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Making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending
September 30, 2020, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

A BILL

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year ending September 30, 2020, and for other purposes.

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 “Take Responsibility
5 for Workers and Families Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

7 The table of contents is as follows:

DIVISION A—THIRD CORONAVIRUS PREPAREDNESS AND
RESPONSE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2020

1 of regulations by the Secretary of Labor, the Secretary
2 of the Treasury, or the Pension Benefit Guaranty Cor-
3 poration, a multiemployer plan shall not be treated as fail-
4 ing to meet the requirements of any such provision prior
5 to the issuance of final regulations or other guidance to
6 carry out such provision if such plan is operated in accord-
7 ance with a reasonable, good faith interpretation of such
8 provision.

9 **SEC. 106. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

10 Unless otherwise specified, the amendments made by
11 this division shall apply to plan years beginning after the
12 date of the enactment of this Act.

13 **DIVISION W—OTHER MATTERS**

14 **SEC. 199991. HOME ENERGY AND WATER SERVICE CON-**
15 **TINUITY.**

16 Any entity receiving financial assistance pursuant to
17 **[this Act]** shall, to the maximum extent practicable, es-
18 tablish or maintain in effect policies to ensure that no
19 home energy service or public water system service to an
20 individual or household, which is provided or regulated by
21 such entity, is disconnected or interrupted during the
22 emergency period described in section 1135(g)(1)(B) of
23 the Social Security Act. For purposes of this section, the
24 term “home energy service” means a service to provide
25 home energy, as such term is defined in section 2604 of

1 the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981,
2 and electric service, as that term is used in the Public
3 Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, and the term
4 “public water system” has the meaning given that term
5 in section 1401 of the Safe Drinking Water Act. Nothing
6 in this section shall be construed to require forgiveness
7 of outstanding debt owed to an entity or to absolve an
8 individual of any obligation to an entity for service.

9 **SEC. 199992. LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLD DRINKING WATER**
10 **AND WASTEWATER ASSISTANCE.**

11 (a) **AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**—There is
12 authorized to be appropriated \$1,500,000,000 to the Sec-
13 retary to carry out this section. Such sums shall remain
14 available until expended.

15 (b) **LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLD DRINKING WATER**
16 **AND WASTEWATER ASSISTANCE.**—The Secretary shall
17 make grants to States and Indian Tribes to assist low-
18 income households, particularly those with the lowest in-
19 comes, that pay a high proportion of household income
20 for drinking water and wastewater services.

21 (c) **USE OF LIHEAP RESOURCES.**—In carrying out
22 this section, the Secretary, States, and Indian Tribes, as
23 applicable, shall use the existing processes, procedures,
24 policies, and systems in place to carry out the Low-Income
25 Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981, as the Secretary

1 determines appropriate, including by using the application
2 and approval process under such Act to the maximum ex-
3 tent practicable.

4 (d) ALLOTMENT.—

5 (1) FACTORS.—The Secretary shall allot
6 amounts appropriated pursuant to this section to a
7 State or Indian Tribe taking into account—

8 (A) the percentage of households in the
9 State, or under the jurisdiction of the Indian
10 Tribe, that are low-income, as determined by
11 the Secretary;

12 (B) the average State or Tribal drinking
13 water and wastewater service rates; and

14 (C) the extent to which the State or Indian
15 Tribe has been impacted by the public health
16 emergency.

17 (2) NOTIFICATION TO CONGRESS.—Not later
18 than 15 days after determining an amount to allot
19 to each State or Indian Tribe pursuant to paragraph
20 (1), and prior to making grants under this section,
21 the Secretary shall notify Congress of such allotment
22 amounts.

23 (e) DETERMINATION OF LOW-INCOME HOUSE-
24 HOLDS.—

1 (1) MINIMUM DEFINITION OF LOW-INCOME.—In
2 determining whether a household is considered low-
3 income for the purposes of this section, a State or
4 Indian Tribe shall—

5 (A) ensure that, at a minimum, all house-
6 holds within 150 percent of the Federal poverty
7 line are included as low-income households; and

8 (B) consider households that have not pre-
9 viously received assistance under the Low-In-
10 come Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981 in
11 the same manner as households that have pre-
12 viously received such assistance.

