

## 118TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION H.R. 3784

To amend title VII of the Social Security Act to provide for a single point of contact at the Social Security Administration for individuals who are victims of identity theft.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 1, 2023

Mr. Ferguson (for himself and Mr. Larson of Connecticut) 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 "Improving Social Secu-
- 5 rity's Service to Victims of Identity Theft Act".

1	SEC. 2. SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT FOR IDENTITY THEFT
2	VICTIMS.
3	(a) In General.—Title VII of the Social Security
4	Act (42 U.S.C. 901 et seq.) is amended by adding at the
5	end the following:
6	"SEC. 714. SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT FOR IDENTITY
7	THEFT VICTIMS.
8	"(a) In General.—The Commissioner of Social Se-
9	curity shall establish and implement procedures to ensure
10	that any individual whose social security account number
11	has been misused (such as to fraudulently obtain benefits
12	under title II, VIII, or XVI of this Act, or in a manner
13	that affects an individual's records at the Social Security
14	Administration, or in a manner that prompts the indi-
15	vidual to request a new social security account number)
16	has a single point of contact at the Social Security Admin-
17	istration throughout the resolution of the individual's case.
18	The single point of contact shall track the individual's case
19	to completion and coordinate with other units to resolve
20	issues as quickly as possible.
21	"(b) Single Point of Contact.—
22	"(1) In general.—For purposes of subsection
23	(a), the single point of contact shall consist of a
24	team or subset of specially trained employees who—

1	"(A) have the ability to coordinate with
2	other units to resolve the issues involved in the
3	individual's case, and
4	"(B) shall be accountable for the case until
5	its resolution.
6	"(2) Team or subset.—The employees in-
7	cluded within the team or subset described in para-
8	graph (1) may change as required to meet the needs
9	of the Social Security Administration, provided that
10	procedures have been established to—
11	"(A) ensure continuity of records and case
12	history, and
13	"(B) notify the individual when appro-
14	priate.".
15	(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents
16	for title VII of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 901
17	et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following
18	new item:
	"Sec. 714. Single point of contact for identity theft victims.".
19	(c) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
20	subsection (a) shall take effect 180 days after the date
21	of enactment of this Act

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