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Budget Reconciliation Legislative Recommendations Relating to Emergency Assistance to Families Through Home Visiting Programs

1 Subtitle B—Emergency Assistance 2 to Families Through Home Vis- 3 iting Programs

4 SEC. 9101. EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TO FAMILIES 5 THROUGH HOME VISITING PROGRAMS.

6 (a) SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION.—In addition to
7 amounts otherwise appropriated, out of any money in the
8 Treasury of the United States not otherwise appropriated,
9 there are appropriated to the Secretary of Health and
10 Human Services \$150,000,000, to remain available
11 through September 30, 2022, to enable eligible entities to
12 conduct programs in accordance with section 511 of the
13 Social Security Act and subsection (e) of this section.

14 (b) ELIGIBILITY FOR FUNDS.—To be eligible to re-
15 ceive funds made available by subsection (a), an entity
16 shall—

17 (1) as of the date of the enactment of this sec-
18 tion, be conducting a program under section 511 of
19 the Social Security Act;

1 (2) consent to modifying the terms of any
2 agreement executed under section 511 of such Act
3 under which the program is conducted as are nec-
4 essary to provide that, during the period that begins
5 with the date of the enactment of this section and
6 ends with the end of the 2nd succeeding fiscal year
7 after the funds are awarded, the entity shall—

8 (A) not reduce funding for, or staffing lev-
9 els of, the program on account of reduced en-
10 rollment in the program; and

11 (B) when using funds to provide emer-
12 gency supplies to eligible families receiving
13 grant services under section 511 of such Act,
14 ensure coordination with local diaper banks to
15 the extent practicable; and

16 (3) reaffirm that, in conducting the program,
17 the entity will focus on priority populations (as de-
18 fined in section 511(d)(4) of such Act).

19 (c) **USES OF FUNDS.**—An entity to which funds are
20 provided under this section may use the funds—

21 (1) to serve families with home visits or with
22 virtual visits, that may be conducted by the use of
23 electronic information and telecommunications tech-
24 nologies, in a service delivery model described in sec-
25 tion 511(d)(3)(A) of the Social Security Act;

1 (2) to pay hazard pay or other additional staff
2 costs associated with providing home visits or ad-
3 ministration for programs funded under section 511
4 of such Act;

5 (3) to train home visitors employed by the enti-
6 ty in conducting a virtual home visit and in emer-
7 gency preparedness and response planning for fami-
8 lies served, and may include training on how to safe-
9 ly conduct intimate partner violence screenings, and
10 training on safety and planning for families served
11 to support the family outcome improvements listed
12 in section 511(d)(2)(B) of such Act;

13 (4) for the acquisition by families served by
14 programs under section 511 of such Act of such
15 technological means as are needed to conduct and
16 support a virtual home visit;

17 (5) to provide emergency supplies (such as dia-
18 pers and diapering supplies including diaper wipes
19 and diaper cream, necessary to ensure that a child
20 using a diaper is properly cleaned and protected
21 from diaper rash, formula, food, water, hand soap
22 and hand sanitizer) to an eligible family (as defined
23 in section 511(k)(2) of such Act);

24 (6) to coordinate with and provide reimburse-
25 ment for supplies to diaper banks when using such

1 entities to provide emergency supplies specified in
2 paragraph (5); and
3 (7) to provide prepaid grocery cards to an eligi-
4 ble family (as defined in section 511(k)(2) of the So-
5 cial Security Act) participating in the maternal, in-
6 fant, and early childhood home visiting program
7 under section 511 of such Act for the purpose of en-
8 abling the family to meet the emergency needs of the
9 family.

