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H. R. 9644

To amend the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act to update to the definition of chronically homeless, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 18, 2024

Mrs. CHAVEZ-DEREMER (for herself, Mr. ROBERT GARCIA of California, Ms. PETERSEN, and Mrs. KIM of California) 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 “Transitional Housing
5 Protection for the Homeless Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. CHRONIC HOMELESSNESS.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 401(2) of the McKinney-
8 Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11360(2)) is
9 amended—

1 (1) in subparagraph (A)(ii) by striking “shelter
2 continuously for at least 1 year or on at least 4 sep-
3 arate occasions in the last 3 years; and” and insert-
4 ing “shelter—

5 “(I) continuously for at least 1
6 year; or

7 “(II) on more than one occasion
8 for a cumulative period of 1 year or
9 more in the last 3 years; and”; and

10 (2) in subparagraph (B)—

11 (A) by striking “A person” and inserting
12 the following:

13 “(i) IN GENERAL.—A person”; and

14 (B) by adding at the end the following:

15 “(ii) TRANSITIONAL HOUSING.—A
16 person who currently lives or resides in a
17 transitional housing program and has re-
18 sided there for fewer than 90 days shall be
19 considered chronically homeless if such
20 person met all of the requirements de-
21 scribed in subparagraph (A) prior to enter-
22 ing that program.”.

23 (b) RULE MAKING.—The Secretary of Housing and
24 Urban Development shall not later than 180 days after
25 the date of the enactment of this section issue a rule to

- 1 update part 578 of title 24, Code of Federal Regulations,
- 2 to reflect the amendments made by this section.

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