

119TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

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To amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to remove certain age restrictions on Medicaid eligibility for working adults with disabilities.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mrs. BLACKBURN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**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 “Ensuring Access to  
5       Medicaid Buy-in Programs Act of 2026”.

6       **SEC. 2. REMOVING CERTAIN AGE RESTRICTIONS ON MED-  
7                   ICAID ELIGIBILITY FOR WORKING ADULTS  
8                   WITH DISABILITIES.**

9       (a) MODIFICATION OF OPTIONAL BUY-IN GROUPS.—

4 (A) in subclause (XV)—

5 (i) by striking “, but less than 65,”;  
6 and

7 (ii) by inserting “, including at least  
8 the group described in section  
9 1905(a)(xviii)” before the semicolon at the  
10 end; and

11 (B) in subclause (XVI), by inserting “in-  
12 cluding at least the group described in section  
13 1905(a)(xii),” after “the State may establish.”.

14 (2) INDIVIDUALS DESCRIBED.—Section 1905(a)  
15 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396d(a)) is  
16 amended—

17 (A) in clause (xvi), by striking "or" at the  
18 end:

19 (B) in clause (xvii), by adding "or" after  
20 the comma at the end; and

21 (C) by adding after clause (xvii) the fol-  
22 lowing new clause:

8 (b) APPLICATION TO CERTAIN STATES.—A State  
9 that, as of the date of enactment of this Act, provides for  
10 making medical assistance available to individuals de-  
11 scribed in subclause (XV) or (XVI) of section  
12 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.  
13 1396a(a)(10)(A)(ii)) shall not be regarded as failing to  
14 comply with the requirements of the amendments made  
15 by subsection (a) before January 1, 2028.