

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 115-73
OFFERED BY MS. MAXINE WATERS OF
CALIFORNIA**

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the “Transitional Housing
3 Act of 2018” or the “THRIVE Act of 2018”.

**4 SEC. 2. INCREMENTAL VOUCHERS FOR INDIVIDUALS RE-
5 COVERING FROM SUBSTANCE ABUSE DIS-
6 ORDERS.**

7 (a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
8 authorized to be appropriated for providing public housing
9 agencies with tenant-based assistance under section 8(o)
10 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C.
11 1437f(o)) for use under this section such sums as may
12 be necessary to provide incremental assistance for up to
13 10,000 vouchers under the housing choice voucher pro-
14 gram.

15 (b) USE.—Assistance made available for use under
16 this section may be used only for providing rental assist-
17 ance, in conjunction with supportive services provided in

1 accordance with subsection (c), on behalf of families hav-
2 ing a member who, as of the time of initial receipt of as-
3 sistance under this section, has a substance abuse dis-
4 order, including opioid abuse disorders, or is in recovery
5 from such a disorder.

6 (c) ALLOCATION.—Assistance made available for use
7 under this section shall be allocated by the Secretary of
8 Housing and Urban Development by means of a competi-
9 tion among public housing agencies that have entered into
10 a partnership with a nonprofit organization or organiza-
11 tions who shall provide supportive services for families on
12 behalf of whom rental assistance is provided with amounts
13 made available under this section. Such competition shall
14 incorporate selection criteria that consider capacity and
15 history of the partnering nonprofit organizations, the
16 prevalence of substance abuse disorders in the jurisdiction
17 served by the agency, geographic diversity among agencies
18 selected to receive such assistance, and such other issues
19 as the Secretary considers appropriate. The Secretary
20 shall consult with the Secretary of Health and Human
21 Services in establishing such competition.

22 (d) APPLICATIONS.—The Secretary shall provide for
23 public housing agencies and their partner nonprofit orga-
24 nizations to jointly submit applications for assistance

1 under this section, which applications shall include such
2 information as the Secretary shall require.

3 (e) REPORT.—Not later than the expiration of the
4 5-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of
5 this Act, the Secretary shall submit a report to the Con-
6 gress describing the program for assistance under this sec-
7 tion and including any recommendations and conclusions
8 of the Secretary regarding such program.

