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H. R. 237

To amend the Homeowners Assistance Program of the Department of Defense to give the Secretary of Defense flexibility regarding setting the commencement date for homeowner assistance for members of the Armed Forces permanently reassigned during the mortgage crisis.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 7, 2011

Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. FLEXIBLE COMMENCEMENT DATES FOR AVAIL-**
2 **ABILITY OF HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE FOR**
3 **MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES PERMA-**
4 **NENTLY REASSIGNED DURING MORTGAGE**
5 **CRISIS.**

6 (a) MODIFICATION OF REASSIGNMENT, PURCHASE,
7 AND SALE DATES.—Subsection (a)(3) of section 1013 of
8 the Demonstration Cities and Metropolitan Development
9 Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 3374) is amended—

10 (1) in subparagraph (C), by striking “or an
11 earlier end date designated by the Secretary” and by
12 inserting “or an earlier start or end date designated
13 by the Secretary under subsection (c)(3)(C) for a
14 specific military base or installation”;

15 (2) in subparagraph (D), by inserting “, or a
16 later purchase date designated by the Secretary
17 under subsection (c)(3)(C) for a specific military
18 base or installation” after “July 1, 2006”; and

19 (3) in subparagraph (E), by striking “between
20 July 1, 2006, and September 30, 2012, or an earlier
21 end date designated by the Secretary” and inserting
22 “between the purchase date in effect for the military
23 base or installation under subparagraph (D) and the
24 end date in effect for the military base or installa-
25 tion under subparagraph (D)”.

1 (b) MODIFICATION PROCESS.—Subsection (c)(3) of
2 such section is amended by adding at the end the following
3 new subparagraph:

4 “(C) MODIFICATION OF REASSIGNMENT,
5 PURCHASE, AND SALE DATES.—In exercising
6 the authority under subsection (a)(3) to des-
7 ignate different reassignment, purchase, and
8 sale dates for a specific military base or instal-
9 lation, the Secretary of Defense shall consult
10 with the Secretary of Housing and Urban De-
11 velopment and the Secretary of the Treasury
12 regarding the condition of housing markets in
13 the area of the base or installation so that the
14 Secretary of Defense has the information need-
15 ed to effectively assist members of the Armed
16 Forces and their families.”.

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