

AN ACT

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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To amend, on a temporary basis, the District of Columbia Housing Authority Act of 1999 to expand the D.C. Housing Authority Rent Supplement Program to allow service providers who own, lease, or operate supportive housing to apply for and be awarded sponsor-based assistance funding to house clients, to require the District of Columbia Housing Authority to promulgate rules to govern eligibility, admission, and determination of the amount of rental assistance payments for units receiving sponsor-based assistance, to further limit assistance to households residing in the District for at least 6 months, and to require a 30-day Council review period of any rules promulgated pursuant to this act.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Local Rent Supplement Program Second Temporary Amendment Act of 2009”.

Sec. 2. The District of Columbia Housing Authority Act of 1999, effective May 9, 2000 (D.C. Law 13-105; D.C. Official Code § 6-201 *et seq.*), is amended as follows:

(a) Section 2(43A) (D.C. Official Code § 6-201(43A)) is amended by striking the phrase “units owned and operated” and inserting the phrase “units owned, leased, or operated” in its place.

Note,  
§ 6-201

(b) Section 26b(c) (D.C. Official Code § 6-227(c)) is amended to read as follows:

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§ 6-227

“(c)(1) The Authority shall apply its existing Partnership Program rules to govern the awarding of Partnership Program grants for project-based voucher assistance and the continuing eligibility for those grants under this section, except where the rules are inconsistent with this act.

“(2)(A) For project-based assistance and sponsor-based assistance, except for rules promulgated by the Authority regarding eligibility, admission, and determination of the amount of rental assistance payments pursuant to subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, the Authority shall also apply its existing Partnership Program and Housing Choice Voucher Program rules to govern eligibility, admission, and continuing occupancy by tenants in units receiving assistance under this section, section 26a, and section 26c, except if the rules are inconsistent with this section, section 26a, or section 26c.

“(B) For sponsor-based assistance, the Authority shall promulgate rules to govern eligibility, admission, and determination of the amount of rental assistance payments

for units receiving sponsor-based assistance under this section, which eligibility and admission rules will set forth requirements regarding criminal background, citizenship, and residency of tenants.

“(3) The Authority shall promulgate rules as are necessary to ensure that eligibility for tenancy is limited to households with gross income at or below 30% of the area median income in units supported by grants under this section, section 26a, and 26c and to households that have resided in the District for the previous 6 months in units supported by grants under this section.

“(4) Any rules proposed pursuant to this subsection shall be submitted to the Council for a 30-day period of review. If the Council does not approve or disapprove the proposed rules, in whole or in part, by resolution within the 30-day review period, the proposed rules shall be deemed approved.”.

**Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.**

The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement of the Budget Director as the fiscal impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(3)).

**Sec. 4. Effective date.**

(a) This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of Congressional review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of Columbia Register.

(b) This act shall expire after 225 days of its having taken effect.

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Chairman  
Council of the District of Columbia

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Mayor  
District of Columbia