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To provide grants to owners of intergenerational dwelling units, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. CASEY (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. BROWN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

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 to as the “Grandfamily Hous-
5 ing Act of 2021”.

6 **SEC. 2. GRANT PROGRAM FOR GRANDFAMILY HOUSING.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Title II of the LEGACY Act of
8 2003 (12 U.S.C. 1790q note) is amended by adding at
9 the end the following:

1 **“SEC. 206. GRANT PROGRAM.**

2 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall, not later
3 than 180 days after the date of enactment of this section,
4 establish a program to provide grants to owners of inter-
5 generational dwelling units.

6 “(b) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a grant
7 under this section, an owner of an intergenerational dwell-
8 ing unit shall submit an application to the Secretary at
9 such time, in such manner, and containing such informa-
10 tion as the Secretary may reasonably require.

11 “(c) USE OF GRANT AMOUNTS.—An owner of an in-
12 tergenerational dwelling unit that receives a grant under
13 this section shall use amounts provided to cover costs asso-
14 ciated with—

15 “(1) employing a service coordinator to—

16 “(A) provide onsite services to intergenera-
17 tional families, including tutoring, health care
18 services, and afterschool care; and

19 “(B) coordinate with any local kinship nav-
20 igator program (as described in section
21 474(a)(7) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
22 674(a)(7));

23 “(2) facilitating outreach to intergenerational
24 families as described in subsection (d);

25 “(3) planning and providing services to inter-
26 generational families; and

1 “(4) retrofitting and maintaining existing
2 spaces within the property that contains the inter-
3 generational dwelling unit for the services and pro-
4 grams provided to intergenerational families.

5 “(d) OUTREACH.—

6 “(1) IN GENERAL.—An owner of an intergen-
7 erational dwelling unit that receives a grant under
8 this section shall engage with intergenerational fami-
9 lies in the community surrounding the property that
10 contains the grandfamily housing owned by the
11 grant recipient by—

12 “(A) performing periodic informational
13 outreach; and

14 “(B) planning and executing events for in-
15 tergenerational families.

16 “(2) COORDINATION.—Outreach under this
17 subsection shall, where possible, be in coordination
18 with a local kinship navigator program (as described
19 in section 474(a)(7) of the Social Security Act (42
20 U.S.C. 674(a)(7)) or a comparable program or enti-
21 ty in the State in which the intergenerational dwell-
22 ing unit is located.

23 “(e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
24 are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry

1 out this section \$50,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2022
2 and 2023.”.

3 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the date
4 of enactment of this section, the Secretary of Housing and
5 Urban Development shall submit to the Congress a report
6 that—

7 (1) describes the effectiveness of the grant pro-
8 gram established under section 206 of the LEGACY
9 Act of 2003, as added by subsection (a); and

10 (2) makes recommendations for legislative
11 changes that could allow for the grant program to
12 be more effective.

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