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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and
Urban Affairs

AN ACT

To amend the United States Housing Act of 1937 to exempt
small public housing agencies from the requirement of
preparing an annual public housing agency plan.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Small Public Housing
3 Authority Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. PUBLIC HOUSING AGENCY PLANS FOR CERTAIN**
5 **SMALL PUBLIC HOUSING AGENCIES.**

6 Section 5A(b) of the United States Housing Act of
7 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437c–1(b)) is amended by adding at
8 the end the following new paragraph:

9 “(3) EXEMPTION OF CERTAIN SMALL PHAS
10 FROM FILING REQUIREMENT.—

11 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding para-
12 graph (1) or any other provision of this Act—

13 “(i) the requirement under paragraph
14 (1) shall not apply to any qualified small
15 public housing agency; and

16 “(ii) any reference in this section or
17 any other provision of law to a ‘public
18 housing agency’ shall not be considered to
19 refer to any qualified small public housing
20 agency, to the extent such reference ap-
21 plies to the requirement to submit a public
22 housing agency plan under this subsection.

23 “(B) DEFINITION.—For purposes of this
24 paragraph, the term ‘qualified small public
25 housing agency’ means a public housing agency
26 that meets all of the following requirements:

1 “(i) The sum of (I) the number of
2 public housing dwelling units administered
3 by the agency, and (II) the number of
4 vouchers under section 8(o) of the United
5 States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C.
6 1437f(o)) administered by the agency, is
7 100 or fewer.

8 “(ii) The agency is not designated
9 pursuant to section 6(j)(2) as a troubled
10 public housing agency.

11 “(iii) The agency provides assurances
12 satisfactory to the Secretary that notwith-
13 standing the inapplicability of the require-
14 ments under this section relating to resi-
15 dent advisory boards and public hearings
16 and notice, residents of public housing ad-
17 ministered by the agency will have an ade-
18 quate and comparable opportunity for
19 participation and notice regarding
20 establishment of the goals, objectives, and
21 policies of the public housing agency.”.

Passed the House of Representatives May 5, 2004.

Attest:

JEFF TRANDAHL,

Clerk.