

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO H.R. _____
OFFERED BY MR. COMER OF KENTUCKY

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the “Special District Grant
3 Accessibility Act of 2024”.

4 SEC. 2. AGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GUIDANCE ON
5 SPECIAL DISTRICTS.

6 (a) REQUIREMENTS FOR AGENCY ACKNOWLEDG-
7 MENT OF SPECIAL DISTRICTS AS GRANT RECIPIENTS.—

8 (1) OMB GUIDANCE.—Not later than 180 days
9 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Di-
10 rector shall issue guidance that clarifies how an
11 agency recognizes a special district as a unit of local
12 government for the purpose of being eligible to re-
13 ceive Federal financial assistance.

14 (2) AGENCY REQUIREMENTS.—Not later than 1
15 year after the date on which the guidance is issued
16 pursuant to paragraph (1), the head of each agency
17 shall implement the requirements of such guidance
18 and conform any policy, principle, practice, proce-

1 dure, or guideline relating to the administration of
2 the Federal financial assistance programs of the
3 agency.

4 (3) REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—Not later than
5 2 years after the date of the enactment of this Act,
6 the Director shall submit to the Committee on Over-
7 sight and Accountability of the House of Represent-
8 atives and the Committee on Homeland Security and
9 Governmental Affairs of the Senate a report that
10 evaluates agency implementation of and conformity
11 to the guidance issued pursuant to paragraph (1).

12 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

13 (1) AGENCY.—The term “agency” has the
14 meaning given the term in section 552 of title 5,
15 United States Code.

16 (2) DIRECTOR.—The term “Director” means
17 the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.
18 et.

19 (3) FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.—The
20 term “Federal financial assistance”—

21 (A) means assistance that a non-Federal
22 entity receives or administers in the form of a
23 grant, loan, loan guarantee, property, coopera-
24 tive agreement, interest subsidy, insurance, food

1 commodity, direct appropriation, or other as-
2 sistance; and

3 (B) does not include an amount received as
4 reimbursement for services rendered to an indi-
5 vidual in accordance with guidance issued by
6 the Director.

7 (4) SPECIAL DISTRICT.—The term “special dis-
8 trict” means a political subdivision of a State, with
9 specified boundaries and significant budgetary au-
10 tonomy or control, created by or pursuant to the
11 laws of the State, for the purpose of performing lim-
12 ited and specific governmental or proprietary func-
13 tions that distinguish it as a significantly separate
14 entity from the administrative governance structure
15 of any other form of local government unit within a
16 State.

17 (5) STATE.—The term “State” means each of
18 the several States, the District of Columbia, each
19 commonwealth, territory, or possession of the United
20 States, and each federally recognized Indian Tribe.

