

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 8872, AS REPORTED**  
**OFFERED BY MR. DAVIS OF ILLINOIS**

Strike section 6 and insert the following:

**1 SEC. 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), the  
3 amendments made by this Act shall take effect on October  
4 1, 2027.

5 (b) CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE.—The amend-  
6 ments made by this Act shall not take effect until the  
7 Comptroller General certifies to the Congress that the Sec-  
8 retary of Health and Human Services transmits to the  
9 House of Representatives copies of any document, audit  
10 trail, record, audio recording, memorandum, call log, cor-  
11 respondence (electronic or otherwise), written agreements,  
12 report, study, contract, staffing assignment, legal analysis,  
13 or other communication in the possession of the Secretary,  
14 or any portion of any document, record, audit trail, audio  
15 recording, memorandum, call log, contract, staffing as-  
16 signment, legal analysis, correspondence (electronic or  
17 otherwise), or other communication, that refers or relates  
18 to the following:

19 (1) Communication between the Executive Of-  
20 fice of the President and the Department of Health

1 and Human Services about selecting particular  
2 States and programs for a payment freeze.

3 (2) The message on December 30, 2025, by  
4 Jim O’Neill, former Deputy Secretary of Health and  
5 Human Services, freezing all payments related to  
6 the Administration for Children and Families.

7 (3) Drawdown of funding related to, or under,  
8 Temporary Assistance to Needy Families, Social  
9 Services Block Grant, and Child Care Entitlement to  
10 States, at any time after December 30, 2025, by  
11 California, Colorado, Illinois, Minnesota, or New  
12 York (in this subsection “the five States”), or any  
13 tribal grantee located in any the five States.

14 (4) Warning letters, referrals to the Office of  
15 the Inspector General, or other disciplinary actions,  
16 regarding alleged funding misuse by any of the five  
17 States from January 20, 2025, through December 1,  
18 2025.

19 (5) Communication with grantees regarding  
20 submitting additional data and plans in the Depart-  
21 ment of Health and Human Services for the storage,  
22 use, and sharing of such data within the Depart-  
23 ment and by the Department to another entity after  
24 January 20, 2025.

1           (6) Contracts, staffing assignments, and in-  
2           structions to contractors and any staff in the De-  
3           partment of Health and Human Services (whether  
4           based in the District of Columbia or regionally) re-  
5           garding the payment freeze described in this sub-  
6           section.

7           (7) Contracts with States, Tribes, and terri-  
8           tories governing the Payment Management System  
9           of the Department of Health and Human Services  
10          effective in 2025 or 2026.

11          (8) Meetings, discussions, or other actions in-  
12          volving the Office of the General Counsel of the De-  
13          partment of Health and Human Services or outside  
14          legal advisors providing services to the Department  
15          regarding use of the Payment Management System  
16          of the Department of Health and Human Services  
17          by grantees in the five States after January 20,  
18          2025.

