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# H. R. 4521

To amend the Social Security Act to improve the information made available in social security account statements and to provide for annual distribution of such statements to beneficiaries.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 26, 1994

Ms. MARGOLIES-MEZVINSKY (for herself, Mr. PENNY, Ms. LONG, Ms. LAMBERT, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. McMILLAN, Mr. MURTHA, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. COX, Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey, Mr. BACCHUS of Florida, and Mr. CLEMENT) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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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 “Social Security Access  
5 to Information Act of 1994”.

1 **SEC. 2. ANNUAL SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNT STATEMENTS**  
2 **TO BENEFICIARIES INDICATING TOTAL BENE-**  
3 **FITS PAID.**

4 Section 1143 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.  
5 1320b-13) is amended—

6 (1) in subsection (a)(1), by striking “Beginning  
7 not later than October 1, 1990, the Secretary” and  
8 inserting “The Secretary”;

9 (2) in subsection (a)(2)(A), by inserting  
10 “, expressed in terms of actual dollars and in terms  
11 of current dollars” after “request”;

12 (3) in subsection (a)(2), by redesignating sub-  
13 paragraphs (B), (C), and (D), as subparagraphs  
14 (C), (D), and (E), respectively, and by inserting  
15 after subparagraph (A) the following new subpara-  
16 graph:

17 “(B) the total amount of benefits paid to date  
18 to the eligible individual and the total amount of  
19 benefits paid to date to all beneficiaries on the basis  
20 of the eligible individual’s wages and self-employ-  
21 ment income, expressed in terms of actual dollars  
22 and in terms of current dollars;”;

23 (4) by striking subsection (c)(1) and inserting  
24 the following:

25 “(c)(1) Beginning not later than October 1, 1994, the  
26 Secretary shall provide a statement on an annual basis

1 to each eligible individual who has attained at least 60  
2 years of age and for whom a current mailing address can  
3 be determined through such methods as the Secretary de-  
4 termines to be appropriate.”; and

5 (5) in subsection (c)(2), by striking “who is not  
6 receiving benefits under title II and”.

7 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

8 The amendments made by this Act shall apply with  
9 respect to social security account statements provided  
10 after September 30, 1994, and before January 1, 2016.

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