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To increase access to affordable housing, reduce regulatory barriers, increase oversight, and assist the most vulnerable.

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Mr. Scott of South Carolina (for himself, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Rounds, Mr. Hagerty, Ms. Lummis, Mrs. Britt, Mr. Cramer, and Mr. Daines) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

A BILL

To increase access to affordable housing, reduce regulatory barriers, increase oversight, and assist the most vulnerable.

- 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 "Renewing Opportunity in the American Dream to Hous-
- 6 ing Act" or the "ROAD to Housing Act".
- 7 (b) Table of Contents.—The table of contents for
- 8 this Act is as follows:
 - Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

Sec. 101. Reforms to housing counseling and financial literacy programs.

TITLE II—INCREASING ACCESS TO HOUSING

- Sec. 201. Rental assistance demonstration program.
- Sec. 202. Creating incentives for small dollar loan originators.
- Sec. 203. Small dollar mortgage points and fees.

TITLE III—REGULATORY FLEXIBILITY

- Sec. 301. Authorization of Moving to Work Program.
- Sec. 302. Improving self-sufficiency of families in HUD-subsidized housing.
- Sec. 303. Updating the definition of manufactured home.

TITLE IV—SERVING THE MOST VULNERABLE

Sec. 401. Incentivizing local solutions to homelessness.

TITLE V—PROMOTING OPPORTUNITY

Sec. 501. Increasing housing in opportunity zones.

TITLE VI—GOOD GOVERNANCE

- Sec. 601. Requiring annual testimony and oversight from housing regulators.
- Sec. 602. FHA reporting requirements on safety and soundness.
- Sec. 603. United States Interagency Council on Homelessness.
- Sec. 604. Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation oversight.

1 TITLE I—IMPROVING FINANCIAL

2 **LITERACY**

- 3 SEC. 101. REFORMS TO HOUSING COUNSELING AND FINAN-
- 4 CIAL LITERACY PROGRAMS.
- 5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 106 of the Housing and
- 6 Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701x) is
- 7 amended—
- 8 (1) in subsection (a)(4)—
- 9 (A) in subparagraph (B), by striking "sub-
- paragraph (D)" and inserting "subparagraph
- 11 (E)";
- 12 (B) in subparagraph (C), by striking "ade-
- quate distribution" and all that follows through

1	"foreclosure rates" and inserting "that the re-
2	cipients are geographically diverse and include
3	organizations that serve urban or rural areas";
4	(C) by redesignating subparagraphs (D),
5	(E), and (F) as subparagraphs (E), (F), and
6	(G), respectively; and
7	(D) by inserting after subparagraph (C)
8	the following:
9	"(D) Priority Consideration.—In dis-
10	tributing assistance made available under this
11	paragraph, the Secretary shall give priority con-
12	sideration to entities serving areas with the
13	highest home foreclosure rates.".
14	(2) in subsection (e), by adding at the end the
15	following:
16	"(6) Considerations.—
17	"(A) COVERED MORTGAGE LOAN DE-
18	FINED.—In this paragraph, the term 'covered
19	mortgage loan' means any loan which is secured
20	by a first or subordinate lien on residential real
21	property (including individual units of con-
22	dominiums and cooperatives) designed prin-
23	cipally for the occupancy of from 1- to 4-fami-
24	lies that is—

1	"(i) insured by the Federal Housing
2	Administration under title II of the Na-
3	tional Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1707 et
4	seq.); or
5	"(ii) guaranteed under section 184 or
6	184A of the Housing and Community De-
7	velopment Act of 1992 (12 U.S.C. 1715z-
8	13a, 1715z–13b).
9	"(B) Comparison.—For each counselor
10	employed by an organization receiving assist-
11	ance under this section, the Secretary shall con-
12	sider the competence of the counselor compared
13	to the default rate of all counseled borrowers of
14	a covered mortgage loan in comparable mar-
15	kets, and such other factors as the Secretary
16	determines appropriate to further the purposes
17	of this section.
18	"(7) Suspension of Certification.—If,
19	based on the comparison required under paragraph
20	(6)(B), the Secretary determines that a counselor
21	lacks competence to provide counseling in the areas
22	described in subsection (e)(2), the Secretary may—
23	"(A) require retesting of the individual; or
24	"(B) suspend the certification under this
25	subsection for the individual."; and

1	(3) in subsection (i)—
2	(A) by redesignating paragraph (3) as
3	paragraph (4); and
4	(B) by inserting after paragraph (2) the
5	following:
6	"(3) Termination of Assistance.—
7	"(A) In General.—The Secretary may
8	deny future covered assistance to an organiza-
9	tion or entity receiving covered assistance if the
10	Secretary determines that the organization or
11	entity, or the individual through which the or-
12	ganization or entity provides such counseling,
13	presents an unacceptable risk to families ac-
14	cessing counseling services or the programs
15	under which covered mortgage loans (as defined
16	in subsection (e)(6)(A)), which determination
17	shall be—
18	"(i) based on the comparison required
19	under subsection (e)(6)(B); and
20	"(ii) made in accordance with regula-
21	tions issued by the Secretary.
22	"(B) Notice.—
23	"(i) In General.—The Secretary
24	shall give an organization or entity receiv-
25	ing covered assistance at least 60 days

prior written notice of any termination under this paragraph, and the termination shall take effect at the end of the notice period, unless the Secretary withdraws the termination notice or extends the notice period.

"(ii) Informal conference.—If requested in writing by the organization or entity within 30 days of the date of the notice described in clause (i), the organization or entity shall be entitled to an informal conference with the official authorized to issue termination notices on behalf of the Secretary (or a designee of that official) at which the organization or entity may present for consideration specific factors that the organization or entity believes were beyond the control of the organization or entity and that caused the excessive default rates.".

