

STUDY OF PROJECTS ASSISTED UNDER FLEXIBLE  
SUBSIDY PROGRAM

Pub. L. 102-550, title III, §318, Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 3772, provided that:

“(a) **STUDY.**—The Secretary shall conduct a study of housing projects that (1) are assisted under section 236 of the National Housing Act [12 U.S.C. 1715z-1] or the proviso of section 221(d)(5) of such Act [12 U.S.C. 1715(d)(5)], and (2) have received or are receiving assistance under section 201 of the Housing and Community Development Amendments of 1978 [see References in Text note above], to determine the cost of providing such projects with incentives under the Low-Income Housing Preservation and Resident Homeownership Act of 1990 [see Short Title note set out under section 4101 of this title]. The study shall examine any projects portions of which assisted under such section 236 that are assisted primarily by State agencies.

“(b) **REPORT.**—The Secretary shall submit a report to the Congress regarding any findings and conclusions of the study under subsection (a) not later than the expiration of the 1-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 28, 1992].”

**§ 4110. Incentives for transfer to qualified purchasers**

**(a) In general**

With respect to any eligible low-income housing for which an owner has submitted a second notice of intent under section 4106(d) of this title to transfer the housing to a qualified purchaser, the owner shall offer the housing for transfer to qualified purchasers as provided in this section. The Secretary shall issue regulations describing the means by which potential qualified purchasers shall be notified of the availability of the housing for sale. The Secretary shall take into account the Federal cost limits under section 4105(a) of this title for the housing when providing incentives under section 4109(b)(2) and (b)(3) of this title (pursuant to subsection (d)(3) of this section).

**(b) Right of first offer to priority purchasers**

**(1) Negotiation period**

For the 12-month period beginning on the receipt by the Secretary of a second notice of intent under section 4106(d) of this title with respect to such housing, the owner may offer to sell and negotiate a sale of the housing only with priority purchasers. The negotiated sale price may not exceed the preservation value of the housing determined under section 4103(b)(2) of this title. The owner or the purchaser shall submit a plan of action under section 4107 of this title for any sale under this subsection, which shall include any request for assistance under this section, upon the acceptance of any bona fide offer meeting the requirements of this paragraph.

**(2) Expression of interest**

During such period, priority purchasers may submit written notice to the Secretary stating their interest in acquiring the housing. Such notice shall be made in the form and include such information as the Secretary may prescribe.

**(3) Information**

Within 30 days of receipt of an expression of interest by a priority purchaser, the Secretary shall provide such purchaser with information

on the assistance available from the Federal Government to facilitate a transfer and the owner shall provide appropriate information on the housing, as determined by the Secretary.

**(c) Right of refusal for other qualified purchasers**

If no bona fide offer to purchase any eligible low-income housing subject to this section that meets the requirements of subsection (b) of this section is made and accepted during the period under such subsection, during the 3-month period beginning upon the expiration of the 12-month period under subsection (b)(1) of this section, the owner of the housing may offer to sell and may sell the housing only to qualified purchasers. The negotiated sale price may not exceed the preservation value of the housing determined under section 4103(b)(2) of this title. The owner or purchaser shall submit a plan of action under section 4107 of this title for any sale under this subsection, which shall include any request for assistance under this section, upon the acceptance of any bona fide offer meeting the requirements of this paragraph.<sup>1</sup>

**(d) Assistance**

**(1) Approval**

If the qualified purchaser is a resident council, the Secretary may not approve a plan of action for assistance under this section unless the council's proposed resident homeownership program meets the requirements under section 4116 of this title. For all other qualified purchasers, the Secretary may not approve the plan unless the Secretary finds that the criteria for approval under section 4112 of this title have been satisfied.

**(2) Amount**

Subject to the availability of amounts approved in appropriations Acts, the Secretary shall, for approvable plans of action, provide assistance sufficient to enable qualified purchasers (including all priority purchasers other than resident councils acquiring under the homeownership program authorized by section 4116 of this title) to—

(A) acquire the eligible low-income housing from the current owner for a purchase price not greater than the preservation equity of the housing;

(B) pay the debt service on the federally-assisted mortgage covering the housing;

(C) pay the debt service on any loan for the rehabilitation of the housing;

(D) meet project operating expenses and establish adequate reserves for the housing, and in the case of a priority purchaser, meet project oversight costs;

(E) receive a distribution equal to an 8 percent annual return on any actual cash investment (from sources other than assistance provided under this title<sup>2</sup>) made to acquire or rehabilitate the project;

(F) in the case of a priority purchaser, receive a reimbursement of all reasonable transaction expenses associated with the ac-

<sup>1</sup> So in original. Probably should be “subsection.”

