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# H. R. 1784

To provide for a demonstration project to improve provision of certain benefits under the Social Security Act through a private aid program.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. KLECZKA (for himself and Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin) introduced the following bill; which was referred jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Energy and Commerce

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## A BILL

To provide for a demonstration project to improve provision of certain benefits under the Social Security Act through a private aid program.

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. NEW HOPE DEMONSTRATION PROJECT.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Health and  
5 Human Services (referred to in this section as the “Sec-  
6 retary”) shall provide for a demonstration project for a  
7 qualified program to be conducted in Milwaukee, Wiscon-  
8 sin, in accordance with this section.

1           (b) PAYMENTS.—(1) Except as provided in para-  
2 graph (2), for each calendar quarter in which there is a  
3 qualified program approved under this subsection, the Sec-  
4 retary shall pay to the operator of the qualified program  
5 an amount equal to the aggregate amount that would oth-  
6 erwise have been payable to the State in the absence of  
7 the program, with respect to participants in the program,  
8 for cash assistance and child care under part A of title  
9 IV of the Social Security Act, for medical assistance under  
10 title XIX of such Act, and for administrative expenses re-  
11 lated to such assistance, for such calendar quarter. In cal-  
12 culating the amount of such payment, the expenses of the  
13 program incurred in evaluating the effects of the program  
14 (as required under subsection (d)(1)) may be treated as  
15 amounts necessary for the proper and efficient administra-  
16 tion of the program, for purposes of part A of title IV,  
17 and title XIX, of such Act.

18           (2) LIMITATION ON PAYMENTS.—Payments shall be  
19 made under paragraph (1) to participants in the program  
20 for no more than 20 calendar quarters.

21           (c) DEMONSTRATION PROJECT DESCRIBED.—For  
22 purposes of this section, the term “qualified program”  
23 means a program operated—

24                   (1) by The New Hope Project, Inc., a private,  
25           not-for-profit corporation incorporated under the

1 laws of the State of Wisconsin (referred to in this  
2 section as the “operator”), which offers low-income  
3 residents of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, employment,  
4 wage supplements, child care, health care, and coun-  
5 seling and training for job retention or advancement;  
6 and

7 (2) in accordance with an application submitted  
8 by the operator of the program and approved by the  
9 Secretary based on the Secretary’s determination  
10 that the application satisfies the requirements of  
11 subsection (d).

12 (d) CONTENTS OF APPLICATION.—The operator of  
13 the qualified program shall provide, in the operator’s ap-  
14 plication to conduct a demonstration project for the pro-  
15 gram, that the following terms and conditions will be met:

16 (1) The operator will develop and implement an  
17 evaluation plan designed to provide reliable informa-  
18 tion on the impact and implementation of the pro-  
19 gram. The evaluation plan will include adequately  
20 sized groups of project participants and control  
21 groups assigned at random.

22 (2) The operator will develop and implement a  
23 plan addressing the services and assistance to be  
24 provided by the program, the timing and determina-  
25 tion of payments from the Secretary to the operator

1 of the program, and the roles and responsibilities of  
2 the Secretary and the operator with respect to meet-  
3 ing the requirements of this paragraph.

4 (3) The operator will specify a methodology for  
5 determining expenditures to be paid to the operator  
6 by the Secretary, with assistance from the Secretary  
7 in calculating the amount that would otherwise have  
8 been payable to the State in the absence of the pro-  
9 gram, pursuant to subsection (b).

10 (4) The operator will issue an interim and final  
11 report on the results of the evaluation described in  
12 paragraph (1) to the Secretary at such times as re-  
13 quired by the Secretary.

14 (e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall take effect  
15 on the first day of the first calendar quarter that begins  
16 after the date of enactment of this Act.

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