..... (Original Signature of Member)

116TH CONGRESS 2D Session



To prevent evictions, foreclosures, and unsafe housing conditions resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. WATERS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

- To prevent evictions, foreclosures, and unsafe housing conditions resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, 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; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

- 4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
 5 "Emergency Housing Protections and Relief Act of
 6 2020".
- 7 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for8 this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

TITLE I—PROTECTING RENTERS AND HOMEOWNERS FROM EVICTIONS AND FORECLOSURES

- Sec. 101. Emergency rental assistance.
- Sec. 102. Homeowner Assistance Fund.
- Sec. 103. Protecting renters and homeowners from evictions and foreclosures.
- Sec. 104. Liquidity for mortgage servicers and residential rental property owners.
- Sec. 105. Rural rental assistance.
- Sec. 106. Funding for public housing and tenant-based rental assistance.
- Sec. 107. Supplemental funding for supportive housing for the elderly, supportive housing for persons with disabilities, supportive housing for persons with AIDS, and project-based section 8 rental assistance.
- Sec. 108. Fair Housing.

Sec. 109. Funding for housing counseling services.

TITLE II—PROTECTING PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS

Sec. 201. Homeless assistance funding.

Sec. 202. Emergency rental assistance voucher program.

1TITLE I—PROTECTING RENTERS2AND HOMEOWNERS FROM3EVICTIONS AND FORE-4CLOSURES

5 SEC. 101. EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE.

6 (a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is 7 authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of Housing 8 and Urban Development (referred to in this section as the 9 "Secretary") \$100,000,000 for an additional amount 10 for grants under the Emergency Solutions Grants pro-11 gram under subtitle B of title IV of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11371 et seq.), to 12 13 remain available until expended (subject to subsections (d) 14 and (n) of this section), to be used for providing shortor medium-term assistance with rent and rent-related 15

costs (including tenant-paid utility costs, utility- and rent arrears, fees charged for those arrears, and security and
 utility deposits) in accordance with paragraphs (4) and (5)
 of section 415(a) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 11374(a)) and
 this section.

6 (b) DEFINITION OF AT RISK OF HOMELESSNESS.— 7 Notwithstanding section 401(1) of the McKinney-Vento 8 Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11360(1)), for pur-9 poses of assistance made available with amounts made 10 available pursuant to subsection (a), the term "at risk of 11 homelessness" means, with respect to an individual or 12 family, that the individual or family—

(1) has an income below 80 percent of the median income for the area as determined by the Secretary; and

16 (2) has an inability to attain or maintain hous17 ing stability or has insufficient resources to pay for
18 rent or utilities due to financial hardships.

(c) INCOME TARGETING AND CALCULATION.—For
purposes of assistance made available with amounts made
available pursuant to subsection (a)—

(1) each recipient of such amounts shall use—
(A) not less than 40 percent of the
amounts received only for providing assistance
for individuals or families experiencing home-

2

3

4

4

lessness, or for persons or families at risk of homelessness who have incomes not exceeding 30 percent of the median income for the area as determined by the Secretary;

5 (B) not less than 70 percent of the 6 amounts received only for providing assistance 7 for individuals or families experiencing home-8 lessness, or for persons or families at risk of 9 homelessness who have incomes not exceeding 10 50 percent of the median income for the area 11 as determined by the Secretary; and

12 (C) the remainder of the amounts received 13 only for providing assistance to individuals or 14 families experiencing homelessness, or for per-15 sons or families at risk of homelessness who 16 have incomes not exceeding 80 percent of the 17 median income for the area as determined by 18 the Secretary, but such recipient may establish 19 a higher percentage limit for purposes of sub-20 section (b)(1), which shall not in any case ex-21 ceed 120 percent of the area median income, if 22 the recipient states that it will serve such popu-23 lation in its plan; and

24 (2) in determining the income of a household
25 for homelessness prevention assistance—

1 (A) the calculation of income performed at 2 (A) the calculation of income performed at 3 the time of application for such assistance, in-3 cluding arrearages, shall consider only income 4 that the household is currently receiving at such 5 time and any income recently terminated shall 6 not be included;

7 (B) any calculation of income performed
8 with respect to households receiving ongoing as9 sistance (such as medium-term rental assist10 ance) 3 months after initial receipt of assist11 ance shall consider only the income that the
12 household is receiving at the time of such re13 view; and

14 (C) the calculation of income performed
15 with respect to households receiving assistance
16 for arrearages shall consider only the income
17 that the household was receiving at the time
18 such arrearages were incurred.

19 (d) 3-year Availability.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—Each recipient of amounts
21 made available pursuant to subsection (a) shall—

(A) expend not less than 60 percent of
such grant amounts within 2 years of the date
that such funds became available to the recipient for obligation; and

1	(B) expend 100 percent of such grant
2	amounts within 3 years of such date.
3	(2) Reallocation after 2 years.—The Sec-
4	retary may recapture any amounts not expended in
5	compliance with paragraph (1)(A) and reallocate
6	such amounts to recipients in compliance with the
7	formula referred to in subsection $(h)(1)(A)$.
8	(e) Rent Restrictions.—
9	(1) INAPPLICABILITY.—Section 576.106(d) of
10	title 24, Code of Federal Regulations, shall not
11	apply with respect to homelessness prevention assist-
12	ance made available with amounts made available
13	under subsection (a).
14	(2) Amount of rental assistance.—In pro-
15	viding homelessness prevention assistance with
16	amounts made available under subsection (a), the
17	maximum amount of rental assistance that may be
18	provided shall be the greater of—
19	(A) 120 percent of the higher of—
20	(i) the Fair Market Rent established
21	by the Secretary for the metropolitan area
22	or county; or
23	(ii) the applicable Small Area Fair
24	Market Rent established by the Secretary;
25	OF

(B) such higher amount as the Secretary
 shall determine is needed to cover market rents
 in the area.

(f) SUBLEASES.—A recipient shall not be prohibited 4 5 from providing assistance authorized under subsection (a) with respect to subleases that are valid under State law. 6 (g) HOUSING RELOCATION OR STABILIZATION AC-7 8 TIVITIES.—A recipient of amounts made available pursu-9 ant to subsection (a) may expend up to 25 percent of its allocation for activities under section 415(a)(5) of the 10 11 McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 12 11374(a)(5), except that notwithstanding such section, activities authorized under this subsection may be pro-13 vided only for individuals or families who have incomes 14 15 not exceeding 50 percent of the area median income and meet the criteria in subsection (b)(2) of this section or 16 17 section 103 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11302). This subsection shall not apply 18 19 to rent-related costs that are specifically authorized under 20subsection (a) of this section.

21 (h) Allocation of Assistance.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In allocating amounts made
available pursuant to subsection (a), the Secretary
shall—

2

8

(A)(i) for any purpose authorized in this section—

3 (I) allocate 2 percent of such amount 4 for Indian tribes and tribally designated housing entities (as such terms are defined 5 6 in section 4 of the Native American Hous-7 ing Assistance and Self-Determination Act 8 of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4103)) under the for-9 mula established pursuant to section 302 of such Act (25 U.S.C. 4152), except that 10 11 0.3 percent of the amount allocated under 12 this clause shall be allocated for the De-13 partment of Hawaiian Home Lands; and 14 (II)allocate 0.3 percent of such 15 amount for the Virgin Islands, Guam, 16 American Samoa, and the Northern Mar-17 iana Islands; 18 (ii) not later than 30 days after the date 19 of enactment of this Act, obligate and disburse

c) of endeement of emb filed, obligate and absurbe
the amounts allocated pursuant to clause (i) in
accordance with such allocations and provide
such recipient with any necessary guidance for
use of the funds; and

24 (B)(i) not later than 7 days after the date
25 of enactment of this Act and after setting aside

1 amounts under subparagraph (A), allocate 50 2 percent of any such remaining amounts under 3 the formula specified in subsections (a), (b), 4 and (e) of section 414 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11373) 5 6 for, and notify, each State, metropolitan city, 7 and urban county that is to receive a direct 8 grant of such amounts; and 9 (ii) not later than 30 days after the date

10 of enactment of this Act, obligate and disburse 11 the amounts allocated pursuant to clause (i) in 12 accordance with such allocations and provide 13 such recipient with any necessary guidance for 14 use of the funds; and

15 (C)(i) not later than 45 days after the date 16 of enactment of this Act, allocate any remaining 17 amounts for eligible recipients according to a 18 formula to be developed by the Secretary that 19 takes into consideration the formula referred to 20 in subparagraph (A) and the need for emer-21 gency rental assistance under this section, in-22 cluding the severe housing cost burden among 23 extremely low- and very low-income renters and 24 disruptions in housing and economic conditions, 25 including unemployment; and

1	(ii) not later than 30 days after the date
2	of the allocation of such amounts pursuant to
3	clause (i), obligate and disburse such amounts
4	in accordance with such allocations.
5	(2) Allocations to states.—
6	(A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding sub-
7	section (a) of section 414 of the McKinney-
8	Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C.
9	11373(a)) and section 576.202(a) of title 24,
10	Code of Federal Regulations, a State recipient
11	of an allocation under this section may elect to
12	use up to 100 percent of its allocation to carry
13	out activities eligible under this section directly.
14	(B) REQUIREMENT.—Any State recipient
15	making an election described in subparagraph
16	(A) shall serve households throughout the entire
17	State, including households in rural commu-
18	nities and small towns.
19	(3) Election not to administer.—If a re-
20	cipient other than a State elects not to receive funds
21	under this section, such funds shall be allocated to
22	the State recipient in which the recipient is located.
23	(4) PARTNERSHIPS, SUBGRANTS, AND CON-
24	TRACTS.—A recipient of a grant under this section

grants, or contracts with an entity, such as a public
 housing agency (as such term is defined in section
 3(b) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42
 U.S.C. 1437a(b))), that is capable of carrying activi ties under this section.

6 (5) REVISION TO RULE.—The Secretary shall
7 revise section 576.3 of tile 24, Code of Federal Reg8 ulations, to change the set aside for allocation to the
9 territories to exactly 0.3 percent.

(i) INAPPLICABILITY OF MATCHING REQUIREMENT.—Subsection (a) of section 416 of the McKinneyVento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11375(a))
shall not apply to any amounts made available pursuant
to subsection (a) of this section.

(j) REIMBURSEMENT OF ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES.—
Amounts made available pursuant to subsection (a) may
be used by a recipient to reimburse expenditures incurred
for eligible activities under this section after March 27,
2020.

(k) PROHIBITION ON PREREQUISITES.—None of the
funds made available pursuant to this section may be used
to require any individual receiving assistance under the
program under this section to receive treatment or perform any other prerequisite activities as a condition for
receiving shelter, housing, or other services.

12

1 (1) WAIVERS AND ALTERNATIVE REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—

(A) AUTHORITY.—In administering the 3 4 amounts made available pursuant to subsection 5 (a), the Secretary may waive, or specify alter-6 native requirements for, any provision of any 7 statute or regulation that the Secretary admin-8 isters in connection with the obligation by the 9 Secretary or the use by the recipient of such 10 amounts (except for requirements related to fair 11 housing, nondiscrimination, labor standards, 12 prohibition on prerequisites, minimum data re-13 porting, and the environment), if the Secretary 14 finds that good cause exists for the waiver or 15 alternative requirement and such waiver or al-16 ternative requirement is necessary to expedite 17 the use of funds made available pursuant to 18 this section, to respond to public health orders 19 or conditions related to the COVID-19 emer-20 gency, or to ensure that eligible individuals can 21 attain or maintain housing stability.