- 21 (b) Offering Foreclosure Mitigation Coun-22 seling.—
- 23 (1) COVERED MORTGAGE LOAN DEFINED.—In 24 this subsection, the term "covered mortgage loan" 25 means any loan which is secured by a first or subor-

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1	dinate lien on residential real property (including in-
2	dividual units of condominiums and cooperatives) de-
3	signed principally for the occupancy of from 1- to 4-
4	families that is—
5	(A) insured by the Federal Housing Ad-
6	ministration under title II of the National
7	Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1707 et seq.);
8	(B) guaranteed under section 184 or 184A
9	of the Housing and Community Development
10	Act of 1992 (12 U.S.C. 1715z–13a, 1715z–
11	13b);
12	(C) made, guaranteed, or insured by the
13	Department of Veterans Affairs; or
14	(D) made, guaranteed, or insured by the
15	Department of Agriculture.
16	(2) Opportunity for Borrowers.—A bor-
17	rower with respect to a covered mortgage loan who
18	is 60 days or more delinquent on payments for the
19	covered mortgage loan shall be given an opportunity
20	to participate in housing counseling.
21	(3) Cost.—The cost of counseling for delin-
22	quent borrowers described in paragraph (2) with re-
23	spect to a covered mortgage loan described in para-
24	graph (1)(A) shall be paid for by the Mutual Mort-
25	gage Insurance Fund, as authorized under section

1	203(r)(4) of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C.
2	1709(r)(4)).
3	TITLE II—INCREASING ACCESS
4	TO HOUSING
5	SEC. 201. RENTAL ASSISTANCE DEMONSTRATION PRO-
6	GRAM.
7	The language under the heading "Rental Assistance
8	Demonstration" in the Department of Housing and Urban
9	Development Appropriations Act, 2012 (Public Law 112–
10	55), is amended—
11	(1) by striking the second proviso; and
12	(2) by striking the fourth proviso.
13	SEC. 202. CREATING INCENTIVES FOR SMALL DOLLAR
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1	(C) made, guaranteed, or insured by the D	e-
2	partment of Agriculture; or	

- 3 (D) eligible to be purchased or securitized by
- 4 the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation or
- 5 the Federal National Mortgage Association.
- 6 (b) REQUIREMENT TO UPDATE REGULATIONS.—Not
- 7 later than 270 days after the date of enactment of this
- 8 Act, the Director of the Bureau of Consumer Financial
- 9 Protection shall issue regulations to update part 1026 of
- 10 title 12, Code of Federal Regulations (commonly referred
- 11 to as "Regulation Z") to provide flexibilities for loan origi-
- 12 nator compensation that encourage origination of small
- 13 dollar mortgages.
- 14 SEC. 203. SMALL DOLLAR MORTGAGE POINTS AND FEES.
- 15 (a) Definition.—In this section, the term "small
- 16 dollar mortgage" means a mortgage with an original prin-
- 17 cipal obligation of less than \$70,000.
- 18 (b) Amendments Required.—Not later than 270
- 19 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Director
- 20 of the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, in con-
- 21 sultation with the Secretary of Housing and Urban Devel-
- 22 opment and the Director of the Federal Housing Finance
- 23 Agency, shall amend the limitations with respect to points
- 24 and fees under section 1026.43 of title 12, Code of Fed-

I	eral Regulations, or any successor regulation, to encourage
2	additional lending for small dollar mortgages.
3	TITLE III—REGULATORY
4	FLEXIBILITY
5	SEC. 301. AUTHORIZATION OF MOVING TO WORK PRO-
6	GRAM.
7	(a) Program Reforms.—Section 204 of the Depart-
8	ments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Devel-
9	opment, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act,
10	1996 (42 U.S.C. 1437f note) is amended—
11	(1) in the section heading, by striking "DEM-
12	ONSTRATION" and inserting "PROGRAM";
13	(2) by striking subsection (a) and inserting the
14	following:
15	"(a) Purposes.—The purposes of the program
16	under this section are as follows:
17	"(1) Economic independence.—To develop
18	measures to promote economic independence for
19	families with children whose head of household is
20	working, seeking work, or preparing for work, and
21	for persons who are able to work, to obtain employ-
22	ment and become economically independent, by par-
23	ticipating in job training, educational programs, or
24	other supportive services and programs that assist in
25	meeting such goal.

1	"(2) Flexibility and cost-effective-
2	NESS.—To give public housing agencies and the Sec-
3	retary of Housing and Urban Development the flexi-
4	bility to design and implement various approaches
5	for providing and administering housing assistance
6	that reduce cost and achieve greater cost effective-
7	ness in Federal expenditures.
8	"(3) Housing Choice.—To increase housing
9	choices for low-income families.";
10	(3) in subsection (b)—
11	(A) by striking "(b) Program Author-
12	ITY.—The Secretary" and inserting the fol-
13	lowing:
14	"(b) Program Authority.—
15	"(1) In General.—The Secretary";
16	(B) in the first sentence, by striking "con-
17	duct a demonstration program" and all that fol-
18	lows through "Indian housing program and"
19	and inserting "carry out a program under this
20	section under which public housing agencies ad-
21	ministering the public housing program or";
22	(C) by inserting after the first sentence the
23	following: "There shall be no limitation on the
24	number of public housing agencies that may
25	participate in the program under this section."

1	(D) by striking "The Secretary shall" and
2	all that follows through "demonstration." and
3	inserting the following:
4	"(2) Identification of Replicable mod-
5	ELS.—The Secretary shall provide training and tech-
6	nical assistance under the program and conduct de-
7	tailed evaluations of various agencies to identify
8	replicable program models promoting the purposes
9	of the program.";
10	(E) by striking "Under the demonstration"
11	and inserting the following:
12	"(3) Combination of Assistance.—Under
13	the program under this section"; and
14	(F) by striking "operating assistance pro-
15	vided under section 9 of the United States
16	Housing Act of 1937, modernization assistance
17	provided under section 14" and inserting
18	"amounts provided to the agency from the Op-
19	erating Fund under section 9(e) of the United
20	States Housing Act of 1937, amounts provided
21	to the agency from the Capital Fund under sec-
22	tion 9(d)";
23	(4) in subsection (c)—

1	(A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),
2	by striking "demonstration" and inserting "pro-
3	gram under this section";
4	(B) in paragraph (1), by striking "9, and
5	14" and inserting "9(d), and 9(e)";
6	(C) in paragraph (3)—
7	(i) in subparagraph (A), by striking
8	"demonstration";
9	(ii) in subparagraph (B)—
10	(I) by striking "self-sufficiency"
11	and inserting "economic independ-
12	ence''; and
13	(II) by striking "purpose of this
14	demonstration" and inserting "pur-
15	pose of the program under subsection
16	(a)(1)";
17	(iii) in subparagraph (D), by striking
18	"demonstration" and inserting "program
19	under this section;";
20	(iv) in subparagraph (E), by striking
21	"demonstration program" and inserting
22	"program under this section";
23	(v) by redesignating subparagraphs
24	(A), (B), (C), (D), and (E) as subpara-

