

111TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 6383

To assist the State of Ohio in conducting a bed bug prevention and mitigation program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 29, 2010

Mrs. SCHMIDT introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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 “Bed Bug Prevention
5 and Mitigation Pilot Program Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. BED BUG PREVENTION AND MITIGATION PILOT**
7 **PROGRAM.**

8 (a) GRANT REQUIRED.—Using such amounts as may
9 be appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appro-
10 priations in subsection (e), the Administrator of the Envi-

1 Environmental Protection Agency shall make a grant to the
2 State of Ohio to support a pilot program under which po-
3 litical subdivisions of the State and housing authorities in
4 the State use the grant funds to supplement on-going bed
5 bug prevention and mitigation activities.

6 (b) DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS.—As a condition on
7 the receipt of the grant under subsection (a), the State
8 of Ohio shall charge the Ohio Department of Agriculture,
9 working in conjunction with the Ohio Department of
10 Health, to distribute the grant funds to political subdivi-
11 sions and housing authorities addressing persistent bed
12 bug infestations and whose residents lack the financial re-
13 sources to adequately mitigate bed bug infestations with-
14 out assistance.

15 (c) USE OF FUNDS.—Grant funds may be used to—

16 (1) retain commercial applicators of pesticides
17 (as defined in section 2(e)(3) of the Federal Insecti-
18 cide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (7 U.S.C.
19 136(e)(3))) to perform bed bug prevention and miti-
20 gation activities that are proven and effective
21 against bed bugs;

22 (2) purchase and distribute mattress covers;

23 (3) dispose of and replace bed bug infested ma-
24 terial;

25 (4) conduct bed bug monitoring activities; and

1 (5) treat used mattresses and furniture using
2 methods proven to control all life stages of bed bugs.

3 (d) DATA COLLECTION AND REPORT.—

4 (1) DATA COLLECTION.—After the end of fiscal
5 year 2012, the Administrator shall collect from the
6 State of Ohio the following data:

7 (A) The number of political subdivisions
8 and housing authorities receiving grant funds
9 and total funds awarded to each political sub-
10 division and housing authority.

11 (B) The criteria used to award funds to
12 such political subdivisions and housing authori-
13 ties.

14 (C) The success achieved in reducing bed
15 bug infestation and the methods used to man-
16 age bed bug infestation.

17 (D) Documented results of intervention ef-
18 forts with some measurement of infestation
19 rates both before and after intervention.

20 (2) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than
21 September 30, 2013, the Administrator shall submit
22 to Congress a report setting forth the data collected
23 under paragraph (1).

24 (e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
25 are authorized to be appropriated to the Administrator

- 1 \$500,000 for each of fiscal years 2011 and 2012 to make
- 2 grants under subsection (a).

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