(B) PUBLIC NOTICE.—The Secretary shall
notify the public through the Federal Register
or other appropriate means of any waiver or alternative requirement under this paragraph,

1 and that such public notice shall be provided, at 2 a minimum, on the internet at the appropriate 3 Government website or through other electronic 4 media, as determined by the Secretary. 5 (C) ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS.—Eligi-6 bility for rental assistance or housing relocation 7 and stabilization services shall not be restricted 8 based upon the prior receipt of assistance under 9 the program during the preceding three years. 10 (2) Public hearings.— 11 (A) INAPPLICABILITY OF IN-PERSON HEAR-12 ING REQUIREMENTS DURING THE COVID-19 13 EMERGENCY.---14 (i) IN GENERAL.—A recipient under 15 this section shall not be required to hold 16 in-person public hearings in connection 17 with its citizen participation plan, but shall 18 provide citizens with notice, including pub-19 lication of its plan for carrying out this 20 section on the internet, and a reasonable 21 opportunity to comment of not less than 5 22 days. 23 (ii) RESUMPTION **IN-PERSON** OF 24 HEARING REQUIREMENTS.—After the pe-25 riod beginning on the date of enactment of

1	this Act and ending on the date of the ter-
2	mination by the Federal Emergency Man-
3	agement Agency of the emergency declared
4	on March 13, 2020, by the President
5	under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Re-
6	lief and Emergency Assistance Act (42)
7	U.S.C. 4121 et seq.) relating to the
8	Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)
9	pandemic, and after the period described
10	in subparagraph (B), the Secretary shall
11	direct recipients under this section to re-
12	sume pre-crisis public hearing require-
13	ments.
14	(B) VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARINGS.—
	(i) IN CONTRACT During the new of
15	(i) IN GENERAL.—During the period
15 16	(1) IN GENERAL.—During the period that national or local health authorities
16	that national or local health authorities
16 17	that national or local health authorities recommend social distancing and limiting
16 17 18	that national or local health authorities recommend social distancing and limiting public gatherings for public health reasons,
16 17 18 19	that national or local health authorities recommend social distancing and limiting public gatherings for public health reasons, a recipient may fulfill applicable public
16 17 18 19 20	that national or local health authorities recommend social distancing and limiting public gatherings for public health reasons, a recipient may fulfill applicable public hearing requirements for all grants from
16 17 18 19 20 21	that national or local health authorities recommend social distancing and limiting public gatherings for public health reasons, a recipient may fulfill applicable public hearing requirements for all grants from funds made available pursuant to this sec-
 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 	that national or local health authorities recommend social distancing and limiting public gatherings for public health reasons, a recipient may fulfill applicable public hearing requirements for all grants from funds made available pursuant to this sec- tion by carrying out virtual public hear-

hearings held under clause (i) by a recipi-

1ent under this section shall provide reason-2able notification and access for citizens in3accordance with the recipient's certifi-4cations, timely responses from local offi-5cials to all citizen questions and issues,6and public access to all questions and re-7sponses.

8 (m) CONSULTATION.—In addition to any other cit-9 izen participation and consultation requirements, in developing and implementing a plan to carry out this section, 10 11 each recipient of funds made available pursuant to this 12 section shall consult with the applicable Continuum or Continuums of Care for the area served by the recipient 13 14 and organizations representing underserved communities 15 and populations and organizations with expertise in affordable housing, fair housing, and services for people with 16 disabilities. 17

- 18 (n) Administration.—
- 19 (1) BY SECRETARY.—Of any amounts made
 20 available pursuant to subsection (a)—

(A) not more than the lesser of 0.5 percent, or \$15,000,000, may be used by the Secretary for staffing, training, technical assistance, technology, monitoring, research, and
evaluation activities necessary to carry out the

1	program carried out under this section, and
2	such amounts shall remain available until Sep-
3	tember 30, 2024; and
4	(B) not more than $$2,000,000$ shall be
5	available to the Office of the Inspector General
6	for audits and investigations of the program au-
7	thorized under this section.
8	(2) By recipients.—Notwithstanding section
9	576.108 of title 24 of the Code of Federal Regula-
10	tions, with respect to amounts made available pursu-
11	ant to this section, a recipient may use up to 10 per-
12	cent of the recipient's grant for payment of adminis-
13	trative costs related to the planning and execution of
13 14	trative costs related to the planning and execution of activities.
14	activities.
14 15	activities. SEC. 102. HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE FUND.
14 15 16	activities. SEC. 102. HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE FUND. (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:
14 15 16 17	activities. SEC. 102. HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE FUND. (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section: (1) FUND.—The term "Fund" means the
14 15 16 17 18	activities. SEC. 102. HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE FUND. (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section: (1) FUND.—The term "Fund" means the Homeowner Assistance Fund established under sub-
14 15 16 17 18 19	activities. SEC. 102. HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE FUND. (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section: (1) FUND.—The term "Fund" means the Homeowner Assistance Fund established under sub- section (b).
 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 	activities. SEC. 102. HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE FUND. (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section: (1) FUND.—The term "Fund" means the Homeowner Assistance Fund established under sub- section (b). (2) SECRETARY.—The term "Secretary" means
 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 	activities. SEC. 102. HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE FUND. (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section: (1) FUND.—The term "Fund" means the Homeowner Assistance Fund established under sub- section (b). (2) SECRETARY.—The term "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Treasury.

- Guam, American Samoa, the Virgin Islands, and the
 Northern Mariana Islands.
- 3 (b) ESTABLISHMENT OF FUND.—There is estab-4 lished at the Department of the Treasury a Homeowner 5 Assistance Fund to provide such funds as are made avail-6 able under subsection (g) to State housing finance agen-7 cies for the purpose of preventing homeowner mortgage 8 defaults, foreclosures, and displacements of individuals 9 and families experiencing financial hardship after January 21, 2020. 10
- 11 (c) Allocation of Funds.—
- (1) ADMINISTRATION.—Of any amounts made
 available for the Fund, the Secretary of the Treasury may allocate, in the aggregate, an amount not
 exceeding 5 percent—
- 16 (A) to the Office of Financial Stability es-17 tablished under section 101(a) of the Emer-18 gency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 (12) 19 U.S.C. 5211(a)) to administer and oversee the 20 Fund, and to provide technical assistance to 21 States for the creation and implementation of State programs to administer assistance from 22 23 the Fund; and

(B) to the Inspector General of the De partment of the Treasury for oversight of the
 program under this section.

4 (2) FOR STATES.—The Secretary shall establish
5 such criteria as are necessary to allocate the funds
6 available within the Fund for each State. The Sec7 retary shall allocate such funds among all States
8 taking into consideration the number of unemploy9 ment claims within a State relative to the nationwide
10 number of unemployment claims.

(3) SMALL STATE MINIMUM.—The amount allocated for each State shall not be less than
\$250,000,000.

14 (4) Set-Aside for insular areas.—Notwith-15 standing any other provision of this section, of any 16 amounts authorized to be appropriated pursuant to 17 subsection $(\mathbf{g}),$ the Secretary shall reserve 18 \$200,000,000 to be disbursed to Guam, American 19 Samoa, the Virgin Islands, and the Northern Mar-20 iana Islands based on each such territory's share of 21 the combined total population of all such territories, 22 as determined by the Secretary. For the purposes of 23 this paragraph, population shall be determined based 24 on the most recent year for which data are available 25 from the United States Census Bureau.

	19
1	(5) Set-aside for indian tribes and native
2	HAWAIIANS.——
3	(A) INDIAN TRIBES.—Notwithstanding any
4	other provision of this section, of any amounts
5	authorized to be appropriated pursuant to sub-
6	section (g), the Secretary shall use 5 percent to
7	make grants in accordance with subsection (f)
8	to eligible recipients for the purposes described
9	in subsection $(e)(1)$.
10	(B) NATIVE HAWAHANS.— Of the funds
11	set aside under subparagraph (A), the Sec-
12	retary shall use 0.3 percent to make grants to
13	the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands in
14	accordance with subsection (f) for the purposes
15	described in subsection $(e)(1)$.
16	(d) DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS.—
17	(1) Administration.—Except for amounts
18	made available for assistance under subsection (f),
19	State housing finance agencies shall be primarily re-
20	sponsible for administering amounts disbursed from
21	the Fund, but may delegate responsibilities and sub-
22	allocate amounts to community development finan-
23	cial institutions and State agencies that administer
24	Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program of

20

(2) NOTICE OF FUNDING.—The Secretary shall
 provide public notice of the amounts that will be
 made available to each State and the method used
 for determining such amounts not later than the expiration of the 14-day period beginning on the date
 of the enactment of this Act of enactment.

(3) SHFA plans.—

8 (A) ELIGIBILITY.—To be eligible to receive 9 funding allocated for a State under the section, 10 a State housing finance agency for the State 11 shall submit to the Secretary a plan for the im-12 plementation of State programs to administer, 13 in part or in full, the amount of funding the 14 state is eligible to receive, which shall provide 15 for the commencement of receipt of applications 16 by homeowners for assistance, and funding of 17 such applications, not later than the expiration 18 of the 6-month period beginning upon the ap-19 proval under this paragraph of such plan.

20 (B) MULTIPLE PLANS.—. A State housing
21 finance agency may submit multiple plans, each
22 covering a separate portion of funding for
23 which the State is eligible.

24 (C) TIMING.— The Secretary shall approve
25 or disapprove a plan within 30 days after the

2

3

4

5

6

21

plan's	submission	and,	if	disapproved,	explain
why th	e plan could	l not k	be a	approved.	

(D) DISBURSEMENT UPON APPROVAL.— The Secretary shall disburse to a State housing finance agency the appropriate amount of funding upon approval of the agency's plan.

7 (E) AMENDMENTS.—A State housing fi-8 nance agency may subsequently amend a plan 9 that has previously been approved, provided 10 that any plan amendment shall be subject to 11 the approval of the Secretary. The Secretary shall approve any plan amendment or dis-12 13 approve such amendment explain why the plan 14 amendment could not be approved within 45 15 days after submission to the Secretary of such 16 amendment.

17 (F) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—The Sec18 retary shall provide technical assistance for any
19 State housing finance agency that twice fails to
20 have a submitted plan approved.

(4) PLAN TEMPLATES.—The Secretary shall,
not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, publish templates that States may
utilize in drafting the plans required under paragraph (3)(A). The template plans shall include

standard program terms and requirements, as well
 as any required legal language, which State housing
 finance agencies may modify with the consent of the
 Secretary.

5 (e) PERMISSIBLE USES OF FUND.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Funds made available to
7 State housing finance agencies pursuant to this sec8 tion may be used for the purposes established under
9 subsection (b), which may include—

10 (A) mortgage payment assistance, includ-11 ing financial assistance to allow a borrower to 12 reinstate their mortgage or to achieve a more 13 affordable mortgage payment, which may in-14 clude principal reduction or rate reduction, pro-15 vided that any mortgage payment assistance is 16 tailored to a borrower's needs and their ability 17 to repay, and takes into consideration the loss 18 mitigation options available to the borrower;

19 (B) assistance with payment of taxes, haz20 ard insurance, flood insurance, mortgage insur21 ance, or homeowners' association fees;

(C) utility payment assistance, including
electric, gas, water, and internet service, including broadband internet access service (as such
term is defined in section 8.1(b) of title 47,

2

23

Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation));

(D) reimbursement of funds expended by a 3 4 State or local government during the period be-5 ginning on January 21, 2020, and ending on 6 the date that the first funds are disbursed by 7 the State under the Fund, for the purpose of 8 providing housing or utility assistance to indi-9 viduals or otherwise providing funds to prevent 10 foreclosure or eviction of a homeowner or pre-11 vent mortgage delinquency or loss of housing or 12 critical utilities as a response to the coronavirus 13 disease 2019 (COVID–19) pandemic; and

14 (E) any other assistance for homeowners
15 to prevent eviction, mortgage delinquency or de16 fault, foreclosure, or the loss of essential utility
17 services.

18 (2) TARGETING.—

(A) REQUIREMENT.—Not less than 60 percent of amounts made available for each State
or other entity allocated amounts under subsection (c) shall be used for activities under
paragraph (1) that assist homeowners having
incomes equal to or less than 80 percent of the
area median income.

1 (B) DETERMINATION OF INCOME.— In de-2 termining the income of a household for pur-3 poses of this paragraph, income shall be consid-4 ered to include only income that the household 5 is receiving at the time of application for assist-6 ance from the Fund and any income recently 7 terminated shall not be included, except that for 8 purposes of households receiving assistance for 9 arrearages income shall include only the income 10 that the household was receiving at the time 11 such arrearages were incurred.

12 (C) LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE.—Each State 13 housing finance agency or other entity allocated 14 amounts under subsection (c) shall make avail-15 able to each applicant for assistance from 16 amounts from the Fund language assistance in 17 any language that such language assistance is 18 available in and shall provide notice to each 19 such applicant that such language assistance is 20 available.

