

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To amend the Transportation, Treasury, Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, the District of Columbia, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 2006 and the United States Housing Act of 1937 to allow for housing assistance to certain individuals enrolled as students at an institution of higher education, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. LANDSMAN 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Campus Housing Af-
3 fordability Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. REMOVAL OF PROHIBITION ON HOUSING ASSIST-**
5 **ANCE TO STUDENTS.**

6 Section 327(a) of the Transportation, Treasury,
7 Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, the Dis-
8 trict of Columbia, and Independent Agencies Appropria-
9 tions Act, 2006 (Public Law 109–115; 119 Stat. 2506)
10 is amended—

11 (1) by striking paragraph (1); and

12 (2) by redesignating paragraphs (2) through
13 (6) as (1) through (5), respectively.

14 **SEC. 3. WAIVER OF REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN STU-**
15 **DENTS.**

16 Section 8(o) of the United States Housing Act of
17 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(o)), is amended by adding at the
18 end the following:

19 “(23) WAIVER OF REQUIREMENTS FOR CER-
20 TAIN STUDENTS.—

21 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may
22 waive any requirement under this subsection to
23 provide tenant-based assistance under this sub-
24 section to any eligible student.

25 “(B) TREATMENT OF ASSISTANCE.—As-
26 sistance received by an individuals through the

1 waiver described in subparagraph (A) may not
2 be considered a part of the income of such indi-
3 vidual for the purposes of—

4 “(i) determining eligibility for student
5 financial assistance provided by the Fed-
6 eral government or offered by an institu-
7 tion of higher education that receives Fed-
8 eral assistance;

9 “(ii) calculating income earned from
10 work under a cooperative education pro-
11 gram offered by an institution of higher
12 education that receives Federal assistance;

13 “(iii) determining eligibility for any
14 living allowance provided under a program
15 established under the National and Com-
16 munity Service Act of 1990; or

17 “(iv) determining the amount of any
18 child support the individual may owe.

19 “(C) ELIGIBLE STUDENT DEFINED.—In
20 this paragraph, the term ‘eligible student’
21 means a person who—

22 “(i) is a student enrolled in an institu-
23 tion of higher education, as such term is
24 defined in section 101(a) of the Higher
25 Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.

1 1001(a)) and including the institutions de-
2 scribed in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of
3 section 102(a)(1) of such Act (20 U.S.C.
4 1002(a)(1));
5 “(ii) lives in student housing facility
6 maintained by such institution; and
7 “(iii) is eligible to receive tenant-based
8 assistance under this subsection.”.