13 (2) HOUSEHOLD DOCUMENTATION REQUIRE-
14 MENTS.—States and Indian Tribes shall—

15 (A) to the maximum extent practicable,
16 seek to limit the income history documentation
17 requirements for determining whether a house-
18 hold is considered low-income for the purposes
19 of this section; and

20 (B) for the purposes of income eligibility,
21 accept proof of job loss or severe income loss
22 dated after February 29, 2020, such as a layoff
23 or furlough notice or verification of application
24 of unemployment benefits, as sufficient to dem-

1 onstrate lack of income for an individual or
2 household.

3 (f) APPLICATIONS.—Each State or Indian Tribe de-
4 siring to receive a grant under this section shall submit
5 an application to the Secretary, in such form as the Sec-
6 retary shall require.

7 (g) STATE AGREEMENTS WITH DRINKING WATER
8 AND WASTEWATER PROVIDERS.—To the maximum extent
9 practicable, a State that receives a grant under this sec-
10 tion shall enter into agreements with community water
11 systems, municipalities, nonprofit organizations associated
12 with providing drinking water and wastewater services to
13 rural and small communities, and Indian Tribes, to assist
14 in identifying low-income households and to carry out this
15 section.

16 (h) ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.—A State or Indian
17 Tribe that receives a grant under this section may use up
18 to 15 percent of the granted amounts for administrative
19 costs.

20 (i) FEDERAL AGENCY COORDINATION.—In carrying
21 out this section, the Secretary shall coordinate with the
22 Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency
23 and consult with other Federal agencies with authority
24 over the provision of drinking water and wastewater serv-
25 ices.

1 (j) AUDITS.—The Secretary shall require each State
2 and Indian Tribe receiving a grant under this section to
3 undertake periodic audits and evaluations of expenditures
4 made by such State or Indian Tribe pursuant to this sec-
5 tion.

6 (k) REPORTS TO CONGRESS.—The Secretary shall
7 submit to Congress a report on the results of activities
8 carried out pursuant to this section—

9 (1) not later than 1 year after the date of en-
10 actment of this section; and

11 (2) upon disbursement of all funds appropriated
12 pursuant to this section.

13 (l) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

14 (1) COMMUNITY WATER SYSTEM.—The term
15 “community water system” has the meaning given
16 such term in section 1401 of the Safe Drinking
17 Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300f).

18 (2) INDIAN TRIBE.—The term “Indian Tribe”
19 means any Indian Tribe, band, group, or community
20 recognized by the Secretary of the Interior and exer-
21 cising governmental authority over a Federal Indian
22 reservation.

23 (3) MUNICIPALITY.—The term “municipality”
24 has the meaning given such term in section 502 of

1 the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C.
2 1362).

3 (4) PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY.—The term
4 “public health emergency” means the public health
5 emergency described in section 1135(g)(1)(B) of the
6 Social Security Act.

7 (5) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
8 the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

9 (6) STATE.—The term “State” means a State,
10 the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of
11 Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands of the United States,
12 Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of
13 the Northern Mariana Islands.

14 **SEC. 199993. DELAY OF STRATEGIC PETROLEUM RESERVE**
15 **SALE.**

16 (a) BIPARTISAN BUDGET ACT OF 2015.—Section
17 404 of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015 (42 U.S.C.
18 6239 note) is amended—

19 (1) in subsection (e), by striking “2020” and
20 inserting “2022”; and

21 (2) in subsection (g), by striking “2020” and
22 inserting “2022”.

23 (b) FURTHER CONSOLIDATED APPROPRIATIONS ACT,
24 2020.—Title III of division C of the Further Consolidated
25 Appropriations Act, 2020 (Public Law 116–94) is amend-