#### 103D CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

# H. R. 1124

To terminate the programs of the Department of Housing and Urban Development providing Federal assistance for new construction of housing and increase the amount of Federal assistance available for vouchers for rental of privately owned dwelling units.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 24, 1993

Mr. Santorum (for himself, Mr. Inglis of South Carolina, Mr. Doolittle, and Mr. Zimmer) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs

# A BILL

- To terminate the programs of the Department of Housing and Urban Development providing Federal assistance for new construction of housing and increase the amount of Federal assistance available for vouchers for rental of privately owned dwelling units.
  - 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
  - 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
  - 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
  - 4 This Act may be cited as the "Housing Voucher Act
  - 5 of 1993".

### SEC. 2. TERMINATION OF ASSISTANCE FOR CONSTRUCTION

- 2 **OF PUBLIC HOUSING.**
- 3 (a) LOAN AUTHORITY.—After the date of the enact-
- 4 ment of this Act, the Secretary of Housing and Urban
- 5 Development may not enter into any new commitment to
- 6 make loans under section 4 of the United States Housing
- 7 Act of 1937 to public housing agencies for the develop-
- 8 ment or acquisition of public housing projects by such
- 9 agencies.
- 10 (b) CONTRIBUTION AUTHORITY.—After the date of
- 11 the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Housing and
- 12 Urban Development may not enter into any new contract
- 13 to make contributions under section 5 of the United States
- 14 Housing Act of 1937 to public housing agencies for the
- 15 development or acquisition of public housing projects by
- 16 such agencies.
- 17 (c) Existing Commitments.—After the date of the
- 18 enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Housing and
- 19 Urban Development may make contributions and loans for
- 20 the development or acquisition of public housing projects
- 21 only pursuant to legally binding commitments to make
- 22 such loans or contracts for such contributions entered into
- 23 on or before the date of the enactment of this Act.
- 24 (d) Inapplicability to Indian Housing.—The
- 25 provisions of this section shall not apply to public housing
- 26 developed pursuant to a contract between the Secretary

- 1 of Housing and Urban Development and an Indian hous-
- 2 ing authority.
- 3 (e) Definitions.—For purposes of this section, the
- 4 terms "Indian housing authority", "project", "public
- 5 housing", and "public housing agency" have the meanings
- 6 given the terms in section 3(b) of the United States Hous-
- 7 ing Act of 1937.
- 8 SEC. 3. TERMINATION OF ASSISTANCE FOR CONSTRUCTION
- 9 **OF SUPPORTIVE HOUSING FOR THE ELDER-**
- 10 **LY**.
- 11 (a) AUTHORITY.—After the date of the enactment of
- 12 this Act, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Develop-
- 13 ment may not enter into any new commitment to make
- 14 capital advances under section 202(c)(1) of the Housing
- 15 Act of 1959 for the construction, reconstruction, rehabili-
- 16 tation, or acquisition of supportive housing for the elderly
- 17 under such section 202.
- 18 (b) EXISTING COMMITMENTS.—After the date of the
- 19 enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Housing and
- 20 Urban Development may make capital advances for the
- 21 construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or acquisition
- 22 of supportive housing for the elderly under section 202
- 23 of the Housing Act of 1959 only pursuant to legally bind-
- 24 ing commitments to make such advances entered into on
- 25 or before the date of the enactment of this Act.

1	SEC. 4. TERMINATION OF ASSISTANCE FOR CONSTRUCTION
2	OF SUPPORTIVE HOUSING FOR PERSONS
3	WITH DISABILITIES.
4	(a) AUTHORITY.—After the date of the enactment of
5	this Act, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Develop-
6	ment may not enter into any new commitment to make
7	capital advances under section $811(d)(1)$ of the Cranston-
8	Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act for the con-
9	struction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or acquisition of
10	supportive housing for the persons with disabilities under
11	such section 811.
12	(b) Existing Commitments.—After the date of the
13	enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Housing and
14	Urban Development may make capital advances for the
15	construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or acquisition
16	of supportive housing for persons with disabilities under
17	section 811 of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable
18	Housing Act only pursuant to legally binding commit-
19	ments to make such advances entered into on or before
20	the date of the enactment of this Act.
21	SEC. 5. INCREASE OF VOUCHER AUTHORITY AND SET-
22	ASIDES FOR THE ELDERLY AND PERSONS
23	WITH DISABILITIES.
24	(a) Budget Authority.—Any budget authority
25	available under section 5(c) of the United States Housing
26	Act of 1937 for assistance under section 8(o) of such Act

- 1 is authorized to be increased by \$150,000,000 on or after
- 2 October 1, 1993.
- 3 (b) Set-Aside.—From any amount appropriated
- 4 pursuant to subsection (a) in any fiscal year, the Secretary
- 5 shall make available an amount for voucher assistance for
- 6 elderly persons (as such term is defined in section 202(k)
- 7 of the Housing Act of 1959) and for persons with disabil-
- 8 ities (as such term is defined in section 811(k) of the
- 9 Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act) that
- 10 bears approximately the same ratio to such amount appro-
- 11 priated as—
- 12 (1) the actual need for such assistance for el-
- derly persons and persons with disabilities bears to
- the total national need for such assistance, as deter-
- mined by the Secretary; or
- 16 (2) the total annual amount of assistance pro-
- vided by the Secretary for construction, reconstruc-
- tion, rehabilitation, or acquisition of housing for el-
- derly persons and persons with disabilities bears to
- the total annual amount of housing assistance pro-
- vided by the Secretary, as determined by the Sec-
- retary for recent years.
- 23 (c) Permissible Uses.—Vouchers for rental assist-
- 24 ance provided with the amounts made available under this
- 25 section may be used for the rental of dwelling units or

- 1 costs of residency as determined by qualified voucher re-
- 2 cipients.

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