

119TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

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To prohibit individuals receiving public assistance from conducting remittance transfers.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. MORENO introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on _____

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 “Stopping Transfers
5 of Public Funds Abroad Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITING INDIVIDUALS RECEIVING PUBLIC AS-**
7 **SISTANCE FROM CONDUCTING REMITTANCE**
8 **TRANSFERS.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—

1 (1) ENFORCEMENT.—The head of any Federal
2 agency responsible for the administration of any
3 public assistance program shall require any indi-
4 vidual applying or reapplying for any payment or
5 other benefit under such program to provide a writ-
6 ten declaration, under penalty of perjury pursuant to
7 section 1746 of title 28, United States Code, that
8 such individual will not transfer any funds through
9 a remittance transfer during any period in which
10 such individual receives any payment or other ben-
11 efit under such program.

12 (2) PENALTY.—Any individual who has pro-
13 vided a written declaration described in paragraph
14 (1) and subsequently transferred funds through a
15 remittance transfer during any period in which such
16 individual received any payment or other benefit
17 under the public assistance program to which such
18 declaration applies shall be subject to a fine of
19 \$100,000.

20 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

21 (1) PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.—The term
22 “public assistance program” means any program de-
23 scribed in paragraph (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), or (7) of
24 section 416.1142(a) of title 20, Code of Federal

1 Regulations (as in effect of the date of enactment of
2 this Act).

3 (2) REMITTANCE TRANSFER.—The term “re-
4 mittance transfer” has the same meaning given such
5 term under section 920(g) of the Electronic Fund
6 Transfer Act (15 U.S.C. 1693o-1(g)).

7 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall apply to
8 any payment or other benefit under a public assistance
9 program which is provided after the date which is 30 days
10 after the date of enactment of this Act.