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To provide a path to end homelessness in the United States, and for other purposes.

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MARCH 25, 2019

Ms. WATERS (for herself, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. LAWSON of Florida, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Ms. ADAMS, Ms. ESHOO, Ms. PRESSLEY, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. FOSTER, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mr. CRIST, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. HECK, Mr. CASE, Ms. NORTON, Mr. CUMMINGS, Ms. MENG, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. ROUDA, Ms. OMAR, Mr. HIMES, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. MCNERNEY, Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois, Mr. LEWIS, Mr. VARGAS, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Ms. HILL of California, Ms. DEAN, Ms. KAPTUR, Mrs. TORRES of California, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. WELCH, Ms. TLAIB, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. COHEN, Ms. BONAMICI, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, Ms. GABBARD, Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas, Mr. CLAY, and Ms. CLARKE of New York) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

JULY 5, 2019

Reported from the Committee on Financial Services with an amendment

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italic*]

JULY 5, 2019

Committee on the Budget discharged; committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on March 25, 2019]

# **A BILL**

To provide a path to end homelessness in the United States,  
and for other purposes.

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 “Ending Homelessness*  
5 *Act of 2019”.*

6 **SEC. 2. CONGRESSIONAL FINDINGS.**

7 *The Congress finds that—*

8 *(1) although the United States has experienced a*  
9 *reduction in veteran homelessness after a surge of new*  
10 *Federal funding targeted to homeless veterans starting*  
11 *in fiscal year 2008, major progress towards the na-*  
12 *tional goals for ending homelessness in our Nation*  
13 *has virtually stalled in the absence of increased fund-*  
14 *ing;*

15 *(2) according to the Department of Housing and*  
16 *Urban Development’s 2018 point-in-time count, there*  
17 *were 552,830 people experiencing homelessness in the*  
18 *United States on any given night, including nearly*  
19 *160,000 children and youth;*

20 *(3) homelessness in many communities has*  
21 *reached crisis proportions and some cities have de-*  
22 *clared that homelessness has reached a state of emer-*  
23 *gency; and*

24 *(4) the Federal Government must renew its com-*  
25 *mitment to the national goals to end homelessness.*

1 **SEC. 3. FUNDING TO ADDRESS UNMET NEEDS.**

2 *Title IV of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance*  
3 *Act (42 U.S.C. 11360 et seq) is amended—*

4 *(1) by redesignating section 491 (42 U.S.C.*  
5 *11408; relating to rural housing stability grant pro-*  
6 *gram) as section 441;*

7 *(2) by redesignating section 592 (42 U.S.C.*  
8 *11408a; relating to use of FMHA inventory for tran-*  
9 *sitional housing for homeless persons and for turnkey*  
10 *housing) as section 442; and*

11 *(3) by adding at the end the following new sub-*  
12 *title:*

13 **“Subtitle E—5-Year Path to End**  
14 **Homelessness**

15 **“SEC. 451. FUNDING TO ADDRESS UNMET NEEDS.**

16 *“(a) DIRECT APPROPRIATIONS.—There is appro-*  
17 *priated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise*  
18 *appropriated for each of fiscal years 2020 through 2024,*  
19 *\$1,000,000,000, to remain available until expended, for*  
20 *emergency relief grants under this section to address the*  
21 *unmet needs of homeless populations in jurisdictions with*  
22 *the highest need.*

23 *“(b) FORMULA GRANTS.—*

24 *“(1) ALLOCATION.—Amounts appropriated*  
25 *under subsection (a) for a fiscal year shall be allo-*  
26 *cated among collaborative applicants that comply*

1       with section 402, in accordance with the funding for-  
2       mula established under paragraph (2) of this sub-  
3       section.

4               “(2) *FORMULA.*—The Secretary shall, in con-  
5       sultation with the United States Interagency Council  
6       on Homeless, establish a formula for allocating grant  
7       amounts under this section to address the unmet  
8       needs of homeless populations in jurisdictions with  
9       the highest need, using the best currently available  
10      data that targets need based on key structural deter-  
11      minants of homelessness in the geographic area rep-  
12      resented by a collaborative applicant, which shall in-  
13      clude data providing accurate counts of—

14               “(A) the poverty rate in the geographic area  
15      represented by the collaborative applicant;

16               “(B) shortages of affordable housing for low-  
17      , very low-, and extremely low-income households  
18      in the geographic area represented by the collabo-  
19      rative applicant;

20               “(C) the number of overcrowded housing  
21      units in the geographic area represented by the  
22      collaborative applicant;

23               “(D) the number of unsheltered homeless in-  
24      dividuals and the number of chronically homeless  
25      individuals; and

1           “(E) any other factors that the Secretary  
2           considers appropriate.

