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

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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; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
5 “Ending Homelessness Act of 2025”.

6 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for
7 this Act is as follows:

- Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.
- Sec. 2. Expansion of housing choice voucher program.
- Sec. 3. Entitlement program for housing choice vouchers.
- Sec. 4. Repeal of ineligibility criteria.

- Sec. 5. Prohibiting housing discrimination based on source of income.
- Sec. 6. Funding to address unmet need.
- Sec. 7. Housing Trust Fund.
- Sec. 8. Technical assistance funds to help States and local organizations align health and housing systems.
- Sec. 9. Permanent authorization of appropriations for McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act grants.
- Sec. 10. Permanent extension of United States Interagency Council on Homelessness.
- Sec. 11. Eligibility of private nonprofit organizations for funding.
- Sec. 12. Eligibility of faith-based organizations.
- Sec. 13. Conforming amendments.
- Sec. 14. Funding priority.

1 **SEC. 2. EXPANSION OF HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PRO-**
2 **GRAM.**

3 (a) **FUNDING.**—There is appropriated out of any
4 money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for
5 providing incremental voucher assistance in accordance
6 with this section for each of fiscal years 2025 through
7 2028, the amount necessary to fund—

8 (1) the number of incremental vouchers re-
9 quired to be allocated under subsection (c);

10 (2) annual renewals of the vouchers allocated
11 under subsection (c); and

12 (3) administrative fees for vouchers allocated
13 under subsection (c).

14 (b) **ELIGIBLE HOUSEHOLDS.**—Amounts made avail-
15 able under subsection (a) may be used only for providing
16 rental housing assistance under section 8(o) of the United
17 States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(o)) for an
18 eligible family who initially—

1 (1) has an income that does not exceed 50 per-
2 cent of the maximum income limitation for ex-
3 tremely low-income families established by the Sec-
4 retary of Housing and Urban Development (in this
5 section referred to as the “Secretary”) pursuant to
6 section 3(b)(2)(C) of the United States Housing Act
7 of 1937; or

8 (2) is an extremely low-income family that in-
9 cludes an individual who is an individual who is a
10 recipient of supplemental security income benefits
11 under title XVI of the Social Security Act.

12 (c) ALLOCATION.—

13 (1) INCREMENTAL VOUCHERS.—The Secretary
14 of Housing and Urban Development shall allocate
15 500,000 incremental vouchers in fiscal year 2025
16 and 1,000,000 incremental vouchers in increments
17 of 500,000 in each calendar year from 2026 through
18 2028 under this section to public housing agencies
19 pursuant to section 213(d) of the Housing and Com-
20 munity Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 1439).

21 (2) SELECTION CRITERIA.—The Secretary
22 shall, by notice in the Federal Register, establish se-
23 lection criteria under such section 213(d) that
24 prioritizes housing needs among families targeted
25 under subsection (b) and severe housing hardship,

1 such as experiencing homelessness, overcrowding or
2 evictions.

3 (3) RENTAL ASSISTANCE.—Vouchers allocated
4 under this subsection shall be vouchers for rental as-
5 sistance under section 8(o) of the United States
6 Housing Act of 1937.

7 **SEC. 3. ENTITLEMENT PROGRAM FOR HOUSING CHOICE**
8 **VOUCHERS.**

9 (a) ENTITLEMENT.—During fiscal year 2029 and
10 each fiscal year thereafter, any family that is otherwise
11 eligible for tenant-based rental assistance under section
12 8(o) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C.
13 1437f(o)) shall be entitled to such rental assistance in ac-
14 cordance with this section during such period that such
15 family meets the requirements under subsection (c) or (d)
16 as a qualified family.

17 (b) FUNDING.—For fiscal year 2029 and each fiscal
18 year thereafter, there is appropriated out of any money
19 in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated the amount
20 necessary—

21 (1) to provide assistance under section 8(o) of
22 the United States Housing Act of 1937 in accord-
23 ance with the entitlement under subsection (a) of
24 this section for each qualified family in the amount
25 determined under such section 8(o); and

1 (2) to provide administrative fees under such
2 section 8(q), as modified pursuant to subsection (i)
3 of this section, in connection with each voucher for
4 assistance provided pursuant to paragraph (1) of
5 this subsection.

