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# H. R. 3614

To direct the Administrator of General Services to establish a program to sell Federal buildings that are not utilized to provide revenue for increases in Social Security benefits and military retirement pay, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 28, 2017

Mr. POLIQUIN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## A BILL

To direct the Administrator of General Services to establish a program to sell Federal buildings that are not utilized to provide revenue for increases in Social Security benefits and military retirement pay, and for other purposes.

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 “Guaranteed COLA  
5 Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. CERTAIN BUILDING SALES.**

2 (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM.—The Adminis-  
3 trator of General Services shall establish a program under  
4 which the Administrator shall sell all Federal buildings  
5 that are not utilized by the Federal Government.

6 (b) IDENTIFICATION OF BUILDINGS.—

7 (1) INITIAL IDENTIFICATION.—Not later than 1  
8 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Ad-  
9 ministrator shall make an initial identification of all  
10 buildings owned and not utilized by the Federal Gov-  
11 ernment.

12 (2) REGULAR IDENTIFICATION.—After the date  
13 on which the Administrator makes the initial identi-  
14 fication under paragraph (1), the Administrator  
15 shall identify on a continuing basis any building  
16 owned and not utilized by the Federal Government  
17 that was not included in such initial identification.

18 (c) SALE REQUIRED.—Not later than 5 years after  
19 a building is identified under subsection (b), the Adminis-  
20 trator, notwithstanding any other provision of law and to  
21 the extent practicable, shall complete a sale of—

22 (1) such building; and

23 (2) the land relevant to such building.

24 (d) LIMITATION.—The Administrator shall not sell a  
25 building identified under subsection (b) if the building, or

1 the land relevant to such building, has been set aside for  
2 preservation or historic purposes.

3 (e) REVENUES FROM SALE.—Notwithstanding any  
4 other provision of law, the revenue from a sale under sub-  
5 section (c), after payment of any costs related to the sale,  
6 shall be made available only for the following:

7 (1) To increase benefits under title II of the So-  
8 cial Security Act, effective with the month of Decem-  
9 ber 2017, by applying section 215(i) of such Act as  
10 if the applicable increase percentage with respect to  
11 the base quarter in 2017 (as determined under such  
12 section without regard to this paragraph) is in-  
13 creased by an additional 1.5 percentage points.

14 (2) Effective December 1, 2017, to make the  
15 cost-of-living adjustment to the retired pay of mem-  
16 bers and former members of the Armed Forces pur-  
17 suant to section 1401a of title 10, United States  
18 Code, as if the applicable percentage of the increase  
19 calculated under subsection (b)(2) of such section  
20 (without regard to this paragraph) is increased by  
21 an additional 1.5 percentage points.

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