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To establish a manufactured housing community improvement grant program, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Ms. CORTEZ MASTO introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on _____

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 "Manufactured Housing
- 5 Community Improvement Grant Program Act".

6 SEC. 2. MANUFACTURED HOUSING COMMUNITY IMPROVE-

7 MENT GRANT PROGRAM.

8 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

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1	(1) ELIGIBLE MANUFACTURED HOME COMMU-
2	NITY.—The term "eligible manufactured home com-
3	munity' means a community that—
4	(A) is affordable to low- and moderate-in-
5	come persons (as such term is defined in sec-
6	tion 102(a) of the Housing and Community De-
7	velopment Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5302(a)));
8	and
9	(B)(i) is owned by the residents of the
10	manufactured housing community through a
11	resident-controlled entity, as defined by the Sec-
12	retary, in which at least two-thirds of residents
13	are member-owners of the land-owning entity;
14	or
15	(ii) will be maintained as such a commu-
16	nity, and remain affordable for low- and mod-
17	erate-income families, to the maximum extent
18	practicable and for the longest period feasible.
19	(2) ELIGIBLE RECIPIENT.—The term "eligible
20	recipient" means a partnership of—
21	(A) a grantee under paragraph (2) or (4)
22	of section 106(a) of the Housing and Commu-
23	nity Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C.
24	5306(a)); and

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1 (B) an eligible manufactured home com-2 munity, a nonprofit entity, or a consortia of 3 nonprofit entities working with an eligible man-4 ufactured home community.

5 (3) MANUFACTURED HOME COMMUNITY.—The 6 term "manufactured home community" means any 7 community, court, or park equipped to accommodate 8 manufactured homes for which pad sites, with or 9 without existing manufactured homes or other al-10 lowed homes, or other suitable sites, are used pri-11 marily for residential purposes, with any additional 12 requirements as determined by the Secretary, includ-13 ing any manufactured housing community as such 14 term is used for purposes of the program of the 15 Federal National Mortgage Association for multi-16 family loans for manufactured housing communities 17 and the program of the Federal Home Loan Mort-18 gage Corporation for loans for manufactured hous-19 ing communities.

(4) SECRETARY.—The term "Secretary" means
the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.
(b) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary shall carry out
a competitive grant program to award funds to eligible recipients to carry out eligible projects for improvements in
eligible manufactured home communities.

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1 (c) ELIGIBLE PROJECTS.—Amounts from grants 2 under this section shall be used to assist in carrying out 3 a project for construction, reconstruction, repair, or clear-4 ance of housing, facilities and improvements in or serving 5 a manufactured housing community that is necessary to protect the health and safety of the residents of the manu-6 7 factured housing community and the long-term sustain-8 ability of the community.

9 (d) WAIVERS.—The Secretary may waive or specify 10 alternative requirements for any provision of law or regulation that the Secretary administers in connection with 11 use of amounts made available under this section other 12 13 than requirements related to fair housing, nondiscrimination, labor standards, and the environment, upon a finding 14 15 that the waiver or alternative requirement is not inconsistent with the overall purposes of such Act and that the 16 17 waiver or alternative requirement is necessary to facilitate the use of amounts made available under this section. 18

(e) IMPLEMENTATION.—The Secretary shall have authority to issue such regulations, notices, or other guidance, forms, instructions, and publications to carry out the
programs, projects, or activities authorized under this section to ensure that such programs, projects, or activities
are completed in a timely and effective manner.

(f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
 authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary such sums
 as may be necessary to carry out this section.