1	graphs (B), (C), (D), (G), and (H), respec-
2	tively;
3	(vi) by inserting before subparagraph
4	(B), as so redesignated, the following:
5	"(A) actions to be taken under the pro-
6	posed program to achieve the purposes of the
7	program under paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) of
8	subsection (a);"; and
9	(vii) by inserting after subparagraph
10	(D), as so redesignated, the following:
11	"(E) hardship exceptions consistent with
12	the purposes under subsection (a) under which
13	tenants may be temporarily exempted from
14	compliance with the program operated by the
15	agency in the event of extenuating cir-
16	cumstances preventing such compliance and a
17	process that provides tenants with recourse to
18	a speedy determination regarding such an ex-
19	ception and makes available the contents and
20	results of such a determination available to the
21	public and the board of directors or other gov-
22	erning body on request of the tenant concerned
23	and the director or other head official of the
24	agency;

1	"(F) providing assisted families and par-
2	ticipants in the program operated by the agency
3	with an informal administrative hearing or
4	grievance process, prior to any eviction or ter-
5	mination of assistance, which process shall
6	make the content and determination of the
7	hearing available to the public and the board of
8	directors or other governing body on request of
9	the tenant concerned and the director or other
10	head official of the agency;"; and
11	(D) in paragraph (4), by striking "dem-
12	onstration" and inserting "proposed program";
13	(5) in subsection (d)—
14	(A) by striking "(d) Selection.—In se-
15	lecting among applications, the Secretary shall
16	take into account the potential of each agency
17	to plan and carry out a program under the

"(d) Applications for Participation.—

"(1) Submission; Standards for Participation.—The Secretary shall provide for public housing agencies to submit applications for participation in the program under this section and shall establish, and make public, standards and requirements

demonstration" and inserting the following:

1	for participation that further the purposes of this
2	program set forth in subsection (a), which shall—
3	"(A) provide that all public housing agen-
4	cies designated as high performers pursuant to
5	part 902 or subpart B of part 985, Code of
6	Federal Regulations, at any time during the
7	most recent 2 fiscal years are invited to submit
8	applications for consideration;
9	"(B) provide that participation of a public
10	housing agency, upon approval, shall be for a
11	period not shorter than 10 years;
12	"(C) include a common set of performance
13	metrics for use under the program that allow
14	for comparison of the performance of different
15	public housing agencies under the program; and
16	"(D) require that each public housing
17	agency include in its application—
18	"(i) a list of innovative proposals to
19	be carried out under the program that are
20	designed to reduce the cost of, and in-
21	crease the cost-efficiency of, housing pro-
22	vided in connection with the program and
23	metrics to assess the progress of the agen-
24	cy toward such goals; and

"(ii) a list of innovative manners in
which the public housing agency will use
the authorities under the program to assist
families, goals regarding such activities to
accomplish on an annual basis, and metrics
to assess the progress of the agency toward
such goals.

"(2) Determination and notification.—

"(A) Review and determination.—
Upon receipt of an application for participation in the program under this section, the Secretary shall provide for review such application by a selection panel comprised of Federal officials and employees and established by the Secretary for such purpose. Based on such review, such selection panel shall make a determination of whether to approve such agency for participation in the program under this section, based on the criteria under paragraph (4).

"(B) NOTIFICATION.—Upon making a determination pursuant to subparagraph (A), the selection panel shall notify the public housing agency, the Secretary, and the governments for any counties and municipalities in which the jurisdiction of the public housing agency is lo-

cated of such determination. In the case of disapproval of an application, such notice shall include a statement specifying the reasons for such disapproval.

"(3) Transition.—

"(A) Numerical limitation.—

"(i) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall review and process such applications as to enable the transition of not fewer than 25 public housing agencies per year to the program under this section (subject to eligible applications), until such time as there are not 25 public housing agencies whose applications merit approval.

"(ii) Reserved spots for small and rural phas.—Of the applications of public housing agencies approved in each year pursuant to clause (i), not less than 10 shall be applications of public housing agencies that administer, in the aggregate, fewer than 6,000 vouchers for rental assistance under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f) and public housing dwelling units, except that if for any year the Secretary

receives fewer than 10 applications by public housing agencies described in this
clause that merit approval, the requirement under this clause shall apply for such
year only to the extent of the number of
such approvable applications received.

"(iii) TREATMENT OF NEW MTWAGENCIES.—Any agency that is newly transitioned under this subparagraph to participation in the program as in effect pursuant to the amendments made by the Renewing Opportunity in the American Dream to Housing Act shall count toward fulfillment of the numerical limitation in clause (i), notwithstanding the authority under section 239 of the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2016 (division L of Public Law 114–113) or any other provision of law other than this section authorizing participation of new agencies.

"(B) REVISIONS.—The Secretary shall, from time to time and in consultation with public housing agencies, amend governing docu-

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ments for participation by agencies in the program under this section, as the Secretary determines necessary.

"(C) Renewal of Participation.—

IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall provide that upon expiration of a contract for participation by a public housing agency in the program under this section, to continue participating in the program, the public housing agency shall be required to request to renew the participation of the agency with the Secretary. The standards and requirements applicable to applications for initial participation in the program shall also apply to applications for renewed participation in the program. Renewed participation of a public housing agency under this clause shall proceed under the same terms applicable for the initial participation of the public housing agency in the program.

"(ii) TREATMENT OF NUMERICAL LIM-ITATION.—An agency approved for continued participation in the program pursuant to recertification under this subparagraph

1	shall not count toward fulfillment of the
2	numerical limitation in subparagraph
3	(A)(i).
4	"(4) Criteria.—The Secretary shall establish
5	criteria for approval of applications of public housing
6	agencies for participation in the program under this
7	section, which shall provide for approval of applica-
8	tions that are reasonably designed to carry out the
9	purposes of the program under subsection (a). Such
10	criteria shall take into consideration the capacity
11	and the potential of each agency to plan and carry
12	out a program";
13	(B) by striking "each" and inserting
14	"the";
15	(C) by striking "a program under the dem-
16	onstration" and inserting "the proposed pro-
17	gram in the application"; and
18	(D) by striking "an agency" and inserting
19	"the agency";
20	(6) in subsection (e)—
21	(A) in paragraph (1), by striking "this
22	demonstration" and inserting "the program
23	under this section"; and

