

November 21, 2022

The Honorable John B. Larson Chair, Subcommittee on Social Security Committee on Ways and Means U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Subcommittee Chair Larson:

Thank you for your June 27, 2022 letter concerning the implementation of section 824 of the *Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015* (P.L.114-74). I apologize for the delay in our response.

Section 824 allows us, upon authorization of Supplemental Security Income program and Social Security disability program claimants and beneficiaries, to obtain wage and employment data through an information exchange with payroll data providers. We refer to this information exchange as the Payroll Information Exchange (PIE).

We will issue a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) on the use of PIE before using the PIE data to automatically adjust benefit amounts. We expect to submit this NPRM to the Office of Management and Budget for review in Fiscal Year 2023.

I hope this information addresses your concerns. If you have any questions or wish to discuss this issue in more detail, please do not hesitate to contact me, or have your staff contact Tom Klouda, our Deputy Commissioner for Legislation and Congressional Affairs, at (202) 358 - 6030. I am sending a similar letter to Subcommittee Chair Davis.

Sincerely,

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