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# H. R. 9644

To amend the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act to update to the definition of chronically homeless, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mrs. CHAVEZ-DEREMER (for herself, Mr. GARCIA of California, Ms. PETERSEN, and Mrs. KIM) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on

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## A BILL

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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 “Transitional Housing Protection for the Homeless Act”.

### **SEC. 2. CHRONIC HOMELESSNESS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 401(2) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11360(2)) is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (A)(ii) by striking “shelter continuously for at least 1 year or on at least 4 separate occasions in the last 3 years; and” and inserting “shelter—

“(I) continuously for at least 1 year; or

“(II) on more than one occasion for a cumulative period of 1 year or more in the last 3 years; and”; and

(2) in subparagraph (B)—

(A) by striking “A person” and inserting the following:

“(i) IN GENERAL.—A person”; and

(B) by adding at the end the following:

“(ii) TRANSITIONAL HOUSING.—A person who currently lives or resides in a transitional housing program and has resided there for fewer than 90 days shall be considered chronically homeless if such person met all of the requirements described in subparagraph (A) prior to entering that program.”.

(b) RULE MAKING.—The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this section issue a rule to update part 578 of title 24, Code of Federal Regulations, to reflect the amendments made by this section.