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H. R. 9419

To clarify that installation of mechanical insulation property is an energy or water efficiency measure that may be used in Federal buildings for purposes of section 543(f) of the National Energy Conservation Policy Act, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 2, 2022

Ms. SÁNCHEZ (for herself, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. TONKO, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Mrs. TRAHAN, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, and Mr. CASTEN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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 “Federal Mechanical
5 Insulation Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. INSTALLATION OF MECHANICAL INSULATION PROP-**
2 **ERTY AS AN ENERGY OR WATER EFFICIENCY**
3 **MEASURE IN FEDERAL BUILDINGS.**

4 (a) DEFINITION OF MECHANICAL INSULATION PROP-
5 ERTY.—Section 543(f)(1) of the National Energy Con-
6 servation Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 8253(f)(1)) is amended
7 by adding at the end the following:

8 “(I) MECHANICAL INSULATION PROP-
9 ERTY.—The term ‘mechanical insulation prop-
10 erty’ means insulation materials, facings, and
11 accessory products installed in connection to
12 such insulation materials—

13 “(i) placed in service—

14 “(I) in connection with a me-
15 chanical system; and

16 “(II) in a manner that meets or
17 complies with the minimum require-
18 ments of Reference Standard 90.1 (as
19 defined in section 179D(c)(2) of the
20 Internal Revenue Code of 1986); and

21 “(ii) which result in a reduction in en-
22 ergy loss from the mechanical system.”.

23 (b) COMPREHENSIVE ENERGY AND WATER EVALUA-
24 TIONS.—Section 543(f)(3)(A) of the National Energy
25 Conservation Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 8253(f)(3)(A)) is
26 amended by inserting “, including identification of energy-

1 and water-saving measures (including installation of me-
 2 chanical insulation property, if applicable),” after “a com-
 3 prehensive energy and water evaluation”.

4 (c) QUALIFIED INSTALLATION OF MECHANICAL IN-
 5 SULATION PROPERTY.—Section 543(f)(4) of the National
 6 Energy Conservation Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 8253(f)(4))
 7 is amended by adding at the end the following:

8 “(C) QUALIFIED INSTALLATION OF ME-
 9 CHANICAL INSULATION PROPERTY.—For each
 10 measure implemented under this paragraph
 11 that involves installation of mechanical insula-
 12 tion property, such installation shall be per-
 13 formed by an individual who has completed an
 14 apprenticeship registered under the Act of Au-
 15 gust 16, 1937 (commonly known as the ‘Na-
 16 tional Apprenticeship Act’; 50 Stat. 664, chap-
 17 ter 663; 29 U.S.C. 50 et seq.).”.

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