1	(B) in paragraph (2), by striking "dem-
2	onstration" and inserting "program under this
3	section";
4	(7) in subsection (f), by striking "section 9, or
5	pursuant to section 14 by a public housing agency
6	participating in the demonstration under this part"
7	and inserting "of the United States Housing Act of
8	1937, or provided from the Operating Fund under
9	section 9(e) or from the Capital Fund under section
10	9(d) of such Act, by a public housing agency partici-
11	pating in the program under this section";
12	(8) in subsection (g)—
13	(A) in paragraph (1), by inserting ", in-
14	cluding performance in achieving each of the
15	purposes of the program specified in subsection
16	(a)'';
17	(B) in paragraph (2)—
18	(i) in the first sentence—
19	(I) by inserting ", and including
20	such content, as shall be" before
21	"specified by the Secretary"; and
22	(II) by inserting ", but not less
23	often than annually" before the period
24	at the end; and
25	(ii) in the second sentence—

1	(I) in subparagraph (B), by
2	striking "the demonstration" and in-
3	serting "the program; and
4	(II) by striking subparagraph (C)
5	and inserting the following:
6	"(C) describe and analyze the effects of
7	the program of the agency and the assisted ac-
8	tivities under such program in addressing and
9	achieving the objectives of the program under
10	this section and each of the purposes specified
11	in subsection (a), including the effects of the
12	program on—
13	"(i) the number of new families the
14	agency has been able to assist from the
15	waiting lists for housing assistance that is
16	administered by the agency, including
17	vouchers for rental assistance under sec-
18	tion 8(o) of the United States Housing Act
19	of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(o)) and dwelling
20	units in public housing, as a result of the
21	flexibility of funds and achievement of eco-
22	nomic independence;
23	"(ii) the cost and annual change, per
24	family participating in the program, of
25	providing housing assistance referred to in

1	clause (i) that is administered by the agen-
2	cy;
3	"(iii) any cost savings and additional
4	housing resulting from the program; and
5	"(iv) the household incomes, and
6	changes in such incomes, of members of
7	families participating in the program who
8	are not exempt from work requirements;
9	and
10	"(v) such other factors as the Sec-
11	retary considers appropriate.";
12	(C) by redesignating paragraphs (3) and
13	(4) as paragraphs (5) and (6); and
14	(D) by inserting after paragraph (2) the
15	following new paragraphs:
16	"(3) Annual Plan.—
17	"(A) REQUIREMENT.—Each agency shall
18	submit annually to the Secretary, together with
19	the report under paragraph (2), a plan for the
20	program of the agency for the upcoming year
21	and shall make such plan publicly available.
22	"(B) FORM AND METRICS.—Each annual
23	plan shall be set forth in a standard form, pre-
24	scribed by the Secretary and shall utilize com-
25	mon performance metrics that allow for com-

1	parison of the plans of all public housing agen-
2	cies participating in the program.
3	"(C) Content.—Each annual plan shall
4	include such content as the Secretary shall
5	specify, which shall include—
6	"(i) a description and explanation of
7	all new rules and policy changes adopted
8	by the agency in accordance with this sec-
9	tion and the program under this section
10	and, with respect to such new rules and
11	policy changes—
12	"(I) a description of the effect
13	such rules and changes will have on
14	the operation of the agency as com-
15	pared to the preceding year and as
16	compared to the operations of the
17	agency other than under the program
18	under this section;
19	"(II) a description of the extent
20	to which such rules and changes
21	helped to achieve the annual goals
22	identified in the public housing agen-
23	cy's application pursuant to sub-
24	section $(d)(1)(E)$ and, in the case of
25	any such goals not achieved, a de-

1	scription of the extent to which such
2	goals were not achieved and the rea-
3	sons for such failure; and
4	"(III) whether the adoption of
5	such new rules and policy changes re-
6	quired an adjustment in the annual
7	goals identified in the public housing
8	agency's application pursuant to sub-
9	section (d)(1);
10	"(ii) a plan for all capital assets and
11	anticipated construction and rehabilitation
12	activities of the public housing agency in
13	the upcoming year and a description of
14	whether and how such activities are au-
15	thorized and assisted under the program
16	under this section; and
17	"(iii) assurances satisfactory to the
18	Secretary that such plan will conform with
19	all applicable provisions of title VI of the
20	Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d
21	et seq.), the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C.
22	3601 et seq.), section 504 of the Rehabili-
23	tation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794), and
24	the Americans with Disabilities Act of
25	1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.).

1	"(4) Public and resident participation.—
2	"(A) Notification of residents.—Each
3	public housing agency shall annually hold a
4	meeting to notify all assisted families partici-
5	pating in the program of the public housing
6	agency of the contents of the plan under para-
7	graph (3) for such year and impacts on such
8	assisted families. Any public housing agency
9	that assists, in the aggregate, more than
10	50,000 families or assists families in multiple
11	counties shall hold as many meetings as nec-
12	essary to provide each assisted family a good-
13	faith opportunity to attend such a meeting.
14	"(B) Public comment.—Each annual re-
15	port under paragraph (2) and annual plan
16	under paragraph (3) shall—
17	"(i) be made available for inspection
18	and public comment 30 days before the
19	meeting required by subparagraph (A) re-
20	garding such plan or report; and
21	"(ii) be approved in a public meeting
22	of the board of directors or other gov-
23	erning body of the public housing agency
24	before submission to the Secretary.

1	"(C) Public availability.—Each annual
2	report under paragraph (2) and annual plan
3	under paragraph (3) shall, upon submission to
4	the Secretary, be made publicly available and
5	shall include all comments provided pursuant to
6	subparagraph (B).";
7	(9) in subsection (h)—
8	(A) in paragraph (1), by striking "dem-
9	onstration" and inserting "program under this
10	section"; and
11	(B) by striking paragraph (2) and insert-
12	ing the following:
13	"(2) Review.—The Secretary shall annually
14	review the activities of each public housing agency
15	participating in the program under this section and,
16	based on such review and the information submitted
17	by the agency pursuant to subsection (g), deter-
18	mine—
19	"(A) the impact and effectiveness of the
20	public housing agency's program and activities
21	in achieving each of the purposes of the pro-
22	gram specified in subsection (a), including an
23	assessment of such impact and effectiveness
24	using the common set of budget metrics estab-
25	lished pursuant to subsection (d)(1)(D);

