§ 4563. Multifamily special affordable housing goal

(a) Establishment of goal

(1) In general

The Director shall, by regulation, establish a single annual goal, by either unit or dollar volume, of purchases by each enterprise of mortgages on multifamily housing that finance dwelling units affordable to low-income families.

(2) Additional requirements for units affordable to very low-income families

When establishing the goal under this section, the Director shall establish additional requirements for the purchase by each enterprise of mortgages on multifamily housing that finance dwelling units affordable to very low-income families.

(3) Reporting on smaller properties

The Director shall require each enterprise to report on the purchase by each enterprise of multifamily housing of a smaller or limited size that is affordable to low-income families, which may be based on multifamily projects of 5 to 50 units (as such numbers may be adjusted by the Director) or on mortgages of up to \$5,000,000 (as such amount may be adjusted by the Director), and may, by regulation, establish such aditional requirements related to such units.

(4) Factors

In establishing the goal and additional requirements under this section, the Director shall not consider segments of the market determined to be inconsistent with safety and soundness or unauthorized for purchase by the enterprises, and shall take into consideration—

- (A) national multifamily mortgage credit needs and the ability of the enterprise to provide additional liquidity and stability for the multifamily mortgage market;
- (B) the performance and effort of the enterprise in making mortgage credit available for multifamily housing in previous years;
- (C) the size of the multifamily mortgage market for housing affordable to low-income and very low-income families, including the size of the multifamily markets for housing of a smaller or limited size;
- (D) the ability of the enterprise to lead the market in making multifamily mortgage credit available, especially for multifamily housing described in paragraphs (1) and (2);
 - (E) the availability of public subsidies; and (F) the need to maintain the sound finan-
- (F) the need to maintain the sound financial condition of the enterprise.

(b) Units financed by housing finance agency bonds

The Director shall give full credit toward the achievement of the multifamily special affordable housing goal under this section (for purposes of section 4566 of this title) to dwelling units in multifamily housing that otherwise qualifies under such goal and that is financed by

tax-exempt or taxable bonds issued by a State or local housing finance agency, if such bonds, in whole or in part—

- (1) are secured by a guarantee of the enterprise; or
- (2) are purchased by the enterprise, except that the Director may give less than full credit for purchases of investment grade bonds, to the extent that such purchases do not provide a new market or add liquidity to an existing market.

(c) Measurement of performance

The Director shall monitor the performance of each enterprise in meeting the goals established under this section and shall evaluate such performance (for purposes of section 4566 of this title) based on whether the rent levels are affordable. A rent level shall be considered to be affordable for purposes of this subsection for low-income families if it does not exceed 30 percent of the maximum income level of such income category, with appropriate adjustments for unit size as measured by the number of bedrooms.

(d) Determination of compliance

The Director shall determine, for each year that the housing goal under this section is in effect pursuant to section 4561(a) of this title, whether each enterprise has complied with such goal and the additional requirements under subsection (a)(2).

(Pub. L. 102–550, title XIII, §1333, as added Pub. L. 110–289, div. A, title I, §1128(b), July 30, 2008, 122 Stat. 2700.)

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PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 4563, Pub. L. 102–550, title XIII, §1333, Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 3958, related to special affordable housing goal, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 110–289, div. A, title I, §1128(a), July 30, 2008, 122 Stat. 2696.

§ 4564. Discretionary adjustment of housing goals (a) Authority

An enterprise may petition the Director in writing at any time during a year to reduce the level of any goal or subgoal for such year established pursuant to this subpart.

(b) Standard for reduction

The Director may reduce the level for a goal or subgoal pursuant to such a petition only if—

- (1) market and economic conditions or the financial condition of the enterprise require such action; or
- (2) efforts to meet the goal or subgoal would result in the constraint of liquidity, over-investment in certain market segments, or other consequences contrary to the intent of this subpart, or section 1716(3) of this title or section 301(b)(3) of the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation Act (12 U.S.C. 1451 note), as applicable.

