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119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To exempt certain covered projects from the requirements of chapter 83 of title 41, United States Code, or any regulation or guidance issued for such chapter.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. FLOOD introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee
on _____

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 “Build Housing More
5 Affordably Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. BUY AMERICAN ACT EXEMPTION.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Any covered project financed in
8 any part by amounts provided under a covered program

1 is not subject to the requirements of chapter 83 of title
2 41, United States Code, or any regulation or guidance
3 issued for such chapter.

4 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

5 (1) COVERED PROGRAM.—The term “covered
6 program” means—

7 (A) the public housing program under the
8 United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C.
9 1437 et seq.);

10 (B) the program for rental assistance
11 under section 8 of the United States Housing
12 Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f);

13 (C) the HOME Investment Partnerships
14 program under title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez
15 National Affordable Housing Act (42 U.S.C.
16 12721 et seq.);

17 (D) the program for supportive housing for
18 the elderly under section 202 of the Housing
19 Act of 1959 (12 U.S.C. 1701q);

20 (E) the program for supportive housing for
21 persons with disabilities under section 811 of
22 the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable
23 Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 8013);

24 (F) the program for Native American
25 housing under the Native American Housing

1 Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996
2 (25 U.S.C. 4101 et seq.);

3 (G) the program for housing assistance for
4 Native Hawaiians under title VIII of the Native
5 American Housing Assistance and Self-Deter-
6 mination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4221 et seq.);

7 (H) the Housing Trust Fund program
8 under section 1338 of the Housing and Com-
9 munity Development Act of 1992 (12 U.S.C.
10 4568);

11 (I) the programs under title IV of the
12 McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42
13 U.S.C. 11360 et seq.);

14 (J) the AIDS Housing Opportunities pro-
15 gram under subtitle D of title VIII of the Cran-
16 ston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act
17 (42 U.S.C. 12901 et seq.); and

18 (K) the programs for assistance for rural
19 rental housing under title V of the Housing Act
20 of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1471 et seq.).

21 (2) COVERED PROJECT.—The term “covered
22 project” means a project that the Secretary of Hous-
23 ing and Urban Development or the Secretary of Ag-
24 riculture has determined is focused solely on the
25 purchase, construction, or improvement of residen-

1 tial housing, excluding infrastructure projects lo-
2 cated within or immediately adjacent to residential
3 housing, such as the installation or repair of water
4 and sewer lines, sidewalks, roads, and utility connec-
5 tions.