3           *The formula shall provide priority to collaborative*  
4           *applicants for which the local governments, within the*  
5           *area served by the applicant, have adopted local poli-*  
6           *cies, such as through zoning and regulation, that le-*  
7           *verage the private sector’s participation to provide*  
8           *housing that is reserved and affordable to low-, very*  
9           *low-, and extremely low-income households, as defined*  
10          *by the Secretary, for a minimum term of 15 years.*  
11          *The Secretary shall establish by regulation the process*  
12          *and manner that local governments will be evaluated.*  
13          *The Secretary shall ensure that local governments are*  
14          *not incentivized or otherwise rewarded for elimi-*  
15          *nating or undermining the intent of zoning regula-*  
16          *tions or other regulations or policies that establish*  
17          *fair wages for laborers, ensure health and safety of*  
18          *buildings for residents and the general public, protect*  
19          *fair housing, establish environmental protections, es-*  
20          *tablish standards for resiliency, prevent tenant dis-*  
21          *placement, or any other requirements that the Sec-*  
22          *retary determines it is in the public interest to pre-*  
23          *serve.*

24           “(3) GRANTS.—For each fiscal year for which  
25           amounts are made available under subsection (a), the

1        *Secretary shall make a grant to each collaborative ap-*  
2        *plicant for which an amount is allocated pursuant to*  
3        *application of the formula established pursuant to*  
4        *paragraph (2) of this subsection in an amount that*  
5        *is equal to the formula amount determined for such*  
6        *collaborative applicant.*

7            *“(4) TIMING.—The funding formula required*  
8        *under paragraph (2) shall be established by regula-*  
9        *tions issued, after notice and opportunity for public*  
10       *comment, not later than 6 months after the date of*  
11       *enactment of this section.*

12        *“(c) USE OF GRANTS.—*

13            *“(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraphs (2)*  
14        *through (4), a collaborative applicant that receives a*  
15        *grant under this section may use such grant amounts*  
16        *only for eligible activities under section 415, 423, or*  
17        *441(b).*

18            *“(2) PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING RE-*  
19        *QUIREMENT.—*

20            *“(A) REQUIREMENT.—Except as provided*  
21        *in subparagraph (B), each collaborative appli-*  
22        *cant that receives a grant under this section*  
23        *shall use not less than 75 percent of such grant*  
24        *amount for permanent supportive housing, in-*

1           *cluding capital costs, rental subsidies, and serv-*  
2           *ices.*

3           “(B) *EXEMPTION.*—*The Secretary shall ex-*  
4           *empt a collaborative applicant from the applica-*  
5           *bility of the requirement under subparagraph*  
6           *(A) if the applicant demonstrates, in accordance*  
7           *with such standards and procedures as the Sec-*  
8           *retary shall establish, that—*

9                   “(i) *chronic homelessness has been*  
10                   *functionally eliminated in the geographic*  
11                   *area served by the applicant; or*

12                   “(ii) *the permanent supportive housing*  
13                   *under development in the geographic area*  
14                   *served by the applicant is sufficient to func-*  
15                   *tionally eliminate chronic homelessness once*  
16                   *such units are available for occupancy.*

17           *The Secretary shall consider and make a deter-*  
18           *mination regarding each request for an exemp-*  
19           *tion under this subparagraph not later than 60*  
20           *days after receipt of such request.*

21           “(3) *LIMITATION ON USE FOR ADMINISTRATIVE*  
22           *EXPENSES.*—*Not more than 5 percent of the total*  
23           *amount of any grant under this section to a collabo-*  
24           *rative applicant may be used for costs of administra-*  
25           *tion.*



1           “(4) *HOUSING FIRST REQUIREMENT.*—*The Sec-*  
2           *retary shall ensure that each collaborative applicant*  
3           *that receives a grant under this section is imple-*  
4           *menting, to the extent possible, and will use such*  
5           *grant amounts in accordance with, a Housing First*  
6           *model for assistance for homeless persons.*

7           “(d) *RENEWAL FUNDING.*—*Expiring contracts for*  
8           *leasing, rental assistance, or permanent housing shall be*  
9           *treated, for purposes of section 429, as expiring contracts*  
10          *referred to in subsection (a) of such section.*