- "(B) the progress of the public housing agency toward meeting the goals identified in the public housing agency's application pursuant to subsection (d)(1)(E), using the metrics identified in the public housing agency's application pursuant to such subsection; and
 - "(C) the extent of compliance by the public housing agency with the requirements of the program under this section and, in determining such extent of compliance, shall take into consideration the unique characteristics of the public housing agency.
 - "(3) Verification of accuracy.—In assessing information submitted by public housing agencies pursuant to subsection (g) and in reviewing such information and making determinations pursuant to paragraph (2) of this subsection, the Secretary shall carry out control activities and procedures designed to verify the accuracy of such information, which shall include auditing a representative sample of such information using standard statistical methods.
 - "(4) CONTINUED PARTICIPATION.—The Secretary shall not terminate the participation of any

1	public housing agency in the program under this
2	section unless the Secretary finds that the agency—
3	"(A) is in material default of the condi-
4	tions and obligations under the governing docu-
5	ment for the participation in the program;
6	"(B) as demonstrated in its reports under
7	subsection (g)(2) and its annual budget plans
8	under subsection (g)(3), has persistently failed
9	to meet the goals identified in its application,
10	and the reasons or circumstances specified in
11	the public housing agency's reports and plans
12	for such failure are not sufficient to justify the
13	continued failure;
14	"(C) has misused or misappropriated
15	funds;
16	"(D) has failed to make a good faith effort
17	to carry out the purposes of the program speci-
18	fied in subsection (a); or
19	"(E) has failed to cure a material defi-
20	ciency in performance after notice and an op-
21	portunity to correct the deficiency.
22	"(5) Corrective action program.—The Sec-
23	retary shall carry out a program—
24	"(A) to identify public housing agencies
25	participating in the program under this section

1	that are at risk of termination of such partici-
2	pation pursuant to paragraph (6);
3	"(B) to consult with such public housing
4	agencies regarding actions that may be taken to
5	avoid such termination;
6	"(C) to establish goals and timelines for
7	such corrective actions; and
8	"(D) to provide appropriate technical as-
9	sistance designed to facilitate such actions and
10	avoid such termination.
11	"(6) TERMINATION OF PARTICIPATION.—Any
12	public housing agency whose participation in the
13	program under this section is terminated shall be
14	subject to the provisions of the United States Hous-
15	ing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437 et seq.) and all
16	other provisions of law applicable to public housing
17	agencies not participating in the program, except
18	that the Secretary shall provide a transition period,
19	that begins upon such termination and is not shorter
20	than 18 months, for such public housing agencies to
21	come into compliance with such laws.
22	"(7) Reports to congress.—Not later than
23	the expiration of the 5-year period beginning on the
24	date of the enactment of the Renewing Opportunity

in the American Dream to Housing Act, and not

1	later than the expiration of each successive 5-year
2	period thereafter, the Secretary shall submit a re-
3	port to the Congress regarding the program under
4	this section and the results of the reviews conducted
5	under paragraph (2), which shall—
6	"(A) evaluate the programs carried out by
7	public housing agencies participating in the pro-
8	gram, including with respect to each of the pur-
9	poses specified in subsection (a); and
10	"(B) include findings and recommenda-
11	tions for appropriate legislative changes to the
12	program.
13	"(8) GAO REVIEWS AND REPORTS.—Not later
14	than 180 days after the date of enactment of the
15	Renewing Opportunity in the American Dream to
16	Housing Act, and not less frequently than every 8
17	years thereafter, the Comptroller General of the
18	United States shall—
19	"(A) conduct and complete a review of the
20	program under this section, which shall include
21	examination and analysis of the implementation
22	of the program and identification of any short-
23	comings and any means for improving the pro-
24	gram: and

1	"(B) submit to the Congress a report re-
2	garding the review, which shall set forth a de-
3	tailed description of such implementation, any
4	shortcomings of the program identified, and
5	recommendations for improving the program.";
6	(10) in subsection (i)—
7	(A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),
8	by striking "section 14 of the United States
9	Housing Act of 1937 for fiscal years 1996,
10	1997, and 1998" and inserting "the Capital
11	Fund under section 9(d) of the United States
12	Housing Act of 1937 in each fiscal year"; and
13	(B) in paragraph (1)—
14	(i) in subparagraph (A), by striking
15	"the demonstration" and inserting "the
16	program"; and
17	(ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking
18	"up to 10"; and
19	(11) by striking subsection (j).
20	(b) Treatment of Participating Agencies.—
21	(1) Continuation of Participation.—This
22	section and the amendments made by this section
23	shall not affect the status of any public housing
24	agency that, as of the date of the enactment of this
25	Act, is participating in the Moving to Work Program

1	under section 204 of the Departments of Veterans
2	Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and
3	Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 1996 (42)
4	U.S.C. 1437f note), as such a participating agency.
5	(2) Election.—Any public housing agency re-
6	ferred to in paragraph (1) may elect—
7	(A) to continue participation in the Pro-
8	gram under section 204 of the Departments of
9	Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban De-
10	velopment, and Independent Agencies Appro-
11	priations Act, 1996 (42 U.S.C. 1437f note)
12	under the terms of the agreement entered into
13	between the agency and the Secretary providing
14	for such participation until the date of the expi-
15	ration of such agreement; or
16	(B) at any time before date of the expira-
17	tion of such agreement, to transition to partici-
18	pation under the program under such section
19	204, as amended by this Act.
20	(3) Conversion to reformed program.—
21	(A) In general.—Except as provided in
22	subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, any public
23	housing agency that elects pursuant to para-
24	graph (2)(A) of this subsection to continue par-

ticipation in the Program under section 204 of

the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 1996 (42 U.S.C. 1437f note) shall, upon the expiration of the agreement referred to in such paragraph, be considered to have been approved for participation in the Program under such section 204, as amended by this Act, and the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall provide for the transition of the agency to participation under the Program under such section as so amended.