6 (c) QUALIFIED FAMILIES.—For purposes of this sec-
7 tion, the term “qualified family” means the following:

8 (1) FISCAL YEAR 2029.—For fiscal year 2029,
9 a family that meets the requirements under section
10 2(b) of this Act.

11 (2) FISCAL YEAR 2030.—For fiscal year 2030,
12 a family having an income that—

13 (A) meets the requirements under section
14 2(b) of this Act; or

15 (B) does not exceed 75 percent of the max-
16 imum income limitation for extremely low-in-
17 come families established by the Secretary pur-
18 suant to section 3(b)(2)(C) of the United States
19 Housing Act of 1937.

20 (3) FISCAL YEAR 2031.—For fiscal year 2031,
21 an extremely low-income family.

22 (4) FISCAL YEAR 2032.—For fiscal year 2032,
23 a very low-income family.

1 (5) FISCAL YEAR 2033 AND AFTER.—For fiscal
2 year 2033 and each fiscal year thereafter, a low-in-
3 come family.

4 (d) CONTINUING ELIGIBILITY.—A family shall meet
5 the requirements under this subsection as a qualifying
6 family if the family—

7 (1) does not meet the requirements under sub-
8 section (c); and

9 (2) was initially assisted under this section or
10 section 2 of this Act and continues to be assisted.

11 (e) REPEAL OF INCOME TARGETING REQUIRE-
12 MENT.—Effective October 1, 2030, section 16 of the
13 United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437n)
14 is amended by striking subsection (b).

15 (f) ADMINISTERING AGENCIES.—

16 (1) REGIONAL CONSORTIA.—The Secretary
17 shall encourage and provide for public housing agen-
18 cies to form regional consortia to administer the pro-
19 gram for rental assistance under this section with
20 respect to geographical areas.

21 (2) PHA DESIGNATION.—The Secretary shall
22 designate a public housing agency to administer as-
23 sistance under this section in any area where no ex-
24 isting public housing agency has jurisdiction or
25 where no agency with jurisdiction is adequately ad-

1 ministering such assistance, subject to public com-
2 ment and after consultation with States, public
3 housing agencies, local governments, Indian tribes,
4 and tribally designated housing agencies.

5 (g) USE OF SMALL AREA FAIR MARKET RENTS.—

6 Paragraph (1) of section 8(o) of the United States Hous-
7 ing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(o)(1)) is amended—

8 (1) in subparagraph (B), by striking “subpara-
9 graph (D)” and inserting “subparagraphs (D) and
10 (F)”;

11 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
12 paragraph:

13 “(F) USE OF SMALL AREA FAIR MARKET
14 RENTS.—Except with respect to any metropoli-
15 tan statistical area with a vacancy rate of 4
16 percent or less, effective for fiscal year 2025
17 and each fiscal year thereafter, the area fair
18 market rents used for purposes of subpara-
19 graph (B) shall be established by the Secretary
20 for ZIP Code areas.”.

21 (h) PROJECT-BASING.—

22 (1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding subpara-
23 graph (A) of paragraph (13) of section 8(o) of the
24 United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C.
25 1437f(o)(13)(A)), a public housing agency admin-

1 istering assistance under this section may enter into
2 agreements to attach such assistance to a project in
3 accordance with such paragraph, except that—

4 (A) a qualified family residing in a dwell-
5 ing unit so assisted may at any time opt to use
6 such assistance on a tenant-based basis for a
7 different dwelling unit and, upon such a move,
8 the public housing agency shall provide the
9 qualified family with tenant-based rental assist-
10 ance under this section; and

11 (B) subparagraph (B) of such section
12 8(o)(13) (relating to percentage limitation)
13 shall not apply with respect to assistance under
14 this section.

15 (2) PERCENTAGE LIMITATION.—For purposes
16 of section 8(o)(13)(B) of the United States Housing
17 Act of 1937, all families assisted by a public housing
18 agency under this section shall be counted as au-
19 thorized units for the agency.

