

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1851
OFFERED BY MR. WATT OF NORTH CAROLINA

Page 38, after line 20, insert the following new section:

1 SEC. 13. SCREENING OF APPLICANTS.

2 Subparagraph (B) of section 8(o)(6) of the United
3 States Housing Act of 1937 (1437f(o)(6)(B)) is amended
4 by inserting after the period at the end of the second sen-
5 tence the following: “A public housing agency’s elective
6 screening shall be limited to criteria that are directly re-
7 lated to an applicant’s ability to fulfill the obligations of
8 an assisted lease and shall consider mitigating cir-
9 cumstances related to such applicant. Any applicant or
10 participant determined to be ineligible for admission or
11 continued participation to the program shall be notified
12 of the basis for such determination and provided, within
13 a reasonable time after the determination, an opportunity
14 for an informal hearing on such determination at which
15 mitigating circumstances, including remedial conduct sub-
16 sequent to the notice, shall be considered.”.