

**BIGGETT 001**

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5830**  
**OFFERED BY MRS. BIGGERT OF ILLINOIS**

Strike line 4 on page 2 and all that follows through page 29, line 9, and insert the following:

**1 SEC. 3. EXPANSION OF FHA SECURE PROGRAM.**

2 (a) EXPANSION.—The Secretary of Housing and  
3 Urban Development shall, by regulation, expand the FHA  
4 Secure Program (established by mortgagee letter 2007–  
5 11, issued September 5, 2007) in accordance with this sec-  
6 tion to insure the mortgages, made to refinance existing  
7 mortgages, for substantial numbers of borrowers at risk  
8 of foreclosure.

9 (b) EXISTING AUTHORITY.—The program, as ex-  
10 panded by this section, shall continue to utilize the exist-  
11 ing authority under sections 203(b), 203(k), and 234(c)  
12 of the National Housing Act.

13 (c) INSURANCE PREMIUMS.—

14 (1) INCREASED MAXIMUM AMOUNTS.—In car-  
15 rying out the FHA Secure Program, as expanded by  
16 this section, section 203(c)(2) of the National Hous-  
17 ing Act (12 U.S.C. 1709(c)(2)) shall be applied—

18 (A) in subparagraph (A), by substituting  
19 “3.0 percent” for “2.25 percent”; and

1 (B) in subparagraph (B)—

2 (i) in the matter preceding clause (i),  
3 by substituting “0.75 percent” for “0.50  
4 percent”; and

5 (ii) in clause (ii), by substituting  
6 “0.75 percent” for “0.55 percent”.

7 (2) RISK-BASING.—In carrying out the FHA  
8 Secure Program, as expanded by this section, the  
9 Secretary may base the rate of premiums for a  
10 mortgage insured under the Program according to  
11 the credit risk associated with the mortgage and the  
12 rate of any annual premium for such mortgage may  
13 vary during the term of the mortgage, but only if  
14 the basis for determining the variable rate is estab-  
15 lished before the execution of the mortgage.

16 (d) 40-YEAR TERM.—In carrying out the FHA Se-  
17 cure Program, as expanded by this section, section  
18 203(b)(3) of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C.  
19 1709(b)(3)) shall be applied—

20 (1) by substituting “40 years” for “thirty-five  
21 years”; and

22 (2) as if the phrase “(or thirty years if such  
23 mortgage is not approved for insurance prior to con-  
24 struction)” were struck.

1           (e) **FIXED RATE MORTGAGE.**—All mortgages insured  
2 under the FHA Secure Program, as expanded by this sec-  
3 tion, shall bear interest at a single rate that is fixed for  
4 the entire term of the mortgage.