20 (i) SECURITY DEPOSITS.—

21 (1) AUTHORITY.—An agency administering as-
22 sistance under this section may authorize a qualified
23 family assisted under this section to use such assist-
24 ance for security deposits and broker and application
25 fees relating to obtaining a dwelling unit, except that

1 the Secretary may establish a limitation on the
2 amount of such assistance used pursuant to this
3 subsection and for each authorized purpose under
4 this subsection.

5 (2) RECAPTURE.—The Secretary shall require
6 the return to the Secretary of any amounts used for
7 a security deposit with respect to a dwelling unit
8 upon the termination of the residence in such unit
9 by an assisted family.

10 (j) ADMINISTRATIVE FEES.—Notwithstanding the
11 administrative fee with respect to tenant-based assistance
12 in effect on October 1, 2023, pursuant to section 8(q) of
13 the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C.
14 1437f(q)), the Secretary shall, by regulation, establish a
15 new administrative fee for such assistance, applicable to
16 fiscal year 2025 and thereafter, that reflects local vari-
17 ation in the cost of administering a well-run housing
18 choice voucher program and which encourages public
19 housing agencies to expand housing choice for assisted
20 families and increase the rate at which families issued
21 vouchers use them successfully to lease housing.

22 (k) PROHIBITION OF USE UNDER MOVING TO WORK
23 PROGRAM.—None of the amounts made available by sub-
24 section (b) of this section or by section 2 of this Act may
25 be used under, to carry out, or otherwise in connection

1 with the Moving to Work demonstration program author-
2 ized by section 204 of the Departments of Veterans Af-
3 fairs and Housing and Urban Development and Inde-
4 pendent Agencies Appropriations Act, 1996 (Public Law
5 104–134; 110 Stat. 1321), as expanded by section 239
6 of the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development,
7 and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2016 (division
8 L of Public Law 114–113; 129 Stat. 2897) or any other
9 provision of law.

10 (l) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section, the
11 following definitions shall apply:

12 (1) INDIAN TRIBE; TRIBALLY DESIGNATED
13 HOUSING AGENCY.—The terms “Indian tribe” and
14 “tribally designated housing agency” have the mean-
15 ings given such terms in section 4 of the Native
16 American Housing Assistance and Self-Determina-
17 tion Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4103).

18 (2) LOW-INCOME FAMILY; VERY LOW-INCOME
19 FAMILY; EXTREMELY LOW-INCOME FAMILY.—The
20 terms “low-income family”, “very low-income fam-
21 ily”, and “extremely low-income family” have the
22 meanings given such terms in section 3(b) of the
23 United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C.
24 1437a(b)).

1 (3) PUBLIC HOUSING AGENCY.—The term
2 “public housing agency” has the meaning given such
3 term in section 3(b) of the United States Housing
4 Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437a(b)).

5 (4) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
6 the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

7 (5) STATE.—The term “State” has the mean-
8 ing given such term in section 3(b) of the United
9 States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437a(b)).

10 **SEC. 4. REPEAL OF INELIGIBILITY CRITERIA.**

11 (a) UNITED STATES HOUSING ACT OF 1937.—Effec-
12 tive October 1, 2027, section 6 of the United States Hous-
13 ing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437d) is amended—

14 (1) in subsection (q)(1), by adding at the end
15 the following new subparagraph:

16 “(D) INAPPLICABILITY.—This subsection
17 shall not apply to applicants for, or families as-
18 sisted under, the entitlement program for hous-
19 ing choice vouchers under section 3 of the End-
20 ing Homelessness Act of 2025.”; and

21 (2) in subsection (s), by striking “or assisted
22 housing program”.

23 (b) QUALITY HOUSING AND WORK RESPONSIBILITY
24 ACT OF 1998.—The Quality Housing and Work Responsi-
25 bility Act of 1998 is amended—

1 (1) in section 576 (42 U.S.C. 13661)—

2 (A) by inserting “covered” before “feder-
3 ally assisted housing” each place such term ap-
4 pears; and

5 (B) by adding at the end the following new
6 subsection:

7 “(f) DEFINITION OF COVERED FEDERALLY AS-
8 SISTED HOUSING.—The term ‘covered federally assisted
9 housing’ has the meaning given the term ‘federally as-
10 sisted housing’ in section 579, except that the former term
11 shall not include housing specified in subsection (a)(2)(B)
12 of such section.”; and

13 (2) in section 577(a) (42 U.S.C. 13662(a)), by
14 adding after and below paragraph (2) the following
15 new flush material:

16 “This subsection shall not apply to applicants for, or fami-
17 lies assisted under, the entitlement program for housing
18 choice vouchers under section 3 of the Ending Homeless-
19 ness Act of 2025.”.

