107TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

## H. R. 3926

To repeal a scheduled increase in the fee charged by the Government National Mortgage Association for guarantee of mortgage-backed securities.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 12, 2002

Mr. Lafalce introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

## 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. CONGRESSIONAL FINDINGS.
- 4 The Congress finds that—
- 5 (1) the Government National Mortgage Associa-
- 6 tion (known as Ginnie Mae) plays a critical role in
- 7 facilitating a secondary market for mortgage loans
- 8 insured by the Federal Housing Administration
- 9 (FHA) or the Rural Housing Service (RHS), mort-
- gage loans guaranteed by the Department of Vet-

- erans Affairs (VA), and other federally insured mortgage loans; (2) Ginnie Mae is projected to make almost
  - (2) Ginnie Mae is projected to make almost \$400,000,000 in profits (negative credit subsidy) in fiscal year 2003 under its current revenue structure;
  - (3) the annual fee that Ginnie Mae charges to make a secondary market is scheduled to increase by 50 percent in 2004;
  - (4) the revenue derived from the scheduled fee increase was originally intended to be used for non-housing purposes, but now will be used to increase the level of Federal receipts produced by Ginnie Mae;
  - (5) the scheduled fee increase will impose a cost on home buyers utilizing FHA, RHS, and VA federally insured or guaranteed residential mortgage loans; and
- 18 (6) this fee increase will raise the cost of home 19 ownership and make it more difficult for first-time 20 home buyers to buy a home.
- 21 SEC. 2. REPEAL OF GNMA GUARANTEE FEE INCREASE.
- Section 972 of the Higher Education Amendments of 1998 (Public Law 105–244; 112 Stat. 1837) is hereby re-24 pealed.

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