



Bipartisan Policy Center **Action**

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The Honorable Mike Johnson
Speaker
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Hakeem Jeffries
Democratic Leader
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Speaker Johnson and Democratic Leader Jeffries,

I respectfully urge you to bring the bipartisan Housing for the 21st Century Act to the House floor for a vote as soon as possible.

High housing costs and a lack of affordable supply affect communities in every region of the country, in red and blue districts alike. Families, employers, local governments, and housing providers are all impacted, underscoring the need for practical, durable solutions.

The Housing for the 21st Century Act offers the House an opportunity to engage on this issue constructively and demonstrate a commitment to addressing one of the most pressing issues facing Americans, despite political divides. This legislation reflects a balanced approach—shaped by thoughtful consideration and debate led by House Financial Services Committee Chairman French Hill and Ranking Member Maxine Waters—by seeking to reduce unnecessary regulatory barriers, improve coordination across levels of government, and support efforts to responsibly expand housing supply.

Following House action, I respectfully encourage you to work with your Senate colleagues to promptly begin a conference process to develop a compromise version that both chambers can pass and send to the president for his signature.

Thank you for your leadership and consideration of this important legislation. We appreciate the House's ongoing work to meet the nation's housing needs and welcome the opportunity to provide additional input or assistance.

Sincerely,

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