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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

| Mrs. | Torres | of California | introduced | the | following | bill; | which | was | referre | 1 |
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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,

## 1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

| 2  | This Act may be cited as the "Mudslide Recovery                |
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| 3  | Act".  |
| 4  | SEC. 2. MUDSLIDE RECOVERY GRANT PROGRAM.                       |
| 5  | (a) In General.—Not later than 180 days after the              |
| 6  | date of enactment of this Act, the Secretaries concerned       |
| 7  | shall jointly establish a pilot grant program to make          |
| 8  | grants on a competitive basis to eligible recipients to im-    |
| 9  | plement innovative solutions to repair the damage caused       |
| 10 | by mudslides that occur after a wildland fire.                 |
| 11 | (b) APPLICATIONS.—To be eligible for a grant under             |
| 12 | this section, an eligible recipient shall submit to the Secre- |
| 13 | taries concerned an application at such time, in such man-     |
| 14 | ner, and containing such information as the Secretaries        |
| 15 | concerned jointly determine is appropriate.                    |
| 16 | (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this Act:                                  |
| 17 | (1) Eligible recipient.—The term "eligible                     |
| 18 | recipient" means—  |
| 19 | (A) a State, an Indian Tribe, or a forestry                    |
| 20 | agency of a State or Indian Tribe;                             |
| 21 | (B) a local government;  |
| 22 | (C) a fire department; and                                     |
| 23 | (D) a non-profit organization, including a                     |
| 24 | homeowner association that assists communities                 |
| 25 | located in an area with a risk of wildland fires.              |

| 1  | (2) Secretaries concerned.—The term                     |
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| 2  | "Secretaries concerned" means the Secretary of the      |
| 3  | Interior and the Secretary of Homeland Security,        |
| 4  | acting through the Administrator of the Federal         |
| 5  | Emergency Management Agency.                            |
| 6  | (3) State.—The term "State" means any                   |
| 7  | State of the United States, the District of Columbia,   |
| 8  | the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and any other          |
| 9  | territory or possession of the United States.           |
| 10 | (d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is           |
| 11 | authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section |
| 12 | \$5,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2026 through 2032. |