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AMENDMENT TO H.R. 3965

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After section 4 of the bill, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 5. FUNDING FOR TENANT AND OTHER PARTICIPATION**
2 **AND CAPACITY BUILDING.**

3 Subparagraph (A) of section 514(f)(3) of the Multi-
4 family Assisted Housing Reform and Affordability Act of
5 1997 (42 U.S.C. 1437f note) is amended—

6 (1) in the first sentence—

7 (A) by striking “not more than” and in-
8 serting “not less than”;

9 (B) by striking “of low-income housing for
10 which project-based rental assistance is pro-
11 vided at below market rent levels and may not
12 be renewed” and inserting the following: “and
13 improvement of low-income housing for which
14 project-based rental assistance, subsidized
15 loans, or enhanced vouchers under section 8(t)
16 are provided”; and

1 (C) in the second parenthetical clause, by
2 inserting before the closing parenthesis the fol-
3 lowing: “, and predevelopment assistance to en-
4 able such transfers”; and

5 (2) by inserting after the period at the end the
6 following: “For outreach and training of tenants and
7 technical assistance, the Secretary shall implement a
8 grant program utilizing performance-based outcome
9 measures for eligible costs incurred. Recipients pro-
10 viding capacity building or technical assistance serv-
11 ices to tenant groups shall be qualified nonprofit
12 Statewide, countywide, areawide or citywide organi-
13 zations with demonstrated experience including at
14 least a two-year recent track record of organizing
15 and providing assistance to tenants, and independ-
16 ence from the owner, a prospective purchaser, or
17 their managing agents. The Secretary may provide
18 assistance and training to grantees in administrative
19 and fiscal management to ensure compliance with
20 applicable Federal requirements. The Secretary shall
21 expedite the provision of funding for fiscal year
22 2008 by entering into new multi-year contracts with
23 any prior grantee without adverse audit findings or
24 whose adverse audit findings have been cleared, and
25 by entering into an interagency agreement for not

1 less than \$1,000,000 with the Corporation for Na-
2 tional and Community Service to resume the tenant
3 outreach and training program under the same
4 terms, conditions, and sponsorship as that most re-
5 cently conducted by the Corporation. The Secretary
6 shall also make available flexible grants to qualified
7 nonprofit organizations that do not own eligible mul-
8 tifamily properties, for tenant outreach in under-
9 served areas, and to experienced national or regional
10 nonprofit organizations to provide specialized train-
11 ing or support to grantees assisted under this sec-
12 tion. Notwithstanding any other provision of law,
13 funds authorized under this section for any fiscal
14 year shall be available for obligation in subsequent
15 fiscal years. The Secretary shall require each recipi-
16 ent of amounts made available pursuant to this sub-
17 paragraph to submit to the Secretary reports, on a
18 quarterly basis, detailing the use of such funds and
19 including such information as the Secretary shall re-
20 quire.”.