(3) ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES.—Not more
than 15 percent of the amount allocated to a State
pursuant to subsection (c) may be used by a State
housing financing agency for administrative expenses. Any amounts allocated to administrative ex-

1	penses that are no longer necessary for administra-
2	tive expenses may be used in accordance with para-
3	graph (1).
4	(f) Tribal and Native Hawaiian Assistance.—
5	(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:
6	(A) DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME
7	LANDS.—The term "Department of Hawaiian
8	Home Lands" has the meaning given the term
9	in section 801 of the Native American Housing
10	Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996
11	(42 U.S.C. 4221).
12	(B) ELIGIBLE RECIPIENT.—The term "eli-
13	gible recipient" means any entity eligible to re-
14	ceive a grant under section 101 of the Native
15	American Housing Assistance and Self-Deter-
16	mination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4111).
17	(2) Requirements.—
18	(A) Allocation.—Except for the funds
19	set aside under subsection $(c)(5)(B)$, the Sec-
20	retary shall allocate the funds set aside under
21	subsection $(c)(5)(A)$ using the allocation for-
22	mula described in subpart D of part 1000 of
23	title 24, Code of Federal Regulations (or any
24	successor regulations).

(B) NATIVE HAWAHANS.—The Secretary
 shall use the funds made available under sub section (c)(5)(B) in accordance with part 1006
 of title 24, Code of Federal Regulations (or successor regulations).

6 (3) TRANSFER.—The Secretary shall transfer 7 any funds made available under subsection (c)(5)8 that have not been allocated by an eligible recipient 9 or the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, as ap-10 plicable, to provide the assistance described in sub-11 section (e)(1) by December 31, 2030, to the Sec-12 retary of Housing and Urban Development to carry 13 out the Native American Housing Assistance and 14 Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4101 et 15 seq.).

(g) FUNDING.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Homeowner Assistance Fund established
under subsection (b) \$75,000,000,000, to remain available
until expended or transferred or credited under subsection
(i).

(h) USE OF HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY INNOVATION
FUND FOR THE HARDEST HIT HOUSING MARKETS
FUNDS.—A State housing finance agency may reallocate
any administrative or programmatic funds it has received
as an allocation from the Housing Finance Agency Inno-

vation Fund for the Hardest Hit Housing Markets created 1 pursuant to section 101(a) of the Emergency Economic 2 3 Stabilization Act of 2008 (12 U.S.C. 5211(a)) that have 4 not been otherwise allocated or disbursed as of the date 5 of enactment of this Act to supplement any administrative or programmatic funds received from the Housing Assist-6 7 ance Fund. Such reallocated funds shall not be considered 8 when allocating resources from the Housing Assistance 9 Fund using the process established under subsection (c) 10 and shall remain available for the uses permitted and under the terms and conditions established by the contract 11 with Secretary created pursuant to subsection (d)(1) and 12 the terms of subsection (i). 13

(i) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—The Secretary
shall provide public reports not less frequently than quarterly regarding the use of funds provided by the Homeowner Assistance Fund. Such reports shall include the following data by State and by program within each State,
both for the past quarter and throughout the life of the
program—

- 21 (1) the amount of funds allocated;
 - (2) the amount of funds disbursed;

23 (3) the number of households and individuals24 assisted;

25 (4) the acceptance rate of applicants;

1	(5) the type or types of assistance provided to
2	each household;
3	(6) whether the household assisted had a feder-
4	ally backed loan and identification of the Federal en-
5	tity backing such loan;
6	(7) the average amount of funding provided per
7	household receiving assistance and per type of as-
8	sistance provided;
9	(8) the average number of monthly payments
10	that were covered by the funding amount that a
11	household received, as applicable, disaggregated by
12	type of assistance provided;
13	(9) the income level of each household receiving
14	assistance; and
15	(10) the outcome 12 months after the house-
16	hold has received assistance.
17	Each report under this subsection shall disaggregate the
18	information provided under paragraphs (3) through (10)
19	by State, zip code, racial and ethnic composition of the

20 household, and whether or not the person from the house-21 hold applying for assistance speaks English as a second22 language.

291 SEC. 103. PROTECTING RENTERS AND HOMEOWNERS FROM 2 EVICTIONS AND FORECLOSURES. 3 (a) EVICTION MORATORIUM.—The CARES Act is amended by striking section 4024 (15 U.S.C. 9058; Public 4 5 Law 116–136; 134 Stat. 492) and inserting the following new section: 6 7 "SEC. 4024. TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON EVICTION FIL-8 INGS. "(a) Congressional Findings.—The Congress 9 finds that— 10 11 "(1) according to the 2018 American Commu-12 nity Survey, 36 percent of households in the United 13 States—more than 43 million households—are rent-14 ers; 15 "(2) in 2019 alone, renters in the United States 16 paid \$512 billion in rent; 17 "(3) according to the Joint Center for Housing 18 Studies of Harvard University, 20.8 million renters 19 in the United States spent more than 30 percent of 20 their incomes on housing in 2018 and 10.9 million 21 renters spent more than 50 percent of their incomes 22 on housing in the same year;

23 "(4) according to data from the Department of
24 Labor, more than 30 million people have filed for
25 unemployment since the COVID-19 pandemic began;

"(5) the impacts of the spread of COVID-19,
which is now considered a global pandemic, are expected to negatively impact the incomes of potentially millions of renter households, making it difficult for them to pay their rent on time; and

6 "(6) evictions in the current environment would 7 increase homelessness and housing instability which 8 would be counterproductive towards the public 9 health goals of keeping individuals in their homes to 10 the greatest extent possible.

11 "(b) MORATORIUM.—During the period beginning on 12 the date of the enactment of this Act and ending 12 months after such date of enactment, the lessor of a cov-13 14 ered dwelling located in such State may not make, or 15 cause to be made, any filing with the court of jurisdiction to initiate a legal action to recover possession of the cov-16 17 ered dwelling from the tenant for nonpayment of rent or other fees or charges. 18

19 "(c) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section, the20 following definitions shall apply:

21 "(1) COVERED DWELLING.—The term 'covered
22 dwelling' means a dwelling that is occupied by a ten23 ant—

24 "(A) pursuant to a residential lease; or

"(B) without a lease or with a lease ter minable at will under State law.

3 "(2) DWELLING.—The term 'dwelling' has the
4 meaning given such term in section 802 of the Fair
5 Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3602) and includes houses
6 and dwellings described in section 803(b) of such
7 Act (42 U.S.C. 3603(b)).

8 "(d) NOTICE TO VACATE AFTER MORATORIUM EXPI-9 RATION DATE.—After the expiration of the period described in subsection (b), the lessor of a covered dwelling 10 may not require the tenant to vacate the covered dwelling 11 by reason of nonpayment of rent or other fees or charges 12 before the expiration of the 30-day period that begins 13 upon the provision by the lessor to the tenant, after the 14 15 expiration of the period described in subsection (b), of a notice to vacate the covered dwelling.". 16

17 (b) MORTGAGE RELIEF.—

18 (1) FORBEARANCE AND FORECLOSURE MORA19 TORIUM FOR COVERED MORTGAGE LOANS.—Section
20 4022 of the CARES Act (15 U.S.C. 9056) is
21 amended—

(A) by striking "Federally backed mortgage loan" each place such term appears and
inserting "covered mortgage loan"; and

25 (B) in subsection (a)—

	32
1	(i) by amending paragraph (2) to read
2	as follows:
3	"(2) COVERED MORTGAGE LOAN.—The term
4	'covered mortgage loan' means any credit trans-
5	action that is secured by a mortgage, deed of trust,
6	or other equivalent consensual security interest on a
7	1- to 4-unit dwelling or on residential real property
8	that includes a 1- to 4-unit dwelling, except that it
9	shall not include a credit transaction under an open
10	end credit plan other than a reverse mortgage."; and
11	(ii) by adding at the end the fol-
12	lowing:
13	"(3) COVERED PERIOD.—With respect to a
14	loan, the term 'covered period' means the period be-
15	ginning on the date of enactment of this Act and
16	ending 12 months after such date of enactment.".
17	(2) AUTOMATIC FORBEARANCE FOR DELIN-
18	QUENT BORROWERS.—Section 4022(c) of the

BORROWERS.—Section QUENT 4022(c) 01 the 18 19 CARES Act (15 U.S.C. 9056(c)), as amended by paragraph (5) of this subsection, is further amended 20 21 by adding at the end the following:

"(9) AUTOMATIC FORBEARANCE FOR DELIN-22 23 QUENT BORROWERS.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any 24 25 other law governing forbearance relief—

"(i) any borrower whose covered mort-1 2 gage loan became 60 days delinquent between March 13, 2020, and the date of en-3 4 actment of this paragraph, and who has not already received a forbearance under 5 6 subsection (b). shall automatically be 7 granted a 60-day forbearance that begins 8 on the date of enactment of this para-9 graph, provided that a borrower shall not be considered delinquent for purposes of 10 11 this paragraph while making timely pay-12 ments or otherwise performing under a trial modification or other loss mitigation 13 14 agreement; and 15 "(ii) any borrower whose covered 16 mortgage loan becomes 60 days delinquent

17 between the date of enactment of this 18 paragraph and the end of the covered pe-19 riod, and who has not already received a 20 forbearance under subsection (b), shall 21 automatically be granted a 60-day forbear-22 ance that begins on the 60th day of delin-23 quency, provided that a borrower shall not 24 be considered delinquent for purposes of 25 this paragraph while making timely pay-

ments or otherwise performing under a
 trial modification or other loss mitigation
 agreement.

4 "(B) INITIAL EXTENSION.—An automatic forbearance provided under subparagraph (A) 5 6 shall be extended for up to an additional 120 7 days upon the borrower's request, oral or writ-8 ten, submitted to the borrower's servicer affirm-9 ing that the borrower is experiencing a financial 10 hardship that prevents the borrower from mak-11 ing timely payments on the covered mortgage 12 loan due, directly or indirectly, to the COVID-13 19 emergency.

14 "(C) SUBSEQUENT EXTENSION.—A for-15 bearance extended under subparagraph (\mathbf{B}) 16 shall be extended for up to an additional 180 17 days, up to a maximum of 360 days (including 18 the period of automatic forbearance), upon the 19 borrower's request, oral or written, submitted to 20 the borrower's servicer affirming that the bor-21 rower is experiencing a financial hardship that 22 prevents the borrower from making timely pay-23 ments on the covered mortgage loan due, di-24 rectly or indirectly, to the COVID-19 emer-25 gency.

1 "(D) RIGHT TO ELECT TO CONTINUE MAK-2 ING PAYMENTS.—With respect to a forbearance 3 provided under this paragraph, the borrower of 4 such loan may elect to continue making regular 5 payments on the loan. A borrower who makes 6 such election shall be offered a loss mitigation option pursuant to subsection (d) within 30 7 8 days of resuming regular payments to address 9 any payment deficiency during the forbearance. 10 "(E) RIGHT TO SHORTEN FORBEAR-

11ANCE.—At a borrower's request, any period of12forbearance provided under this paragraph may13be shortened. A borrower who makes such a re-14quest shall be offered a loss mitigation option15pursuant to subsection (d) within 30 days of re-16suming regular payments to address any pay-17ment deficiency during the forbearance.

18 "(10) AUTOMATIC FORBEARANCE FOR CERTAIN
19 REVERSE MORTGAGE LOANS.—

20 "(A) IN GENERAL.—When any covered
21 mortgage loan which is also a federally-insured
22 reverse mortgage loan, during the covered pe23 riod, is due and payable due to the death of the
24 last borrower or end of a deferral period or eli25 gible to be called due and payable due to a

1	property charge default, or if the borrower de-
2	faults on a property charge repayment plan, or
3	if the borrower defaults for failure to complete
4	property repairs, or if an obligation of the bor-
5	rower under the Security Instrument is not per-
6	formed, the mortgagee automatically shall be
7	granted a six-month extension of—
8	"(i) the mortgagee's deadline to re-
9	quest due and payable status from the De-
10	partment of Housing and Urban Develop-
11	ment;
12	"(ii) the mortgage's deadline to send
13	notification to the mortgagor or his or her
14	heirs that the loan is due and payable;
15	"(iii) the deadline to initiate fore-
16	closure;
17	"(iv) any reasonable diligence period
18	related to foreclosure or the Mortgagee Op-
19	tional Election;
20	"(v) if applicable, the deadline to ob-
21	tain the due and payable appraisal; and
22	"(vi) any claim submission deadline,
23	including the 6-month acquired property
24	marketing period.
	51
----	--
1	"(B) FORBEARANCE PERIOD.—The mort-
2	gagee shall not request due and payable status
3	from the Secretary of Housing and Urban De-
4	velopment nor initiate foreclosure during this
5	six-month period described under subparagraph
6	(A), which shall be considered a forbearance pe-
7	riod.
8	"(C) EXTENSION.—A forbearance provided
9	under subparagraph (B) and related deadline
10	extension authorized under subparagraph (A)
11	shall be extended for an additional 180 days
12	upon—
13	"(i) the borrower's request, oral or
14	written, submitted to the borrower's
15	servicer affirming that the borrower is ex-
16	periencing a financial hardship that pre-
17	vents the borrower from making payments
18	on property charges, completing property
19	repairs, or performing an obligation of the
20	borrower under the Security Instrument
21	due, directly or indirectly, to the COVID-
22	19 emergency;
23	"(ii) a non-borrowing spouse's re-
24	quest, oral or written, submitted to the

servicer affirming that the non-borrowing

25

g:\VHLC\062420\062420.252.xml (768256l4) June 24, 2020 (1:45 p.m.)

