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Hot News from DC: Affordable Housing Preservation Hearings and Forum

House to Review Two Important Housing Preservation Bills This Week

Tomorrow the House Financial Services Committee will begin deliberations (Mark-up) on two very significant affordable housing bills: **H.R. 4868: Housing Preservation and Tenant Protection Act of 2010** and **H.R. 5814: Public Housing Reinvestment and Tenant Protection Act of 2010**.

H.R. 4868 addresses many serious preservation barriers that affordable housing advocates have been working to address for many years. [Click here](#) for more information about H.R. 4868.

H.R. 5814, sponsored by Chairwoman Maxine Waters, is intended to repair many of the issues surrounding the disposition of our nation's distressed public housing properties, as well as providing tools for the preservation of our very important resource for low income families and seniors. [Click here](#) for more information about H.R. 5814.

Matt Schwartz will attend portions of the Mark up sessions and will report any significant developments via our Federal Policy newsletter, later this week.

CHPC to Present Alternative Financing Tools at CBPP Forum on PETRA

This Wednesday, July 28, from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm (PDT), Matt Schwartz from CHPC will be a panelist at the Washington, D.C. forum on Public Housing Preservation sponsored by the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, Abt Associates, Inc., and the Urban Institute. The focus of the event is to ensure that alternate approaches to financing the preservation of public housing are presented, including the Administration's Public Housing Initiative: PETRA: Preservation, Enhancement and Transformation of Rental Assistance Act.

Panelists are Stephen I. Holmquist, Attorney at Reno & Cavanaugh PLLC; Jill Khadduri, Principal Associate Housing and Community Revitalization at Abt Associates, Inc.; Matt Schwartz, President and CEO at the California Housing Partnership and the moderator is Mary Cunningham, Senior Research Associate at The Urban Institute. Matt Schwartz will speak about mechanisms to leverage private financing for public housing and some options for protecting against the loss of units. [Click here](#) for more information and to register for the live audio cast of the forum.

HOW DO I GET INVOLVED?

The Federal Policy Project is a coalition of California housing authorities, nonprofit housing developers, local government housing agencies, and tenant advocates, working to increase understanding for the need for increased federal investment in the creation and preservation of affordable homes for lower income households. To learn more, please contact our Housing Policy Manager, Marilyn Wacks at mwacks@chpc.net or 415-433-6804 x313.