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H. R. 6798

To provide internet at residences owned or leased by the United States Government in foreign countries for the use of Department of State personnel, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 14, 2023

Mr. CASTRO of Texas introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

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 “Internet at Hardship
5 Posts Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. INTERNET AT HARDSHIP POSTS.**

7 Section 3 of the State Department Basic Authorities
8 Act of 1956 (22 U.S.C. 2670) is amended—

1 (1) in subsection (l), by striking “; and” and in-
2 serting a semicolon;

3 (2) in subsection (m) by striking the period at
4 the end and by inserting “; and”; and

5 (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-
6 section:

7 “(n) pay expenses to provide internet services in resi-
8 dences owned or leased by the United States Government
9 in foreign countries for the use of Department personnel
10 where Department personnel receive a post hardship dif-
11 ferential equivalent to 30 percent or more above basic
12 compensation.”.

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