# 116TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION H.R. 2761

To require the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to immediately release certain grant funds awarded for mitigation activities under the Community Development Block Grant program, and for other purposes.

# IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### May 15, 2019

Mrs. FLETCHER (for herself, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. BABIN, Mr. BRADY, Mr. CARTER of Texas, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. FLORES, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN of Puerto Rico, Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. MCCAUL, Mr. RICE of South Carolina, Mr. YOHO, Mr. OLSON, Mr. ROUZER, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, and Mr. BUTTERFIELD) 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. SHORT TITLE.

- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Bipartisan Disaster
- 5 Recovery Funding Act of 2019".

### 1 SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

2 Congress finds the following:

3 (1) Funding for mitigation activities was appro4 priated to the Department of Housing and Urban
5 Development by Congress in February 2018 under
6 the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 (Public Law
7 115–123; 132 Stat. 64).

8 (2) The Secretary of Housing and Urban Devel9 opment told Congress that the funding described in
10 paragraph (1) would be released by May 1, 2019.

(3) May 1, 2019, has come and gone with no
official explanation as to the reason for the continued delay in releasing the funds.

### 14 SEC. 3. REQUIREMENT.

15 For all amounts made available for mitigation activities under the heading "Department of Housing and 16 Urban Development—Community Planning and Develop-17 ment—Community Development Fund" in Public Law 18 19 115–123, and awarded as grants by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, the Director of the Of-20 21 fice of Management and Budget shall, not later than 60 22 days after the date of enactment of this Act, release such 23 amounts awarded to all eligible grantees, regardless of any 24 further studies as may be otherwise required by law.

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