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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
MAY 13, 2020
Ms. VELÁZQUEZ (for herself and Ms. WATERS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
This Act may be cited as the “Public Housing and Section 8 Operational Response Act for COVID-19”.

SEC. 2. FUNDING FOR PUBLIC HOUSING AND TENANT-BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE.
(a) Public Housing Operating Fund.—There is authorized to be appropriated for an additional amount for fiscal year 2020 for the Public Housing Operating
Fund under section 9(e) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437g(e)) $5,000,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2021.

(b) Tenant-Based Section 8 Rental Assistance.—There is authorized to be appropriated for an additional amount for fiscal year 2020 for the tenant-based rental assistance under section 8(o) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(o)) $3,500,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2021, of which not more than $500,000,000 may be used for administrative fees under section 8(q) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1437f(q)).

(e) Applicability of Waivers.—Any waiver or alternative requirement made by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development pursuant to the heading “Tenant-Based Rental Assistance” or “Public Housing Operating Fund” in title XII of division B of the CARES Act (Public Law 116–136) shall apply with respect to amounts made available pursuant to this section.