

HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2210

By COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES AND HOUSING

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1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 4 through 28.

2 On page 2, delete lines 1 through 37 and insert:

3 **“SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:**

4 **“(a) ‘Affordable rental rate’ means a rental rate for privately owned multifamily rental**
5 **housing units that may be rented, with or without government assistance, on a basis that**
6 **is affordable to individuals of low income as determined by the Housing and Community**
7 **Services Department, taking into account the number of the bedrooms in the housing unit.**

8 **“(b) ‘Low income’ means income that is not more than 80 percent of the median family**
9 **income for a family of four residing within the county in which a housing unit is located, as**
10 **determined by the Housing and Community Services Department based on information from**
11 **the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.**

12 **“(2) The Housing and Community Services Department shall develop and implement the**
13 **Retaining Affordable Rental Housing Program for the purpose of providing financial assist-**
14 **ance to owners of multifamily rental housing to rehabilitate and maintain the housing at an**
15 **affordable rental rate.**

16 **“(3) The department shall make forgivable loans to landowners of eligible multifamily**
17 **rental housing, not to exceed \$10,000, which may be used by the landowner to make capital**
18 **improvements, habitability improvements or environmental and energy efficiency improve-**
19 **ments, as defined by rules adopted by the department. The department may forgive 10 per-**
20 **cent of the loan for each year that the landowner rents units for an affordable rental rate.**
21 **The rules adopted by the department must provide that the improvements for which the loan**
22 **funds will be used must have a useful life of at least 10 years.**

23 **“(4) To be eligible for a loan under this section, a landowner must demonstrate that the**
24 **landowner’s multifamily rental housing:**

25 **“(a) Contains 10 or more units; and**

26 **“(b) Has been available for rental for a minimum of 10 consecutive years prior to the date**
27 **of the application for financial assistance.**

28 **“(5) The department shall develop a process for landowners to submit applications for**
29 **loans under this section. The department shall review the application and approve or deny**
30 **the application.**

31 **“(6)(a) Upon approval of an application for a loan, the department shall distribute funds**
32 **from the Retaining Affordable Rental Housing Program Fund established under section 2 of**
33 **this 2017 Act to the landowner.**

34 **“(b) Prior to distribution of funds, the department shall enter into a contract with the**
35 **landowner that sets forth, at a minimum:**

1 **“(A) The purposes for which the loan funds may be used;**
2 **“(B) That the landowner will execute written instruments to be recorded in the records**
3 **of the county where the multifamily rental housing is located that contain terms, including**
4 **but not limited to restrictive covenants, providing that the multifamily rental housing shall**
5 **be rented at an affordable rental rate for a minimum of 10 years after receipt of the loan**
6 **funds; and**
7 **“(C) That the landowner must pay to the department the amount of any loan received**
8 **under this section that is used in violation of any of the terms of the contract.**
9 **“(7) The department may not award loans under this section that exceed the amount of**
10 **funds available in the Retaining Affordable Rental Housing Program Fund established under**
11 **section 2 of this 2017 Act.**
12 **“(8) In administering the program under this section, the department shall monitor**
13 **compliance with contract requirements.**
14 **“(9) The department shall adopt rules to carry out the provisions of this section.”.**
15 On page 3, line 3, delete “grants” and insert “loans”.
16 In line 7, delete “and housing authorities”.
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