# THE CALIFORNIA DEBT LIMIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE November 18, 2009

# CONSIDERATION OF AND APPROVAL TO DISSEMNINATE PROPOSED SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING PROGRAM REVISIONS TO CDLAC PROCEDURES For A 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD (Agenda Item No. 8)

## **ACTION**

Approve staff's request to disseminate proposed Single Family Housing revisions to the CDLAC Procedures for a 30-day public comment period (see Attachment A).

## BACKGROUND

The distribution criteria for the Single Family Housing Program is on a Fair Share basis; that is each county receives a proportionate share of the amount reserved for Local Issuers based on the population of the county relative to the State's total population. The proposed procedures clarify that any city has the ability to apply independent of its county based on the same Fair Share method. The second revision applies to the Single Family Housing Program Bonus pool; establishing a final Bonus Pool round whereby any unallocated Single Family Housing funds may be made available again to counties regardless of their initial Fair Share amount.

#### DISCUSSION

Presently, there are three counties that have Fair Share allocation devoted specifically to cities within their jurisdictions. Section 18.II.A of the Procedures provides that any city may apply for allocation independent of the county level issuer for a proportionate share of the amount reserved for that county based on the city's total population relative to the county's total population. Any allocation awarded specifically to cities shall reduce the amount available for the county level issuer accordingly. The first set of proposed revisions seeks to provide explicit language for how these amounts are calculated.

The revisions to the Single Family Housing Bonus Pool (Section 18.II.B) will enable Local Issuers to access additional funds at the final meeting of the year. These revisions will, at the Committee's discretion, make available for the final round all unallocated funds remaining in the Single Family Pools to Local Issuers regardless of their initial Fair Share cap. This will enable Local Issuers to continue funding successful housing programs especially during a time of low demand for other programs in other counties that may not have sought their fair-share portion of the allocation.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends the approval to disseminate the proposed Single Family Housing Program revisions to the CDLAC Procedures for a 30-day public comment period

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