20 **SEC. 5. PROHIBITING HOUSING DISCRIMINATION BASED**
21 **ON SOURCE OF INCOME.**

22 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C.
23 3601 et seq.) is amended—

24 (1) in section 802 (42 U.S.C. 3602), by adding
25 at the end the following:

1 “(p) ‘Source of income’ includes—

2 “(1) current and future use of a tenant- or
3 project-based housing voucher under section 8 of the
4 United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C.
5 1437f) and any form of Federal, State, or local
6 housing assistance provided to a person or family or
7 provided to a housing owner on behalf of a person
8 or family, including rental vouchers, rental assist-
9 ance, down payment assistance, other homeowner-
10 ship assistance, assistance to cover housing costs,
11 and other rental and homeownership subsidies, or
12 guarantees or financial assistance provided through
13 government and nongovernment organizations, in-
14 cluding both receipt of such assistance and compli-
15 ance with its terms thereof;

16 “(2) income received as a monthly benefit
17 under title II of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
18 401 et seq.), as a supplemental security income ben-
19 efit under title XVI of the Social Security Act (42
20 U.S.C. 1381 et seq.), or as a benefit under the Rail-
21 road Retirement Act of 1974 (45 U.S.C. 231 et
22 seq.) or income provided through Federal, State, or
23 local governments or nongovernment organizations,
24 or through any public or State-supported general or

1 disability income assistance program or the terms of
2 such income;

3 “(3) income received by court order, including
4 spousal support and child support;

5 “(4) any payment from a trust, guardian, con-
6 servator, co-signer, or relative; and

7 “(5) any other source of income or funds, in-
8 cluding savings accounts and investments.”;

9 (2) in section 804 (42 U.S.C. 3604)—

10 (A) by inserting “source of income,” after
11 “familial status,” each place that term appears;
12 and

13 (3) in section 805 (42 U.S.C. 3605)—

14 (A) in subsection (a), by inserting “source
15 of income,” after “familial status,”; and

16 (B) in subsection (c), by inserting “source
17 of income,” after “handicap,”;

18 (4) in section 806 (42 U.S.C. 3606), by insert-
19 ing “source of income,” after “familial status,”;

20 (5) in section 807 (42 U.S.C. 3607), by adding
21 at the end the following new subsection:

22 “(c) Nothing under this title shall be construed to
23 prohibit any entity from providing a preference for vet-
24 erans or based on veteran status in the sale or rental of

1 a dwelling or in the provision of services or facilities in
2 connection therewith.”;

3 (6) in section 808(e)(6) (42 U.S.C. 3608(e)(6)),
4 by inserting “source of income,” after “handicap,”;
5 and

6 (7) in section 810(f) (42 U.S.C. 3610(f)), by
7 striking paragraph (4) and inserting the following:

8 “(4) During the period beginning on the date of en-
9 actment of the Ending Homelessness Act of 2025 and
10 ending on the date that is 40 months after such date of
11 enactment, each agency certified for purposes of this title
12 on the day before such date of enactment shall, for pur-
13 poses of this subsection, be considered certified under this
14 subsection with respect to those matters for which the
15 agency was certified on that date. If the Secretary deter-
16 mines in an individual case that an agency has not been
17 able to meet the certification requirements within this 40-
18 month period due to exceptional circumstances, such as
19 the infrequency of legislative sessions in that jurisdiction,
20 the Secretary may extend such period by not more than
21 6 months.”.

22 (b) PREVENTION OF INTIMIDATION IN FAIR HOUS-
23 ING CASES.—Section 901 of the Civil Rights Act of 1968
24 (42 U.S.C. 3631) is amended by inserting “source of in-

1 come (as defined in section 802),” before “or national ori-
2 gin” each place that term appears.

