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To amend the Social Security Act to include special districts in the coronavirus relief fund, to direct the Secretary to include special districts as an eligible issuer under the Municipal Liquidity Facility, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

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 “Special Districts Pro-
5 vide Essential Services Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. INCLUSION OF SPECIAL DISTRICTS IN THE**
2 **CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 601(a) of the Social Secu-
4 rity Act (42 U.S.C. 801(a)) is amended by adding at the
5 end the following new paragraph:

6 “(3) FUNDS FOR SPECIAL DISTRICTS.—If an
7 amount in excess of \$150,000,000,000 is appro-
8 priated for payments made under this section, spe-
9 cial districts shall be eligible for payments out of
10 such excess amount in accordance with subsection
11 (c)(6).”.

12 (b) AMOUNT FOR SPECIAL DISTRICTS.—Section
13 601(c) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 801(c)) is
14 amended—

15 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (6) through
16 (8) as paragraphs (7) through (9), respectively; and
17 (2) by inserting after paragraph (5) the fol-
18 lowing new paragraph:

19 “(6) SPECIAL DISTRICTS.—If a portion of any
20 excess amount described in subsection (a)(3) is allo-
21 cated to a State, such State shall allocate at least
22 5 percent of that amount for special districts in that
23 State for distribution at such State’s discretion, not
24 later than 60 days after such State has received
25 such funds.”.

1 (c) DEFINITION OF SPECIAL DISTRICT.—Section
2 601(g) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 801(g)) is
3 amended—

4 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (4) through
5 (5) as paragraphs (5) through (6), respectively; and

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

8 “(4) SPECIAL DISTRICT.—The term ‘special dis-
9 trict’ means a political subdivision, formed pursuant
10 to general law or special act of a State, for the pur-
11 pose of performing one or more governmental or
12 proprietary functions.”.

13 (d) UPDATE TO GUIDANCE.—The Secretary of the
14 Treasury shall update any guidance issued with respect
15 to the Coronavirus Relief Fund established under section
16 601 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 801) to reflect
17 the inclusion of special districts as eligible for payments
18 from amounts in excess of \$150,000,000,000 appropriated
19 under such section.

20 **SEC. 3. INCLUDING SPECIAL DISTRICTS IN THE MUNICIPAL**
21 **LIQUIDITY FACILITY.**

22 The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve Sys-
23 tem shall include special districts as eligible issuers in the
24 Municipal Liquidity Facility program authorized under
25 section 13(3) of the Federal Reserve Act.