

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4159

To limit the collection of annual premiums under the FHA program for mortgage insurance for single family housing, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 26, 2017

Ms. MAXINE WATERS of California introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Making FHA More
5 Affordable Act of 2017”.

6 **SEC. 2. ANNUAL PREMIUMS.**

7 Paragraph (2) of section 203(c) of the National
8 Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1709(c)(2)) is amended—

9 (1) in subparagraph (B)—

1 (A) in clause (i), by striking “For any”
2 and inserting “Subject to subparagraph (D),
3 for any”; and

4 (B) in clause (ii), by striking “For any”
5 and inserting “Subject to subparagraph (D),
6 for any”;

7 (2) in subparagraph (C)(i), by striking “In ad-
8 dition” and inserting “Subject to subparagraph (D),
9 in addition”; and

10 (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-
11 paragraph:

12 “(D) The Secretary may not collect any
13 annual premiums under this paragraph with re-
14 spect to a mortgage at any time that the re-
15 maining insured principal balance (excluding
16 the portion of the remaining balance attrib-
17 utable to the premium collected under subpara-
18 graph (A)) is 78 percent or less than the lower
19 of (i) the sales price of the dwelling at the sale
20 in connection with which the mortgage was
21 made, or (ii) the appraised value of the dwelling
22 at the time of the origination of the mortgage.”.

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