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116TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

**H. R.** \_\_\_\_\_

To require the Secretary of Transportation to set aside certain amounts provided under the BUILD program for rural areas, and for other purposes.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. LARSEN of Washington introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**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 “Better Utilizing Invest-  
5 ments to Leverage Development for Underfunded Projects  
6 Act” or the “BUILD UP Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. SET-ASIDE FOR BUILD GRANT AMOUNTS.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—With respect to grant amounts  
3 provided under the heading “Office of the Secretary—Na-  
4 tional Infrastructure Investments” in title I of division H  
5 of the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020  
6 (Public Law 116–94) for eligible projects, the Secretary  
7 of Transportation shall ensure that not less than 30 per-  
8 cent of the amount provided under such heading shall be  
9 provided to cities with populations of between 10,000 and  
10 75,000, whether or not 1 or more of such cities are consid-  
11 ered part of an urbanized area as designated by the  
12 United States Census Bureau.

13 (b) ELIGIBLE PROJECT DEFINED.—In this section,  
14 the term “eligible project” means a project eligible for  
15 funding under title I of division H of the Further Consoli-  
16 dated Appropriations Act, 2020 (Public Law 116–94), in-  
17 cluding—

18 (1) a highway or bridge project eligible under  
19 title 23, United States Code;

20 (2) a public transportation project eligible  
21 under chapter 53 of title 49, United States Code;

22 (3) a passenger and freight rail transportation  
23 project eligible under title 23 or title 49, United  
24 States Code;

25 (4) a port infrastructure investment (including  
26 inland port infrastructure and land ports of entry)

1 eligible under title 23, United States Code, chapter  
2 503 of title 46, United States Code, or title 49,  
3 United States Code; and

4 (5) a project investing in a surface transpor-  
5 tation facility that is located on tribal land and for  
6 which title or maintenance responsibility is vested in  
7 the Federal Government under title 23, United  
8 States Code.