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118TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. _____

To amend subpart 2 of part B of the Social Security Act to promote community-based prevention services, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. CAREY introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

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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 “Promoting Commu-
5 nity-Based Prevention Services Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROMOTION OF COMMUNITY-BASED PREVENTION**
2 **SERVICES.**

3 (a) CLARIFYING SUPPORT FOR FAMILY RESOURCE
4 CENTERS.—Section 431(a) of the Social Security Act (42
5 U.S.C. 629a(a)) is amended—

6 (1) in paragraph (2)(A), by inserting “, includ-
7 ing services provided by family resource centers,”
8 before “designed”; and

9 (2) by adding at the end the following:

10 “(10) FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER.—

11 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘family re-
12 source center’ means a community or school-
13 based hub of support, services, and opportuni-
14 ties for families that—

15 “(i) utilizes an approach that is multi-
16 generational, strengths-based, and family-
17 centered;

18 “(ii) reflects, and is responsive to,
19 community needs and interests;

20 “(iii) provides support at no or low
21 cost for participants; and

22 “(iv) builds communities of peer sup-
23 port for families to develop social connec-
24 tions that reduce isolation and stress.

25 “(B) SPECIAL RULE.—For purposes of
26 this subpart, an expenditure for a service pro-

1 vided by a family resource center may be treat-
2 ed as an expenditure for any 1 or more of fam-
3 ily support services, family preservation serv-
4 ices, family reunification services, or adoption
5 promotion and support services.”.

6 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—The amendments made by
8 this section shall take effect on the October 1, 2026,
9 and shall apply to payments under subpart 2 of part
10 B of title IV of the Social Security Act for calendar
11 quarters beginning on or after such date.

12 (2) DELAY PERMITTED IF STATE LEGISLATION
13 REQUIRED.—If the Secretary of Health and Human
14 Services determines that State legislation (other
15 than legislation appropriating funds) is required in
16 order for a State plan developed pursuant to subpart
17 2 of part B of title IV of the Social Security Act to
18 meet the additional requirements imposed by the
19 amendments made by this Act, the plan shall not be
20 regarded as failing to meet any of the additional re-
21 quirements before the 1st day of the 1st calendar
22 quarter beginning after the first regular session of
23 the State legislature that begins after the date of the
24 enactment of this Act. For purposes of the preceding
25 sentence, if the State has a 2-year legislative session,

- 1 each year of the session is deemed to be a separate
- 2 regular session of the State legislature.