

119TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 9139

To amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to clarify the intent of Congress with regards to Medicaid financing policies.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 4, 2026

Mrs. CAMMACK (for herself, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. BUCHANAN, and Mr. MORAN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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 “Medicaid Financing
5 Clarification Act of 2026”.

6 **SEC. 2. CLARIFYING THE INTENT OF CONGRESS WITH RE-**
7 **GDARDS TO MEDICAID FINANCING POLICIES.**

8 (a) STATE PLANS FOR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE.—Sec-
9 tion 1902(a) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.

1 1396a(a)) is amended in paragraph (2) by inserting “, in-
2 cluding public funds transferred from or certified by polit-
3 ical subdivisions,” after “from local sources”.

4 (b) DEFINITIONS.—Section 1905 of the Social Secu-
5 rity Act (42 U.S.C. 1396d) is amended by adding at the
6 end the following new subsections:

7 “(ll) PUBLIC FUNDS.—For purposes of sections
8 1902(a)(2) and 1903(w), ‘public funds’ means State and
9 local funds in the possession of a political subdivision or
10 public agency, including tax revenues, appropriations,
11 fees, grants, earned interest, fines, sale or lease of public
12 resources, legal settlements and judgments, revenue from
13 bond issuances, tobacco settlement funds, and patient care
14 revenues. Federal funds may not be used as public funds
15 unless authorized by Federal law to be used as matching
16 funds for other Federal funds.

17 “(mm) POLITICAL SUBDIVISION.—For purposes of
18 subsections (cc) and (ll) of this section and subsection
19 1902(a)(2), a ‘political subdivision’ is a separate legal en-
20 tity of a State which has specific governmental functions.
21 A political subdivision may include a county, city, town,
22 village, district, non-State governmental entity, or other
23 unit of local government in a State.

24 “(nn) PUBLIC AGENCY.—For purposes of subsection
25 (ll) of this section and subsections 1902(a)(2) and

1 1903(w), a ‘public agency’ is a unit of government, includ-
2 ing a State or any political subdivision thereof.”.

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