- (B) INAPPLICABILITY.—Subparagraph (A) shall not apply to any public housing agency that is determined by the Secretary to be in material default, upon the expiration of the agreement referred to in paragraph (2)(A), of the conditions and obligations under such agreement.
- (4) INAPPLICABILITY OF NUMERICAL LIMITA-TION.—Any public housing agency transitioned pursuant to paragraph (2)(B) or (3)(A) of this subsection to participation under the program under section 204 of the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Inde-

- 1 pendent Agencies Appropriations Act, 1996 (42) 2 U.S.C. 1437f note), as amended by this section, 3 shall not count toward fulfillment of the numerical 4 limitation under section 204(d)(3)(A) of the Depart-5 ments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban 6 Development, and Independent Agencies Appropria-7 tions Act, 1996 (42 U.S.C. 1437f note), as added by the amendment made by this section. 8 9 SEC. 302. IMPROVING SELF-SUFFICIENCY OF FAMILIES IN 10 HUD-SUBSIDIZED HOUSING. 11 (a) IN GENERAL.— 12
- (1) STUDY.—Subject to subsection (b), the Sec-13 retary of Housing and Urban Development shall 14 conduct a study on the implementation of work re-15 quirements by public housing agencies described in 16 paragraph (2) participating in the program under 17 section 204 of the Departments of Veterans Affairs 18 and Housing and Urban Development, and Inde-19 pendent Agencies Appropriations Act, 1996 (42) 20 U.S.C. 1437f note), as amended by section 301 of 21 this Act.
 - (2) Public Housing agencies described in this paragraph are public housing agencies that, as part of an application to participate in the program under sec-

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1	tion 204 of the Departments of Veterans Affairs and
2	Housing and Urban Development, and Independent

- 3 Agencies Appropriations Act, 1996 (42 U.S.C. 1437f
- 4 note), as amended by section 301 of this Act, submit
- 5 a proposal identifying work requirements as an inno-
- 6 vative proposal described in section 204(d)(1)(D)(i)
- of such Act, as amended by section 301 of this Act.
- 8 (b) Determination.—The requirement under sub-
- 9 section (a) shall apply if the Secretary of Housing and
- 10 Urban Development determines that—
- 11 (1) there are a sufficient number of public
- housing agencies described in subsection (a)(2) such
- that the Secretary of Housing and Urban Develop-
- ment can rigorously evaluate the impact of the im-
- 15 plementation of work requirements described in that
- subsection; and
- 17 (2) the study would not negatively impact low-
- income families receiving assistance through a public
- housing agency described in subsection (a)(2).
- 20 SEC. 303. UPDATING THE DEFINITION OF MANUFACTURED
- 21 **HOME.**
- 22 (a) In General.—Section 603(6) of the National
- 23 Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Stand-
- 24 ards Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5402(6)) is amended by

1	striking "on a permanent chassis" and inserting "with or
2	without a permanent chassis".
3	(b) Manufactured Home Certifications.—Sec-
4	tion 604 of the National Manufactured Housing Construc-
5	tion and Safety Standards Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5403)
6	is amended by adding at the end the following:
7	"(i) Manufactured Home Certifications.—
8	"(1) In general.—
9	"(A) Initial certification.—Subject to
10	subparagraph (B), not later than 1 year after
11	the date of enactment of the Renewing Oppor-
12	tunity in the American Dream to Housing Act,
13	a State shall submit to the Secretary an initial
14	certification that the laws and regulations of
15	the State—
16	"(i) treat a manufactured home, in-
17	cluding a manufactured home without a
18	permanent chassis, in parity with a manu-
19	factured home (as defined and regulated
20	by the State); and
21	"(ii) subject a manufactured home
22	without a permanent chassis to the same
23	laws and regulations of the State as a
24	manufactured home built on a permanent
25	chassis with respect to financing, title, in-

1	surance, manufacture, sale, taxes, trans-
2	portation, and installation.
3	"(B) Extended deadline.—With re-
4	spect to a State with a legislature that meets
5	biennially, the deadline for the submission of
6	the initial certification required under subpara-
7	graph (A) shall be 2 years after the date of en-
8	actment of the Renewing Opportunity in the
9	American Dream to Housing Act.
10	"(2) Form of Certification.—The initial
11	certification required under paragraph (1)(A) shall
12	contain, in a form prescribed by the Secretary, an
13	attestation by an official that the State has taken
14	the steps necessary to ensure the veracity of the cer-
15	tification required under paragraph (1)(A), includ-
16	ing, as necessary, by—
17	"(A) amending the definition of 'manufac-
18	tured home' in the laws and regulation of the
19	State; and
20	"(B) directing State agencies to amend the
21	definition of 'manufactured home' in regula-
22	tions.
23	"(3) Annual recertification.—Not later
24	than a date to be determined by the Secretary each

1	year, the State shall submit to the Secretary an ad-
2	ditional certification that—
3	"(A) confirms the accuracy of initial cer-
4	tification submitted under paragraph (1)(A);
5	and
6	"(B) certifies that any new laws or regula-
7	tions enacted or adopted by the State since the
8	date of the previous certification does not
9	change the veracity of the initial certification
10	submitted under paragraph (1)(A).
11	"(4) List.—The Secretary shall publish and
12	maintain in the Federal Register and on the website
13	of the Department of Housing and Urban Develop-
14	ment a list of States that are up-to-date with the
15	submission of initial and subsequent certifications
16	required under this subsection.
17	"(5) Prohibition.—
18	"(A) Definition.—In this paragraph the
19	term 'covered manufactured home' means a
20	home that is—
21	"(i) not considered a manufactured
22	home under the laws and regulations of a
23	State because the home is constructed
24	without a permanent chassis;

1	"(ii) considered a manufactured home
2	under the definition of the term in section
3	603; and
4	"(iii) constructed after the date of en-
5	actment of the Renewing Opportunity in
6	the American Dream to Housing Act.
7	"(B) Building, installation, and
8	SALE.—
9	"(i) In general.—If a State does
10	not submit a certification under paragraph
11	(1)(A) or (3) by the date on which those
12	certifications are required to be sub-
13	mitted—
14	"(I) with respect to a State in
15	which the State administers the in-
16	stallation of manufactured homes, the
17	State shall prohibit the manufacture,
18	installation, or sale of a covered man-
19	ufactured home within the State; and
20	"(II) with respect to a State in
21	which the Secretary administers the
22	installation of manufactured homes,
23	the State and the Secretary shall pro-
24	hibit the manufacture, installation, or

1	sale of a covered manufactured home
2	within the State.".
3	(c) Other Federal Laws Regulating Manufac-
4	TURED HOMES.—The Secretary of Housing and Urban
5	Development shall coordinate with the heads of other Fed-
6	eral agencies to ensure that Federal agencies treat a man-
7	ufactured home (as defined in Federal laws and regula-
8	tions other than section 603 of the National Manufactured
9	Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974
10	(42 U.S.C. 5402)) in the same manner as a manufactured
11	home (as defined in section National Manufactured Hous-
12	ing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974 (42
13	U.S.C. 5402), as amended by this Act).
14	(d) Assistance to States.—Section 609 of the Na-
15	tional Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety
16	Standards Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5408) is amended—
17	(1) in paragraph (1), by striking "and" at the
18	end;
19	(2) in paragraph (2), by striking the period at
20	the end and inserting "; and; and
21	(3) by adding at the end the following:
22	"(3) model guidance to support the submission
23	of the certification required under section 604(i)."

