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Housing Accountability Act of 2016

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Housing and Community Development

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Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Nelson, Bill [D-FL]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** FL • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (1 total)

| Cosponsor                | Party / State | Role | Date Joined  |
|--------------------------|---------------|------|--------------|
| Sen. Rubio, Marco [R-FL] | R · FL        |      | Jul 14, 2016 |

Committee Activity

| Committee                                     | Chamber | Activity                   | Date         |
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Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Housing and Community Development

Related Bills

| Bill        | Relationship   | Last Action  |
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| 114 HR 6103 | Identical bill | Sep 21, 2016: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services. |

## **Housing Accountability Act of 2016**

This bill amends the United States Housing Act of 1937 to require an entity receiving low-income housing assistance payments for existing public housing units to maintain decent, safe, and sanitary conditions for any structure covered under a payment contract.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) shall develop a process by which a Performance-Based Contract Administrator shall, on a semiannual basis, conduct a survey of the tenants of each such structure to identify consistent or persistent problems with the structure's physical condition or its manager's performance.

A structure shall be referred to HUD for remediation if the Administrator identifies such a problem based on the survey or any other observation made by the Administrator during the normal course of business.

HUD may impose a penalty on the structure's owner if the structure does not satisfactorily meet this bill's requirements or is repeatedly referred to HUD for remediation by an Administrator through the process. Collected amounts shall be used solely for supporting safe and sanitary conditions at applicable structures or for HUD designated tenant relocation, with priority given to tenants of the penalized structure.

This bill shall not apply to voucher program property.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Sep 22, 2016:** Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Senate Subcommittee on Housing, Transportation, and Community Development. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 114-511.
- **Jul 14, 2016:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jul 14, 2016:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.