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House Financial Services ranking member [Maxine Waters](#) (D-Calif.) and Rep. [Cedric Richmond](#) (D-La.) are urging lawmakers to oppose a bill that would reauthorize and overhaul the National Flood Insurance Program.

In a "dear colleague" [letter](#), the two lawmakers said the bill that the House is taking up this week would "make flood insurance more expensive, less available and less fair for millions of Americans."

"Although we have pushed for a long-term reauthorization bill that ensures the continued availability and affordability of flood insurance, this bill does neither," they wrote. "[H.R. 2874](#) is a step in the wrong direction for families and businesses across the country."

In addition to the opposition from Democrats, it was unclear today how much support House Republicans looking to pass the bill would have from their own party. Since the committee approved the bill this summer, several Republicans from coastal districts have pushed back.

WHAT'S NEXT: The House Rules Committee will hold a hearing on the bill at 3 p.m.

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