11          “(e) *REPORTING TO CONGRESS.*—

12           “(1) *ANNUAL REPORTS.*—*Not later than the ex-*  
13           *piration of the 12-month period beginning upon the*  
14           *first allocation of amounts made after the date of the*  
15           *enactment of this Act pursuant to subsection (b)(1),*  
16           *and annually thereafter, the Secretary and the United*  
17           *States Interagency Council on Homelessness shall sub-*  
18           *mit a report to the Committees on Financial Services*  
19           *and Appropriations of the House of Representatives*  
20           *and the Committees on Banking, Housing, and*  
21           *Urban Affairs and Appropriations of the Senate pro-*  
22           *viding detailed information regarding the grants*  
23           *made under this section during the preceding year,*  
24           *the activities funded with such grant amounts, and*

1       *the impact of such activities on the communities*  
2       *where such activities took place.*

3               “(2) *COLLECTION OF INFORMATION BY SEC-*  
4       *RETARY.—The Secretary shall require each collabo-*  
5       *rative applicant that receives a grant under this sec-*  
6       *tion to submit such information to the Secretary as*  
7       *may be necessary for the Secretary to comply with the*  
8       *reporting requirement under paragraph (1).*

9       **“SEC. 452. SPECIAL PURPOSE VOUCHERS.**

10              “(a) *DIRECT APPROPRIATION.—There is appropriated*  
11       *out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appro-*  
12       *priated for each of fiscal years 2020 through 2024,*  
13       *\$500,000,000, to remain available until expended, which*  
14       *shall be used as follows:*

15              “(1) *RENTAL ASSISTANCE.—Except as provided*  
16       *in paragraph (2), such amount shall be used for in-*  
17       *cremental assistance for rental assistance under sec-*  
18       *tion 8(o) of the United States Housing Act of 1937*  
19       *(42 U.S.C. 1437f(o)) for persons and households who*  
20       *are homeless (as such term is defined in section 103*  
21       *(42 U.S.C. 11302)), which assistance shall be in addi-*  
22       *tion to such assistance provided pursuant to renewal*  
23       *of expiring contracts for such assistance.*

24              “(2) *ADMINISTRATIVE FEES.—The Secretary*  
25       *may use not more than 10 percent of such amounts*

1       *provided for each fiscal year for administrative fees*  
2       *under 8(q) of the United States Housing Act of 1937*  
3       *(42 U.S.C. 1437f(q)). The Secretary shall establish*  
4       *policies and procedures to provide such fees to the ex-*  
5       *tent necessary to assist homeless persons and families*  
6       *on whose behalf rental assistance is provided to find*  
7       *and maintain suitable housing.*

8       “(b) *ALLOCATION.—The Secretary shall make assist-*  
9       *ance provided under this section available to public housing*  
10       *agencies based on geographical need for such assistance by*  
11       *homeless persons and households, as identified by the Sec-*  
12       *retary, public housing agency administrative performance,*  
13       *and other factors as specified by the Secretary. In allocating*  
14       *assistance among public housing agencies, the Secretary*  
15       *shall provide priority to agencies having jurisdictions in*  
16       *which the local governments within such jurisdictions have*  
17       *adopted local policies, such as through zoning and regula-*  
18       *tion, that leverage the private sector’s participation to pro-*  
19       *vide housing that is reserved and affordable to low-, very*  
20       *low-, and extremely low-income households, as determined*  
21       *by the Secretary, for a minimum term of 15 years. The*  
22       *Secretary shall establish by regulation the process and man-*  
23       *ner that local governments will be evaluated. The Secretary*  
24       *shall ensure that local governments are not incentivized or*  
25       *otherwise rewarded for eliminating or undermining the in-*

1 tent of zoning regulations or other regulations or policies  
2 that establish fair wages for laborers, ensure health and  
3 safety of buildings for residents and the general public, pro-  
4 tect fair housing, establish environmental protections, estab-  
5 lish standards for resiliency, prevent tenant displacement,  
6 or any other requirements that the Secretary determines it  
7 is in the public interest to preserve.

8       “(c) *AVAILABILITY.*—Assistance made available under  
9 this section shall continue to remain available only for  
10 homeless persons and households upon turn-over.

11       “(d) *RENEWAL FUNDING.*—Renewal of expiring con-  
12 tracts for rental assistance provided under subsection (a)  
13 and for administrative fees under such subsection shall, to  
14 the extent provided in appropriation Acts, be funded under  
15 the section 8 tenant-based rental assistance account.

