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**STATE TREASURER XXXX SUPPORTS FEDERAL POLICY DESIGNED TO PROTECT THE FINANCIAL FREEDOM OF AMERICANS LIVING WITH DISABILITIES**

*The ABLE Age Adjustment Act Would Significantly Expand the ABLE Eligibility of Americans Living With Disabilities and Their Caregivers*

**CITY, STATE (Month, Day 2019)** –Both the U.S. Senate (S. 651) and House of Representatives HR. 1814), in a bi-partisan fashion, introduced bills to increase the age of on set for individuals with disabilities. These bills are designed to expand the benefits of the ABLE (Achieving a Better Life) Act, which was passed into law five years ago and allows individuals with disabilities and their families to establish tax-advantaged savings and investments.

If signed into law, the number of people eligible to take advantage of the ABLE Act’s programs by raising the age-of-onset to 46 years old, up from where it currently is at 26, would increase the eligible participants by 6 million Americans. ABLE accounts ease financial strains by making withdrawals tax-free when used to cover qualified disability expenses such as medical and dental care, education, housing, and transportation. [ADD INFO SPECIFIC TO STATE’S ABLE PROGRAM]

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Since the passage of the ABLE Act in December 2014, more than three-quarters of all states have passed ABLE legislation and 41 states and DC have launched ABLE savings programs. [ADD INFO ABOUT YOUR STATE’S PLAN]

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