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**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4051
OFFERED BY MR. HENSARLING
(REVISED)**

**WORK
(REVISED)**

At the end of the bill, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 9. WORK REQUIREMENTS**

2 (a) WORK REQUIREMENT.—

3 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
4 graph (2), none of the funds made available under this act
5 may be used to provide direct housing assistance to any
6 person unless through a program that requires a minimum
7 of 20 hours of approved work activities (as such term is
8 defined in section 407(d) of the Social Security Act (42
9 U.S.C. 607(d))) per week.

10 (2) EXEMPTION.—The Secretary of Housing and
11 Urban Development shall provide an exemption from
12 the applicability of paragraph (1) for any individual who—

13 (A) is under 18 years of age;

14 (B) is 62 years of age or older;

15 (C) is a blind or disabled individual, as defined
16 under section 216(i)(1) or 1614 of the Social Security
17 Act (42 U.S.C. 416(i)(1); 1382c), and who is unable to
18 comply with this section, or is a primary caretaker of
19 such individual;

20 (D) is engaged in a work activity (as such term is
21 defined in section 407(d) of the Social Security Act (42
22 U.S.C. 607(d)), as in effect on and after July 1,
23 1997));

1 (E) meets the requirements for being exempted from
2 having to engage in a work activity under the State
3 program funded under part A of title IV of the Social
4 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 601 et seq.) or under any other
5 welfare program of the State in which the public housing
6 agency is located, including a State-administered
7 welfare-to-work program;

8 (F) is in a family receiving assistance under a
9 State program funded under part A of title IV of the
10 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 601 et seq.) or under any
11 other welfare program of the State in which the public
12 housing agency is located, including a State-
13 administered welfare-to-work program, and has not been
14 found by the State or other administering entity to be
15 in noncompliance with such program; or

16 (G) is a single custodial parent caring for a child who has
17 not attained 6 years of age, and the individual proves that
18 the individual has a demonstrated inability (as determined
19 by the State) to obtain needed child care, for 1 or more of
20 the following reasons:

21 (A) Unavailability of appropriate child care within a
22 reasonable distance from the individual's home or work site.

23 (B) Unavailability or unsuitability of informal child care
24 by a relative or under other arrangements.

25 (C) Unavailability of appropriate and affordable formal

1 child care arrangements.

2 (b) ADMINISTRATION.—An entity or organization receiving

3 funds under this act may administer the work activities

4 requirement under this section directly or through a

5 contractor having experience in administering work activities

6 programs within the service area of the entity or organization. The

7 Secretary may establish qualifications for such organizations and

8 contractors.