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Page 1714, after line 2, insert the following new section:

SEC. 60016. LEAD ABATEMENT FOR FAMILIES.

(a) IDENTIFICATION OF LEAD WATER SERVICE LINES.—

(1) REVIEW.—The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, in consultation with public housing agencies, owners of other federally assisted housing, and the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Administration shall, not later than the expiration of the 24-month period beginning upon the date of the enactment of this Act, undertake and complete a review of all public housing projects and all other federally assisted housing projects to identify any such projects for which the source of potable water is a lead-based water service pipe or pipes.

(2) REPORT.—Upon completion of the review required under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall submit a report to the Congress setting forth the re-
results of the review and identifying any projects for
which the source of potable water is a lead-based
water service pipe or pipes.

(b) GRANT AUTHORITY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may make
grants to public housing agencies and owners of
other federally assisted housing to cover the eligible
costs of removing and replacing lead-based water
service pipes for housing projects identified pursuant
to the review under subsection (a).

(2) ELIGIBLE COSTS.—Amounts from a grant
under this subsection may be used only for costs of
removing and replacing the portion of a lead-based
water service pipe for a housing project that is
owned by the public housing agency or owner of
other federally assisted housing, or is the responsi-
bility of the public housing agency or owner of other
federally assisted housing to maintain. Such grant
amounts may not be used for costs of removing or
replacing any portion of a lead-based water service
pipe that is owned by, or the responsibility to main-
tain of, a unit of local government or utility service
or agency.

(3) ASSURANCES.—The Secretary shall require
each public housing agency and owner of other fed-
erally assisted housing receiving a grant under this
subsection for a housing project to make such assur-
ances and enter into such agreements as the Sec-
retary considers necessary to ensure that—

(A) the lead-based water service pipes for
the project that will be removed and replaced
using such grant amounts are identified; and

(B) all work to remove and replace such
pipes is completed before the expiration of the
24-month period beginning upon the initial
availability to the agency or owner of such
grant amounts.

(4) LIMITATION ON AMOUNTS.—The amount of
grant under this subsection with respect to a hous-
ing project may not exceed the estimate of the Sec-
cetary of the full cost or removing and replacing the
portions of the lead-based water service pipes for the
project identified pursuant to paragraph (3)(A).

(c) FINAL REPORT.—Upon the expiration of the 6-
year period beginning on the date of the enactment of this
Act, the Secretary shall submit to the Congress a report
identifying the housing projects for which lead -based
water service pipes were removed and replaced using
grants under subsection (b) and analyzing the effective-
ness of the program for such grants.
(d) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section, the following definitions shall apply:

(1) HOUSING PROJECT.—The term “housing project” means a public housing project or a project that is other federally assisted housing.

(2) OTHER FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING.—The term “other federally assisted housing” has the meaning given the term “federally assisted housing” in section 683 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 13641), except that such term does not include any public housing project described in paragraph (2)(A) of such section.

(3) LEAD-BASED WATER SERVICE PIPE.—The term “lead-based water service pipe” means, with respect to a housing project, a pipe or other conduit that—

(A) is used to supply potable water for the housing project from outside the project; and

(B) does not satisfy the definition of “lead-free” established under section 1417 of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300g–6).

(4) PUBLIC HOUSING.—The term “public housing” has the meaning given such term in section
(5) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

(e) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary, after consultation with the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Administration, may issue any regulations necessary to carry out this section.

(f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated for grants under subsection (b)—

1. $90,000,000 for fiscal year 2021;
2. $80,000,000 for fiscal year 2022; and
3. $80,000,000 for fiscal year 2023.