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119TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. _____

To prohibit the use of personally identifiable information collected by the Federal Emergency Management Agency for enforcement of the immigration laws, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. PETTERSEN 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 “Emergency Assistance
5 Privacy Protection Act of 2026”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON THE USE OF PERSONALLY IDENTIFI-**
2 **FIABLE INFORMATION.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Homeland Secu-
4 rity may not use any personally identifiable information
5 collected by the Federal Emergency Management Agency
6 to provide assistance pursuant to the declaration of a
7 major disaster or emergency under section 401 or 501 of
8 the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency As-
9 sistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5170; 5191) for the purpose of
10 enforcing the immigration laws (as such term is defined
11 under section 101(a) of the Immigration and Nationality
12 Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)).

13 (b) PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION.—
14 The term “personally identifiable information” means any
15 information that—

16 (1) can be used to distinguish or trace the iden-
17 tity of an individual, such as a name, residential ad-
18 dress, a social security number, an alien registration
19 number, a date and place of birth, or a parent’s
20 maiden name; or

21 (2) any item, collection, or grouping of informa-
22 tion about an individual that is maintained by an
23 agency, including their education, financial trans-
24 actions, medical history, criminal history, or employ-
25 ment history that contains a name, or the identi-
26 fying number, symbol, or other identifying particular

- 1 assigned to the individual, such as a fingerprint,
- 2 voice print, or photograph.