



AMENDMENT NO. 1

Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To improve the bill.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—111th Cong., 2d Sess.

S. 1481

To amend section 811 of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act to improve the program under such section for supportive housing for persons with disabilities.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and ordered to be printed

Ordered to lie on the table and to be printed

AMENDMENTS intended to be proposed by Mr. Menendez

Viz:

- 1 On page 1, line 6, strike "2009" and insert "2010".
- 2 On page 2, strike line 6 and all that follows through
- 3 page 4, line 13, and insert the following:
- 4 **SEC. 2. TENANT-BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE.**
- 5 (a) RENEWAL THROUGH SECTION 8.—Section
- 6 811(d)(4) is amended to read as follows:
- 7 "(4) TENANT-BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE.—
- 8 "(A) IN GENERAL.—Tenant-based rental
- 9 assistance provided under subsection (b)(1)
- 10 shall be provided under section 8(o) of the

1 United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C.
2 1437f(o)).

3 “(B) CONVERSION OF EXISTING ASSIST-
4 ANCE.—There is authorized to be appropriated
5 for tenant-based rental assistance under section
6 8(o) of the United States Housing Act of 1937
7 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(o)) for persons with disabil-
8 ities an amount not less than the amount nec-
9 essary to convert the number of authorized
10 vouchers and funding under an annual con-
11 tributions contract in effect on the date of en-
12 actment of the Frank Melville Supportive Hous-
13 ing Investment Act of 2010. Such converted
14 vouchers may be administered by the entity ad-
15 ministering the vouchers prior to conversion.
16 For purposes of administering such converted
17 vouchers, such entities shall be considered a
18 ‘public housing agency’ authorized to engage in
19 the operation of tenant-based assistance under
20 section 8 of the United States Housing Act of
21 1937 .

22 “(C) REQUIREMENTS UPON TURNOVER.—
23 The Secretary shall develop and issue, to public
24 housing agencies that receive voucher assistance
25 made available under this subsection and to

1 public housing agencies that received voucher
2 assistance under section 8(o) of the United
3 States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C.
4 1437f(o)) for non-elderly disabled families pur-
5 suant to appropriation Acts for fiscal years
6 1997 through 2002 or any other subsequent ap-
7 propriations for incremental vouchers for non-
8 elderly disabled families, guidance to ensure
9 that, to the maximum extent possible, such
10 vouchers continue to be provided upon turnover
11 to qualified persons with disabilities or to quali-
12 fied non-elderly disabled families, respectively.”.

13 (b) PROVISION OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—The
14 Secretary is authorized to the extent amounts are made
15 available in future appropriations Acts, to provide tech-
16 nical assistance to public housing agencies and other ad-
17 ministering entities to facilitate using vouchers to provide
18 permanent supportive housing for persons with disabil-
19 ities, help States reduce reliance on segregated restrictive
20 settings for people with disabilities to meet community
21 care requirements, end chronic homelessness, as “chron-
22 ically homeless” is defined in section 401 of the McKin-
23 ney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11361),
24 and for other related purposes.

- 1 On page 5, line 12, strike “and any increases,”.
- 2 On page 5, line 14, prior to the comma insert “as
3 appropriate”.
- 4 On page 8, line 9, strike “2009” and insert “2010”.
- 5 On page 10, line 5, strike “has applied to” and insert
6 “is sufficiently qualified to”.
- 7 On page 10, between lines 8 and 9, insert the fol-
8 lowing:
- 9 “(C) The Secretary shall—
- 10 “(i) develop criteria and a timeline to
11 periodically assess the performance of
12 State and local housing agencies in car-
13 rying out the duties delegated to such
14 agencies pursuant to subparagraph (A);
15 and
- 16 “(ii) retain the authority to review
17 and process projects financed by a capital
18 advance in the event that, after a review
19 and assessment, a State or local housing
20 agency is determined to have failed to sat-

1 isfy the criteria established pursuant to
2 clause (i).”.

3 On page 10, line 9, strike “(C)” and insert “(D)”.

4 On page 10, line 21, strike “(D)” and insert “(E)”.

5 On page 15, line 4, strike “shall” and insert “may”.

6 On page 16, strike lines 1 through 7, and insert the
7 following:

8 (g) CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION OF WAIVER.—
9 Section 811(k)(1) is amended by adding the following
10 after the second sentence: “Not later than the date of the
11 exercise of any waiver permitted under the previous sen-
12 tence, the Secretary shall notify the Committee on Bank-
13 ing, Housing, and Urban Affairs of the Senate and the
14 Committee on Financial Services of the House of Rep-
15 resentatives of the waiver or the intention to exercise the
16 waiver, together with a detailed explanation of the reason
17 for the waiver.”.

18 On page 16, line 9, strike “Subsection” and all that
19 follows through the colon on line 12, and insert the fol-

1 lowing: "Paragraph (1) of section 811(1) is amended to
2 read as follows:".

3 On page 21, between lines 9 and 10, insert the fol-
4 lowing:

5 "(6) DURATION OF DEMONSTRATION.—The
6 Secretary may provide new project rental assistance
7 contracts pursuant to the demonstration program
8 established under this subsection for a period of not
9 more than 5 years."

10 On page 21, line 10, strike "(6)" and insert "(7)".

11 On page 21, line 11, strike "beginning" and all that
12 follows through "2009" on line 13, and insert the fol-
13 lowing: "set forth in paragraph (6)".

14 On page 28, line 22, strike "2009 through 2012" and
15 insert "2011 through 2015".

16 On page 29, line 5, strike "2009" and insert "2011".

17 On page 29, line 7, strike "2010, 2011, and 2012"
18 and insert "2012, 2013, 2014, and 2015".