16       “(e) *WAIVER AUTHORITY.*—Upon a finding by the Sec-  
17 retary that a waiver or alternative requirement pursuant  
18 to this subsection is necessary to ensure that homeless per-  
19 sons and households can obtain housing using rental assist-  
20 ance made available under this section, the Secretary may  
21 waive, or specify alternative requirements for, any provi-  
22 sion of any statute or regulation that the Secretary admin-  
23 isters in connection with the use of funds made available  
24 under this section (except for requirements related to fair  
25 housing, nondiscrimination, labor standards, and the envi-

1 ronment) that relates to screening of applicants for assist-  
2 ance, admission of applicants, and selection of tenants. The  
3 Secretary shall require public housing agencies receiving  
4 rental assistance funding made available under this section  
5 to take all reasonable actions to help assisted persons and  
6 families avoid subsequent homelessness.

7 **“SEC. 453. OUTREACH FUNDING.**

8       “(a) *DIRECT APPROPRIATION.*—There is appropriated  
9 out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appro-  
10 priated for each of fiscal years 2020 through 2024,  
11 \$100,000,000, to remain available until expended, to the  
12 Secretary for grants under this section to provide outreach  
13 and coordinate services for persons and households who are  
14 homeless or formerly homeless.

15       “(b) *GRANTS.*—

16               “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—The Secretary shall make  
17 grants under this section on a competitive basis only  
18 to collaborative applicants who comply with section  
19 402.

20               “(2) *PRIORITY.*—The competition for grants  
21 under this section shall provide priority—

22                       “(A) to collaborative applicants who submit  
23 plans to make innovative and effective use of  
24 staff funded with grant amounts pursuant to  
25 subsection (c); and

1           “(B) to collaborative applicants for which  
2           the local governments, within the area served by  
3           the applicant, have adopted local policies, such  
4           as through zoning and regulation, that leverage  
5           the private sector’s participation to provide  
6           housing that is reserved and affordable to low-,  
7           very low-, and extremely low-income households,  
8           as defined by Secretary, for a minimum term of  
9           15 years. The Secretary shall establish by regula-  
10          tion the process and manner that local govern-  
11          ments will be evaluated. The Secretary shall en-  
12          sure that local governments are not incentivized  
13          or otherwise rewarded for eliminating or under-  
14          mining the intent of zoning regulations or other  
15          regulations or policies that establish fair wages  
16          for laborers, ensure health and safety of buildings  
17          for residents and the general public, protect fair  
18          housing, establish environmental protections, es-  
19          tablish standards for resiliency, prevent tenant  
20          displacement, or any other requirements that the  
21          Secretary determines it is in the public interest  
22          to preserve.

23          “(c) USE OF GRANTS.—A collaborative applicant that  
24          receives a grant under this section may use such grant  
25          amounts only for providing case managers, social workers,

1 *or other staff who conduct outreach and coordinate services*  
2 *for persons and households who are homeless or formerly*  
3 *homeless.*

4 “(d) *TIMING.*—*The Secretary shall establish the cri-*  
5 *teria for the competition for grants under this section re-*  
6 *quired under subsection (b) by regulations issued, after no-*  
7 *tice and opportunity for public comment, not later than*  
8 *6 months after the date of enactment of this section.*”.

9 **SEC. 4. HOUSING TRUST FUND.**

10 (a) *FUNDING.*—

11 (1) *ANNUAL FUNDING.*—*There is appropriated,*  
12 *out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise ap-*  
13 *propriated, for each of fiscal years 2020 through*  
14 *2024, \$1,000,000,000, to remain available until ex-*  
15 *pended, which shall be credited to the Housing Trust*  
16 *Fund established pursuant to section 1338 of the Fed-*  
17 *eral Housing Enterprises Financial Safety and*  
18 *Soundness Act of 1992 (12 U.S.C. 4568) for use under*  
19 *such section.*

20 (2) *RENTAL ASSISTANCE.*—*There is appro-*  
21 *priated, out of any money in the Treasury not other-*  
22 *wise appropriated, for each of fiscal years 2020*  
23 *through 2024, \$50,000,000, to remain available until*  
24 *expended, for incremental project-based voucher as-*  
25 *sistance or project-based rental assistance, to be allo-*

