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9	IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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11 12	To amend, on an emergency basis, due to congressional review the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget
12	Support Act of 2024, the Fiscal Year 2024 Revised Local Budget Act of 2024, and the
14	Fiscal Year 2024 Budget Support Emergency Act of 2024-to establish grounds for an
15	extension to the Family Re-Housing Stabilization Program (FRSP), whereby the
16	Department or its designee will thoroughly consider the totality of the participant's
17	circumstances, including their progress and eligibility for affordable housing, should
18	funding be available in the program to do so.
19 20	BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
21	Act may be cited as the "Family Re-Housing Stabilization Program Protection Congressional
22	Review Emergency Amendment Act of 2024".
23	Sec. 2. Sec. 5062(a) of the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Support Act of 2024, passed on 2nd
24	reading on June 25, 2024 (Enrolled version of B25-0784), is amended to read as follows:
25	"(a) Section 7(b)(4)(B) of the Homeless Services Reform Act, effective October 22,
26	2005 (D.C. Law 16-35; D.C. Official Code § 4–753.01(b)(4)(B)), is amended as follows:
27	(1) The existing text is designated as sub-subparagraph (i).
28	(2) New sub-subparagraphs (ii), (iii), and (iv) are added to read as follows:
29	"(ii) Notwithstanding other law, provided that funding be available
30	within the Family Re-Housing Stabilization Program ("FRSP") to implement this sub-
31	subparagraph and sub-subparagraphs (iii) and (iv) of this subparagraph, the Department of
32	Human Services, or the Department's designee, shall consider requests for FRSP assistance
33	extending past 12 months if:

34	"(I) The participant has requested an extension in writing;
35	"(II) The participant has made a good faith effort towards
36	the achievement of goals set forth in an individualized plan with the aim of a targeted
37	progression towards exit from the supports of FRSP, as observed by the service provider at
38	consistent intervals, but cannot yet sustain housing stability independently of the program; and
39	"(III) The participant has not yet been approved for
40	permanently affordable housing.
41	"(iii) When making a determination of whether to grant a
42	participant in FRSP an extension beyond 12 months, the Department or Department's designee
43	shall:
44	"(I) Consider the totality of the circumstances; and
45	"(II) Grant extensions of time in increments not greater
46	than 6 months, with regular formal reviews every 3 months to ensure that participants are given
47	the support necessary to exit the program with stable housing."
48	"(iv) If a requested extension of FRSP assistance by a participant is
49	denied, the participant shall be given 30 days written notice prior to the final subsidy payment
50	explicitly setting forth the reason for the denial of additional assistance and inform the
51	participant that:
52	"(I) The FRSP participant has a right to appeal the
53	determination through a fair hearing and administrative review, including deadlines for
54	requesting an appeal; and

55	"(II) The FRSP participant has a right to continuation of
56	FRSP services pending the outcome of any fair hearing requested within 15 days of receipt of
57	written notice of a termination"."
58	Sec. 3. Section 11(a) of the Fiscal Year 2024 Revised Local Budget Adjustment
59	Emergency Act of 2024, passed on June 12, 2024 (Enrolled version of Bill 25-787), is amended
60	to read as follows:
61	"(a) Section 7(b)(4)(B) of the Homeless Services Reform Act, effective October 22, 2005
62	(D.C. Law 16-35; D.C. Official Code § 4–753.01(b)(4)(B)), is amended as follows:
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74	consistent intervals, but cannot yet sustain housing stability independently of the program; and
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76	permanently affordable housing.

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87	participant that:
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89	determination through a fair hearing and administrative review, including deadlines for
90	requesting an appeal; and
91	"(II) The FRSP participant has a right to continuation of
92	FRSP services pending the outcome of any fair hearing requested within 15 days of receipt of
93	written notice of a termination"."
94	Sec. 4. Sec. 5062(a) of the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget Support Emergency Act of 2024,
95	passed on June 25, 2024 (Enrolled version of B25-0875), is amended to read as follows:
96	"(a) Section 7(b)(4)(B) of the Homeless Services Reform Act, effective October 22,
97	2005 (D.C. Law 16-35; D.C. Official Code § 4–753.01(b)(4)(B)), is amended as follows:
98	(1) The existing text is designated as sub-subparagraph (i).
99	(2) New sub-subparagraphs (ii), (iii), and (iv) are added to read as follows:

100	"(ii) Notwithstanding other law, provided funding be available
101	within the Family Re-Housing Stabilization Program ("FRSP") to implement this sub-
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127	FRSP services pending the outcome of any fair hearing requested within 15 days of receipt of
128	written notice of a termination"."
129	Sec. 5. Fiscal impact statement.
130	The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement of the Budget Director as the fiscal impact
131	statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975, approved
132	October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).
133	Sec. 6. Effective date.
134	This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor,
135	action by the Council to override the veto), and shall remain in effect for no longer than 90 days, as
136	provided for emergency acts of the Council of the District of Columbia in section 412(a) of the District of
137	Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 788; D.C. Official Code § 1-
138	204.12(a)).