1	spouse has been unable to satisfy all cri-
2	teria for the Mortgagee Optional Election
3	program due, directly or indirectly, to the
4	COVID-19 emergency, or to perform all
5	actions necessary to become an eligible
6	non-borrowing spouse following the death
7	of all borrowers; or
8	"(iii) a successor-in-interest of the
9	borrower's request, oral or written, sub-
10	mitted to the servicer affirming the heir's
11	difficulty satisfying the reverse mortgage
12	loan due, directly or indirectly, to the
13	COVID-19 emergency.
14	"(D) CURTAILMENT OF DEBENTURE IN-
15	TEREST.—Where any covered mortgage loan
16	which is also a federally insured reverse mort-
17	gage loan is in default during the covered pe-
18	riod and subject to a prior event which provides
19	for curtailment of debenture interest in connec-
20	tion with a claim for insurance benefits, the
21	curtailment of debenture interest shall be sus-
22	pended during any forbearance period provided
23	herein.".

(3) ADDITIONAL FORECLOSURE AND REPOSSES SION PROTECTIONS.—Section 4022(c) of the
 CARES Act (15 U.S.C. 9056(c)) is amended—

(A) in paragraph (2), by striking "may not 4 5 initiate any judicial or non-judicial foreclosure 6 process, move for a foreclosure judgment or 7 order of sale, or execute a foreclosure-related 8 eviction or foreclosure sale for not less than the 9 60-day period beginning on March 18, 2020" 10 and inserting "may not initiate or proceed with 11 any judicial or non-judicial foreclosure process, 12 schedule a foreclosure sale, move for a fore-13 closure judgment or order of sale, execute a 14 foreclosure related eviction or foreclosure sale 15 for six months after the date of enactment of 16 the Emergency Housing Protections and Relief 17 Act of 2020"; and

(B) by adding at the end the following:
"(3) REPOSSESSION MORATORIUM.—In the case
of personal property, including any recreational or
motor vehicle, used as a dwelling, no person may use
any judicial or non-judicial procedure to repossess or
otherwise take possession of such property for six
months after date of enactment of this paragraph.".

1	(4) Mortgage forbearance reforms.—Sec-
2	tion 4022 of the CARES Act (15 U.S.C. 9056) is
3	amended—
4	(A) in subsection (b), by striking para-
5	graphs (1) , (2) , and (3) and inserting the fol-
6	lowing:
7	"(1) IN GENERAL.—During the covered period,
8	a borrower with a covered mortgage loan who has
9	not obtained automatic forbearance pursuant to this
10	section and who is experiencing a financial hardship
11	that prevents the borrower from making timely pay-
12	ments on the covered mortgage loan due, directly or
13	indirectly, to the COVID–19 emergency may request
14	forbearance on the loan, regardless of delinquency
15	status, by—
16	"(A) submitting a request, orally or in
17	writing, to the servicer of the loan; and
18	"(B) affirming that the borrower is experi-
19	encing a financial hardship that prevents the
20	borrower from making timely payments on the
21	covered mortgage loan due, directly or indi-
22	rectly, to the COVID–19 emergency.
23	"(2) DURATION OF FORBEARANCE.—
24	"(A) IN GENERAL.—Upon a request by a
25	borrower to a servicer for forbearance under

paragraph (1), such forbearance shall be granted by the servicer for the period requested by
the borrower, up to an initial length of 180
days, the length of which shall be extended by
the servicer, at the request of the borrower for
the period or periods requested, for a total forbearance period of up to 12-months.

8 "(B) MINIMUM FORBEARANCE 9 AMOUNTS.—For purposes of granting a forbear-10 ance under this paragraph, a servicer may 11 grant an initial forbearance with a term of not 12 less than 90 days, provided that it is automati-13 cally extended for an additional 90 days unless 14 the servicer confirms the borrower does not 15 want to renew the forbearance or that the borrower is no longer experiencing a financial 16 17 hardship that prevents the borrower from mak-18 ing timely mortgage payments due, directly or 19 indirectly, to the COVID–19 emergency.

20 "(C) RIGHT TO SHORTEN FORBEAR-21 ANCE.—At a borrower's request, any period of 22 forbearance described under this paragraph 23 may be shortened. A borrower who makes such 24 a request shall be offered a loss mitigation op-25 tion pursuant to subsection (d) within 30 days

2

42

of resuming regular payments to address any payment deficiency during the forbearance.

3 "(3) ACCRUAL OF INTEREST OR FEES.—A 4 servicer shall not charge a borrower any fees, pen-5 alties, or interest (beyond the amounts scheduled or 6 calculated as if the borrower made all contractual 7 payments on time and in full under the terms of the 8 mortgage contract) in connection with a forbearance, 9 provided that a servicer may offer the borrower a 10 modification option at the end of a forbearance pe-11 riod granted hereunder that includes the capitaliza-12 tion of past due principal and interest and escrow 13 payments as long as the borrower's principal and in-14 terest payment under such modification remains at 15 or below the contractual principal and interest pay-16 ments owed under the terms of the mortgage con-17 tract before such forbearance period except as the 18 result of a change in the index of an adjustable rate 19 mortgage.

20 "(4) COMMUNICATION WITH SERVICERS.—Any
21 communication between a borrower and a servicer
22 described under this section may be made in writing
23 or orally, at the borrower's choice.

24 "(5) COMMUNICATION WITH BORROWERS WITH
25 A DISABILITY.—Upon request from a borrower,

1	servicers shall communicate with borrowers who
2	have a disability in the borrower's preferred method
3	of communication. For purposes of this paragraph,
4	the term 'disability' has the meaning given that term
5	in the Fair Housing Act, the Americans with Dis-
6	abilities Act of 1990, or the Rehabilitation Act of
7	1973."; and
8	(B) in subsection (c), by amending para-
9	graph (1) to read as follows:
10	"(1) NO DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED.—A
11	servicer of a covered mortgage loan shall not require
12	any documentation with respect to a forbearance
13	under this section other than the borrower's affirma-
14	tion (oral or written) to a financial hardship that
15	prevents the borrower from making timely payments
16	on the covered mortgage loan due, directly or indi-
17	rectly, to the COVID–19 emergency. An oral request
18	for forbearance and oral affirmation of hardship by
19	the borrower shall be sufficient for the borrower to
20	obtain or extend a forbearance.".
21	(5) Other servicer requirements during
22	FORBEARANCE.—Section 4022(c) of the CARES Act
23	(15 U.S.C. 9056(c)), as amended by paragraph (3)
24	of this subsection, is further amended by adding at
25	the end the following:

1	"(4) FORBEARANCE TERMS NOTICE.—Within
2	30 days of a servicer of a covered mortgage loan
3	providing forbearance to a borrower under sub-
4	section (b) or paragraph (9) or (10), or 10 days if
5	the forbearance is for a term of less than 60 days,
6	but only where the forbearance was provided in re-
7	sponse to a borrower's request for forbearance or
8	when an automatic forbearance was initially pro-
9	vided under paragraph (9) or (10), and not when an
10	existing forbearance is automatically extended, the
11	servicer shall provide the borrower with a notice in
12	accordance with the terms in paragraph (5).
13	"(5) CONTENTS OF NOTICE.—The written no-
14	tice required under paragraph (4) shall state in
15	plain language—
16	"(A) the specific terms of the forbearance;
17	"(B) the beginning and ending dates of the
18	forbearance;
19	"(C) that the borrower is eligible for up to
20	12 months of forbearance;
21	"(D) that the borrower may request an ex-
22	tension of the forbearance unless the borrower
23	will have reached the maximum period at the
24	end of the forbearance;

1	((E) that the borrower may request that
2	the initial or extended period be shortened at
3	any time;
4	"(F) that the borrower should contact the
5	servicer before the end of the forbearance pe-
6	riod;
7	"(G) a description of the loss mitigation
8	options that may be available to the borrower at
9	the end of the forbearance period based on the
10	borrower's specific loan;
11	"(H) information on how to find a housing
12	counseling agency approved by the Department
13	of Housing and Urban Development;
14	"(I) in the case of a forbearance provided
15	pursuant to paragraph (9) or (10) , that the for-
16	bearance was automatically provided and how
17	to contact the servicer to make arrangements
18	for further assistance, including any renewal;
19	and
20	"(J) where applicable, that the forbearance
21	is subject to an automatic extension including
22	the terms of any such automatic extensions and
23	when any further extension would require a bor-
24	rower request.

1	"(6) TREATMENT OF ESCROW ACCOUNTS
2	During any forbearance provided under this section,
3	a servicer shall pay or advance funds to make dis-
4	bursements in a timely manner from any escrow ac-
5	count established on the covered mortgage loan.
6	"(7) NOTIFICATION FOR BORROWERS.—During
7	the period that begins 90 days after the date of the
8	enactment of this paragraph and ends at the end of
9	the covered period, each servicer of a covered mort-
10	gage loan shall be required to—
11	"(A) make available in a clear and con-
12	spicuous manner on their webpage accurate in-
13	formation, in English and Spanish, for bor-
14	rowers regarding the availability of forbearance
15	as provided under subsection (b); and
16	"(B) notify every borrower whose pay-
17	ments on a covered mortgage loan are delin-
18	quent in any oral communication with or to the
19	borrower that the borrower may be eligible to
20	request forbearance as provided under sub-
21	section (b), except that such notice shall not be
22	required if the borrower already has requested
23	forbearance under subsection (b).
24	"(8) Certain treatment under respa.—As
25	long as a borrower's payment on a covered mortgage

1	loan was not more than 30 days delinquent on
2	March 13, 2020, a servicer may not deem the bor-
3	rower as delinquent while a forbearance granted
4	under subsection (b) is in effect for purposes of the
5	application of sections 6 and 10 of the Real Estate
6	Settlement Procedures Act and any applicable regu-
7	lations.".
8	(6) Post-forbearance loss mitigation.—
9	(A) Amendment to cares act.—Section
10	4022 of the CARES Act (15 U.S.C. 9056) is
11	amended by adding at the end the following:
12	"(d) Post-forbearance Loss Mitigation.—
13	"(1) NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF ADDITIONAL
14	FORBEARANCE.—With respect to any covered mort-
15	gage loan as to which forbearance under this section
16	has been granted and not otherwise extended, in-
17	cluding by automatic extension, a servicer shall, no
18	later than 30 days before the end of the forbearance
19	period, in writing, notify the borrower that addi-
20	tional forbearance may be available and how to re-
21	quest such forbearance, except that no such notice
22	is required where the borrower already has requested
23	an extension of the forbearance period, is subject to
24	automatic extension pursuant to subsection
25	(b)(2)(B), or no additional forbearance is available.

