

1 **TITLE IX—COMMITTEE ON**
2 **HOMELAND SECURITY AND**
3 **GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS**
4 **Subtitle B—Governmental Affairs**
5 **Provisions**

6 **SEC. 90101. FEHB IMPROVEMENTS.**

7 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This section may be cited as the
8 “FEHB Protection Act of 2025”.

9 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

10 (1) DIRECTOR.—The term “Director” means
11 the Director of the Office of Personnel Management.

12 (2) HEALTH BENEFITS PLAN; MEMBER OF
13 FAMILY.—The terms “health benefits plan” and
14 “member of family” have the meanings given those
15 terms in section 8901 of title 5, United States Code.

16 (3) OPEN SEASON.—The term “open season”
17 means an open season described in section
18 890.301(f) of title 5, Code of Federal Regulations,
19 or any successor regulation.

20 (4) PROGRAM.—The term “Program” means
21 the health insurance programs carried out under
22 chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code, including

1 the program carried out under section 8903c of that
2 title.

3 (5) QUALIFYING LIFE EVENT.—The term
4 “qualifying life event” has the meaning given the
5 term in section 892.101 of title 5, Code of Federal
6 Regulations, or any successor regulation.

7 (c) VERIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.—Not later than
8 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Director
9 shall issue regulations and implement a process to verify—

10 (1) the veracity of any qualifying life event
11 through which an enrollee in the Program seeks to
12 add a member of family with respect to the enrollee
13 to a health benefits plan under the Program; and

14 (2) that, when an enrollee in the Program seeks
15 to add a member of family with respect to the en-
16 rollee to the health benefits plan of the enrollee
17 under the Program, including during any open sea-
18 son, the individual so added is a qualifying member
19 of family with respect to the enrollee.

20 (d) FRAUD RISK ASSESSMENT.—In any fraud risk
21 assessment conducted with respect to the Program on or
22 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Director shall
23 include an assessment of individuals who are enrolled in,
24 or covered under, a health benefits plan under the Pro-

1 gram even though those individuals are not eligible to be
2 so enrolled or covered.

3 (e) FAMILY MEMBER ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION
4 AUDIT.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—During the 3-year period be-
6 ginning on the date that is 1 year after the date of
7 enactment of this Act, the Director shall carry out
8 a comprehensive audit regarding members of family
9 who are covered under an enrollment in a health
10 benefits plan under the Program.

11 (2) CONTENTS.—With respect to the audit car-
12 ried out under paragraph (1), the Director shall re-
13 view marriage certificates, birth certificates, and
14 other appropriate documents that are necessary to
15 determine eligibility to enroll in a health benefits
16 plan under the Program.

17 (f) DISENROLLMENT OR REMOVAL.—Not later than
18 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Di-
19 rector shall develop a process by which any individual en-
20 rolled in, or covered under, a health benefits plan under
21 the Program who is not eligible to be so enrolled or cov-
22 ered shall be disenrolled or removed from enrollment in,
23 or coverage under, that health benefits plan.

24 (g) EARNED BENEFITS AND HEALTH CARE ADMIN-
25 ISTRATIVE SERVICES ASSOCIATED OVERSIGHT AND

1 AUDIT FUNDING.—Section 8909 of title 5, United States
2 Code, is amended—

3 (1) in subsection (a)(2), by inserting before the
4 period at the end the following: “, except that the
5 amounts required to be set aside under subsection
6 (b)(2) shall not be subject to the limitations that
7 may be specified annually by Congress”; and

8 (2) in subsection (b)—

9 (A) by redesignating paragraph (2) as
10 paragraph (3); and

11 (B) by inserting after paragraph (1) the
12 following:

13 “(2) In fiscal year 2026, \$66,000,000, to be de-
14 rived from all contributions, and to remain available
15 until the end of fiscal year 2035, for the Director of
16 the Office to carry out subsections (c) through (f) of
17 the FEHB Protection Act of 2025.”.

18 **SEC. 90102. PANDEMIC RESPONSE ACCOUNTABILITY COM-**
19 **MITTEE.**

20 (a) PANDEMIC RESPONSE ACCOUNTABILITY COM-
21 MITTEE FUNDING AVAILABILITY.—In addition to
22 amounts otherwise available, there is appropriated for fis-
23 cal year 2026, out of any money in the Treasury not other-
24 wise appropriated, \$88,000,000, to remain available until
25 expended, for the Pandemic Response Accountability Com-

1 mittee to support oversight of the Coronavirus response
2 and of funds provided in this Act or any other Act per-
3 taining to the Coronavirus pandemic.

4 (b) CARES ACT.—Section 15010 of the CARES Act
5 (Public Law 116–136; 134 Stat. 533) is amended—

6 (1) in subsection (a)(6)—

7 (A) in subparagraph (E), by striking “or”
8 at the end;

9 (B) in subparagraph (F), by striking
10 “and” at the end and inserting “or”; and

11 (C) by adding at the end the following:

12 “(G) the Act titled ‘An Act to provide for
13 reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con.
14 Res. 14’; and”; and

15 (2) in subsection (k), by striking “2025” and
16 inserting “2034”.