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In title LI of division E, after section 5105, insert the following:

SEC. 5106. STUDY AND REPORT ON HOUSING AND SERVICE NEEDS OF SURVIVORS OF TRAFFICKING AND INDIVIDUALS AT RISK FOR TRAFFICKING.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) SURVIVOR OF A SEVERE FORM OF TRAFFICKING.—The term “survivor of a severe form of trafficking” has the meaning given the term “victim of a severe form of trafficking” in section 103 of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (22 U.S.C. 7102).

(2) SURVIVOR OF TRAFFICKING.—The term “survivor of trafficking” has the meaning given the term “victim of trafficking” in section 103 of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (22 U.S.C. 7102).

(b) STUDY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The United States Intergovernmental Council on Homelessness shall conduct a
study assessing the availability and accessibility of housing and services for individuals experiencing homelessness or housing instability who are—

(A) survivors of trafficking, including survivors of severe forms of trafficking; or

(B) at risk of being trafficked.

(2) COORDINATION AND CONSULTATION.—In conducting the study required under paragraph (1), the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness shall—

(A) coordinate with—

(i) the Interagency Task Force to Monitor and Combat Trafficking established under section 105 of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (22 U.S.C. 7103);

(ii) the United States Advisory Council on Human Trafficking;

(iii) the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development;

(iv) the Secretary of Health and Human Services; and

(v) the Attorney General; and

(B) consult with—
(i) the National Advisory Committee on the Sex Trafficking of Children and Youth in the United States;

(ii) survivors of trafficking;

(iii) direct service providers, including—

(I) organizations serving runaway and homeless youth;

(II) organizations serving survivors of trafficking through community-based programs; and

(III) organizations providing housing services to survivors of trafficking; and

(iv) housing and homelessness assistance providers, including recipients of grants under—

(I) the continuum of care program authorized under subtitle C of title IV of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11381 et seq.); and

(II) the Emergency Solutions Grants Program authorized under subtitle B of title IV of the McKin-
ney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act

(42 U.S.C. 11371 et seq.).

(3) CONTENTS.—The study conducted under
paragraph (1) shall include—

(A) with respect to the individuals de-
scribed in that paragraph—

(i) an evaluation of formal assess-
ments and outreach methods used to iden-
tify and assess the housing and service
needs of those individuals, including out-
reach methods to—

(I) ensure effective communica-
tion with individuals with disabilities;
and

(II) reach individuals with lim-
ited English proficiency;

(ii) a review of the availability and ac-
cessibility of homelessness or housing serv-
ices for those individuals, including the
family members of those individuals who
are minors involved in foster care systems,
that identifies the disability-related needs
of those individuals, including the need for
housing with accessibility features;
(iii) the effect of any policies and procedures of mainstream homelessness or housing services that facilitate or limit the availability of those services and accessibility for those individuals, including those individuals who are involved in the legal system, as those services are in effect as of the date on which the study is conducted;

(iv) an identification of best practices in meeting the housing and service needs of those individuals; and

(v) an assessment of barriers to fair housing and housing discrimination against survivors of trafficking who are members of a protected class under the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601 et seq.);

(B) an assessment of the ability of mainstream homelessness or housing services to meet the specialized needs of survivors of trafficking, including trauma responsive approaches specific to labor and sex trafficking survivors; and

(C) an evaluation of the effectiveness of, and infrastructure considerations for, housing and service-delivery models that are specific to
survivors of trafficking, including survivors of severe forms of trafficking, including emergency rental assistance models.

(c) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness shall—

(1) submit to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on Financial Services of the House of Representatives a report containing the information described in subparagraphs (A) through (C) of subsection (b)(3); and

(2) make the report submitted under paragraph (1) publicly available.