locating, individuals owing  
15                  such obligations.”;

16                  (IV) by striking subparagraph (C)  
17                  and inserting the following:

18                  “(C) STATE, TRIBAL, OR LOCAL CHILD SUP-  
19                  PORT ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.—For purposes of  
20                  this paragraph, the term ‘State, tribal, or local  
21                  child support enforcement agency’ has the same  
22                  meaning as when used in paragraph (6)(D).”;  
23                  and

1                   (V) by striking “AND LOCAL” in  
2                   the heading thereof and inserting  
3                   “TRIBAL, AND LOCAL”; and  
4                   (iii) in paragraph (10)(B), by adding  
5                   at the end the following new clause:

6                   “(iii) The information disclosed to any  
7                   child support enforcement agency under  
8                   subparagraph (A) with respect to any indi-  
9                   vidual with respect to whom child support  
10                  obligations are sought to be established or  
11                  enforced may be disclosed by such agency to  
12                  any agent of such agency which is under  
13                  contract with such agency for purposes of,  
14                  and to the extent necessary in, establishing  
15                  and collecting child support obligations  
16                  from, and locating, individuals owing such  
17                  obligations.”.

18                  (D) Section 6103(p)(4) of such Code is  
19                  amended—

20                  (i) by striking “subsection (l)(10),  
21                  (13)(A), (13)(B), (13)(C), (13)(D)(i), (16),  
22                  (18), (19), or (20), or any entity” in the  
23                  matter preceding subparagraph (A) and in-  
24                  serting “subsection (l)(6), (8), (10), (13)(A),  
25                  (13)(B), (13)(C), (13)(D)(i), (16), (18),

1           (19), or (20), or any Indian tribe or tribal  
2           organization receiving a grant under sec-  
3           tion 455(f) of the Social Security Act, or  
4           any entity”;

5           (ii) by striking “subsection (l)(10)” in  
6           subparagraph (F)(i) and inserting “sub-  
7           section (l)(6), (8), (10)”;

8           (iii) by striking “subsection (l)(10),  
9           (13)(A), (13)(B), (13)(C), (13)(D)(i), (16),  
10          (18), (19), or (20) or any entity” each place  
11          it appears in the matter following subpara-  
12          graph (F)(iii) and inserting “subsection  
13          (l)(6), (8), (10), (13)(A), (13)(B), (13)(C),  
14          (13)(D)(i), (16), (18), (19), or (20), or any  
15          Indian tribe or tribal organization receiv-  
16          ing a grant under section 455(f) of the So-  
17          cial Security Act, or any entity”; and

18          (iv) by inserting “, (8)” after “para-  
19          graph (6)(A)” in the matter following sub-  
20          paragraph (F)(iii).

21          (E) Section 6103(p)(9) of such Code is  
22          amended by striking “or local” and inserting  
23          “tribal, or local”.

24          (F) Section 6402(c) of such Code is amend-  
25          ed by adding at the end the following: “For pur-



1           *poses of this subsection, any reference to a State*  
2           *shall include a reference to any Indian tribe or*  
3           *tribal organization receiving a grant under sec-*  
4           *tion 455(f) of the Social Security Act.”.*

5           ***(b) REIMBURSEMENT FOR REPORTS.***—*Section 453(g)*  
6 *of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 653(g)) is amended—*

7           (1) *in the subsection heading, by striking*  
8           *“STATE”; and*

9           (2) *by striking “and State” and inserting “,*  
10 *State, and tribal”.*

11          ***(c) TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.***—*Paragraphs (7) and*  
12 *(33) of section 454 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.*  
13 *654) are each amended by striking “450b” and inserting*  
14 *“5304”.*

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