1 TITLE IV—SERVING THE MOST 2 VULNERABLE

2	VCLIVEIGIBLE
3	SEC. 401. INCENTIVIZING LOCAL SOLUTIONS TO HOME-
4	LESSNESS.
5	(a) Continuum of Care Program.—Section 428 of
6	the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C.
7	11386b) is amended by adding at the end the following:
8	"(f) Incentives for Reducing Homelessness.—
9	"(1) In general.—From the amounts made
10	available to carry out this subtitle for a fiscal year,
11	the Secretary may use not more than 10 percent of
12	the amounts made available to carry out this subtitle
13	for incentives described in paragraph (2).
14	"(2) Incentives.—The Secretary may provide
15	bonuses or other incentives to a geographic area
16	under this subtitle if, during a fiscal year, the Sec-
17	retary determines that an entity receiving funds
18	under this subtitle has demonstrably and measurably
19	improved housing outcomes for homeless individuals
20	in the geographic area.".
21	(b) Emergency Solutions Grants Program.—
22	Section 413 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance
23	Act (42 U.S.C. 11372a) is amended by adding at the end
24	the following:
25	"(c) Incentives for Reducing Homelessness.—

1	"(1) In general.—From the amounts made
2	available to carry out this subtitle for a fiscal year,
3	the Secretary may use not more than 10 percent of
4	the amounts made available to carry out this subtitle
5	for incentives described in paragraph (2).
6	"(2) Incentives.—The Secretary may provide
7	bonuses or other incentives to a geographic area
8	under this subtitle if, during a fiscal year, the Sec-
9	retary determines that an entity receiving funds
10	under this subtitle has demonstrably and measurably
11	improved housing outcomes for homeless individuals
12	in the geographic area.".
13	TITLE V—PROMOTING
	OPPORTUNITY
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14 15	SEC. 501. INCREASING HOUSING IN OPPORTUNITY ZONES.
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15 16 17 18	SEC. 501. INCREASING HOUSING IN OPPORTUNITY ZONES. (a) COVERED GRANT DEFINED.—In this section, the term "covered grant" means— (1) a Choice Neighborhoods Program grant;
15 16 17 18	SEC. 501. INCREASING HOUSING IN OPPORTUNITY ZONES. (a) COVERED GRANT DEFINED.—In this section, the term "covered grant" means— (1) a Choice Neighborhoods Program grant; (2) a grant under section 11 of the Housing
115 116 117 118 119 220	SEC. 501. INCREASING HOUSING IN OPPORTUNITY ZONES. (a) COVERED GRANT DEFINED.—In this section, the term "covered grant" means— (1) a Choice Neighborhoods Program grant; (2) a grant under section 11 of the Housing Opportunity Program Extension Act of 1996 (42)
115 116 117 118 119 220 221	SEC. 501. INCREASING HOUSING IN OPPORTUNITY ZONES. (a) COVERED GRANT DEFINED.—In this section, the term "covered grant" means— (1) a Choice Neighborhoods Program grant; (2) a grant under section 11 of the Housing Opportunity Program Extension Act of 1996 (42 U.S.C. 12805 note); and
115 116 117 118 119 220 221 222	sec. 501. Increasing housing in opportunity zones. (a) Covered Grant Defined.—In this section, the term "covered grant" means— (1) a Choice Neighborhoods Program grant; (2) a grant under section 11 of the Housing Opportunity Program Extension Act of 1996 (42 U.S.C. 12805 note); and (3) any other competitive grant relating to the

- 1 (b) Priority.—The Secretary of Housing and Urban
- 2 Development shall prioritize the award of covered grants
- 3 to recipients located in, or that primarily serve, a commu-
- 4 nity that has been designated as a qualified opportunity
- 5 zone under section 1400Z–1 of the Internal Revenue Code
- 6 of 1986.

7 TITLE VI—GOOD GOVERNANCE

- 8 SEC. 601. REQUIRING ANNUAL TESTIMONY AND OVER-
- 9 SIGHT FROM HOUSING REGULATORS.
- 10 (a) HUD Programs.—The Department of Housing
- 11 and Urban Development Act (42 U.S.C. 3531 et seq.) is
- 12 amended by adding at the end the following:
- 13 "SEC. 15. ANNUAL TESTIMONY.
- 14 "The Secretary shall, on an annual basis, testify be-
- 15 fore the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Af-
- 16 fairs of the Senate and the Committee on Financial Serv-
- 17 ices of the House of Representatives on the status of all
- 18 programs carried out by the Department, whether author-
- 19 ized or unauthorized.".
- 20 (b) Government Guaranteed or Insured Mort-
- 21 GAGES.—On an annual basis, the following individuals
- 22 shall testify before the appropriate committees of Congress
- 23 with respect to mortgage loans made, guaranteed, or in-
- 24 sured by the Federal Government:

1	(1) The President of the Government National
2	Mortgage Association.
3	(2) The Federal Housing Commissioner.
4	(3) The Administrator of the Rural Housing
5	Service.
6	(4) The Executive Director of the Loan Guar-
7	anty Service of the Department of Veterans Affairs.
8	(c) Mortgagee Review Board.—Section 202(c)(8)
9	of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1708(c)(8)) is
10	amended—
11	(1) by striking ", in consultation with the Fed-
12	eral Housing Administration Advisory Board,"; and
13	(2) by inserting "and to Congress" after "the
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14	Secretary".
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14 15	Secretary". SEC. 602. FHA REPORTING REQUIREMENTS ON SAFETY
14 15 16 17	Secretary". SEC. 602. FHA REPORTING REQUIREMENTS ON SAFETY AND SOUNDNESS.
14 15 16 17	Secretary". SEC. 602. FHA REPORTING REQUIREMENTS ON SAFETY AND SOUNDNESS. (a) MONTHLY REPORTING ON MUTUAL MORTGAGE
14 15 16 17	Secretary". SEC. 602. FHA REPORTING REQUIREMENTS ON SAFETY AND SOUNDNESS. (a) MONTHLY REPORTING ON MUTUAL MORTGAGE INSURANCE FUND CAPITAL RATIO.—Section 202(a) of
114 115 116 117 118	Secretary". SEC. 602. FHA REPORTING REQUIREMENTS ON SAFETY AND SOUNDNESS. (a) MONTHLY REPORTING ON MUTUAL MORTGAGE INSURANCE FUND CAPITAL RATIO.—Section 202(a) of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1708(a)) is amended
14 15 16 17 18 19 20	Sec. 602. FHA REPORTING REQUIREMENTS ON SAFETY AND SOUNDNESS. (a) MONTHLY REPORTING ON MUTUAL MORTGAGE INSURANCE FUND CAPITAL RATIO.—Section 202(a) of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1708(a)) is amended by adding at the end the following:
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	Sec. 602. FHA REPORTING REQUIREMENTS ON SAFETY AND SOUNDNESS. (a) MONTHLY REPORTING ON MUTUAL MORTGAGE INSURANCE FUND CAPITAL RATIO.—Section 202(a) of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1708(a)) is amended by adding at the end the following: "(8) OTHER REQUIRED REPORTING.—The Sec-
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	Secretary". SEC. 602. FHA REPORTING REQUIREMENTS ON SAFETY AND SOUNDNESS. (a) MONTHLY REPORTING ON MUTUAL MORTGAGE INSURANCE FUND CAPITAL RATIO.—Section 202(a) of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1708(a)) is amended by adding at the end the following: "(8) OTHER REQUIRED REPORTING.—The Secretary shall—

1	"(B) notify Congress as soon as prac-
2	ticable after the Fund falls below the capital
3	ratio required under section 205(f)(2).".
4	(b) Annual Independent Actuarial Study.—
5	Section 202(a)(4) of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C.
6	1708(a)(4)) is amended—
7	(1) by striking "The Secretary" and inserting
8	the following:
9	"(A) Definition.—In this paragraph, the
10	term 'first-time homebuyer' means a borrower
11	for whom no consumer report (as defined in
12	section 603 of the Fair Credit Reporting Act
13	(15 U.S.C. 1681a)) indicates that the borrower
14	has or had a loan with a consumer purpose that
15	is secured by a 1- to 4-unit residential real
16	property.
17	"(B) STUDY AND REPORT.—The Sec-
18	retary"; and
19	(2) in subparagraph (B), as so designated, by
20	striking "also" and inserting "detail how many loans
21	were originated in each census tract to first-time
22	homebuyers, as well as".
23	(c) Annual Report.—Section 203(w)(2) of the Na-
24	tional Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1709(w))(2) is amended

- 1 by inserting "and first-time homebuyers (as defined in sec-
- 2 tion 202(a)(4)(A))" after "minority borrowers".
- 3 (d) GAO STUDY ON SUSTAINABLE HOMEOWNER-
- 4 SHIP.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enact-
- 5 ment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United
- 6 States shall conduct a study and submit to Congress a
- 7 report on—
- 8 (1) the value for the Federal Housing Adminis-
- 9 tration of defining what is sustainable homeowner-
- ship in way that considers borrower default, refi-
- 11 nancing to a non-insured mortgage product, paying
- off a mortgage loan and transitioning back to rent-
- ing, and other factors that demonstrate whether in-
- surance provided under title II of the National
- Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1707 et seq.) has success-
- fully served a borrower, including for first-time
- homebuyers (as defined in section 202(a)(4)(A) of
- the National Housing Act, as added by subsection
- 19 (b)(1); and
- 20 (2) the feasibility of the Federal Housing Ad-
- 21 ministration developing a scorecard using the
- metrics described in paragraph (1) to measure bor-
- rower performance and reporting the scorecard data
- to Congress.

1	SEC. 603. UNITED STATES INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON
2	HOMELESSNESS.
3	Section 203(a) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless As-
4	sistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11313(a)) is amended—
5	(1) in paragraph (1)—
6	(A) by striking "Homeless Emergency As-
7	sistance and Rapid Transition to Housing Act
8	of 2009" and inserting "Renewing Opportunity
9	in the American Dream to Housing Act"; and
10	(B) by striking "update such plan annu-
11	ally" and inserting the following: "submit to the
12	President and Congress a report every year
13	thereafter that includes—
14	"(A) the status of completion of the plan;
15	"(B) any modifications that were made to
16	the plan and the reasons for those modifica-
17	tions; and
18	"(C) an estimate of when homelessness will
19	be ended;";
20	(2) by redesignating paragraphs (10) through
21	(13) as paragraphs (11) through (14), respectively;
22	(3) by redesignating the second paragraph (9)
23	(relating to collecting and disseminating informa-
24	tion) as paragraph (10);
25	(4) in paragraph (13), as so redesignated, by
26	striking "and" at the end;

1	(5) in paragraph (14), as so redesignated, by
2	striking the period at the end and inserting "; and";
3	and
4	(6) by adding at the end the following:
5	"(15) testify annually before Congress.".
6	SEC. 604. NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT CORPORATION
7	OVERSIGHT.
8	(a) Inspector General.—The Neighborhood Rein-
9	vestment Corporation Act (42 U.S.C. 8101 et seq.) is
10	amended by adding at the end the following:
11	"SEC. 609. OVERSIGHT BY THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF
12	THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN
13	DEVELOPMENT.
14	"The Inspector General of the Department of Hous-
15	ing and Urban Development shall have all of the authori-
15 16	ing and Urban Development shall have all of the authorities and responsibilities provided under chapter 4 of title
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16	ties and responsibilities provided under chapter 4 of title
16 17	ties and responsibilities provided under chapter 4 of title 5, United States Code, with respect to the corporation,
161718	ties and responsibilities provided under chapter 4 of title 5, United States Code, with respect to the corporation, as if the corporation were part of the Department of
16 17 18 19	ties and responsibilities provided under chapter 4 of title 5, United States Code, with respect to the corporation, as if the corporation were part of the Department of Housing and Urban Development.".
16 17 18 19 20	ties and responsibilities provided under chapter 4 of title 5, United States Code, with respect to the corporation, as if the corporation were part of the Department of Housing and Urban Development.". (b) Whistleblower Protections.—Section
16 17 18 19 20 21	ties and responsibilities provided under chapter 4 of title 5, United States Code, with respect to the corporation, as if the corporation were part of the Department of Housing and Urban Development.". (b) Whistleblower Protections.—Section 9101(3) of title 31, United States Code, is amended by

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