1	"(2) Loss mitigation offer before expira-
2	TION OF FORBEARANCE.—No later than 30 days be-
3	fore the end of any forbearance period that has not
4	been extended or 30 days after a request by a con-
5	sumer to terminate the forbearance, which time shall
6	be before the servicer initiates or engages in any
7	foreclosure activity listed in subsection $(c)(2)$, in-
8	cluding incurring or charging to a borrower any fees
9	or corporate advances related to a foreclosure, the
10	servicer shall, in writing—
11	"(A) offer the borrower a loss mitigation
12	option, without the charging of any fees or pen-
13	alties other than interest, such that the bor-
14	rower's principal and interest payment remains
15	the same as it was prior to the forbearance,
16	subject to any adjustment of the index pursuant
17	to the terms of an adjustable rate mortgage,
18	and that either—
19	"(i) defers the payment of total ar-
20	rearages, including any escrow advances,
21	to the end of the existing term of the loan,
22	without the charging or collection of any
23	additional interest on the deferred
24	amounts; or

1	"(ii) extends the term of the mortgage
2	loan, and capitalizes, defers, or forgives all
3	escrow advances and other arrearages;
4	provided, however, that the servicer may offer
5	the borrower a loss mitigation option that re-
6	duces the principal and interest payment on the
7	loan and capitalizes, defers, or forgives all es-
8	crow advances or arrearages if the servicer has
9	information indicating that the borrower cannot
10	resume the pre-forbearance mortgage payments;
11	and
12	"(B) concurrent with the loss mitigation
13	offer in subparagraph (A), notify the borrower
14	that the borrower has the right to be evaluated
15	for other loss mitigation options if the borrower
16	is not able to make the payment under the op-
17	tion offered in subparagraph (A).
18	"(3) Evaluation for loss mitigation prior
19	to foreclosure initiation.—Before a servicer
20	may initiate or engage in any foreclosure activity
21	listed in subsection $(c)(2)$, including incurring or
22	charging to a borrower any fees or corporate ad-
23	vances related to a foreclosure on the basis that the
24	borrower has failed to perform under the loss miti-
25	gation offer in paragraph $(2)(A)$ within the first 90

1	days after the option is offered, including a failure
2	to accept the loss mitigation offer in paragraph
3	(2)(A), the servicer shall—
4	"(A) unless the borrower has already sub-
5	mitted a complete application that the servicer
6	is reviewing—
7	"(i) notify the borrower in writing of
8	the documents and information, if any,
9	needed by the servicer to enable the
10	servicer to consider the borrower for all
11	available loss mitigation options;
12	"(ii) exercise reasonable diligence to
13	obtain the documents and information
14	needed to complete the borrower's loss
15	mitigation application;
16	"(B) upon receipt of a complete applica-
17	tion or if, despite the servicer's exercise of rea-
18	sonable diligence, the loss mitigation application
19	remains incomplete sixty days after the notice
20	in paragraph (2)(A) is sent, conduct an evalua-
21	tion of the complete or incomplete loss mitiga-
22	tion application without reference to whether
23	the borrower has previously submitted a com-
24	plete loss mitigation application and offer the
25	borrower all available loss mitigation options for

which the borrower qualifies under applicable
 investor guidelines, including guidelines regard ing required documentation.

"(4) Effect on future requests for loss 4 5 MITIGATION REVIEW.—An application, offer, or eval-6 uation for loss mitigation under this section shall 7 not be the basis for the denial of a borrower's appli-8 cation as duplicative or for a reduction in the bor-9 rower's appeal rights under Regulation X (12 C.F.R. 10 1024) in regard to any loss mitigation application 11 submitted after the servicer has complied with the 12 requirements of paragraphs (2) and (3).

13 "(5) SAFE HARBOR.—Any loss mitigation op14 tion authorized by the Federal National Mortgage
15 Association, the Federal Home Loan Corporation, or
16 the Federal Housing Administration that either—

"(A) defers the payment of total arrearages, including any escrow advances, to the end
of the existing term of the loan, without the
charging or collection of any additional interest
on the deferred amounts, or

"(B) extends the term of the mortgage
loan, and capitalizes, defers, or forgives all escrow advances and other arrearages, without
the charging of any fees or penalties beyond in-

1	terest on any amount capitalized into the loan
2	principal,
3	shall be deemed to comply with the requirements of
4	paragraph (1)(B).
5	"(6) Home retention options for certain
6	REVERSE MORTGAGE LOANS.—
7	"(A) IN GENERAL.—For a covered mort-
8	gage loan which is also a federally-insured re-
9	verse mortgage loan, a servicer's conduct shall
10	be deemed to comply with this section provided
11	that if the loan is eligible to be called due and
12	payable due to a property charge default, the
13	mortgagee shall, as a precondition to sending a
14	due and payable request to the Secretary or ini-
15	tiating or continuing a foreclosure process—
16	"(i) make a good faith effort to com-
17	municate with the borrower regarding
18	available home retention options to cure
19	the property charge default, including en-
20	couraging the borrower to apply for home
21	retention options; and
22	"(ii) consider the borrower for all
23	available home retention options as allowed
24	by the Secretary.

"(B) PERMISSIBLE REPAYMENT PLANS.—
The Secretary shall amend its allowable home
retention options to permit a repayment plan of
up to 120 months in length, and to permit a repayment plan without regard to prior defaults
on repayment plans.

7 "(C) LIMITATION ON INTEREST CURTAIL-8 MENT.—The Secretary may not curtail interest 9 paid to mortgagees who engage in loss mitiga-10 tion or home retention actions through interest 11 curtailment during such loss mitigation or home 12 retention review or during the period when a 13 loss mitigation or home retention plan is in ef-14 fect and ending 90 days after any such plan 15 terminates.".

16 (B) AMENDMENT TO HOUSING ACT OF
17 1949.—Section 505 of the Housing Act of 1949
18 (42 U.S.C. 1475) is amended—

19(i) by striking the section heading and20inserting "LOSS MITIGATION AND FORE-21CLOSURE PROCEDURES";

(ii) in subsection (a), by striking the
section designation and all that follows
through "During any" and inserting the
following:

1	"SEC. 505. (a) Moratorium— (1) In determining a
2	borrower's eligibility for relief, the Secretary shall make
3	all eligibility decisions based on the borrower's household's
4	income, expenses, and circumstances.
5	"(2) During any".
6	(iii) by redesignating subsection (b) as
7	subsection (c); and
8	(iv) by inserting after subsection (a)
9	the following new subsection:
10	"(b) LOAN MODIFICATION.— (1) Notwithstanding
11	any other provision of this title, for any loan made under
12	section 502 or 504, the Secretary may modify the interest
13	rate and extend the term of such loan for up to 30 years
14	from the date of such modification.
15	"(2) At the end of any moratorium period granted
16	under this section or under the Emergency Housing Pro-
17	tections and Relief Act of 2020, the Secretary shall deter-
18	mine whether the borrower can reasonably resume making
19	principal and interest payments after the Secretary modi-
20	fies the borrower's loan obligations in accordance with
21	paragraph (1).".
22	(7) Multifamily mortgage forbearance.—
23	Section 4023 of the CARES Act $(15 \text{ U.S.C. } 9057)$

is amended—

1	(A) by striking "Federally backed multi-
2	family mortgage loan" each place such term ap-
3	pears and inserting "multifamily mortgage
4	loan'';
5	(B) in subsection (b), by striking "during"
6	and inserting "due, directly or indirectly, to";
7	(C) in subsection $(c)(1)$ —
8	(i) in subparagraph (A), by adding
9	"and" at the end;
10	(ii) by striking subparagraphs (B) and
11	(C) and inserting the following:
12	"(B) provide the forbearance for up to the
13	end of the period described under section
14	4024(b)."; and
15	(D) by redesignating subsection (f) as sub-
16	section (g);
17	(E) by inserting after subsection (e) the
18	following:
19	"(f) TREATMENT AFTER FORBEARANCE.—With re-
20	spect to a multifamily mortgage loan provided a forbear-
21	ance under this section, the servicer of such loan—
22	"(1) shall provide the borrower with a 12 -
23	month period beginning at the end of such forbear-
24	ance to become current on the payments under such
25	loan;

1	"(2) may not charge any late fees, penalties, or
2	other charges with respect to payments on the loan
3	that were due during the forbearance period, if such
4	payments are made before the end of the 12-month
5	period; and
6	"(3) may not report any adverse information to
7	a credit rating agency (as defined under section 603
8	of the Fair Credit Reporting Act with respect to any
9	payments on the loan that were due during the for-
10	bearance period, if such payments are made before
11	the end of the 12-month period.)."; and
12	(F) in subsection (g), as so redesignated—
13	(i) in paragraph (2)—
14	(I) by striking "that—" and all
15	that follows through "(A) is secured
16	by" and inserting "that is secured
17	by'';
18	(II) by striking "; and" and in-
19	serting a period; and
20	(III) by striking subparagraph
21	(B); and
22	(ii) by amending paragraph (5) to
23	read as follows:

1	"(5) COVERED PERIOD.—With respect to a
2	loan, the term 'covered period' has the meaning
3	given that term under section 4022(a)(3).".
4	(8) Renter protections during forbear-
5	ANCE PERIOD.— A borrower that receives a forbear-
6	ance pursuant to section 4022 or 4023 of the
7	CARES Act (15 U.S.C. 9056 or 9057) may not, for
8	the duration of the forbearance—
9	(A) evict or initiate the eviction of a tenant
10	solely for nonpayment of rent or other fees or
11	charges; or
12	(B) charge any late fees, penalties, or
13	other charges to a tenant for late payment of
14	rent.
15	(9) EXTENSION OF GSE PATCH.—
16	(A) Non-applicability of existing
17	SUNSET.—Section 1026.43(e)(4)(iii)(B) of title
18	12, Code of Federal Regulations, shall have no
19	force or effect.
20	(B) EXTENDED SUNSET.—The special
21	rules in section $1026.43(e)(4)$ of title 12, Code
22	of Federal Regulations, shall apply to covered
23	transactions consummated prior to June 1,
24	2022, or such later date as the Director of the

1	Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection may
2	determine, by rule.
3	(10) Servicer safe harbor from investor
4	LIABILITY.—
5	(A) SAFE HARBOR.—
6	(i) IN GENERAL.—A servicer of cov-
7	ered mortgage loans or multifamily mort-
8	gage loans shall be deemed not to have vio-
9	lated any duty or contractual obligation
10	owed to investors or other parties regard-
11	ing such mortgage loans on account of of-
12	fering or implementing in good faith for-
13	bearance during the covered period or of-
14	fering or implementing in good faith post-
15	forbearance loss mitigation (including after
16	the expiration of the covered period) in ac-
17	cordance with the terms of sections 4022
18	and 4023 of the CARES Act to borrowers,
19	respectively, on covered or multifamily
20	mortgage loans that it services and shall
21	not be liable to any party who is owed such
22	a duty or obligation or subject to any in-
23	junction, stay, or other equitable relief to
24	such party on account of such offer or im-

2

59

plementation of forbearance or post-forbearance loss mitigation.

3 (ii) OTHER PERSONS.—Any person, 4 including a trustee of a securitization vehicle 5 \mathbf{or} other party involved in a 6 securitization or other investment vehicle, 7 who in good faith cooperates with a 8 servicer of covered or multifamily mortgage 9 loans held by that securitization or invest-10 ment vehicle to comply with the terms of 11 section 4022 and 4023 of the CARES Act, 12 respectively, to borrowers on covered or multifamily mortgage loans owned by the 13 14 securitization or other investment vehicle 15 shall not be liable to any party who is owed 16 such a duty or obligation or subject to any 17 injunction, stay, or other equitable relief to 18 such party on account of its cooperation 19 with an offer or implementation of forbear-20 ance during the covered period or post-for-21 bearance loss mitigation, including after 22 the expiration of the covered period.

23 (B) STANDARD INDUSTRY PRACTICE.—
24 During the covered period, notwithstanding any
25 contractual restrictions, it is deemed to be

1	standard industry practice for a servicer to
2	offer forbearance or loss mitigation options in
3	accordance with the terms of sections 4022 and
4	4023 of the CARES Act to borrowers, respec-
5	tively, on all covered or multifamily mortgage
6	loans it services.
7	(C) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in
8	this paragraph may be construed as affecting
9	the liability of a servicer or other person for ac-
10	tual fraud in the servicing of a mortgage loan
11	or for the violation of a State or Federal law.
12	(D) DEFINITIONS.—In this paragraph:
13	(i) COVERED MORTGAGE LOAN.—The
14	term "covered mortgage loan" has the
15	meaning given that term under section
16	4022(a) of the CARES Act.
17	(ii) COVERED PERIOD.—The term
18	"covered period" has the meaning given
19	that term under section $4023(g)$ of the
20	CARES Act.
21	(iii) Multifamily mortgage
22	LOAN.—The term "multifamily mortgage
23	loan" has the meaning given that term
24	under section 4023(g) of the CARES Act.

