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S. 2492

To amend title II of the Social Security Act to improve coordination between the Do Not Pay working system and Federal and State agencies authorized to use the system.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. KENNEDY (for himself and Mr. CARPER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

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 “Ending Improper Pay-
5 ments to Deceased People Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. IMPROVING COORDINATION BETWEEN FEDERAL**
2 **AND STATE AGENCIES AND THE DO NOT PAY**
3 **WORKING SYSTEM.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 801(a) of title VIII of di-
5 vision FF of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021
6 (Public Law 116–260) is amended by striking paragraph
7 (7) and inserting the following:

8 “(7) by adding at the end the following para-
9 graph:

10 ““(11) Upon the completion of the 3-year period that
11 begins on December 27, 2023, the Commissioner of Social
12 Security shall, to the extent feasible, provide information
13 furnished to the Commissioner under paragraph (1) to the
14 agency operating the Do Not Pay working system de-
15 scribed in section 3354(c) of title 31, United States Code,
16 or an agent thereof, to prevent improper payments to de-
17 ceased individuals through a cooperative arrangement with
18 such agency, provided that the requirements of subpara-
19 graphs (A) and (B) of paragraph (3) are met with respect
20 to such arrangement with such agency. Under such ar-
21 rangement, the agency operating the Do Not Pay working
22 system, or an agent thereof, may compare the information
23 so provided by the Commissioner with personally identifi-
24 able information derived from a Federal system of records
25 or similar records maintained by a Federal contractor, a
26 Federal grantee, or an entity administering a Federal pro-

1 gram or activity, and may redisclose such comparison of
2 information, as appropriate, to any Federal or State agen-
3 cy authorized to use the working system.’.”.

4 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 801(b)(2)
5 of title VIII of division FF of the Consolidated Appropria-
6 tions Act, 2021 (Public Law 116–260) is amended by
7 striking “on the date that is 3 years after the date of en-
8 actment of this Act” and inserting “December 28, 2026”.

9 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
10 this section shall take effect on December 28, 2026.

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