## H. R. 7645

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

May 3, 2022

Mr. Emmer (for himself, Mr. McHenry, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Posey, Mr. Luetkemeyer, Mr. Huizenga, Mrs. Wagner, Mr. Barr, Mr. Williams of Texas, Mr. Hill, Mr. Zeldin, Mr. Loudermilk, Mr. Mooney, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Budd, Mr. Kustoff, Mr. Gonzalez of Ohio, Mr. Rose, Mr. Hollingsworth, Mr. Steil, Mr. Gooden of Texas, Mr. Timmons, and Mr. Taylor) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

## 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 "Emergency Rental As-
- 5 sistance Accountability and Transparency Act of 2022".

## SEC. 2. INSPECTOR GENERAL OVERSIGHT.

- 2 Section 3201 of the American Rescue Plan Act of
- 3 2021 (15 U.S.C. 9058c) is amended by adding at the end
- 4 the following new subsection:
- 5 "(i) Inspector General Oversight;
- 6 RECOUPMENT.—
- 7 "(1) Oversight authority.—The Inspector
- 8 General of the Department of the Treasury shall
- 9 conduct monitoring and oversight of the receipt, dis-
- bursement, and use of funds made available under
- this section.
- 12 "(2) RECOUPMENT.—If the Inspector General
- of the Department of the Treasury determines that
- an eligible grantee has failed to comply with sub-
- section (d), the amount equal to the amount of
- funds used in violation of such subsection shall be
- booked as a debt of such entity owed to the Federal
- 18 Government. Amounts recovered under this sub-
- section shall be deposited into the general fund of
- the Treasury.
- 21 "(3) APPROPRIATION.—Out of any money in
- the Treasury of the United States not otherwise ap-
- propriated, there are appropriated to the Office of
- the Inspector General of the Department of the
- Treasury, \$6,500,000 to carry out oversight and
- recoupment activities under this subsection.

Amounts appropriated under the preceding sentence shall remain available until expended.

"(4) AUTHORITY OF INSPECTOR GENERAL.—

Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to diminish the authority of any Inspector General, including such authority as provided in the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.)."

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