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Ending Improper Payments to Deceased People Act

Congress: 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Social Welfare

Introduced: Jul 25, 2023

Current Status: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 653.

Latest Action: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 653. (Dec 2, 2024)

Official Text: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/118th-congress/senate-bill/2492>

Sponsor

Name: Sen. Kennedy, John [R-LA]

Party: Republican • **State:** LA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE]	D · DE		Jul 25, 2023
Sen. Hassan, Margaret Wood [D-NH]	D · NH		May 14, 2024
Sen. Peters, Gary C. [D-MI]	D · MI		Dec 9, 2024

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Dec 2, 2024

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Social Welfare

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jul 25, 2023)

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This bill permanently allows the Department of the Treasury to access certain death records maintained by the Social Security Administration (SSA) to prevent improper payments to deceased individuals.

Current law requires the SSA to share its Death Master File with the Do Not Pay system maintained by Treasury for three years. The bill makes this requirement permanent, and it allows Treasury to compare SSA death records with personally identifiable information from other federal records systems and to share these comparisons with any federal or state agency that is authorized to use the Do Not Pay system.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 2, 2024:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Reported by Senator Peters with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 118-252.
- **Dec 2, 2024:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 653.
- **May 15, 2024:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- **Jul 25, 2023:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jul 25, 2023:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

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