1	(iv) SERVICER.—The term
2	"servicer"—
3	(I) has the meaning given the
4	term under section 6(i) of the Real
5	Estate Settlement Procedures Act of
6	1974 (12 U.S.C. 2605(i)); and
7	(II) means a master servicer and
8	a subservicer, as such terms are de-
9	fined, respectively, under section
10	1024.31 of title 12, Code of Federal
11	Regulations.
12	(v) Securitization vehicle.—The
13	term "securitization vehicle" has the
14	meaning give that term under section
15	129A(f) of the Truth in Lending Act (15
16	U.S.C. 1639a(f)).
17	(c) BANKRUPTCY PROTECTIONS.—
18	(1) BANKRUPTCY PROTECTIONS FOR FEDERAL
19	CORONAVIRUS RELIEF PAYMENTS.—Section 541(b)
20	of title 11, United States Code, is amended—
21	(A) in paragraph (9), in the matter fol-
22	lowing subparagraph (B), by striking "or";
23	(B) in paragraph $(10)(C)$, by striking the
24	period at the end and inserting "; or"; and

1 (C) by inserting after paragraph (10) the 2 following:

"(11) payments made under Federal law relating to the national emergency declared by the President under the National Emergencies Act (50
U.S.C. 1601 et seq.) with respect to the coronavirus
disease 2019 (COVID-19).".

8 (2) PROTECTION AGAINST DISCRIMINATORY
9 TREATMENT OF HOMEOWNERS IN BANKRUPTCY.—
10 Section 525 of title 11, United States Code, is
11 amended by adding at the end the following:

"(d) A person may not be denied any forbearance,
assistance, or loan modification relief made available to
borrowers by a mortgage creditor or servicer because the
person is or has been a debtor, or has received a discharge,
in a case under this title.".

17 (3) INCREASING THE HOMESTEAD EXEMP18 TION.—Section 522 of title 11, United States Code,
19 is amended—

20 (A) in subsection (d)(1), by striking
21 "\$15,000" and inserting "\$100,000"; and
22 (B) by adding at the end the following:
23 "(r) Notwithstanding any other provision of applica24 ble nonbankruptcy law, a debtor in any State may exempt

25 from property of the estate the property described in sub-

section (d)(1) not to exceed the value in subsection (d)(1)
 if the exemption for such property permitted by applicable
 nonbankruptcy law is lower than that amount.".

4 (4) EFFECT OF MISSED MORTGAGE PAYMENTS
5 ON DISCHARGE.—Section 1328 of title 11, United
6 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the
7 following:

8 "(i) A debtor shall not be denied a discharge under
9 this section because, as of the date of discharge, the debtor
10 did not make 6 or fewer payments directly to the holder
11 of a debt secured by real property.

12 "(j) Notwithstanding subsections (a) and (b), upon 13 the debtor's request, the court shall grant a discharge of 14 all debts provided for in the plan that are dischargeable 15 under subsection (a) if the debtor—

- 16 "(1) has made payments under a confirmed17 plan for at least 1 year; and
- "(2) is experiencing or has experienced a material financial hardship due, directly or indirectly, to
 the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic.".

(5) EXPANDED ELIGIBILITY FOR CHAPTER
13.—Section 109(e) of title 11, United States Code,
is amended—

1	(A) by striking "\$250,000" each place the
2	term appears and inserting "\$850,000"; and
3	(B) by striking "\$750,000" each place the
4	term appears and inserting "\$2,600,000".
5	(6) EXTENDED CURE PERIOD FOR HOME-
6	OWNERS HARMED BY COVID–19 PANDEMIC.—
7	(A) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 13 of title 11,
8	United States Code, is amended by adding at
9	the end thereof the following:
10	"8 1991 Special provisions related to COVID 10 per
10	"§1331. Special provisions related to COVID-19 pan-
10	demic
11	demic
11 12	demic "(a) Notwithstanding subsections (b)(2) and (d) of
11 12 13	demic "(a) Notwithstanding subsections (b)(2) and (d) of section 1322, if the debtor is experiencing or has experi-
11 12 13 14	demic "(a) Notwithstanding subsections (b)(2) and (d) of section 1322, if the debtor is experiencing or has experi- enced a material financial hardship due, directly or indi-
 11 12 13 14 15 	demic "(a) Notwithstanding subsections (b)(2) and (d) of section 1322, if the debtor is experiencing or has experi- enced a material financial hardship due, directly or indi- rectly, to the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID–19) pan-
 11 12 13 14 15 16 	demic "(a) Notwithstanding subsections (b)(2) and (d) of section 1322, if the debtor is experiencing or has experi- enced a material financial hardship due, directly or indi- rectly, to the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID–19) pan- demic, a plan may provide for the curing of any default
 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 	demic "(a) Notwithstanding subsections (b)(2) and (d) of section 1322, if the debtor is experiencing or has experi- enced a material financial hardship due, directly or indi- rectly, to the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID–19) pan- demic, a plan may provide for the curing of any default within a reasonable time, not to exceed 7 years after the

which the last payment is due after the expiration of such
time. Any such plan provision shall not affect the applicable commitment period under section 1325(b).

24 "(b) For purposes of sections 1328(a) and 1328(b),25 any cure or maintenance payments under subsection (a)

that are made after the end of the period during which
 the plan provides for payments (other than payments
 under subsection (a)) shall not be treated as payments
 under the plan.

5 "(c) Notwithstanding section 1329(c), a plan modi-6 fied under section 1329 at the debtor's request may pro-7 vide for cure or maintenance payments under subsection 8 (a) over a period that is not longer than 7 years after 9 the time that the first payment under the original con-10 firmed plan was due.

11 "(d) Notwithstanding section 362(c)(2), during the 12 period after the debtor receives a discharge and the period 13 during which the plan provides for the cure of any default 14 and maintenance of payments under the plan, section 15 362(a) shall apply to the holder of a claim for which a 16 default is cured and payments are maintained under sub-17 section (a) and to any property securing such claim.

18 "(e) Notwithstanding section 1301(a)(2), the stay of 19 section 1301(a) terminates upon the granting of a dis-20 charge under section 1328 with respect to all creditors 21 other than the holder of a claim for which a default is 22 cured and payments are maintained under subsection 23 (a).".

24 (B) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of
25 sections of chapter 13, title 11, United States

Code, is amended by adding at the end thereof
 the following:

"Sec. 1331. Special provisions related to COVID-19 Pandemic.".

3	(C) Application.—The amendments
4	made by this paragraph shall apply only to any
5	case under title 11, United States Code, com-
6	menced before 3 years after the date of enact-
7	ment of this Act and pending on or commenced
8	after such date of enactment, in which a plan
9	under chapter 13 of title 11, United States
10	Code, was not confirmed before March 27,
11	2020.

12 SEC. 104. LIQUIDITY FOR MORTGAGE SERVICERS AND RESI-

13

DENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTY OWNERS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 4003 of the CARES Act
(15 U.S.C. 9042), is amended by adding at the end the
following:

17 "(i) LIQUIDITY FOR MORTGAGE SERVICERS.—

18 "(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2), 19 the Secretary shall ensure that servicers of covered 20 mortgage loans (as defined under section 4022) and 21 multifamily mortgage loans (as defined under sec-22 tion 4023) are provided the opportunity to partici-23 pate in the loans, loan guarantees, or other invest-24 ments made by the Secretary under this section. The 25 Secretary shall ensure that servicers are provided

1	with access to such opportunities under equitable
2	terms and conditions regardless of their size.
3	"(2) Mortgage servicer eligibility.—In
4	order to receive assistance under subsection $(b)(4)$,
5	a mortgage servicer shall—
6	"(A) demonstrate that the mortgage
7	servicer has established policies and procedures
8	to use such funds only to replace funds used for
9	borrower assistance, including to advance funds
10	as a result of forbearance or other loss mitiga-
11	tion provided to borrowers;
12	"(B) demonstrate that the mortgage
13	servicer has established policies and procedures
14	to provide forbearance, post-forbearance loss
15	mitigation, and other assistance to borrowers in
16	compliance with the terms of section 4022 or
17	4023, as applicable;
18	"(C) demonstrate that the mortgage
19	servicer has established policies and procedures
20	to ensure that forbearance and post-forbearance
21	assistance is available to all borrowers in a non-

discriminatory fashion and in compliance with

the Fair Housing Act, the Equal Credit Oppor-

tunity Act, and other applicable fair housing

and fair lending laws; and

g:\VHLC\062420\062420.252.xml (768256l4) June 24, 2020 (1:45 p.m.)

22

23

24

1	"(D) comply with the limitations on com-
2	pensation set forth in section 4004.
3	"(3) Mortgage servicer requirements.—A
4	mortgage servicer receiving assistance under sub-
5	section $(b)(4)$ may not, while the servicer is under
6	any obligation to repay funds provided or guaran-
7	teed under this section—
8	"(A) pay dividends with respect to the
9	common stock of the mortgage servicer or pur-
10	chase an equity security of the mortgage
11	servicer or any parent company of the mortgage
12	servicer if the security is listed on a national se-
13	curities exchange, except to the extent required
14	under a contractual obligation that is in effect
15	on the date of enactment of this subsection; or
16	"(B) prepay any debt obligation.".
17	(b) CREDIT FACILITY FOR RESIDENTIAL RENTAL
18	Property Owners.—
19	(1) IN GENERAL.—The Board of Governors of
20	the Federal Reserve System shall—
21	(A) establish a facility, using amounts
22	made available under section $4003(b)(4)$ of the
23	CARES Act $(15$ U.S.C. $9042(b)(4))$, to make
24	long-term, low-cost loans to residential rental

property owners as to temporarily compensate

1	such owners for documented financial losses
2	caused by reductions in rent payments; and
3	(B) defer such owners' required payments
4	on such loans until after six months after the
5	date of enactment of this Act.
6	(2) REQUIREMENTS.—A borrower that receives
7	a loan under this subsection may not, for the dura-
8	tion of the loan—
9	(A) evict or initiate the eviction of a tenant
10	solely for nonpayment of rent or other fees or
11	charges;
12	(B) charge any late fees, penalties, or
13	other charges to a tenant for late payment of
14	rent; and
15	(C) with respect to a person or entity de-
16	scribed under paragraph (4), discriminate on
17	the basis of source of income.
18	(3) Report on residential rental prop-
19	ERTY OWNERS.—The Board of Governors shall issue
20	a report to the Congress containing the following,
21	with respect to each property owner receiving a loan
22	under this subsection:
23	(A) The number of borrowers that received
24	assistance under this subsection.

