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To amend the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act to authorize recipients of funds under the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment Program to use such funds to provide broadband vouchers to households in certain locations, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. TAYLOR introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Energy and Commerce

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 “Bridging the
5 Broadband Gap Act of 2025”.

1 **SEC. 2. USE OF BEAD PROGRAM FUNDS TO PROVIDE**
2 **BROADBAND VOUCHERS.**

3 Section 60102 of the Infrastructure Investment and
4 Jobs Act (47 U.S.C. 1702) is amended by adding at the
5 end the following:

6 “(p) BROADBAND VOUCHERS.—

7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—If an eligible entity makes
8 the determination described in paragraph (2) with
9 respect to a political subdivision of such eligible enti-
10 ty, such eligible entity may use grant funds received
11 under this section to provide to households in such
12 political subdivision vouchers that such households
13 may use to cover eligible broadband service costs.

14 “(2) DETERMINATION.—The determination de-
15 scribed in this paragraph is a determination by an
16 eligible entity that a political subdivision of such eli-
17 gible entity lacks access to broadband service that
18 such eligible entity considers adequate.

19 “(3) PRIORITY.—In providing vouchers under
20 this subsection, an eligible entity shall give priority
21 to households in political subdivisions the per capita
22 income of which is below the median per capita in-
23 come of the political subdivisions of such eligible en-
24 tity, as determined by such eligible entity.

25 “(4) LIMITATIONS.—

1 “(A) HOUSEHOLDS IN UNSERVED LOCA-
2 TIONS OR UNDERSERVED LOCATIONS.—An eli-
3 gible entity may not provide a voucher under
4 this subsection to a household unless, on the
5 day before such eligible entity provides the first
6 such voucher to such household, such household
7 resides at a location that is an unserved loca-
8 tion or an underserved location.

9 “(B) DURATION.—In the case of eligible
10 broadband service costs described in clauses
11 (i)(II) and (ii) of paragraph (5)(B), an eligible
12 entity may only provide vouchers under this
13 subsection to a household to cover such costs
14 charged to such household with respect to a sin-
15 gle period of 12 consecutive months.

16 “(5) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

17 “(A) BROADBAND CUSTOMER PREMISES
18 EQUIPMENT.—The term ‘broadband customer
19 premises equipment’ means equipment em-
20 ployed on the premises of a household to pro-
21 vide satellite or fixed wireless broadband serv-
22 ice.

23 “(B) ELIGIBLE BROADBAND SERVICE
24 COSTS.—The term ‘eligible broadband service
25 costs’ means the following:

1 “(i) 50 percent of the amount charged
2 by a provider of satellite or fixed wireless
3 broadband service to a household for—
4 “(I) the purchase of broadband
5 customer premises equipment; or
6 “(II) the monthly lease or rental
7 of broadband customer premises
8 equipment.
9 “(ii) The monthly amount (not to ex-
10 ceed \$30 per month) charged by a provider
11 of satellite or fixed wireless broadband
12 service to a household for providing such
13 service to such household.”.

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