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To require the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Securities and Exchange Commission to carry out a study on the racial gap in stock ownership, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 9, 2020

Mr. MEEKS (for himself, Mr. LAWSON of Florida, and Mr. CLEAVER) 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. STUDY ON THE RACIAL GAP IN STOCK OWNER-**
4 **SHIP.**

5 (a) STUDY.—The Board of Governors of the Federal
6 Reserve System and the Securities and Exchange Commis-
7 sion shall, jointly, carry out a study on the racial gap in
8 stock ownership.

1 (b) REPORT.—Not later than the end of the 180-day
2 period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act, the
3 Board of Governors and the Commission shall, jointly,
4 issue a report to the Congress containing—

5 (1) all findings and determinations made in car-
6 rying out the study required under subsection (a);

7 (2) estimates of—

8 (A) the percentage of stock ownership
9 among the different races;

10 (B) the aggregate amount of equity hold-
11 ings held by the different races; and

12 (C) the per capita equity holdings among
13 the different races; and

14 (3) any recommendations of the Board of Gov-
15 ernors or the Commission for administrative or legis-
16 lative changes that could raise stock ownership
17 among African Americans and any other group less
18 likely to own stocks.

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