1        *cated to States pursuant to the formula established*  
2        *under section 1338 of the Federal Housing Enter-*  
3        *prises Financial Safety and Soundness Act of 1992*  
4        *(12 U.S.C. 4568), to be used solely in conjunction*  
5        *with grant funds awarded under such section 1338.*

6            (3) *PRIORITY FOR HOUSING THE HOMELESS.—*

7            (A) *PRIORITY.—During the first 5 fiscal*  
8        *years that amounts are made available under*  
9        *this subsection, the Secretary of Housing and*  
10       *Urban Development shall ensure that priority*  
11       *for occupancy in dwelling units described in sub-*  
12       *paragraph (B) that become available for occu-*  
13       *pancy shall be given to persons and households*  
14       *who are homeless (as such term is defined in sec-*  
15       *tion 103 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assist-*  
16       *ance Act (42 U.S.C. 11302)).*

17           (B) *COVERED DWELLING UNITS.—A dwell-*  
18       *ing unit described in this subparagraph is any*  
19       *dwelling unit that—*

20           (i) *is located in housing that was at*  
21       *any time provided assistance with any*  
22       *amounts from the Housing Trust Fund re-*  
23       *ferred to paragraph (1) that were credited*  
24       *to such Trust Fund by such paragraph; or*



1                   (ii) is receiving assistance described in  
2                   paragraph (2) with amounts made avail-  
3                   able under such paragraph.

4           (b) *TENANT RENT CONTRIBUTION.*—

5                   (1) *LIMITATION.*—Subparagraph (A) of section  
6                   1338(c)(7) of the Federal Housing Enterprises Finan-  
7                   cial Safety and Soundness Act of 1992 (12 U.S.C.  
8                   4568(c)(7)(A)) is amended—

9                           (A) by striking “except that not less than 75  
10                           percent” and inserting the following: “except  
11                           that—

12   “(i) not less than 75 percent”;

13                           (B) by adding at the end the following new  
14                           clause:

15   “(ii) notwithstanding any other provi-  
16   sion of law, all rental housing dwelling  
17   units shall be subject to legally binding  
18   commitments that ensure that the contribu-  
19   tion toward rent by a family residing in the  
20   dwelling unit shall not exceed 30 percent of  
21   the adjusted income (as such term is defined  
22   in section 3(b) of the United States Housing  
23   Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437a(b))) of such  
24   family; and”.

1           (2) *REGULATIONS.*—*The Secretary of Housing*  
2           *and Urban Development shall issue regulations to im-*  
3           *plement section 1338(c)(7)(A)(ii) of the Federal Hous-*  
4           *ing Enterprises Financial Safety and Soundness Act*  
5           *of 1992, as added by the amendment made by para-*  
6           *graph (1)(B) of this section, not later than the expira-*  
7           *tion of the 90-day period beginning on the date of the*  
8           *enactment of this Act.*

9   **SEC. 5. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FUNDS TO HELP STATES**  
10                   **AND LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS ALIGN HEALTH**  
11                   **AND HOUSING SYSTEMS.**

12           (a) *FUNDING.*—*There is hereby made available to the*  
13           *Secretary of Housing and Urban Development \$20,000,000,*  
14           *to remain available until expended, for providing technical*  
15           *assistance under section 405 of the McKinney-Vento Home-*  
16           *less Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11361(b)) to integrate and*  
17           *coordinate assistance provided under the McKinney-Vento*  
18           *Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11301 et seq.) with*  
19           *health care funded by Federal programs, in collaboration*  
20           *with the United States Interagency Council on Homeless-*  
21           *ness and the Secretary of Health and Human Services.*

22           (b) *USE.*—*In allocating amounts made available by*  
23           *subsection (a), the Secretary shall seek to—*

24                   (1) *assist States and localities in integrating*  
25                   *and aligning policies and funding between Medicaid*

1        *programs, behavioral health providers, and housing*  
2        *providers to create supportive housing opportunities;*  
3        *and*

4            *(2) engage State Medicaid program directors,*  
5        *Governors, State housing and homelessness agencies,*  
6        *any other relevant State offices, and any relevant*  
7        *local government entities, to assist States in increas-*  
8        *ing use of their Medicaid programs to finance sup-*  
9        *portive services for homeless persons.*

10        *(c) PRIORITY.—In using amounts made available*  
11 *under this section, the Secretary shall give priority—*

12            *(1) to use for States and localities having the*  
13        *highest numbers of chronically homeless persons; and*

