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HUD FUNDING BILLS ADVANCE. On July 30 the House passed H.R. 5850, a Transportation-HUD appropriations bill for FY 2011, retaining the levels passed earlier by the Appropriations Committee and fending off floor efforts to cut programs. The Senate Appropriations Committee on July 22 passed S. 3644, its version of the bill. Both bills rejected the Administration's proposals to cut HOME and Section 202 and to eliminate SHOP and the new Rural Innovation Fund. Final decisions on 2011 funding will not occur until after the November elections. The bills are online at http://thomas.loc.gov/home/approp/app11.html.

HUD Program (dollars in millions)	FY10 Approp.	FY11 Budget Proposal	FY11 House (H.R. 5850)	FY11 Sen. Cmte. (S. 3644)
Cmty. Devel. Block Grants	$4,450	4,380.1	4,352.1	4,450
Sustainable Commun. Initiative	(150)	(150)	(150)	(150)
Rural Innovation Fund [a]	(25)	0	(25)	(25)
Catalytic Investment Grants [b]	-	(150)	0	0
HOME	1,825	1,650	1,825	1,825
Tenant-Based Rental Asstnce.	16,339	17,310	17,225	17,165
Project-Based Rental Asstnce.	8,551.5	9,382.3	9,382.3	9,382.3
Transforming Rental Asstnce. [b]	-	350	0	0
Vets. Affairs Spptve Hsg. Vouchers	75	0	75	75
Public Hsg. Capital Fund	2,500	2,044	2,500	2,510
Public Hsg. Operating Fund	4,775	4,829	4,829	4,829
Public Hsg. Revtlztn. (HOPE VI)	135	0	200	0
Choice Neighbrhd. Initiative [c]	65	250	0	250
Native Amer. Hsg. Block Grant	700	580	700	700
Homeless Assistance Grants	1,865	2,055	2,055	2,055
Hsg. Opps. for Persons w/ AIDS	335	340	350	340
202 Hsg. for Elderly	825	273	825	825
811 Hsg. for Disabled	300	90	300	200
Fair Housing	72	61	72	70.4
Rural Hsg. & Econ. Dev. (RHED) [a]	0	0	0	0
Healthy Homes & Lead Haz. Control	140	140	140	140
Self-Help Homeownshp. (SHOP)	27	0	27	27
Brownfields Redevelopment	17.5	0	17.5	0
Housing Counseling	87.5	88	88	100

a. The new Rural Innovation Fund would replace RHED.
b. Proposed new programs.
c. Demonstration initially proposed in FY 2010 budget to replace HOPE VI.

PRESERVATION BILL PASSES COMMITTEE. The House Financial Services Committee passed three housing bills on July 28, including H.R. 4868, the Housing Preservation and Tenant Protection Act of 2010. Title VIII of this bill is the Rural Housing Preservation Act of 2010, which would provide ongoing authority for USDA's preservation program (MPR), currently being conducted as a demonstration. The full House may consider the bill in September. No companion bill has been introduced in the Senate. The other bills approved by the committee are H.R. 5814, the Public Housing Reinvestment and Tenant Protection Act of 2010, and H.R. 476, the Veterans, Women, Families with Children, and Persons with Disabilities Housing Fairness Act of 2010. All three bills are at http://thomas.loc.gov.

HUD ISSUES HOUSING COUNSELING NOFA. Applications are due August 27. Visit http://www.hud.gov/offices/adm/grants/nofa10/grphcp.cfm or http://www.grants.gov. Contact a HUD homeownership center or call 202-708-0317. Most of HUD's other FY 2010 NOFAs have not yet been released.

FY 2011 FAIR MARKET RENTS PROPOSED. Comments are due September 3. Visit http://www.huduser.org/portal/datasets/fmr.html or http://www.regulations.gov.

USDA CONFIRMS MANUFACTURED HOUSING ENERGY STANDARDS. New manufactured homes must comply with the HUD Code, not the 2007 Energy Independence and Security Act. Find AN 4519 at http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rd-an_list.html or from RD offices. Contact William Downs, RD, 202-720-1499, william.downs@wdc.usda.gov.