### 109TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

# H. R. 2751

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 7, 2005

Mr. Andrews 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. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "FHA Energy Effi-
- 5 ciency Act".

#### 1 SEC. 2. ENERGY EFFICIENCY CERTIFICATIONS.

- 2 Section 526(a) of the National Housing Act (12
- 3 U.S.C. 1735f-4(a)) is amended—
- 4 (1) by inserting "(1)" after "(a)"; and
- 5 (2) by adding at the end the following new
- 6 paragraph:
- 7 "(2) The Secretary shall require, with respect to any
- 8 single- or multi-family residential housing subject to a
- 9 mortgage insured under this Act, that any approval or cer-
- 10 tification of the housing for meeting any energy efficiency
- 11 or conservation criteria, standards, or requirements pursu-
- 12 and to this title and any approval or certification required
- 13 pursuant to this title with respect to energy conserving
- 14 improvements or any solar energy system, shall be con-
- 15 ducted only by an individual certified by a home energy
- 16 rating system provider who has been accredited to conduct
- 17 such ratings by the Home Energy Ratings System Coun-
- 18 cil, the Residential Energy Services Network, or such
- 19 other appropriate national organization, as the Secretary
- 20 may provide.".

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