3 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR EN-
4 FORCEMENT.—There is authorized to be appropriated for
5 contracts, grants, and other assistance—

6 (1) \$90,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2025
7 through 2034 for the Fair Housing Initiatives Pro-
8 gram under section 561 of the Housing and Com-
9 munity Development Act of 1987 (42 U.S.C.
10 3616a);

11 (2) \$47,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2025
12 through 2034 for the Fair Housing Assistance Pro-
13 gram under the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601
14 et seq.); and

15 (3) \$3,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2025
16 through 2027 to the Secretary of Housing and
17 Urban Development for a carrying out national
18 media campaign to raise public awareness to help in-
19 dividuals understand their expanded rights under
20 the Fair Housing Act and learn how to report inci-
21 dents of housing discrimination.

22 **SEC. 6. FUNDING TO ADDRESS UNMET NEED.**

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

1 (1) by redesignating section 491 (42 U.S.C.
2 11408; relating to rural housing stability grant pro-
3 gram) as section 441;

4 (2) by redesignating section 592 (42 U.S.C.
5 11408a; relating to use of FMHA inventory for
6 transitional housing for homeless persons and for
7 turnkey housing) as section 442; and

8 (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-
9 title:

10 **“Subtitle E—Emergency Funding**
11 **To Address Unmet Need**

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

13 “(a) DIRECT APPROPRIATIONS.—There is appro-
14 priated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise
15 appropriated for each of fiscal years 2025 through 2029,
16 \$1,000,000,000, to remain available until expended, for
17 emergency relief grants under this section to address the
18 unmet needs of homeless populations in jurisdictions with
19 the highest need.

20 “(b) FORMULA GRANTS.—

21 “(1) ALLOCATION.—Amounts appropriated
22 under subsection (a) for a fiscal year shall be allo-
23 cated among collaborative applicants that comply
24 with section 402, in accordance with the funding for-

1 mula established under paragraph (2) of this sub-
2 section.

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

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

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

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

22 “(D) the number of unsheltered homeless
23 individuals and the number of chronically home-
24 less individuals; and

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

3 The formula shall provide priority to (i) collaborative
4 applicants for which the local governments, within
5 the area served by the applicant, have adopted local
6 policies, such as through zoning and regulation, that
7 leverage the private sector’s participation to provide
8 housing that is reserved and affordable to low-, very
9 low-, and extremely low-income households, as de-
10 fined by the Secretary, for a minimum term of 15
11 years, and (ii) collaborative applicants for which the
12 local governments have adopted policies that de-
13 criminalize homelessness. The Secretary shall estab-
14 lish by regulation the process and manner that local
15 governments will be evaluated. The Secretary shall
16 ensure that local governments are not incentivized or
17 otherwise rewarded for eliminating or undermining
18 the intent of zoning regulations or other regulations
19 or policies that establish fair wages for laborers, en-
20 sure health and safety of buildings for residents and
21 the general public, protect fair housing, establish en-
22 vironmental protections, establish standards for re-
23 siliency, prevent tenant displacement, or any other
24 requirements that the Secretary determines it is in
25 the public interest to preserve.

1 “(3) GRANTS.—For each fiscal year for which
2 amounts are made available under subsection (a),
3 the Secretary shall make a grant to each collabora-
4 tive applicant for which an amount is allocated
5 pursuant to application of the formula established
6 pursuant to paragraph (2) of this subsection in an
7 amount that is equal to the formula amount deter-
8 mined for such collaborative applicant.

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

14 “(c) USE OF GRANTS.—

15 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraphs (2)
16 through (4), a collaborative applicant that receives a
17 grant under this section may use such grant
18 amounts only for eligible activities under section
19 415, 423, or 441(b).

20 “(2) PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING RE-
21 QUIREMENT.—

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

1 amount for permanent supportive housing, in-
2 cluding capital costs, rental subsidies, and serv-
3 ices.

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

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

13 “(ii) the permanent supportive hous-
14 ing under development in the geographic
15 area served by the applicant is sufficient to
16 functionally eliminate chronic homelessness
17 once such units are available for occu-
18 paney.

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

23 “(3) LIMITATION ON USE FOR ADMINISTRATIVE
24 EXPENSES.—Not more than 5 percent of the total
25 amount of any grant under this section to a collabo-

1 rative applicant may be used for costs of administra-
2 tion.

