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H. R. 2398

To amend the United States Housing Act of 1937 and title 38, United States Code, to expand eligibility for the HUD–VASH program, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to submit annual reports to the Committees on Veterans’ Affairs of the Senate and House of Representatives regarding homeless veterans, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 30, 2019

Mr. PETERS (for himself, Mr. LEVIN of California, Mr. HECK, Mr. CASE, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Ms. NORTON, Mr. VARGAS, Mr. CORREA, Mr. ROUDA, Mr. PAPPAS, and Mr. CISNEROS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. EXPANSION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR HUD-VASH.**

2 (a) HUD PROVISIONS.—Section 8(o)(19) of the
3 United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C.
4 1437f(o)(19)) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
5 lowing new subparagraph:

6 “(D) VETERAN DEFINED.—In this para-
7 graph, the term ‘veteran’ has the meaning given
8 that term in section 2002(b) of title 38, United
9 States Code.”.

10 (b) VHA CASE MANAGERS.—Subsection (b) of sec-
11 tion 2003 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by
12 adding at the end the following: “In the case of vouchers
13 provided under the HUD-VASH program under section
14 8(o)(19) of such Act, for purposes of the preceding sen-
15 tence, the term ‘veteran’ shall have the meaning given
16 such term in section 2002(b) of this title.”.

17 **SEC. 2. ANNUAL REPORTS.**

18 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not less frequently than once
19 each year, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall submit
20 to the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs of the Senate and
21 the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs of the House of Rep-
22 resentatives a report on the homelessness services provided
23 under programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs,
24 including services under HUD-VASH program under sec-
25 tion 8(o)(1) of the United States Housing Act of 1937
26 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(o)(19)).

1 (b) INCLUDED INFORMATION.—Each such annual re-
2 port shall include, with respect to the year preceding the
3 submittal of the report, a statement of the number of eligi-
4 ble individuals who were furnished such homelessness
5 services and the number of individuals furnished such
6 services under each such program, disaggregated by the
7 number of men who received such services and the number
8 of women who received such services, and such other infor-
9 mation as the Secretary considers appropriate

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