

117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4984

To prohibit a Federal official from establishing, extending, maintaining, implementing, or enforcing a moratorium on evictions unless explicitly authorized by Federal statute, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 6, 2021

Ms. VAN DUYNE (for herself, Mr. WEBER of Texas, and Mr. GOHMERT) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Reversing Executive
5 Negligence Towards American Laws Act” or the “RENT-
6 AL Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXPLICIT STATUTORY AUTHORIZATION FOR IMPO-**
2 **SITION OF MORATORIUM ON EVICTIONS.**

3 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—No Federal official, including the
4 President and the Secretary of Health and Human Serv-
5 ices, may establish, extend, maintain, implement, or en-
6 force a moratorium on evictions unless Federal statute ex-
7 plicitly authorizes such action.

8 (b) **MORATORIUM ON EVICTIONS DEFINED.**—In this
9 Act, the term “moratorium on evictions” means a rule or
10 order that prevents an action, with respect to real prop-
11 erty, by a landlord, owner of real property, or other person
12 with a legal right to pursue eviction to remove or cause
13 the removal of a tenant, lessee, resident, or a trespasser
14 on real property, from such property.

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