

116TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 1838

To amend title II of the Social Security Act to provide for the reissuance of Social Security account numbers to young children in cases where confidentiality has been compromised.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 21, 2019

Mr. MARCHANT (for himself and Mr. SMITH of Missouri) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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 Child
5 Protection Act of 2019”.

1 **SEC. 2. REISSUANCE OF SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNT NUM-**
2 **BERS TO YOUNG CHILDREN IN CASES WHERE**
3 **CONFIDENTIALITY HAS BEEN COMPROMISED.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 205(c)(2)(B) of the Social
5 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 405(c)(2)(B)) is amended—

6 (1) by redesignating clause (iii) as clause (iv);

7 and

8 (2) by inserting after clause (ii) the following
9 new clause:

10 “(iii) In any case in which a Social Security account
11 number has been issued to a child who has not attained
12 the age of 14 pursuant to subclause (IV) or (V) of clause
13 (i) and it is demonstrated by evidence, as determined by
14 the Commissioner of Social Security, and submitted under
15 penalty of perjury to the Commissioner by a parent or
16 guardian of the child that in the course of transmission
17 of the social security card to the child, the confidentiality
18 of such number has been compromised by reason of theft
19 of such social security card, the Commissioner shall issue
20 a new Social Security account number to such child and
21 make note in the records maintained with respect to such
22 child of the pertinent information received by the Commis-
23 sioner regarding the theft of the social security card.”.

1 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
2 subsection (a) shall take effect on the date that is 180
3 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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