(c) Determination

The Director shall, promptly upon receipt of a petition regarding a reduction, seek public comment on the reduction for a period of 30 days. The Director shall make a determination re-

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garding any proposed reduction within 30 days after the expiration of such public comment period. The Director may extend such determination period for a single additional 15-day period, but only if the Director requests additional information from the enterprise.

(Pub. L. 102-550, title XIII, §1334, as added Pub. L. 110-289, div. A, title I, §1128(b), July 30, 2008, 122 Stat. 2701.)

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REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 301(b)(3) of the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation Act, referred to in subsec. (b)(2), is section 301(b)(3) of Pub. L. 91–351, which is set out as a Short Title and Statement of Purpose note under section 1451 of this title.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 4564, Pub. L. 102-550, title XIII, §1334, Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 3960, related to central cities, rural areas, and other underserved areas housing goal, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 110-289, div. A, title I, §1128(a), July 30, 2008, 122 Stat. 2696.

§ 4565. Duty to serve underserved markets and other requirements

(a) Duty to serve underserved markets

(1) 1 Duty

To increase the liquidity of mortgage investments and improve the distribution of investment capital available for mortgage financing for underserved markets, each enterprise shall provide leadership to the market in developing loan products and flexible underwriting guidelines to facilitate a secondary market for mortgages for very low-, low-, and moderate-income families with respect to the following underserved markets:

(A) Manufactured housing

The enterprise shall develop loan products and flexible underwriting guidelines to facilitate a secondary market for mortgages on manufactured homes for very low-, low-, and moderate-income families.

(B) Affordable housing preservation

The enterprise shall develop loan products and flexible underwriting guidelines to facilitate a secondary market to preserve housing affordable to very low-, low-, and moderate-income families, including housing projects subsidized under ²

- (i) the project-based and tenant-based rental assistance programs under section 1437f of title 42;
- (ii) the program under section 1715z-1 of this title:
- (iii) the below-market interest rate mortgage program under section 1715l(d)(4) of this title;
- (iv) the supportive housing for the elderly program under section 1701q of this title;
- (v) the supportive housing program for persons with disabilities under section 8013 of title 42;

- (vi) the programs under title IV of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act [42 U.S.C. 11360 et seq.], but only permanent supportive housing projects subsidized under such programs;
- (vii) the rural rental housing program under section 1485 of title 42;
- (viii) the low-income housing tax credit under section 42 of title 26; and
- (ix) comparable state $^{\rm 3}$ and local affordable housing programs.

(C) Rural markets

The enterprise shall develop loan products and flexible underwriting guidelines to facilitate a secondary market for mortgages on housing for very low-, and low-, and moderate-income families in rural areas.

(b) In general

To meet the housing goals established under this subpart and to carry out the duty under subsection (a) of this section, each enterprise shall—

- (1) design programs and products that facilitate the use of assistance provided by the Federal Government and State and local governments:
- (2) develop relationships with nonprofit and for-profit organizations that develop and finance housing and with State and local governments, including housing finance agencies;

(3) take affirmative steps to-

- (A) assist primary lenders to make housing credit available in areas with concentrations of low-income and minority families, and
- (B) assist insured depository institutions to meet their obligations under the Community Reinvestment Act of 1977 [12 U.S.C. 2901 et seq.],

which shall include developing appropriate and prudent underwriting standards, business practices, repurchase requirements, pricing, fees, and procedures; and

(4) develop the institutional capacity to help finance low- and moderate-income housing, including housing for first-time homebuyers.

(c) Additional categories

The Director may submit recommendations to the Committee on Financial Services of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs of the Senate for the establishment of additional categories under subsection (a), provided that the Director makes a preliminary determination that any such category is important to the mission of the enterprises, that the category is an underserved market, and that the establishment of such category is warranted.

(d) Evaluation and reporting of compliance

(1) In general

The Director shall, by regulation, establish effective for 2010 and thereafter a manner for evaluating whether, and the extent to which, the enterprises have complied with the duty under subsection (a) to serve underserved markets and for rating the extent of such compli-

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