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

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

13 “(e) REPORTING TO CONGRESS.—

14 “(1) ANNUAL REPORTS.—Not later than the ex-
15 piration of the 12-month period beginning upon the
16 first allocation of amounts made after the date of
17 the enactment of this Act pursuant to subsection
18 (b)(1), and annually thereafter, the Secretary and
19 the United States Interagency Council on Homeless-
20 ness shall submit a report to the Committees on Fi-
21 nancial Services and Appropriations of the House of
22 Representatives and the Committees on Banking,
23 Housing, and Urban Affairs and Appropriations of
24 the Senate providing detailed information regarding
25 the grants made under this section during the pre-

1 ceding year, the activities funded with such grant
2 amounts, and the impact of such activities on the
3 communities where such activities took place.

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

10 **“SEC. 452. OUTREACH FUNDING.**

11 “(a) DIRECT APPROPRIATION.—There is appro-
12 priated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise
13 appropriated for each of fiscal years 2025 through 2029,
14 \$100,000,000, to remain available until expended, to the
15 Secretary for grants under this section to provide outreach
16 and coordinate services for persons and households who
17 are homeless or formerly homeless.

18 “(b) GRANTS.—

19 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall make
20 grants under this section on a competitive basis only
21 to collaborative applicants who comply with section
22 402.

23 “(2) PRIORITY.—The competition for grants
24 under this section shall provide priority—

1 “(A) to collaborative applicants who sub-
2 mit plans to make innovative and effective use
3 of staff funded with grant amounts pursuant to
4 subsection (c);

5 “(B) to collaborative applicants for which
6 the local governments, within the area served by
7 the applicant, have adopted local policies, such
8 as through zoning and regulation, that leverage
9 the private sector’s participation to provide
10 housing that is reserved and affordable to low-
11 , very low-, and extremely low-income house-
12 holds, as defined by Secretary, for a minimum
13 term of 15 years; and

14 “(C) to collaborative applicants for which
15 the local governments have adopted policies that
16 decriminalize homelessness.

17 The Secretary shall establish by regulation the proc-
18 ess and manner that local governments will be evalu-
19 ated. The Secretary shall ensure that local govern-
20 ments are not incentivized or otherwise rewarded for
21 eliminating or undermining the intent of zoning reg-
22 ulations or other regulations or policies that estab-
23 lish fair wages for laborers, ensure health and safety
24 of buildings for residents and the general public,
25 protect fair housing, establish environmental protec-

1 tions, establish standards for resiliency, prevent ten-
2 ant displacement, or any other requirements that the
3 Secretary determines it is in the public interest to
4 preserve.

5 “(c) USE OF GRANTS.—A collaborative applicant
6 that receives a grant under this section—

7 “(1) may use such grant amounts only for pro-
8 viding case managers, social workers, or other staff
9 who conduct outreach and coordinate services for
10 persons and households who are homeless or for-
11 merly homeless; and

12 “(2) shall not use grant amounts for any law
13 enforcement purposes.

14 “(d) TIMING.—The Secretary shall establish the cri-
15 teria for the competition for grants under this section re-
16 quired under subsection (b) by regulations issued, after
17 notice and opportunity for public comment, not later than
18 6 months after the date of enactment of this section.”.

19 **SEC. 7. HOUSING TRUST FUND.**

20 (a) FUNDING.—

21 (1) ANNUAL FUNDING.—There is appropriated,
22 out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise ap-
23 propriated, for each of fiscal years 2025 through
24 2029, \$1,000,000,000, to remain available until ex-
25 pended, which shall be credited to the Housing

1 Trust Fund established pursuant to section 1338 of
2 the Federal Housing Enterprises Financial Safety
3 and Soundness Act of 1992 (12 U.S.C. 4568) for
4 use under such section.

5 (2) PRIORITY FOR HOUSING THE HOMELESS.—

6 (A) PRIORITY.—During the first 5 fiscal
7 years that amounts are made available under
8 this subsection, the Secretary of Housing and
9 Urban Development shall ensure that priority
10 for occupancy in dwelling units described in
11 subparagraph (B) that become available for oc-
12 cupancy shall be given to persons and house-
13 holds who are homeless (as such term is defined
14 in section 103 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless
15 Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11302)).

