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S. 4910

To adjust the regulation of certain grants awarded by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs during a covered public health emergency to serve homeless veterans, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 18, 2020

Mr. TESTER introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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 “Grant Regulation Ad-
5 justment during the Coronavirus Emergency for Homeless
6 Veterans Act of 2020” or the “GRACE for Homeless Vet-
7 erans Act of 2020”.

1 **SEC. 2. MODIFICATION OF FUNDING LIMITATIONS FOR**
2 **CERTAIN GRANTS AWARDED BY THE SEC-**
3 **RETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS DURING A**
4 **COVERED PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY TO**
5 **SERVE HOMELESS VETERANS.**

6 Subsection (c)(2) of section 2011 of title 38, United
7 States Code, shall not apply to any grant awarded during
8 a covered public health emergency under such section for
9 a project described in subsection (b)(1) of such section.

10 **SEC. 3. DISPOSITION DURING A COVERED PUBLIC HEALTH**
11 **EMERGENCY OF PROPERTY RELATING TO**
12 **CERTAIN GRANTS AWARDED BY THE SEC-**
13 **RETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS TO SERVE**
14 **HOMELESS VETERANS.**

15 During a covered public health emergency, if the re-
16 cipient of a grant awarded before or during such emer-
17 gency under section 2011 of title 38, United States Code,
18 for a project described in subsection (b)(1) of such section
19 is no longer providing services in accordance with the
20 terms of the grant, the recipient shall not be subject dur-
21 ing such emergency to any property disposition require-
22 ments relating to the grant under subsection (e) or (f) of
23 section 61.67 of title 38, Code of Federal Regulations, sec-
24 tion 200.311(c) of title 2, Code of Federal Regulations,
25 or successor regulations.

1 **SEC. 4. COVERED PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY DEFINED.**

2 In this Act, the term “covered public health emer-
3 gency” means an emergency with respect to Coronavirus
4 Disease 2019 (COVID–19) declared by a Federal, State,
5 or local authority.

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