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# H. R. 4138

To provide for the establishment of a program of assistance to States for consultations with respect to weatherization and energy efficiency.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 25, 2005

Mrs. LOWEY introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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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 “Weatherization Assist-  
5 ance Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. PROGRAM.**

7 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Energy  
8 shall establish a program to provide assistance to States  
9 for consultations with respect to weatherization and en-  
10 ergy efficiency of residences and small businesses. Under

1 the program, States shall provide information and rec-  
2 ommendations for achieving greater energy efficiency, but  
3 shall not provide equipment or labor to achieve energy effi-  
4 ciency improvements.

5 (b) ELIGIBILITY.—

6 (1) STATES.—A State shall be eligible for as-  
7 sistance under this section if it receives funding  
8 under the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act  
9 of 1981 (42 U.S.C. 8621 et seq.).

10 (2) RECIPIENTS.—Residential consultations  
11 shall be provided through the program established  
12 under this section only with respect to residences for  
13 which the household income does not exceed 200  
14 percent of the State median income for households  
15 of the same size.

16 (c) DEFINITION.—For purposes of this section, the  
17 term “small businesses” means small business concerns  
18 within the meaning of section 3 of the Small Business Act  
19 (15 U.S.C. 632).

20 **SEC. 3. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

21 There are authorized to be appropriated to the Sec-  
22 retary of Energy for carrying out this Act \$200,000,000  
23 for each of the fiscal years 2007 through 2011.

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