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

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

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

4 (b) TENANT RENT CONTRIBUTION.—

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

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

12 “(i) not less than 75 percent”;

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

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

1 (2) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary of Housing
2 and Urban Development shall issue regulations to
3 implement section 1338(c)(7)(A)(ii) of the Federal
4 Housing Enterprises Financial Safety and Sound-
5 ness Act of 1992, as added by the amendment made
6 by paragraph (1)(B) of this section, not later than
7 the expiration of the 90-day period beginning on the
8 date of the enactment of this Act.

9 **SEC. 8. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FUNDS TO HELP STATES**
10 **AND LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS ALIGN HEALTH**
11 **AND HOUSING SYSTEMS.**

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

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

1 (1) assist States and localities in integrating
2 and aligning policies and funding between Medicaid
3 programs, behavioral health providers, and housing
4 providers to create supportive housing opportunities;
5 and

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

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

14 (1) to use for States and localities having the
15 highest numbers of chronically homeless persons;
16 and

17 (2) to assist localities that have adopted local
18 policies, such as through zoning and regulation, that
19 leverage the private sector’s participation to provide
20 and make housing affordable for low-, very low-, and
21 extremely low-income household, as defined by the
22 Secretary, for a minimum of 15 years. The Sec-
23 retary shall establish by regulation the process and
24 manner that local governments will be evaluated.
25 The Secretary shall ensure that local governments

1 are not incentivized or otherwise rewarded for elimi-
2 nating or undermining the intent of zoning regula-
3 tions or other regulations or policies that establish
4 fair wages for laborers, ensure health and safety of
5 buildings for residents and the general public, pro-
6 tect fair housing, establish environmental protec-
7 tions, establish standards for resiliency, prevent ten-
8 ant displacement, or any other requirements that the
9 Secretary determines it is in the public interest to
10 preserve.

11 **SEC. 9. PERMANENT AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS**
12 **FOR MCKINNEY-VENTO HOMELESS ASSIST-**
13 **ANCE ACT GRANTS.**

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

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

17 “There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out
18 this title such sums as may be necessary for each fiscal
19 year.”.

20 **SEC. 10. PERMANENT EXTENSION OF UNITED STATES**
21 **INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS.**

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

1 **SEC. 11. ELIGIBILITY OF PRIVATE NONPROFIT ORGANIZA-**
2 **TIONS FOR FUNDING.**

3 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Sec-
4 retary of Housing and Urban Development shall provide
5 that private nonprofit organizations (as such term is de-
6 fined in section 401 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless As-
7 sistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11360)) that are eligible entities
8 (as such term is defined in such section 401), including
9 faith-based such organizations that are eligible entities,
10 shall be eligible for assistance made available or author-
11 ized by this Act or by the amendments made by this Act
12 (but not including assistance under section 452 of the
13 McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, as added by
14 section 3 of this Act), and shall be eligible to be sub-
15 grantees for entities receiving amounts made available or
16 authorized by this Act or by the amendments made by
17 this Act.

18 **SEC. 12. ELIGIBILITY OF FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS.**

19 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in deter-
20 mining eligibility for assistance made available by this Act
21 or the amendments made by this Act or for which appro-
22 priations are authorized by this Act or the amendments
23 made by this Act, the status of an entity as faith-based
24 or the possibility that an entity may be faith-based may
25 not be a basis for any discrimination against such entity
26 in any manner or for any purpose.

1 **SEC. 13. CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**

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

4 (1) in the item relating to title II, by striking
5 “INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON THE HOME-
6 LESS” and inserting “UNITED STATES INTER-
7 AGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS”;

8 (2) by striking the item relating to section 209;

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

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

13 (5) by inserting before the item relating to title
14 V the following:

“Subtitle E—Emergency Funding To Address Unmet Need

“Sec. 451. Funding to address unmet needs.

“Sec. 452. Outreach funding.”.

15 **SEC. 14. FUNDING PRIORITY.**

16 In selecting entities to receive amounts authorized to
17 be appropriated by this Act and amounts made available
18 by this Act, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Develop-
19 ment shall provide priority to entities serving areas for
20 which the local governments having jurisdiction have
21 adopted policies that decriminalize homelessness.