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H. R. 6347

To facilitate the use of HOPE VI grant amounts by certain public housing agencies that have suffered project delays due to catastrophes or emergencies.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 23, 2008

Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida (for herself, Mr. MICA, and Mr. GONZALEZ) 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 “HOPE VI Amendment
5 Act of 2008”.

6 **SEC. 2. CONTINUED AVAILABILITY OF HOPE VI GRANT**
7 **AMOUNTS.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Grant amounts described in sub-
9 section (b) of a public housing agency described in sub-

1 section (c) shall remain available until September 30,
2 2009, for expenditure for the liquidation of obligations val-
3 idly incurred, notwithstanding section 1552 of title 31,
4 United States Code, or any other provision of law.

5 (b) COVERED GRANT AMOUNTS.—Grant amounts de-
6 scribed in this subsection are amounts from a grant made
7 under section 24 of the United States Housing Act of
8 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437v) from amounts appropriated for
9 such purpose for fiscal year 2002.

10 (c) COVERED PUBLIC HOUSING AGENCIES.—A pub-
11 lic housing agency described in this subsection is a public
12 housing agency that, after October 1, 2002, and before
13 the date of the enactment of this Act, has suffered project
14 delays, and cost increases due to shortages in labor and
15 materials, as a direct result of—

16 (1) a natural catastrophe (including any hurri-
17 cane, tornado, storm, high water, winddriven water,
18 tidal wave, tsunami, earthquake, volcanic eruption,
19 landslide, mudslide, snowstorm, or drought), or, re-
20 gardless of cause, any fire, flood, or explosion, in
21 any part of the United States; or

22 (2) as determined by the Secretary of Housing
23 and Urban Development, the subprime mortgage cri-

- 1 sis affecting the United States economy and credit
- 2 markets during 2007 and 2008.

