AMENDMENT TO
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OFFERED BY MR. SCHRADER OF OREGON

At the end of subtitle H of title I, add the following:

SEC. 1806. HOME WILDFIRE RISK REDUCTION REBATE PROGRAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Energy shall estab-
lish a program, to be known as the “Home Wildfire
Risk Reduction Rebate Program”, to provide rebates to
homeowners to defray the costs of retrofitting an existing
home to be wildfire-resistant.

(b) AMOUNT OF REBATE.—In carrying out the Home
Wildfire Risk Reduction Rebate Program, the Secretary
shall provide a homeowner a rebate of up to—

(1) $10,000 for the retrofitting of roof features,
including the roof covering, vents, soffit and fascia,
and gutters, to be wildfire-resistant;

(2) $20,000 for the retrofitting of exterior wall
features, including sheathing and siding, doors, and
windows, to be wildfire-resistant;

(3) $5,000 for the retrofitting of a deck, includ-
ing the decking, framing, and fascia, to be wildfire-
resistant; and
(4) $1,500 for the retrofitting of near-home landscaping, including mulch and landscape fabric in a 5-foot zone immediately around the home and under all attached decks, to be wildfire-resistant.

(e) INCLUSION.—For purposes of this section, the cost of a retrofit shall include all costs associated with the retrofit, including the purchase and installation of wildfire-resistant products and components.

(d) LIMITATION.—The amount of the rebate under this section shall not exceed 50 percent of the cost of the retrofit.

(e) PROCESS.—

(1) FORMS; REBATE PROCESSING SYSTEM.—Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary, in consultation with the Secretary of the Treasury, shall—

(A) develop and make available rebate forms required to receive a rebate under this section;

(B) establish a Federal rebate processing system which shall serve as a database and information technology system that will allow homeowners to submit required rebate forms; and
(C) establish a website that provides information on rebates provided under this section, including how to determine whether particular measures qualify for a rebate under this section and how to receive such a rebate.

(2) Submission of Forms.—In order to receive a rebate under this section, a homeowner shall submit the required rebate forms, and any other information the Secretary determines appropriate, to the Federal rebate processing system established under paragraph (1).

(f) Moderate-Income Households.—

(1) Certifications.—The Secretary shall establish procedures for certifying that the household of a homeowner is moderate-income for purposes of this section.

(2) Limitation for Moderate Income Households.—Notwithstanding subsection (d), for households of homeowners that are certified pursuant to the procedures established under paragraph (1) as moderate-income, the amount of the rebate under this section shall not exceed 80 percent of the cost of the retrofit.

(3) Outreach.—The Secretary shall establish procedures to—
(A) provide information to households of homeowners that are certified pursuant to the procedures established under paragraph (1) as moderate-income regarding other programs and resources relating to assistance for upgrades of homes, including the weatherization assistance program implemented under part A of title IV of the Energy Conservation and Production Act (42 U.S.C. 6861 et seq.); and

(B) refer such households, as applicable, to such other programs and resources.

(g) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “wildfire-resistant” means meeting or exceeding the specifications of the International Code Council’s 2018 International Wildland-Urban Interface Code (IWUIC).

(h) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section $500,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2021 through 2025.