1	(B) The average total loan amount that
2	each borrower received.
3	(C) The total number of rental units that
4	each borrower owned.
5	(D) The average rent charged by each bor-
6	rower.
7	(4) Report on large residential rental
8	PROPERTY OWNERS.—The Board of Governors shall
9	issue a report to Congress that identifies any person
10	or entity that in aggregate owns or holds a control-
11	ling interest in any entity that, in aggregate, owns—
12	(A) more than 100 rental units that are lo-
13	cated within in a single Metropolitan Statistical
14	Area;
15	(B) more than 1,000 rental units nation-
16	wide; or
17	(C) rental units in three or more States.
18	(c) Amendments to National Housing Act
19	Section 306(g)(1) of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C.
20	1721(a)) is amended—
21	(1) in the fifth sentence, by inserting after
22	"issued" the following: ", subject to any pledge or
23	grant of security interest of the Federal Reserve
24	under section 4003(a) of the CARES Act (Public
25	Law 116–136; 134 Stat. 470; 15 U.S.C. 9042(a))

1	and to any such mortgage or mortgages or any in-
2	terest therein and the proceeds thereon, which the
3	Association may elect to approve"; and
4	(2) in the sixth sentence—
5	(A) by striking "or (C)" and inserting
6	"(C)"; and
7	(B) by inserting before the period the fol-
8	lowing: ", or (D) its approval and honoring of
9	any pledge or grant of security interest of the
10	Federal Reserve under section 4003(a) of the
11	CARES Act and to any such mortgage or mort-
12	gages or any interest therein and proceeds
1 4	
13	thereon as".
13	thereon as".
13 14	thereon as''. SEC. 105. RURAL RENTAL ASSISTANCE.
13 14 15	thereon as". SEC. 105. RURAL RENTAL ASSISTANCE. There is authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year
13 14 15 16	thereon as". SEC. 105. RURAL RENTAL ASSISTANCE. There is authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2020 \$309,000,000 for rural rental assistance, which shall
13 14 15 16 17	thereon as". SEC. 105. RURAL RENTAL ASSISTANCE. There is authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2020 \$309,000,000 for rural rental assistance, which shall remain available until September 30, 2021, of which—
 13 14 15 16 17 18 	thereon as". SEC. 105. RURAL RENTAL ASSISTANCE. There is authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2020 \$309,000,000 for rural rental assistance, which shall remain available until September 30, 2021, of which— (1) up to \$25,000,000 million may be used for
 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 	thereon as". SEC. 105. RURAL RENTAL ASSISTANCE. There is authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2020 \$309,000,000 for rural rental assistance, which shall remain available until September 30, 2021, of which— (1) up to \$25,000,000 million may be used for an additional amount for rural housing vouchers for
 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 	thereon as". SEC. 105. RURAL RENTAL ASSISTANCE. There is authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2020 \$309,000,000 for rural rental assistance, which shall remain available until September 30, 2021, of which— (1) up to \$25,000,000 million may be used for an additional amount for rural housing vouchers for any low-income households (including those not re-
 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 	thereon as". SEC. 105. RURAL RENTAL ASSISTANCE. There is authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2020 \$309,000,000 for rural rental assistance, which shall remain available until September 30, 2021, of which— (1) up to \$25,000,000 million may be used for an additional amount for rural housing vouchers for any low-income households (including those not re- ceiving rental assistance) residing in a property fi-

1	(2) the remainder shall be used for an addi-
2	tional amount for rural rental assistance agreements
3	entered into or renewed pursuant to section
4	521(a)(2) of the Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C.
5	1490a(a)(2)) to—
6	(A) supplement the rental assistance of
7	households on whose behalf assistance is being
8	provided; and
9	(B) provide rental assistance on behalf of
10	households who are not being assisted with such
11	rental assistance but who qualify for such as-
12	sistance.
10	SEC. 106. FUNDING FOR PUBLIC HOUSING AND TENANT-
13	SEC. 100. FUNDING FOR FUBLIC HOUSING AND TENANT-
13 14	BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE.
14	BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE.
14 15 16	BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE. (a) PUBLIC HOUSING OPERATING FUND.—There is
14 15 16 17	BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE. (a) PUBLIC HOUSING OPERATING FUND.—There is authorized to be appropriated for an additional amount
14 15 16 17	BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE. (a) PUBLIC HOUSING OPERATING FUND.—There is authorized to be appropriated for an additional amount for fiscal year 2020 for the Public Housing Operating
14 15 16 17 18	BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE. (a) PUBLIC HOUSING OPERATING FUND.—There is authorized to be appropriated for an additional amount for fiscal year 2020 for the Public Housing Operating Fund under section 9(e) of the United States Housing Act
14 15 16 17 18 19	BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE. (a) PUBLIC HOUSING OPERATING FUND.—There is authorized to be appropriated for an additional amount for fiscal year 2020 for the Public Housing Operating Fund under section 9(e) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437g(e)) \$2,000,000,000, to remain
 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 	BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE. (a) PUBLIC HOUSING OPERATING FUND.—There is authorized to be appropriated for an additional amount for fiscal year 2020 for the Public Housing Operating Fund under section 9(e) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437g(e)) \$2,000,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2021.
 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 	 BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE. (a) PUBLIC HOUSING OPERATING FUND.—There is authorized to be appropriated for an additional amount for fiscal year 2020 for the Public Housing Operating Fund under section 9(e) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437g(e)) \$2,000,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2021. (b) TENANT-BASED SECTION 8 RENTAL ASSIST-
 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 	 BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE. (a) PUBLIC HOUSING OPERATING FUND.—There is authorized to be appropriated for an additional amount for fiscal year 2020 for the Public Housing Operating Fund under section 9(e) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437g(e)) \$2,000,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2021. (b) TENANT-BASED SECTION 8 RENTAL ASSISTANCE.—There is authorized to be appropriated for an ad-
\$3,000,000,000, to remain available until September 30,
 2021, of which not more than \$500,000,000 may be used
 for administrative fees under section 8(q) of such Act (42
 U.S.C. 1437f(q)).

5 (c) APPLICABILITY OF WAIVERS.—Any waiver or al-6 ternative requirement made by the Secretary of Housing 7 and Urban Development pursuant to the heading "Ten-8 ant-Based Rental Assistance" or "Public Housing Oper-9 ating Fund" in title XII of division B of the CARES Act 10 (Public Law 116–136) shall apply with respect to amounts 11 made available pursuant to this section.

12 SEC. 107. SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING FOR SUPPORTIVE

13HOUSING FOR THE ELDERLY, SUPPORTIVE14HOUSING FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES,15SUPPORTIVE HOUSING FOR PERSONS WITH16AIDS, AND PROJECT-BASED SECTION 8 RENT-

17 AL ASSISTANCE.

(a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
authorized to be appropriated \$500,000,000 for fiscal year
2020 for additional assistance for supportive housing for
the elderly, of which—

(1) \$200,000,000 shall be for rental assistance
under section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959 (12
U.S.C. 1701q) or section 8 of the United States
Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f), as appro-

1 priate, and for hiring additional staff and for serv-2 ices and costs, including acquiring personal protec-3 tive equipment, to prevent, prepare for, or respond public 4 to the health emergency relating to 5 Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic; 6 and

(2) \$300,000,000 shall be for grants under section 676 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 13632) for costs of providing service coordinators for purposes of coordinating services to prevent, prepare for, or respond to the public health emergency relating to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).

14 Any provisions of, and waivers and alternative require15 ments issued by the Secretary pursuant to, the heading
16 "Department of Housing and Urban Development—Hous17 ing Programs—Housing for the Elderly" in title XII of
18 division B of the CARES Act (Public Law 116–136) shall
19 apply with respect to amounts made available pursuant
20 to this subsection.

(b) ELIGIBILITY OF SUPPORTIVE HOUSING FOR PERsons WITH DISABILITIES.—Subsection (a) of section 676
of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992
(42 U.S.C. 13632(a)) shall be applied, for purposes of

subsection (a) of this section, by substituting "(G), and
 (H)" for " and (G)".

3 (c) Service Coordinators.—

4 (1)HIRING.—In the hiring of staff using 5 amounts made available pursuant to this section for 6 costs of providing service coordinators, grantees 7 shall consider and hire, at all levels of employment 8 and to the greatest extent possible, a diverse staff, 9 including by race, ethnicity, gender, and disability 10 status. Each grantee shall submit a report to the 11 Secretary of Housing and Urban Development de-12 scribing compliance with the preceding sentence not 13 later than the expiration of the 120-day period that 14 begins upon the termination of the emergency de-15 clared on March 13, 2020, by the President under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emer-16 17 gency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 4121 et seq.) relat-18 ing to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) 19 pandemic.

20 (2) ONE-TIME GRANTS.—Grants made using
21 amounts made available pursuant to subsection (a)
22 for costs of providing service coordinators shall not
23 be renewable.

24 (3) ONE-YEAR AVAILABILITY.—Any amounts
25 made available pursuant to this section for costs of

providing service coordinators that are allocated for
 a grantee and remain unexpended upon the expira tion of the 12-month period beginning upon such al location shall be recaptured by the Secretary.

5 (d) FUNDING FOR SUPPORTIVE HOUSING FOR PER-SONS WITH DISABILITIES.—There is authorized to be ap-6 7 propriated \$200,000,000 for fiscal year 2020 for addi-8 tional assistance for supportive housing for persons with 9 disabilities under section 811 of the Cranston-Gonzalez 10 National Affordable Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 8013). Any provisions of, and waivers and alternative requirements 11 issued by the Secretary pursuant to, the heading "Depart-12 13 ment of Housing and Urban Development—Housing Programs—Housing for Persons With Disabilities" in title 14 15 XII of division B of the CARES Act (Public Law 116– 136) shall apply with respect to amounts made available 16 pursuant to this subsection. 17

18 (e) FUNDING FOR HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PEOPLE WITH AIDS PROGRAM.—There is authorized to 19 be appropriated \$15,000,000 for fiscal year 2020 for addi-20 21 tional assistance for the Housing Opportunities for Per-22 sons with AIDS program under the AIDS Housing Oppor-23 tunity Act (42 U.S.C. 12901 et seq.). Any provisions of, 24 and waivers and alternative requirements issued by the Secretary pursuant to, the heading "Department of Hous-25

ing and Urban Development—Community Planning and
 Development—Housing Opportunities for Persons With
 AIDS" in title XII of division B of the CARES Act (Pub lic Law 116–136) shall apply with respect to amounts
 made available pursuant to this subsection.

6 (f) FUNDING FOR PROJECT-BASED SECTION 8 RENT-7 AL ASSISTANCE.—There is authorized to be appropriated 8 \$750,000,000 for fiscal year 2020 for additional assist-9 ance for project-based rental assistance under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 10 1437f). Any provisions of, and waivers and alternative re-11 12 quirements issued by the Secretary pursuant to, the heading "Department of Housing and Urban Development-13 Housing Programs—Project-Based Rental Assistance" in 14 15 title XII of division B of the CARES Act (Public Law 116–136) shall apply with respect to amounts made avail-16 able pursuant to this subsection. 17

18 SEC. 108. FAIR HOUSING.

(a) DEFINITION OF COVID-19 EMERGENCY PERIOD.— For purposes of this Act, the term "COVID-19
emergency period" means the period that begins upon the
date of the enactment of this Act and ends upon the date
of the termination by the Federal Emergency Management Agency of the emergency declared on March 13,
2020, by the President under the Robert T. Stafford Dis-

aster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C.
 4121 et seq.) relating to the Coronavirus Disease 2019
 (COVID-19) pandemic.

4 (b) FAIR HOUSING ACTIVITIES.—

5 (1) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—To 6 ensure existing grantees have sufficient resource for 7 fair housing activities and for technology and equip-8 ment needs to deliver services through use of the 9 Internet or other electronic or virtual means in re-10 sponse to the public health emergency related to the 11 Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic, 12 there is authorized to be appropriated \$4,000,000 13 for Fair Housing Organization Initiative grants 14 through the Fair Housing Initiatives Program under 15 section 561 of the Housing and Community Devel-16 opment Act of 1987 (42 U.S.C. 3616a).

17 (2) 3-YEAR AVAILABILITY.—Any amounts made
18 available pursuant paragraph (1) that are allocated
19 for a grantee and remain unexpended upon the expi20 ration of the 3-year period beginning upon such allo21 cation shall be recaptured by the Secretary.

(c) FAIR HOUSING EDUCATION.—There is authorized
to be appropriated \$10,000,000 for the Office of Fair
Housing and Equal Opportunity of the Department of
Housing and Urban Development to carry out a national

media campaign and local education and outreach to edu-1 2 cate the public of increased housing rights during 3 COVID-19 emergency period, that provides that informa-4 tion and materials used in such campaign are available— 5 (1) in the languages used by communities with 6 limited English proficiency; and 7 (2) to persons with disabilities. 8 SEC. 109. FUNDING FOR HOUSING COUNSELING SERVICES. 9 (a) CONGRESSIONAL FINDINGS.—The Congress finds 10 that— 11 (1) the spread of Coronavirus Disease 2019 12 (COVID-19), which is now considered a global pandemic, is expected to negatively impact the incomes 13 14 of potentially millions of homeowners, renters, indi-15 viduals experiencing homelessness, and individuals at 16 risk of homelessness, making it difficult for them to 17 pay their mortgages or rents on time; 18 (2) housing counseling is critical to ensuring 19 that homeowners, renters, individuals experiencing 20 homelessness, and individuals at risk of homeless-21 ness have the resources they need to manage finan-22 cial hardships from the COVID-19 crisis; 23 (3) loan preservation and foreclosure mitigation services are also critical to address the needs of 24

homeowners who lose employment and income be-

cause of the pandemic and who face serious delin quency or home loan default, or are in foreclosing
 proceedings during this period;

4 (4) evaluations from the National Foreclosure 5 Mitigation Counseling program revealed that home-6 owners at risk of or facing foreclosure are better 7 served when they have access to a housing counselor 8 and a range of tools and resources to help them 9 avoid losing their home and have the support they 10 need to tailor the best possible response to their sit-11 uation.

