

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

119TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. _____

To require the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to access unmet community development-related needs in areas impacted by disasters on an ongoing basis, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. BELL introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

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 “CDBG-DR Automated
5 Assessment Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. UNMET NEEDS ASSESSMENT REQUIRED.**

2 The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development
3 (in this section referred to as the “Secretary”) shall not
4 later than 60 days after a the President declares a major
5 disaster under the “Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and
6 Emergency Assistance Act” and quarterly thereafter—

7 (1) use Federal disaster and housing data avail-
8 able to the Secretary to—

9 (A) evaluate damage to housing and infra-
10 structure in the area impacted by the disaster;
11 and

12 (B) identify shortages in affordable hous-
13 ing and broader economic recovery needs; and

14 (2) submit to the Congress a report about the
15 analysis conducted under paragraph (1) that identi-
16 fies any unmet needs in the area impacted by the
17 disaster that could be addressed using amounts ap-
18 propriated for Community Development Block Grant
19 Disaster Recovery and other related Federal disaster
20 programs.