<sup>2</sup> See References in Text note below.

quisition, loan closing, and implementation of an approved plan of action; and

(G) in the case of an approved resident homeownership program, cover the costs of training for the resident council, homeownership counseling and training, the fees for the nonprofit entity or public agency working with the resident council and costs related to relocation of tenants who elect to move.

### (3) Incentives

#### (A) In general

For all qualified purchasers of housing under this subsection, the Secretary may provide assistance for an approved plan of action in the form of 1 or more of the incentives authorized under section 4109(b) of this title, except that the incentive under such section 4109(b)(7) of this title may include an acquisition loan under section 1715z-6(f)<sup>2</sup> of this title.

#### (B) Priority purchasers

Where the qualified purchaser is a priority purchaser, the Secretary may provide assistance for an approved plan of action (in the form of a grant) for each unit in the housing in an amount, as determined by the Secretary, that does not exceed the present value of the total of the projected published fair market rentals for existing housing (established by the Secretary under section 1437f(c) of title 42) for the next 10 years (or such longer period if additional assistance is necessary to cover the costs referred to in paragraph (2)).

(Pub. L. 100-242, title II, § 220, as added Pub. L. 101-625, title VI, § 601(a), Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4257; amended Pub. L. 102-550, title III, § 307, Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 3764.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

This title, referred to in subsec. (d)(2)(E), means title II of Pub. L. 100-242, as amended by Pub. L. 101-625, title VI, § 601(a), Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4249, known as the Low-Income Housing Preservation and Resident Homeownership Act of 1990, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 4101 of this title and Tables.

Section 1715z-6(f) of this title, referred to in subsec. (d)(3)(A), was repealed by Pub. L. 104-204, title II, Sept. 26, 1996, 110 Stat. 2885.

#### AMENDMENTS

1992—Subsec. (d)(2). Pub. L. 102-550, § 307(a), inserted “(including all priority purchasers other than resident councils acquiring under the homeownership program authorized by section 4116 of this title)” after “purchasers”.

Subsec. (d)(2)(D). Pub. L. 102-550, § 307(b), inserted before semicolon at end “, and in the case of a priority purchaser, meet project oversight costs”.

Subsec. (d)(2)(E), (F). Pub. L. 102-550, § 307(c), (d), amended subpars. (E) and (F) generally. Prior to amendment, subpars. (E) and (F) read as follows:

“(E) receive an adequate return (as determined by the Secretary) on any actual cash investment made to acquire the project;

“(F) in the case of a priority purchaser, receive an adequate reimbursement for transaction expenses relating to acquisition of the housing, subject to approval by the Secretary; and”.

Subsec. (d)(3)(A). Pub. L. 102-550, § 307(e), struck out “any residual receipts for the housing transferred [sic] to the selling owner shall be deducted from the sale price of the housing under subsection (b) or (c) of this section and” after “except that”.

### § 4111. Mandatory sale for housing exceeding Federal cost limits

#### (a) In general

With respect to any eligible low-income housing for which the aggregate preservation rents determined under section 4104(b) of this title exceed the Federal cost limit, the owner shall offer the housing for sale to qualified purchasers as provided in this section.

#### (b) Right of first refusal to priority purchasers

##### (1) Duration and required sale

For the 12-month period beginning upon the receipt by the Secretary of the second notice of intent under section 4106(d) of this title with respect to such housing, the owner of the housing may offer to sell and may sell the housing only to priority purchasers. If, during such period, a priority purchaser makes a bona fide offer to purchase the housing for a sale price not less than the preservation value of the housing determined under section 4103(b)(2) of this title, the Secretary shall require the owner to sell the housing pursuant to such offer.

##### (2) Expression of interest

During the period under paragraph (1), priority purchasers shall have the opportunity to submit written notice to the owner and the Secretary stating their interest in acquiring the housing. Such written notice shall be in such form and include such information as the Secretary may prescribe.

##### (3) Information from Secretary

Not later than 30 days after receipt of any notice under paragraph (2), the Secretary shall provide such purchaser with information on the assistance available from the Federal Government to facilitate a transfer and the owner shall provide such purchaser with appropriate information on the housing, as determined by the Secretary.

#### (c) Right of refusal for other qualified purchasers

If no bona fide offer to purchase any eligible low-income housing subject to this section that meets the requirements of subsection (b) of this section is made during the period under such subsection, during the 3-month period beginning upon the expiration of the 12-month period under subsection (b)(1) of this section, the owner of the housing may offer to sell and may sell the housing only to qualified purchasers. If, during such period, a qualified purchaser makes a bona fide offer to purchase the housing for a sale price not less than the preservation value of the housing determined under section 4103(b)(2) of this title, the Secretary shall require the owner to sell the housing pursuant to such offer.

#### (d) Assistance

##### (1) Federal cost limit

Subject to the availability of amounts approved in appropriations Acts, the Secretary