## AMENDMENTS ADOPTED TO THE TRANSPORTATION/HUD APPROPRIATIONS BILL FOR FY 2018

Full Committee Markup House Appropriations Committee Monday, July 17, 2017

Managers' Amendment to the Fiscal Year 2018 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Act

In the bill:

Page 2, line 13 – strike "\$111,899,000" and insert "\$108,899,000".

Page 2, line 24 – strike "\$27,255,000" and insert "\$24,255,000".

Page 37, line 7 after "31108" – insert ", and shall remain available until September 30, 2022".

Page 55, line 18 – strike "\$28,346,012" and insert "\$31,346,012".

Page 55, line 20 - strike "\$9,500,000" and insert "\$12,500,000".

Page 90, line 2 - strike "204", and insert "203".

Page 101, line 16 – strike "204", and insert "203".

Page 118, line 3 - strike "204", and insert "203".

Page 147, before line 23 - insert:

"SEC. 237. The matter under the heading "Rental Assistance Demonstration" in the Department of Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act, 2012 (42 U.S.C. 1437f note), as amended. is amended—

(1) in the 14th proviso—

(A) by inserting 'or nonprofit' before 'entity, then a capable entity,'; and

(B) by striking "preserves its interest" and inserting "or a nonprofit entity preserves an interest";

(2) by striking the 18th proviso and inserting the following: "Provided further, That for fiscal year 2012 and hereafter, owners of

properties assisted or previously assisted under section 101 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1965, section 236(f)(2) of the National Housing Act, or section 8(e)(2) of the United States Housing Act of 1937, for which a contract expires or terminates due to prepayment on or after October 1, 2006, has caused or results in the termination of rental assistance or affordability restrictions or both and the issuance of tenant protection vouchers under section 8(0) or section 8(t) of the Act, or with a project rental assistance contract under section 202(c)(2) of Housing Act of 1959, shall be eligible, subject to requirements established by the Secretary, including but not limited to tenant consultation procedures, for conversion of assistance available or provided for such vouchers or assistance contracts, to assistance under a long-term project-based subsidy contract under section 8 of the Act, which shall have a term of no less than 20 years, which shall have initial rents set at comparable market rents for the market area, with subsequent rent adjustments only by an operating cost factor established by the Secretary, and which shall be eligible for renewal under section 524 of the Multifamily Assisted Housing Reform and Affordability Act of 1997 (42 U.S.C. 1437f note), or, subject to agreement of the administering public housing agency, to assistance under section 8(o)(13) of the Act, to which the limitation under subparagraph (B) of section 8(0)(13) of the Act shall not apply and for which the Secretary may waive or alter the provisions of subparagraphs (C) and (D) of section 8(0)(13) of the Act ("Second Component" herein):";

(3) by inserting before the 19th proviso the following: "Provided further, That conversions of assistance under the Second Component may not be the basis for re-screening or termination of assistance or eviction of any tenant family in a property participating in the demonstration:";

(4) in the 20th proviso, as so reordered by the amendments made by the preceding provisions of this section, by striking "previous proviso" and all that follows through the end of the proviso and inserting "Second Component, except for conversion of section 202 project rental assistance contracts, shall be available for project-based subsidy contracts entered into pursuant to the Second Component:";

(5) in the 21st proviso, as so reordered by the amendments made by the preceding provisions of this section, by striking "previous two provisos" and inserting "Second Component, except for conversion of section 202 project rental assistance contracts,";

(6) in the 22nd proviso, as so reordered by the amendments made by the preceding provisions of this section, by striking "three previous provisos" and inserting "Second Component, except for conversion of section 202 project rental assistance contracts,";

(7) by inserting before the last proviso the following: "Provided further, That the Secretary may transfer amounts made available under the heading 'Housing for the Elderly' to the accounts under the headings 'Project-Based Rental Assistance' or 'Tenant-Based Rental Assistance' to facilitate any section 202 project rental assistance contract conversions under the Second Component, and any increase in cost for 'Project-Based Rental Assistance' or 'Tenant-Based Rental Assistance' associated with such conversion shall be equal to amounts so transferred:''; and

(8) in the last proviso, by striking "previous four provisos" and inserting "Second Component, as applicable,"."

