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H. R. 7791

To authorize the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to prioritize the award of certain housing grants to applicants located in, or serving, low-income communities.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 4, 2026

Mr. HARDER of California (for himself and Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

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. INCREASING HOUSING IN OPPORTUNITY**
4 **ZONES.**

5 (a) COVERED GRANT DEFINED.—In this section, the
6 term “covered grant” means any competitive grant relat-
7 ing to the construction, modification, rehabilitation, or

1 preservation of housing, as determined by the Secretary
2 of Housing and Urban Development.

3 (b) PRIORITY.—When awarding a covered grant, the
4 Secretary of Housing and Urban Development may give
5 additional weight to applicants with proposed activities or
6 projects that are located in or substantially and directly
7 benefit a community designated as a qualified opportunity
8 zone under section 1400Z–1 of the Internal Revenue Code
9 of 1986.

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