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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. WICKER (for himself, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. OSE, and Mr. GRIJALVA) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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## 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 “Armed Forces Housing  
5 Improvement Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. ADEQUATE HOUSING FOR MARRIED MEMBERS OF**  
2 **THE ARMED FORCES WITH MINOR DEPEND-**  
3 **ENTS.**

4 (a) **MINIMUM NUMBER OF BEDROOMS.**—(1) A mem-  
5 ber of the Armed Forces who has a spouse and at least  
6 one dependent under the age of nineteen residing with the  
7 member shall be eligible for installation housing con-  
8 taining at least three bedrooms, regardless of the grade,  
9 rank, or rating of the member, and installation housing  
10 containing less than three bedrooms shall be considered  
11 to be inadequate housing for such a member.

12 (2) The actual occupancy of installation housing de-  
13 scribed in paragraph (1) by a member described in such  
14 paragraph shall be subject to availability.

15 (b) **REVISION OF HOUSING MARKET ANALYSIS AND**  
16 **FAMILY HOUSING REQUIREMENTS.**—The Secretaries of  
17 the military departments shall require the military base  
18 housing office for each military installation to review and  
19 revise its housing market analysis and military family  
20 housing requirements in order to accommodate the policy  
21 specified in subsection (a)(1).

22 (c) **CONDITIONS ON OBLIGATION OF FUNDS FOR**  
23 **FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION.**—Funds appropriated  
24 before the effective date of this Act for the construction  
25 of military family housing, and unobligated by that date,

1 may not be obligated until the Secretaries of the military  
2 departments certify to Congress that—

3           (1) the housing market analysis and military  
4 family housing requirements have been revised as re-  
5 quired by subsection (b); and

6           (2) the unobligated military housing funds will  
7 be used as part of a plan to accommodate the policy  
8 specified in subsection (a)(1) and implement the out-  
9 come of its revised housing market analysis and  
10 military housing requirements.

11       (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall take effect  
12 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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