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119TH CONGRESS
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To amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to establish a grant program for multigenerational activities for long-term care facilities.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. STRICKLAND introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

To amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to establish a grant program for multigenerational activities for long-term care facilities.

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 “Care Across Genera-
5 tions Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE FUNDING**
2 **OF MULTIGENERATIONAL PROGRAMS IN**
3 **LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES.**

4 Part A of title IV of the Older Americans Act of 1965
5 (42 U.S.C. 3032 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end
6 the following:

7 **“SEC. 423. COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE FUND-**
8 **ING OF MULTIGENERATIONAL PROGRAMS IN**
9 **LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES.**

10 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT OF GRANT PROGRAM.—The
11 Assistant Secretary shall award grants, on a competitive
12 basis, to eligible entities to—

13 “(1) operate a qualified child care facility with-
14 in the long-term care facility or contract with a
15 qualified child care facility;

16 “(2) coordinate multigenerational activities be-
17 tween the integrated qualified child care facility and
18 long-term care facility; and

19 “(3) build a new, or expand an existing, long-
20 term care facility operated by the eligible entity for
21 any of the purposes described in paragraph (1) or
22 (2).

23 “(b) APPLICATION.—An entity seeking a grant under
24 this section shall submit an application to the Assistant
25 Secretary at such time, in such manner, and accompanied
26 by such information as the Assistant Secretary may rea-

1 sonably require; and in accordance the requirements speci-
2 fied in subsection (g).

3 “(c) EVALUATION AND REPORT.—

4 “(1) EVALUATION.—Each eligible entity receiv-
5 ing a grant under this section shall evaluate—

6 “(A) the effectiveness of the entity in oper-
7 ating a qualified child care facility within an
8 long-term care facility as required under sub-
9 section (a)(1);

10 “(B) the effectiveness of the
11 multigenerational activities coordinated under
12 subsection (a)(2); and

13 “(C) the impact on older individuals and
14 children of the 14 co-location and
15 multigenerational activities carried out by the
16 entity.

17 “(2) REPORT.—Each eligible entity receiving a
18 grant under this section shall, not later than 6
19 months after the expiration of the period for which
20 the grant is in effect, submit a report to the Assist-
21 ant Secretary containing the evaluation under para-
22 graph (1).

23 “(d) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 6
24 months after the Assistant Secretary receives all reports
25 required under subsection (c)(2), the Assistant Secretary

1 shall prepare and submit to the Committee on Education
2 and Labor of the House of Representatives and the Com-
3 mittee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the
4 Senate a report that assesses the evaluations contained in
5 the reports required under subsection (c)(2). The report
6 required of the Assistant Secretary under this subsection
7 shall include, at a minimum—

8 “(1) the names and addresses of all eligible en-
9 tities that received grants under this section;

10 “(2) a description of the methods such eligible
11 entities used in operating qualified child care facili-
12 ties within long-term care facilities as required
13 under subsection (a)(1);

14 “(3) a description of the methods such eligible
15 entities used in coordinating multigenerational ac-
16 tivities required under subsection (a)(2);

17 “(4) a strategy for disseminating the findings
18 resulting from the projects carried out through
19 grants under this section; and

20 “(5) any policy change recommendations relat-
21 ing to operating qualified child care facilities within
22 long-term care facilities.

23 “(e) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section:

24 “(1) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term ‘eligible en-
25 tity’ means an organization operating an long-term

1 care facility that submits an application meeting the
2 requirements under subsection (b).

3 “(2) LONG-TERM CARE FACILITY.—The term
4 ‘long-term care facility’ means—

5 “(A) any skilled nursing facility, as defined
6 in section 1819(a) of the Social Security Act
7 (42 U.S.C. 1395i–3(a));

8 “(B) any nursing facility, as defined in
9 section 1919(a) of the Social Security Act (42
10 U.S.C. 1396r(a));

11 “(C) a board and care facility; and

12 “(D) any other adult care home, including
13 an assisted living facility, similar to a facility or
14 institution described in subparagraphs (A)
15 through (C).

16 “(3) MULTIGENERATIONAL ACTIVITY.—The
17 term ‘multigenerational activity’ shall have the
18 meaning given such term in section 417(h)(1).

19 “(4) QUALIFIED CHILD CARE FACILITY.—The
20 term ‘qualified child care facility’ means a facility—

21 “(A) the principal use of which is to pro-
22 vide child care assistance; and

23 “(B) that meets the requirements of all ap-
24 plicable laws and regulations of the State or
25 local government in which the facility is located,

1 including with respect to the licensing of the fa-
2 cility as a child care facility.

3 “(f) GRANT PERIODS.—Each grant awarded under
4 subsection (a) shall be for a period of not less than 36
5 months.

6 “(g) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.—An application
7 submitted by an eligible entity pursuant to subsection (b)
8 shall include a certification that, for purposes of infection
9 control and prevention, such entity—

10 “(1) conducts a screening process for all visi-
11 tors of such entity; and

12 “(2) is in compliance with all applicable state
13 and local sanitation and infection control require-
14 ments.”.