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Add at the end of subtitle B of title VII the following:

1 **SEC. _____ HOUSING FIRST REPORT.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Housing and
3 Urban Development shall, not later than 180 days after
4 the date of the enactment of this section, submit to the
5 Financial Services Committee of the House of Representa-
6 tives and the Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Com-
7 mittee of the Senate, a report about the effectiveness and
8 success of housing first policies in addressing homeless-
9 ness by connecting homeless individuals with housing and
10 voluntary services.

11 (b) CONTENTS.—The report required under sub-
12 section (a) shall include findings made by the Secretary
13 of Housing and Urban Development with respect to the
14 barriers that people experiencing homelessness face when
15 attempting to secure permanent housing.

16 (c) HOUSING FIRST POLICY DEFINED.—In this sec-
17 tion, the term “housing first policy” means a policy that

1 prohibits conditioning the provision of housing assistance
2 for an individual or family on—

3 (1) individual or family participation in sup-
4 portive services, such as counseling, job training, or
5 addiction treatment, for such individual or family; or

6 (2) such individuals or family meeting certain
7 prerequisites, including employment, sobriety, or
8 lack of drug use.

