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Ticket to Work Advertisement Act

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The Ticket to Work (TTW) program was created with bipartisan support as part of an effort to promote work amongst those who receive Social Security disability benefits.

What is Ticket to Work?

- TTW allows beneficiaries ages 18-64 to obtain free employment services, vocational rehabilitation (VR) services, and other support services from approved providers to achieve specific work-related and career goals.
- Participation is completely free and voluntary.
- The purpose of the program is to help individuals with disabilities experience working while connecting them to support and services they need to succeed in the workplace.
- The goal of TTW program ultimately helps SSDI beneficiaries who can and want to work achieve financial independence.
- During the TTW program, participants do NOT lose their SSDI benefits.

Since the TTW program has been signed into law in 1999, it has not been the most effective. A key barrier is lack of awareness, **2 out of 3** eligible SSDI beneficiaries simply do not know the program exists or how it can help them.

Bill Overview

- The bill requires the Social Security Administration Commissioner to advertise the Ticket to Work program at least every six months. SSA has 12 months for implementation.

Increasing awareness is a straightforward, cost-effective step toward improving the program's impact. Ensuring consistent SSA outreach will help SSDI beneficiaries understand and access the opportunities they deserve.

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