

Requests the LRA to provide new action plans to spend Disaster Community Development Block Grant (DCDBG) funds allowing nonprofit organizations to perform cost, construction and case management and emergency rental housing assistance.

Requests LRA to use unallocated DCDBG, Road Home Program or other identified funds to fill verified discrepancies for Louisiana recipients receiving housing grants.

Requires that LRA report quarterly to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget and the Joint Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs Committee on the progress of all program expenditures under the CDBG disaster recovery program including Louisiana Bridge Loan, Louisiana Tourism Marketing, Recovery Workforce Training, Research Commercialization/Educational Enhancement, Small Firm Recovery Loan and Grant, Technical Assistance to Small Firms, Building Code Enforcement, First Time Homebuyer Pilot Program, Homelessness Supports, Homeowners Assistance, Housing Development Loan Fund, Land Assembly Operations, LIHTC/CDBF Piggyback, Small Rental Property, Supportive Housing Services, Support to Community Based Programs, Fisheries Assistance, Infrastructure Program Delivery, Local Government Long Term Community Recovery, Primary and Secondary Education, Ratepayer Mitigation, Environmental Clearance, and Planning Capacity.

Requires that the LRA provide an analysis of potentially unused funds within programs to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget and the Joint Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs Committee by 9/30/09, and through its federal and state required processes, develop action plan amendments for public comment to redirect funds to unmet needs within the parishes that suffered damage to more than 60% of the housing following Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. Plans for allocations or action plan amendments shall be made by 12/31/09.

Requires that the LRA post on the LRA/Office of Community Development websites, unedited, all quarterly legislative reports, plans for allocations, and analyses of potentially unused funds, and distribute said reports to housing advocates and stakeholders through the Housing Working Group established below.

Requires that a working group be assembled to develop proactive strategies for housing ALL Louisiana citizens, both those who may be impacted by future natural disasters as well as those who may not. Provides that the working group consists of, at a minimum, representatives from lead state agencies in the area of housing including the LRA/OCD, the La. Housing Finance Agency, and DSS, and representatives from the non-profit community including but not limited to the La. Housing Alliance, the La. Association of Nonprofit Organizations, the Greater New Orleans Fair Housing Action Center, La. Disaster Recovery Foundation, Policy Links, and the La. Advocacy Coalition for the Homeless.