14            *(2) to assist localities that have adopted local*  
15        *policies, such as through zoning and regulation, that*  
16        *leverage the private sector’s participation to provide*  
17        *and make housing affordable for low-, very low-, and*  
18        *extremely low-income household, as defined by the*  
19        *Secretary, for a minimum of 15 years. The Secretary*  
20        *shall establish by regulation the process and manner*  
21        *that local governments will be evaluated. The Sec-*  
22        *retary shall ensure that local governments are not*  
23        *incentivized or otherwise rewarded for eliminating or*  
24        *undermining the intent of zoning regulations or other*  
25        *regulations or policies that establish fair wages for la-*

1       **borers, ensure health and safety of buildings for resi-**  
2       **dents and the general public, protect fair housing, es-**  
3       **tablish environmental protections, establish standards**  
4       **for resiliency, prevent tenant displacement, or any**  
5       **other requirements that the Secretary determines it is**  
6       **in the public interest to preserve.**

7       **SEC. 6. PERMANENT AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS**  
8                               **FOR MCKINNEY-VENTO HOMELESS ASSIST-**  
9                               **ANCE ACT GRANTS.**

10       *Section 408 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assist-*  
11       *ance Act (42 U.S.C. 11364) is amended to read as follows:*

12       **“SEC. 408. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

13               *“There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out*  
14       *this title such sums as may be necessary for each fiscal*  
15       *year.”.*

16       **SEC. 7. PERMANENT EXTENSION OF UNITED STATES INTER-**  
17                               **AGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS.**

18       *Section 209 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assist-*  
19       *ance Act (42 U.S.C. 11319) is hereby repealed.*

20       **SEC. 8. ELIGIBILITY OF PRIVATE NONPROFIT ORGANIZA-**  
21                               **TIONS FOR FUNDING.**

22       *Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Sec-*  
23       *retary of Housing and Urban Development shall provide*  
24       *that private nonprofit organizations (as such term is de-*  
25       *finied in section 401 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless As-*

1 *sistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11360)) that are eligible entities*  
2 *(as such term is defined in such section 401), including*  
3 *faith-based such organizations that are eligible entities,*  
4 *shall be eligible for assistance made available or authorized*  
5 *by this Act or by the amendments made by this Act (but*  
6 *not including assistance under section 452 of the McKin-*  
7 *ney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, as added by section 3*  
8 *of this Act), and shall be eligible to be subgrantees for enti-*  
9 *ties receiving amounts made available or authorized by this*  
10 *Act or by the amendments made by this Act.*

11 **SEC. 9. ELIGIBILITY OF FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS.**

12 *Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in deter-*  
13 *mining eligibility for assistance made available by this Act*  
14 *or the amendments made by this Act or for which appro-*  
15 *priations are authorized by this Act or the amendments*  
16 *made by this Act, the status of an entity as faith-based or*  
17 *the possibility that an entity may be faith-based may not*  
18 *be a basis for any discrimination against such entity in*  
19 *any manner or for any purpose.*

20 **SEC. 10. EMERGENCY DESIGNATION.**

21 *(a) IN GENERAL.—The amounts provided by this Act,*  
22 *and the amendments made by this Act, are designated as*  
23 *an emergency requirement pursuant to section 4(g) of the*  
24 *Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010 (2 U.S.C. 933(g)).*

1       (b) *DESIGNATION IN SENATE.*—*In the Senate, this Act*  
 2 *and the amendments made by this Act are designated as*  
 3 *an emergency requirement pursuant to section 403(a) of S.*  
 4 *Con. Res. 13 (111th Congress), the concurrent resolution on*  
 5 *the budget for fiscal year 2010.*

6 **SEC. 11. CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**

7       *The table of sections in section 101(b) of the McKin-*  
 8 *ney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act is amended—*

9           (1) *in the item relating to title II, by striking*  
 10 *“INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON THE HOME-*  
 11 *LESS” and inserting “UNITED STATES INTER-*  
 12 *AGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS”;*

13           (2) *by striking the item relating to section 209;*  
 14 *and*

15           (3) *in the item relating to section 491, by strik-*  
 16 *ing “491” and inserting “441”;*

17           (4) *in the item relating to section 492, by strik-*  
 18 *ing “492” and inserting “442”; and*

19           (5) *by inserting before the item relating to title*  
 20 *V the following:*

*“Subtitle E—5-Year Path to End Homelessness*

*“Sec. 451. Funding to address unmet needs.*

*“Sec. 452. Special purpose vouchers.*

*“Sec. 453. Outreach funding.”.*



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