

116TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 6859

To authorize supplemental appropriations for public housing operations and tenant-based rental assistance, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 13, 2020

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ (for herself and Ms. WATERS) 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 “Public Housing and
5 Section 8 Operational Response Act for COVID-19”.

6 **SEC. 2. FUNDING FOR PUBLIC HOUSING AND TENANT-**
7 **BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE.**

8 (a) PUBLIC HOUSING OPERATING FUND.—There is
9 authorized to be appropriated for an additional amount
10 for fiscal year 2020 for the Public Housing Operating

1 Fund under section 9(e) of the United States Housing Act
2 of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437g(e)) \$5,000,000,000, to remain
3 available until September 30, 2021.

4 (b) TENANT-BASED SECTION 8 RENTAL ASSIST-
5 ANCE.—There is authorized to be appropriated for an ad-
6 ditional amount for fiscal year 2020 for the tenant-based
7 rental assistance under section 8(o) of the United States
8 Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(o))
9 \$3,500,000,000, to remain available until September 30,
10 2021, of which not more than \$500,000,000 may be used
11 for administrative fees under section 8(q) of such Act (42
12 U.S.C. 1437f(q)).

13 (c) APPLICABILITY OF WAIVERS.—Any waiver or al-
14 ternative requirement made by the Secretary of Housing
15 and Urban Development pursuant to the heading “Ten-
16 ant-Based Rental Assistance” or “Public Housing Oper-
17 ating Fund” in title XII of division B of the CARES Act
18 (Public Law 116–136) shall apply with respect to amounts
19 made available pursuant to this section.

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