Page 160, lines 5-6 – strike "Minority Business Outreach", and insert "Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization and Outreach".

Page 160, lines 9-10 – strike "Department of Transportation-".

In the report:

Page 4 – Before the header "Title I – Department of Transportation", insert:

*"Responses to Congressional Inquiries.*— It is a long-standing tradition and Constitutional responsibility of the Executive Branch to be responsive to the Congress. Therefore, the Committee directs the heads of all entities in this subcommittee's jurisdiction to respond in a consistent and timely manner to inquiries from Members regardless of political party (or majority or minority status). Furthermore, not more than 30 days after this report is filed and then on a quarterly basis, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee a Congressional correspondence tracker showing, only by party, the date the correspondence was received and the date a response was sent.

Page 9 – In the second sentence of the third full paragraph, strike "asset database" and insert "enterprise geographic information system".

Page 10 - At the bottom of the page, insert:

"The Committee encourages the Department to partner with Hispanic Serving Institutions and Historically Black Colleges and Universities for research and information dissemination with regards to minority owned businesses."

Page 18 – Before the header "COMMERCIAL SPACE TRANSPORTATION" insert:

*Lap-held restraints.*—The Committee directs the FAA report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations within 180 days of enactment what actions it plans to take to improve the safety of flying with a lap-held infant, including recommendations on minimum performance standards for lap-held restraints.

Page 26 – Before the first full paragraph, insert:

*"Aging contract towers.*—The Committee notes that there are some contract towers that are more than 40 years of age, are non-compliant with OSHA standards, and have line of sight issues that adversely affect air traffic control safety. The Committee directs the Administration to conduct assessments of these towers and report back to the Committee within 90 days of enactment."

Page 30 – In the third full paragraph, strike the second sentence.

Page 30 - before the header "ADMINISTRATION AND RESEARCH PROGRAMS", insert:

*"Runway safety area repairs.*—The Committee expects the FAA to work expeditiously to identify grant eligibility for the restoration of key runway safety components such as Engineered Material Arresting System (EMAS) beds. The Committee notes that it included a provision in P.L. 115-31 that modified requirements regarding the use of funds for runway repairs in order to address immediate safety concerns. The Committee is aware of delays in the repair of EMAS beds, which are a critical safety component of airport Runway Safety Areas. The FAA is directed to provide a progress report to the House Committee on Appropriations that details the immediate measures the FAA has taken to ensure safety and operations at airports that have incurred damage to their EMAS beds, within 60 days of enactment of this Act. The FAA is further directed to provide a progress report to the House Committee on Appropriations that provides an update on the status of the EMAS bed repairs, within 180 days of enactment of this Act."

*Draft master plans.*—The Committee encourages FAA to expedite the review of any draft Master Plan documents from such airports to help quickly identify and evaluate the full range of possible alternatives, including the possibility of alternative landing surfaces while also helping to protect the long-term flexibility of such airports to accommodate long-term growth.

Page 37 – before the header "(Liquidation of Contract Authorization)", insert:

"Noise barrier designs and materials.—The Committee recognizes that high speed traffic in municipal and suburban areas has created serious noise concerns for many residential and business communities and effective noise barrier designs are important to the health and welfare of the community. Innovative engineered products derived from natural materials with low embodied energy have been shown to be cost effective and aesthetically pleasing materials to use in the construction of noise barrier systems. Therefore the Committee directs the Secretary of Transportation to prioritize the use of innovative natural building materials and design techniques with low embodied energy in the construction of noise barrier systems in order to increase efficiency and reduce material cost."

Page 62 -In the eighth paragraph, after "(4)" insert:

"details the number of settlements stemming from incidences of sexual assault and sexual harassment occurring during the commercial Sea Year program over the last five years, regardless of whether or not USMMA is a party to such settlements, and any actions USMMA takes in response to such settlements; and (5)"

Page 93 – In the third full paragraph, first sentence strike "On December 22, 2014" and insert "In 2010", and strike "or refinancing".

Page 93 – In the fourth full paragraph, first sentence strike "July 2016, however," and insert "2015"; and at the end of the first sentence, insert: "One year later, HUD stated PACE loans could not have super priority status. For delinquent PACE obligations on foreclosed properties, however, PACE has retained a first lien position."