106TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 2757

To amend the Migrant and Seasonal Agricultural Worker Protection Act relating to farm worker housing.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

August 5, 1999

Mr. Hastings of Washington introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

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 "Housing Opportunities
- 5 for Migrant Employees".
- 6 SEC. 2. REGULATION OF MIGRANT FARM WORKER
- 7 HOUSING.
- 8 (a) Approved Housing.—Section 203 of the Mi-
- 9 grant and Seasonal Agricultural Worker Protection Act

- 1 (29 U.S.C. 1823) is amended by adding at the end the
- 2 following:
- 3 "(d) Any farm worker housing which is regulated and
- 4 approved for health and safety by a Federal or State agen-
- 5 cy shall not be subject to regulation under this section.".
- 6 (b) Liability.—Subsection (a) of section 203 of the
- 7 Migrant and Seasonal Agricultural Worker Protection Act
- 8 (29 U.S.C. 1823) is amended—
- 9 (1) by striking "Federal and State" and insert-
- ing "Federal or State"; and
- 11 (2) by adding at the end the following: "A per-
- son who owns or controls a facility for housing mi-
- grant agricultural workers shall not be held liable
- under this subsection for housing conditions which
- are caused by the housed migrant workers.".

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