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# H. R. 4436

To authorize a National Poverty Research Center.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 20, 2019

Mr. POCAN (for himself, Ms. NORTON, and Ms. JAYAPAL) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform

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## 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 “National Poverty Re-  
5 search Center Authorization Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. NATIONAL POVERTY RESEARCH CENTER.**

7 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Health and  
8 Human Services shall award, every 5 years, one or more  
9 5-year grants or cooperative agreements with institutions  
10 of higher education (as defined in section 101(a) of the  
11 Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001(a))) to  
12 operate one or more National Poverty Research Centers.

1 (b) RESEARCH.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—National Poverty Research  
3 Centers shall perform poverty policy research, pov-  
4 erty policy research training, and poverty policy re-  
5 search dissemination.

6 (2) COLLABORATION.—National Poverty Re-  
7 search Centers shall coordinate formal networks in  
8 order to facilitate a sustainable, nationwide infra-  
9 structure of poverty policy researchers and to better  
10 inform public policies that seek to reduce poverty  
11 and its effects in the United States.

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