Suspend the Rules and Pass the Bill, H.R. _____, with An Amendment

(The amendment strikes all after the enacting clause and inserts a new text)

115th CONGRESS 2D Session



To amend the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act of 1974 to modify requirements related to mortgage disclosures, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. HILL introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

- To amend the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act of 1974 to modify requirements related to mortgage disclosures, 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 "TRID Improvement5 Act of 2018".

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1SEC. 2. AMENDMENTS TO MORTGAGE DISCLOSURE RE-2QUIREMENTS.

3 Section 4(a) of the Real Estate Settlement Proce4 dures Act of 1974 (12 U.S.C. 2603(a)) is amended—

5 (1) by striking "itemize all charges" and insert6 ing "itemize all actual charges";

7 (2) by striking "and all charges imposed upon
8 the seller in connection with the settlement and" and
9 inserting "and the seller in connection with the set10 tlement. Such forms"; and

(3) by inserting after "or both." the following
new sentence: "Charges for any title insurance premium disclosed on such forms shall be equal to the
amount charged for each individual title insurance
policy, subject to any discounts as required by State
regulation or the title company rate filings.".

17 SEC. 3. POSITIVE CREDIT REPORTING PERMITTED.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 623 of the Fair Credit
Reporting Act (15 U.S.C. 1681s–2) is amended by adding
at the end the following new subsection:

21 "(f) Full-File Credit Reporting.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to the limitation in
paragraph (2) and notwithstanding any other provision of law, a person or the Secretary of Housing
and Urban Development may furnish to a consumer

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reporting agency information relating to the per formance of a consumer in making payments—

3 "(A) under a lease agreement with respect
4 to a dwelling, including such a lease in which
5 the Department of Housing and Urban Devel6 opment provides subsidized payments for occu7 pancy in a dwelling; or

8 "(B) pursuant to a contract for a utility or9 telecommunications service.

10 "(2) LIMITATION.—Information about a con-11 sumer's usage of any utility services provided by a 12 utility or telecommunication firm may be furnished to a consumer reporting agency only to the extent 13 14 that such information relates to payment by the con-15 sumer for the services of such utility or tele-16 communication service or other terms of the provi-17 sion of the services to the consumer, including any 18 deposit, discount, or conditions for interruption or 19 termination of the services.

20 "(3) PAYMENT PLAN.—An energy utility firm
21 may not report payment information to a consumer
22 reporting agency with respect to an outstanding bal23 ance of a consumer as late if—

24 "(A) the energy utility firm and the con-25 sumer have entered into a payment plan (in-

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| 1 | cluding a deferred payment agreement, an ar- |
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| 2 | rearage management program, or a debt for- |
| 3 | giveness program) with respect to such out- |
| 4 | standing balance; and |
| 5 | "(B) the consumer is meeting the obliga- |
| 6 | tions of the payment plan, as determined by the |
| 7 | energy utility firm. |
| 8 | "(4) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection, the fol- |
| 9 | lowing definitions shall apply: |
| 10 | "(A) Energy utility firm.—The term |
| 11 | 'energy utility firm' means an entity that pro- |
| 12 | vides gas or electric utility services to the pub- |
| 13 | lic. |
| 14 | "(B) UTILITY OR TELECOMMUNICATION |
| 15 | FIRM.—The term 'utility or telecommunication |
| 16 | firm' means an entity that provides utility serv- |
| 17 | ices to the public through pipe, wire, landline, |
| 18 | wireless, cable, or other connected facilities, or |
| 19 | radio, electronic, or similar transmission (in- |
| 20 | cluding the extension of such facilities).". |
| 21 | (b) LIMITATION ON LIABILITY.—Section 623(c) of |
| 22 | the Consumer Credit Protection Act (15 U.S.C. 1681s– |
| 23 | 2(c)) is amended— |
| 24 | (1) in paragraph (2), by striking "or" at the |
| 25 | end; |

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(2) by redesignating paragraph (3) as para graph (4); and

3 (3) by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-4 lowing new paragraph:

5 "(3) subsection (f) of this section, including any
6 regulations issued thereunder; or".

7 (c) GAO STUDY AND REPORT.—Not later than 2 8 years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the 9 Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to 10 Congress a report on the impact of furnishing information 11 pursuant to subsection (f) of section 623 of the Fair Cred-12 it Reporting Act (15 U.S.C. 1681s–2) (as added by this 13 Act) on consumers.