

~~(i) 60 PERCENT OF THE ACTUAL INTEREST COST OF MONEYS USED TO FUND THE PROGRAM; OR~~

~~(ii) 4 PERCENT; OR~~

~~(2) THE GROUP HOMES ARE TO BE OCCUPIED IN SUBSTANTIAL PART BY INDIVIDUALS OR FAMILIES WHOSE INCOMES ARE LESS THAN THE INCOME LIMITS IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, IN WHICH CASE THE RATE MAY NOT BE LESS THAN ZERO PERCENT; AND~~

~~(3) THE SECRETARY DETERMINES THAT THE GROUP HOME SPONSORS UNDER THIS SUBSECTION WOULD OTHERWISE BE UNABLE TO PROVIDE A GROUP HOME TO OCCUPANTS WITH INCOME LEVELS THAT MEET THE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS.~~

(D) FOR A LOAN TO A GROUP HOME SPONSOR, THE DEPARTMENT MAY SET AN INTEREST RATE LOWER THAN THE INTEREST RATES OTHERWISE PROVIDED UNDER THIS SECTION, INCLUDING AN INTEREST RATE AS LOW AS ZERO PERCENT, IF:

(1) THE SECRETARY DETERMINES THAT THE GROUP HOME SPONSOR WOULD OTHERWISE BE UNABLE TO PROVIDE A GROUP HOME TO ELIGIBLE LOW INCOME OCCUPANTS; AND

(2) THE GROUP HOME IS TO BE OCCUPIED IN SUBSTANTIAL PART BY ELIGIBLE OCCUPANTS WHOSE INCOMES ARE LESS THAN 70 PERCENT OF THE MAXIMUM INCOME LIMITS THAT THE DEPARTMENT MAY ESTABLISH.

[(d)] (E) The Department shall include in its request for appropriations for the program any information requested by the Secretary of Budget and Fiscal Planning about loans at lower rates of interest which shall include, at a minimum, an estimate of the lower rate or rates of interest at which eligible loans may be made and the aggregate principal amount of loans expected to be made at the lower rates in the coming fiscal year.

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(a) If an individual applying for a loan is married and lives with the spouse, both spouses shall apply.

(b) Except as provided in [subsection (c)] SUBSECTIONS (C) AND (D) of this section to qualify for a loan, an applicant:

(1) Shall have been domiciled in this State for at least 1 year before filing the application;

(2) Shall intend to live in the home to be financed;

(3) May not own any other property used or usable as a residence as of the time of closing;

(4) May not be financially able to obtain a private mortgage or otherwise to finance the purchase; and