

118TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 6948

To authorize affordable housing construction as an eligible activity under the Community Development Block Grant Program, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 10, 2024

Ms. WATERS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Financial Services

A BILL

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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 “Strengthening Housing
5 Supply Act of 2024”.

1 **SEC. 2. AFFORDABLE HOUSING CONSTRUCTION AS ELIGI-**
2 **BLE ACTIVITY UNDER COMMUNITY DEVELOP-**
3 **MENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM.**

4 (a) **ELIGIBLE ACTIVITY.**—Subsection (a) of section
5 105 of the Housing and Community Development Act of
6 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5305(a)) is amended—

7 (1) in paragraph (25)(D), by striking “and” at
8 the end;

9 (2) in paragraph (26), by striking the period at
10 the end and inserting “; and”; and

11 (3) by adding at the end the following new
12 paragraph:

13 “(27) the new construction of affordable hous-
14 ing, within the meaning given such term under sec-
15 tion 215 of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Afford-
16 able Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 12745).”.

17 (b) **LOW AND MODERATE INCOME REQUIREMENT.**—
18 Paragraph (3) of section 105(c) of the Housing and Com-
19 munity Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5305(c)(3))
20 is amended by striking “or rehabilitation” and inserting
21 “, rehabilitation, or new construction”.

22 (c) **APPLICABILITY.**—The amendments made by this
23 section shall apply with respect only to amounts appro-
24 priated after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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