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2022 Regular Session

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 193

BY REPRESENTATIVE LYONS

ADMINISTRATION: Directs the office of community development to update its policies and procedures relative to the Small Rental Property Program

A RESOLUTION

2	To direct the office of community development within the division of administration to
3	work in conjunction with the Louisiana Housing Corporation to update the policies
4	and procedures for the Small Rental Property Program and to submit the updated
5	policies and procedures to the House of Representatives no later than January 1,
6	2023.
7	WHEREAS, the Small Rental Property Program is implemented by the office of
8	community development to provide affordable rental units to low-income individuals; and
9	WHEREAS, property owners participating in the program must comply with certain
10	requirements; and
11	WHEREAS, one of the requirements is that in certain circumstances, participating
12	property owners whose property sustained damages from recent storms or disaster related
13	events must have insurance checks endorsed by the office of community development; and
14	WHEREAS, the office of community development requires all files to undergo a
15	comprehensive compliance review and property inspection prior to endorsement; and
16	WHEREAS, if the property owner is unable to provide compliance information as
17	required for prior periods, the office of community development may allow an
18	acknowledgment form which requires the property owner to acknowledge the noncompliant
19	periods; and

1	WHEREAS, the compliance review process is cumbersome and causes significant
2	delay in insurance payments to property owners and acknowledging noncompliance may
3	cause issues for the property owner; and
4	WHEREAS, the Louisiana Housing Corporation has extensive experience in
5	compliance monitoring and monitors cases on an ongoing basis; and
6	WHEREAS, addressing noncompliant cases as they arise would decrease the
7	instances of noncompliance issues only being resolved when a property owner has received
8	an insurance check to repair property damage.
9	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
10	Legislature of Louisiana does hereby direct the office of community development within the
11	division of administration to work in conjunction with the Louisiana Housing Corporation
12	to update the policies and procedures for the Small Rental Property Program and submit the
13	updated policies and procedures to the House of Representatives no later than January 1,
14	2023.
15	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the updated policies and procedures shall
16	address the following issues:
17	(1) Required compliance information and documentation, including a review of the
18	compliance requirements included in the Small Rental Property Program Policy Clarification
19	Memorandum 87-A.
20	(2) Increasing the amount of the current escrow threshold.
21	(3) Utilization of the Louisiana Housing Corporation to conduct ongoing compliance
22	reviews.
23	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
24	the executive director of the office of community development and the executive director
25	of the Louisiana Housing Corporation.

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