12 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is 13 authorized to be appropriated to the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation (in this section referred to as the 14 15 "Corporation") established under the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation Act (42 U.S.C. 8101 et seq.) 16 17 \$100,000,000 for fiscal year 2020 for housing counseling 18 services, which shall remain available until September 30, 19 2023.

(c) PRIORITIZATION OF HOUSING COUNSELING
SERVICES.—Of any grant funds made available pursuant
to subsection (b), not less than 40 percent shall be provided to counseling organizations that target counseling
services to minority and low-income homeowners, renters,
individuals experiencing homelessness, and individuals at

81

risk of homelessness or provide such services in neighbor hoods with high concentrations of minority and low-in come homeowners, renters, individuals experiencing home lessness, and individuals at risk of homelessness.

5 (d) ELIGIBLE USES.—Amounts made available pur6 suant to subsection (b) may be used in such amounts as
7 the Corporation determines for costs of—

(1) public education and outreach;

9 (2) direct services, including the full range of 10 services provided by housing counselors to assist 11 homeowners, including manufactured homeowners, 12 regardless of financing type, renters, individuals ex-13 periencing homelessness, and individuals at risk of 14 homelessness, including the practices, tools, and in-15 novations in foreclosure mitigation that were utilized 16 in the National Foreclosure Mitigation Counseling 17 Program, and financial capability, credit counseling, 18 homeless counseling, and rental counseling;

19 (3) equipment and technology, including
20 broadband internet and equipment upgrades needed
21 to ensure timely and effective service delivery;

(4) training, including capacitating housing
counseling staff in various modes of counseling, including rental and foreclosure, delivery of remote
counseling utilizing improved technology, enhanced

- network security, and supportive options for the de livery of client services; and
- 3 (5) administration and oversight of the program
 4 in accordance with the Corporation's rate for pro5 gram administration.

6 (e) DISBURSEMENT.—The Corporation shall disburse 7 all grant funds made available pursuant to subsection (b) 8 as expeditiously as possible, through grants to housing 9 counseling intermediaries approved by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, State housing finance 10 11 agencies, and NeighborWorks organizations. The aggre-12 gate amount provided to NeighborWorks organizations shall not exceed 15 percent of the total of grant funds 13 made available pursuant to subsection (b). 14

15 TITLE II—PROTECTING PEOPLE

16 **EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS**

17 SEC. 201. HOMELESS ASSISTANCE FUNDING.

18 (a) Emergency Homeless Assistance.—

19 (1)AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.— 20 There is authorized to be appropriated under the 21 Emergency Solutions Grants program under subtitle 22 B of title IV of the McKinney-Vento Homeless As-23 sistance Act (42)U.S.C. 11371et seq.) 24 \$11,500,000,000 for grants under such subtitle in accordance with this subsection to respond to needs 25

1	arising from the public health emergency relating to
2	Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). Of such
3	amounts made available, \$4,000,000,000 shall be al-
4	located in accordance with sections 413 and 414 of
5	the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42)
6	U.S.C. 11372, 11373).
7	(2) FORMULA.—Notwithstanding sections 413
8	and 414 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assist-
9	ance Act (42 U.S.C. 11372, 11373), the Secretary
10	of Housing and Urban Development (in this Act re-
11	ferred to as the "Secretary") shall allocate any
12	amounts remaining after amounts are allocated pur-
13	suant to paragraph (1) in accordance with a formula
14	to be established by the Secretary that takes into
15	consideration the following factors:
16	(A) Risk of transmission of coronavirus in
17	a jurisdiction.
18	(B) Whether a jurisdiction has a high
19	number or rate of sheltered and unsheltered
20	homeless individuals and families.
21	(C) Economic and housing market condi-
22	tions in a jurisdiction.
23	(3) ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES.—In addition to eligi-
24	ble activities under section 415(a) of the McKinney-
25	Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C.

1	11374(a), amounts made available pursuant to para-
2	graph (1) may also be used for costs of the following
3	activities:
4	(A) Providing training on infectious dis-
5	ease prevention and mitigation.
6	(B) Providing hazard pay, including for
7	time worked before the effectiveness of this sub-
8	paragraph, for staff working directly to prevent
9	and mitigate the spread of coronavirus or
10	COVID-19 among people experiencing or at
11	risk of homelessness.
12	(C) Reimbursement of costs for eligible ac-
13	tivities (including activities described in this
14	paragraph) relating to preventing, preparing
15	for, or responding to the coronavirus or
16	COVID-19 that were accrued before the date of
17	the enactment of this Act.
18	(D) Notwithstanding 24 CFR
19	576.102(a)(3), providing a hotel or motel
20	voucher for a homeless individual or family.
21	Use of such amounts for activities described in this
22	paragraph shall not be considered use for adminis-
23	trative purposes for purposes of section 418 of the
24	McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42
25	U.S.C. 11377).

1 (4)INAPPLICABILITY OF PROCUREMENT 2 STANDARDS.—To the extent amounts made available 3 pursuant to paragraph (1) are used to procure goods 4 and services relating to activities to prevent, prepare 5 for, or respond to the coronavirus or COVID-19, the 6 standards and requirements regarding procurement 7 that are otherwise applicable shall not apply.

8 (5) INAPPLICABILITY OF HABITABILITY AND 9 ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW STANDARDS.—Any Fed-10 eral standards and requirements regarding habit-11 ability and environmental review shall not apply with respect to any emergency shelter that is assisted 12 with amounts made available pursuant to paragraph 13 14 (1) and has been determined by a State or local 15 health official, in accordance with such requirements 16 as the Secretary shall establish, to be necessary to 17 prevent and mitigate the spread of coronavirus or 18 COVID-19, such shelters.

(6) INAPPLICABILITY OF CAP ON EMERGENCY
SHELTER ACTIVITIES.—Subsection (b) of section
415 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance
Act shall not apply to any amounts made available
pursuant to paragraph (1) of this subsection.

24 (7) INITIAL ALLOCATION OF ASSISTANCE.—Sec25 tion 417(b) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assist-

ance Act (42 U.S.C. 11376(b)) shall be applied with
 respect to amounts made available pursuant to para graph (1) of this subsection by substituting "30 day" for "60-day".

5 (8) WAIVERS AND ALTERNATIVE REQUIRE6 MENTS.—

7 (\mathbf{A}) AUTHORITY.—In administering 8 amounts made available pursuant to paragraph 9 (1), the Secretary may waive, or specify alter-10 native requirements for, any provision of any 11 statute or regulation (except for any require-12 ments related to fair housing, nondiscrimina-13 tion, labor standards, and the environment) 14 that the Secretary administers in connection 15 with the obligation or use by the recipient of 16 such amounts, if the Secretary finds that good 17 cause exists for the waiver or alternative re-18 quirement and such waiver or alternative re-19 quirement is consistent with the purposes de-20 scribed in this subsection.

(B) NOTIFICATION.—The Secretary shall
notify the public through the Federal Register
or other appropriate means 5 days before the
effective date of any such waiver or alternative
requirement, and any such public notice may be

2

3

87

provided on the Internet at the appropriate Government web site or through other electronic media, as determined by the Secretary.

4 (C) EXEMPTION.—The use of amounts 5 made available pursuant to paragraph (1) shall 6 not be subject to the consultation, citizen par-7 ticipation, or match requirements that other-8 wise apply to the Emergency Solutions Grants 9 program, except that a recipient shall publish 10 how it has and will utilize its allocation at a 11 minimum on the Internet at the appropriate 12 Government web site or through other elec-13 tronic media.

(9) INAPPLICABILITY OF MATCHING REQUIREMENT.—Subsection (a) of section 416 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C.
11375(a)) shall not apply to any amounts made
available pursuant to paragraph (1) of this subsection.

(10) PROHIBITION ON PREREQUISITES.—None
of the funds authorized under this subsection may
be used to require people experiencing homelessness
to receive treatment or perform any other prerequisite activities as a condition for receiving shelter, housing, or other services.

1 (b) CONTINUUM OF CARE PROGRAM.—Due to the 2 emergency relating to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic, the Notice of Funding Availability 3 4 (NOFA) for fiscal year 2020 for the Continuum of Care 5 program under subtitle C of title IV of the McKinney-6 Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11381 et seq.) 7 shall have no force or effect and the Secretary of Housing 8 and Urban Development shall distribute amounts made 9 available for such fiscal year for such program based on 10 the results of the competition for amounts made available for such program for fiscal year 2019 (FR-6300-25), ex-11 12 cept that grant amounts may be adjusted to account for 13 changes in fair market rents.

14 SEC. 202. EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE VOUCHER15PROGRAM.

(a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of Housing
and Urban Development (in this section referred to as the
"Secretary"), \$1,000,000,000 for fiscal year 2020, to remain available until expended, for incremental emergency
vouchers under subsection (b).

22 (b) EMERGENCY VOUCHERS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall provide
emergency rental assistance vouchers under this subsection, which shall be tenant-based rental assistance

1	under section 8(0) the United States Housing Act of
2	1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(o)).
3	(2) Selection of families.—
4	(A) MANDATORY PREFERENCES.—Each
5	public housing agency administering assistance
6	under this section shall provide preference for
7	such assistance to eligible families that are—
8	(i) homeless (as such term is defined
9	in section 103(a) of the McKinney-Vento
10	Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C.
11	11302(a));
12	(ii) at risk of homelessness (as such
13	term is defined in section 401 of the
14	McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act
15	(42 U.S.C. 11360); or
16	(iii) fleeing, or attempting to flee, do-
17	mestic violence, dating violence, sexual as-
18	sault, or stalking.
19	(B) Allocation.—In allocating amounts
20	made available under this section, the Secretary
21	shall—
22	(i) not later than 60 days after the
23	date of the enactment of this Act, allocate
24	at least 50 percent of such amounts to

1	public housing agencies in accordance with
2	a formula that considers—
3	(I) the capability of public hous-
4	ing agencies to promptly use emer-
5	gency vouchers provided under this
6	section; and
7	(II) the need for emergency
8	vouchers provided under this section
9	in the geographical area, based on
10	factors determined by the Secretary,
11	including risk of transmission of
12	coronavirus, high numbers or rates of
13	sheltered and unsheltered homeless-
14	ness, and economic and housing mar-
15	ket conditions;
16	(ii) allocate remaining amounts in ac-
17	cordance with a formula that considers—
18	(I) the criteria under clause (i)
19	and the success of a public housing
20	agency in promptly utilizing vouchers
21	awarded under clause (i); and
22	(II) the capability of the public
23	housing agency to create and manage
24	structured partnerships with service

1	providers for the delivery of appro-
2	priate community-based services; and
3	(iii) designate the number of vouchers
4	under this section that each public housing
5	agency that is awarded funds under this
6	section is authorized to administer.
7	(C) Election not to administer.—If a
8	public housing agency elects not to administer
9	amounts under this section, the Secretary shall
10	award such amounts to other public housing
11	agencies according to the criteria in subpara-
12	graph (B).
13	(D) FAILURE TO USE VOUCHERS PROMPT-
14	LY.—If a public housing agency fails to issue
15	all of its authorized vouchers under this section
16	on behalf of eligible families within a reasonable
17	period of time as determined by the Secretary,
18	the Secretary shall reallocate any unissued
19	vouchers and associated funds to others public
20	housing agencies according to the criteria under
21	subparagraph (B)(ii).
22	(3) WAIVERS AND ALTERNATIVE REQUIRE-
23	MENTS.—Any waiver or alternative requirement that
24	the Secretary makes available to all public housing
25	agencies in connection with assistance made avail-

1	able under the heading "Tenant-Based Rental As-
2	sistance" in title XII of division B of the CARES
3	Act (Public Law 116–136; 134 Stat.601) shall apply
4	to assistance under this section until the expiration
5	of such waiver or alternative requirement.
6	(4) TERMINATION OF VOUCHERS UPON TURN-
7	OVER.—
8	(A) IN GENERAL.—A public housing agen-
9	cy may not reissue any vouchers made available
10	under this section when assistance for the fam-
11	ily initially assisted is terminated.
12	(B) REALLOCATION.—Upon termination of
13	assistance for one or more families assisted by
14	a public housing agency under this section, the
15	Secretary shall reallocate amounts that are no
16	longer needed by such public housing agency
17	for assistance under this section to another
18	public housing agency for the renewal of vouch-
19	ers previously authorized under this section.