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# **COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

# NOTICE

# D.C. LAW 12-259

### "Home Purchase Assistance Fund Amendment Act of 1998"

Pursuant to Section 412 of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, P.L. 93-198 "the Act", the Council of the District of Columbia adopted Bill 12-617 on first and second readings, December 1, 1998 and December 15, 1998, respectively. Following the signature of the Mayor on December 31, 1998, pursuant to Section 404(e) of "the Act", the bill became Act 12-611 and it was published in the February 19, 1999 edition of the D.C. Register (Vol. 46, page 1316). The Act was transmitted to Congress on February 10, 1999 for a 30-day review, in accordance with Section 602(c)(1) of the Act.

The Council of the District of Columbia hereby gives notice that the 30-day Congressional review period has expired, and the Act is now D.C. Law 12-259, effective April 20, 1999.

Finde Dr. Oropf

LINDA W. CROPP Chairman of the Council

Days Counted During the 30-day Congressional Review Period:

Feb. 10,11,12,22,23,24,25

Mar. 1,2,3,4,5,8,9,10,11,15,16,17,18,19,22,23,24,25

Apr. 12,13,14,15,19

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# AN ACT

# D.C. ACT 12-611

#### IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

# DECEMBER 31, 1998

To amend the Home Purchase Assistance Fund Act of 1978 to eliminate the residency requirement for participation in the Home Purchase Assistance Program ("HPAP") to allow persons and families who reside outside of the District access to the program, to provide access to HPAP for persons and families who have higher income levels, and to provide priority access to HPAP for persons or families who are residents of the District of Columbia.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the "Home Purchase Assistance Fund Amendment Act of 1998".

Sec. 2. The Home Purchase Assistance Fund Act of 1978, effective September 12, 1978, (D.C. Law 2-103; D.C. Code § 45-2201 *et seq.*), is amended as follows:

(a) Section 2 (D.C. Code § 45-2201) is amended by striking the phrase "the residents of the District of Columbia of lower and moderate incomes" and inserting the phrase "low and moderate income persons and families seeking to purchase homes in the District of Columbia," in its place.

(b) Section 5(b) (D.C. Code § 45-2204(b)) is amended to read as follows:

(1) Paragraph (1) is amended to read as follows:

Section 45-2204

Codification

District of Columbia Code

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"(1) All applicants for and recipients of financial assistance from the Funds shall be tenant organizations (as defined in section 103(18) of the Rental Housing Conversion and Sale Act of 1980, effective September 10, 1980 (D.C. Law 3-86; D.C. Code § 45-1603(18)) or a first time homebuyer seeking to purchase housing in the District of Columbia as a primary residence including, but not limited to, single family homes, condominium units, or occupancy rights to cooperative housing. For the purposes of this section, the term "first time homebuyer" means a real property purchaser who had no ownership interest in his or her principal residence at any time during the 3 year period ending on the date of his or her application for assistance, but including an applicant who has divorced or separated during the 3 year period where a formal settlement has been made under which the applicant does not receive an ownership interest in a primary residence which had been jointly owned, and who has no other current

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ownership interest in residential real property.".

(2) A new paragraph (1A) is added to read as follows:

"(1A) Priority in the allocation of assistance under the Fund shall be given to residents of the District of Columbia and District of Columbia residents who are low income, elderly, handicapped, disabled, or displaced applicants.".

(3) Paragraph 3 is repealed.

Sec. 3. The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the fiscal impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Code § 1-233(c)(3)).

Sec. 4. Effective date.

This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), approval by the Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority as provided in section 203(a) of the District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Act of 1995, approved April 17, 1995 (109 Stat. 116; D.C. Code § 47-392.3(a)), a 30-day period of Congressional review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Code § 1-233(c)(1)), and publication in the District of Columbia Register.

Council of the District of Columbia

District of Columbia APPROVED: December 31, 1998

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