

116TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 6297

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 19, 2020

Mr. Budd introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

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 "Informed Resident No-
- 5 tification Act of 2020".

SEC. 2. DISCLOSURE OF COVID-19 CASES IN PUBLIC HOUS-

- 2 ING.
- 3 (a) REQUIREMENT.—Notwithstanding any other pro-
- 4 vision of law, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Devel-
- 5 opment shall establish such guidelines and requirements
- 6 as may be necessary to require, and to establish a proce-
- 7 dure for, each public housing agency that operates or ad-
- 8 ministers public housing (as such term is defined in sec-
- 9 tion 3(b) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42)
- 10 U.S.C. 1437a(b))) to promptly inform residents of a public
- 11 housing project, upon acquisition of reliable information
- 12 that any resident of the project has been determined by
- 13 a qualified health agency to have tested positive for the
- 14 coronavirus or the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-
- 15 19), that a resident of the project has so tested positive.
- 16 (b) Means of Notification.—The guidelines and
- 17 requirements required under subsection (a) shall specify
- 18 the manner by which residents of a public housing project
- 19 are provided information required under such subsection.
- 20 (c) Removal of Personally Identifiable In-
- 21 FORMATION.—In making the information required under
- 22 subsection (a) available to the public, the Secretary shall
- 23 ensure that appropriate administrative and physical safe-
- 24 guards are in place to remove all personally identifiable
- 25 information.

- 1 (d) Issuance; Effective Date.—The Secretary of
- 2 Housing and Urban Development shall issue the guide-
- 3 lines and requirements required under subsection (a) not
- 4 later than the expiration of the 30-day period beginning
- 5 on the date of the enactment of this Act, which guidelines
- 6 and requirements shall take effect upon issuance.

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