

118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4455

To amend the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act to support the buildout of clean school bus charging infrastructure through community facilities direct loans and grants.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 30, 2023

Mr. VASQUEZ introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

A BILL

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

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Community Facilities
5 Program for Rural Clean School Bus Infrastructure Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. ESSENTIAL COMMUNITY FACILITIES.**

2 Section 306(a) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural
3 Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1926(a)) is amended by add-
4 ing at the end the following:

5 “(27) ESSENTIAL COMMUNITY FACILITIES ELI-
6 GIBILITY FOR CLEAN SCHOOL BUS INFRASTRUC-
7 TURE.—

8 “(A) DEFINITION OF CLEAN SCHOOL
9 BUS.—In this paragraph, the term ‘clean school
10 bus’ has the meaning given the term in section
11 741(a)(3) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (42
12 U.S.C. 16091(a)(3)).

13 “(B) ELIGIBILITY.—With respect to direct
14 loans and grants made under the essential com-
15 munity facilities programs authorized under
16 this subsection, a recipient of such a loan or
17 grant may use the loan or grant funds for—

18 “(i) acquisition and labor costs for
19 charging or other infrastructure needed to
20 charge or maintain clean school buses; and

21 “(ii) planning and technical activities
22 to support the adoption and deployment of
23 clean school buses.

24 “(C) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIA-
25 TIONS.—There are authorized to be appro-
26 priated for the cost of loans and grants to carry

1 out this paragraph such sums as are nec-
2 essary.”.

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