

106TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 1627

To require the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to distribute funds available for grants under title IV of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act to help ensure that each State receives not less than 0.5 percent of such funds for certain programs, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 29, 1999

Mr. BALDACCI (for himself and Mr. ALLEN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services

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## 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 “Homelessness Assist-  
5       ance Funding Fairness Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. MINIMUM ALLOCATION UNDER SUPPORTIVE HOUS-**  
2 **ING PROGRAM.**

3 Section 429 of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless  
4 Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11389) is amended—

5 (1) by redesignating subsection (c) as sub-  
6 section (d); and

7 (2) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-  
8 lowing:

9 “(c) MINIMUM ALLOCATION.—

10 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In making grants using  
11 amounts allocated for use under this subtitle, the  
12 Secretary shall ensure that not less than 0.5 percent  
13 of the total amount allocated for such use is pro-  
14 vided to eligible applicants for use within each of the  
15 several States, subject only to the lack of eligible ap-  
16 plicants or the ability of such applicants to provide  
17 funds required under section 426(e).

18 “(2) DISTRIBUTION IN CERTAIN CIR-  
19 CUMSTANCES.—If the amount provided to eligible  
20 applicants for use within a State under paragraph  
21 (1) exceeds the amount competitively awarded under  
22 this subtitle for use in the State, the amount pro-  
23 vided for use by operation of paragraph (1) shall be  
24 distributed among the remaining eligible applicants  
25 on a pro rata basis for projects designated as pri-  
26 ority in the applications submitted under this sub-

1 title, based on the amounts requested in those appli-  
 2 cations.”.

3 **SEC. 2. MINIMUM ALLOCATION UNDER SECTION 8 SINGLE**  
 4 **ROOM OCCUPANCY MODERATE REHABILITA-**  
 5 **TION.**

6 Section 441(c) of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless  
 7 Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11401(c)) is amended—

8 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (1) through  
 9 (5) as subparagraphs (A) through (E), respectively,  
 10 and indenting each subparagraph accordingly;

11 (2) by striking “The amounts” and inserting  
 12 the following:

13 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraphs (2)  
 14 and (3), the amounts”;

15 (3) by striking “No single” and inserting the  
 16 following:

17 “(2) LIMITATION FOR CITIES AND URBAN  
 18 COUNTIES.—No single”; and

19 (4) by adding at the end the following:

20 “(3) MINIMUM ALLOCATION.—

21 “(A) IN GENERAL.—In providing assist-  
 22 ance using amounts allocated for use under this  
 23 section, the Secretary shall ensure that not less  
 24 than 0.5 percent of the total amount allocated  
 25 for such use is provided to eligible applicants

1           for use within each of the several States, sub-  
2           ject only to the lack of eligible applicants.

3           “(B) DISTRIBUTION IN CERTAIN CIR-  
4           CUMSTANCES.—If the amount provided to eligi-  
5           ble applicants for use within a State under sub-  
6           paragraph (A) exceeds the amount competi-  
7           tively awarded under this subsection for use in  
8           the State, the amount provided for use by oper-  
9           ation of subparagraph (A) shall be distributed  
10          among the remaining eligible applicants on a  
11          pro rata basis for projects designated as pri-  
12          ority in the applications submitted under this  
13          section, based on the amounts requested in  
14          those applications.”.

15 **SEC. 3. MINIMUM ALLOCATION UNDER SHELTER PLUS**  
16 **CARE PROGRAM.**

17          Section 463 of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless  
18          Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11403h) is amended by adding  
19          at the end the following:

20          “(c) MINIMUM ALLOCATION.—

21               “(1) IN GENERAL.—In providing assistance  
22          using amounts allocated for use under this subtitle,  
23          the Secretary shall ensure that not less than 0.5 per-  
24          cent of the total amount allocated for such use is  
25          provided to eligible applicants for use within each of

1 the several States, subject only to the lack of eligible  
2 applicants or the ability of such applicants to pro-  
3 vide funds required under section 453.

4 “(2) DISTRIBUTION IN CERTAIN CIR-  
5 CUMSTANCES.—If the amount provided to eligible  
6 applicants for use within a State under paragraph  
7 (1) exceeds the amount competitively awarded under  
8 this subtitle for use in the State, the amount pro-  
9 vided for use by operation of paragraph (1) shall be  
10 distributed among the remaining eligible applicants  
11 on a pro rata basis for projects designated as pri-  
12 ority in the applications submitted under this sub-  
13 title, based on the amounts requested in those appli-  
14 cations.”.

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