

1-1 By: Menendez, Cook of Colorado, Chisum H.B. No. 2063
1-2 (Senate Sponsor - West)
1-3 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 14, 2007;
1-4 May 15, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-5 Intergovernmental Relations; May 19, 2007, reported adversely,
1-6 with favorable Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 3,
1-7 Nays 0; May 19, 2007, sent to printer.)

1-8 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 2063 By: Nichols

1-9 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-10 AN ACT

1-11 relating to the allocation of certain housing funds by the Texas
1-12 Department of Housing and Community Affairs and to the information
1-13 used to determine the allocation of those funds.

1-14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-15 SECTION 1. Section 2306.111(c), Government code, as amended
1-16 by Chapters 1367 and 1448, Acts of the 77th Legislature, Regular
1-17 Session, 2001, is reenacted and amended to read as follows:

1-18 (c) In administering federal housing funds provided to the
1-19 state under the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act
1-20 (42 U.S.C. Section 12701 et seq.), the department shall expend:

1-21 (1) ~~[at least]~~ 95 percent of these funds for the
1-22 benefit of non-participating small cities and rural areas that do
1-23 not qualify to receive funds under the Cranston-Gonzalez National
1-24 Affordable Housing Act directly from the United States Department
1-25 of Housing and Urban Development; and

1-26 (2) five percent of these ~~[. All]~~ funds ~~[not set aside~~
1-27 ~~under this subsection shall be used]~~ for the benefit of persons with
1-28 disabilities who live in any area of this state ~~[areas other than~~
1-29 ~~non-participating areas]~~.

1-30 SECTION 2. Section 2306.111, Government Code, is amended by
1-31 amending Subsections (d-1):

1-32 (d-1) Funds or credits are not required to be allocated
1-33 according to the regional allocation formula under Subsection (d)
1-34 if:

1-35 (1) the funds or credits are reserved for
1-36 contract-for-deed conversions or for set-asides mandated by state
1-37 or federal law; and

1-38 (2) each contract-for-deed allocation or set-aside
1-39 allocation equals not more than 10 percent of the total allocation
1-40 of funds or credits for the applicable program;

1-41 (3) the funds or credits are allocated by the department
1-42 primarily to serve persons with disabilities.

1-43 SECTION 3. It is the intent of the legislature that the
1-44 passage by the 80th Legislature, Regular Session, 2007, of another
1-45 bill that amends Chapter 2306, Government Code, and the amendments
1-46 made by this Act shall be harmonized, if possible, as provided by
1-47 Section 311.025(b), Government Code, so that effect may be given to
1-48 each. If the amendments made by this Act to Chapter 2306,
1-49 Government Code, and the amendments made to Chapter 2306,
1-50 Government Code, by any other bill are irreconcilable, it is the
1-51 intent of the legislature that this Act prevail, regardless of the
1-52 relative dates of enactment of this Act and the other bill or bills,
1-53 but only to the extent that any differences are irreconcilable.

1-54 SECTION 4. The changes in law made by this Act relating to
1-55 the evaluation of applications for financial assistance
1-56 administered by the Texas Department of Housing and Community
1-57 Affairs apply only to an application submitted on or after the
1-58 effective date of this Act. An application submitted before the
1-59 effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect when the
1-60 application was submitted, and the former law is continued in
1-61 effect for that purpose.

1-62 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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