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HOUSING VOUCHERS FUNDED IN ILLINOIS UNDER PENDING PROPOSALS

Due largely to the flaws in the formula for distributing “Section 8” housing voucher funding, the share of vouchers in use in Illinois has fallen over the past few years, from 85 percent in 2004 to a projected 82 percent in 2006. In other words, **3,067 vouchers have already been cut** in Illinois over the past two years.

For 2007, Congress will have to choose among three funding approaches that have been put forward. Each provides the same new funding for the program nationally in 2007, but uses a different method for distributing the money among the 2,400 state and local housing agencies. Here is the impact that each of the three formulas would have on Illinois.

- Under the formula in the Section 8 Voucher Reform Act (or SEVRA), a bill passed by the House Financial Services Committee on June 14, 2006, ***all vouchers in use in Illinois in 2006 would be funded***. Moreover, agencies in Illinois would receive enough funding to restore vouchers that have been cut in recent years. Overall, **97 percent of Illinois’s currently authorized vouchers would be funded** under the SEVRA formula.
- The formula in the Senate appropriations bill would also renew funding for all vouchers in use in Illinois in 2006. Overall, **94 percent of Illinois’s currently authorized vouchers would be funded** under the Senate appropriations formula.
- Under the formula in the House appropriations bill, 32 housing agencies in Illinois would be forced to cut assistance to 346 low-income families in 2007. **Only 92 percent of Illinois’s currently authorized vouchers would be funded** under the House appropriations formula.

For a description of the pending proposals for distribution of renewal funding to state and local agencies and an analysis of their national impact, see "Fixing the Housing Voucher Formula: A No-Cost Way to Strengthen the Section 8 Program," <http://www.cbpp.org/11-1-06hous.htm>. The paper's Technical Appendix explains the sources and methods for the data in this table.

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Agency Estimates

Housing Agency	HUD Code	Authorized Vouchers as of Jan. 2006	Vouchers in Use in 2006 (Estimated)	Authorized Vouchers Funded in 2007			Vouchers in Use That Would Be Cut Under House Appropriations Bill
				SEVRA	Senate Appropriations Bill	House Appropriations Bill	
Aurora HA	il090	800	800	800	800	800	0
Bloomington	il051	430	428	430	430	427	1
Boone Co. HA	il122	238	181	181	184	217	0
Bureau Co. Housing	il086	71	68	71	69	65	3
Champaign Co.	il006	1,376	1,133	1,133	1,156	1,285	0
Chicago HA*	il002	46,815	35,397	46,150	46,150	42,014	0
Christian Co.	il038	82	59	59	60	82	0
Cicero HA	il130	230	199	230	203	193	6
Clark Co. HA	il069	30	18	18	18	25	0
Cook Co.*	il025	12,719	10,869	12,719	11,084	12,145	0
Cumberland Co.	il070	15	9	9	9	10	0
Danville HA	il011	620	587	620	599	610	0
Decatur HA	il012	1,046	985	1,046	1,005	1,023	0
Dekalb Co.	il089	539	539	539	539	526	13
Dupage Co. HA	il101	2,571	2,380	2,571	2,427	2,462	0
East Peoria	il124	195	184	195	188	189	0
East St. Louis HA	il001	583	561	583	572	575	0
Edgar Co.	il120	75	59	75	60	58	0
Elgin	il092	913	875	875	893	913	0

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Ford Co. HA	il034	50	14	14	15	27	0
Franklin Co.	il061	65	54	65	55	55	0
Freeport HA	il029	62	58	62	59	57	0
Fulton Co.	il084	260	231	260	236	214	18
Henderson Co. HA	il115	58	32	32	33	46	0
Henry Co.	il009	176	164	176	168	153	11
IL Dept. Commerce and Community Affairs	il911	390	192	192	196	243	0
Jackson Co. HA	il053	557	455	455	464	517	0
Jefferson Co. HA	il059	99	91	99	92	89	2
Jersey Co.	il074	195	168	195	172	167	1
Jo Daviess Co.	il082	41	34	41	34	32	2
Joliet	il024	1,039	913	913	931	1,026	0
Kankakee Co. HA	il039	708	411	411	419	483	0
Kendall Co. HA	il137	160	142	142	145	153	0
Knox Co. HA	il085	280	230	230	235	263	0
Lake Co. HA	il056	2,603	2,543	2,603	2,593	2,447	96
LaSalle Co.	il014	536	536	536	536	536	0
Lee Co. HA	il035	42	31	42	32	31	0
Livingston Co.	il094	73	61	73	62	58	3

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Logan Co. HA	il040	62	61	62	62	58	3
Madison Co. HA	il015	916	816	916	833	791	25
Marion	il126	120	110	120	112	107	3
Marion Co. HA	il057	277	277	277	277	273	4
Mason Co. HA	il042	150	127	127	129	150	0
Maywood HA	il054	448	448	448	448	436	12
McDonough Co.	il076	125	87	87	88	113	0
McHenry Co. HA	il116	947	946	947	947	942	4
McLean Co.	il117	220	215	220	219	207	8
Menard Co. HA*	il028	112	74	74	76	101	0
Mercer Co.	il131	35	25	25	26	31	0
Moline HA	il020	234	234	234	234	220	14
Montgomery Co.	il037	89	70	89	72	69	1
Morgan Co. HA*	il079	170	158	170	161	166	0
Mt. Vernon	il123	64	60	64	61	57	3
North Chicago	il107	471	426	471	435	452	0
Oak Park Housing	il103	428	418	428	426	398	21
Ogle Co. HA	il095	141	121	141	124	114	8
Park Forrest sec. 8 voucher	il136	177	147	147	150	168	0
Peoria HA*	il003	1,942	1,565	1,565	1,596	1,775	0

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Quincy HA*	il016	145	145	145	145	145	0
Randolph Co.	il052	50	44	50	44	43	1
Richland Co. HA	il096	80	68	68	69	74	0
Rock Island	il018	230	189	189	193	230	0
Rock Island Co. GMAHA	il010	337	299	337	305	312	0
Rockford	il022	1,504	1,495	1,495	1,504	1,504	0
Saline Co. HA	il043	128	122	128	124	117	5
Shelby Co. HA	il087	30	22	22	22	28	0
Springfield HA	il004	1,823	1,616	1,616	1,648	1,822	0
St. Clair Co. HA	il030	1,909	1,712	1,909	1,746	1,646	67
Vermilion Co.	il036	108	81	81	82	93	0
Warren Co. HA	il091	100	72	100	74	68	4
Waukegan HA	il026	594	547	547	558	594	0
Wayne Co. HA	il088	70	57	70	58	54	3
Whiteside Co.	il032	285	266	285	271	260	6
Williamson Co. HA	il050	163	127	127	130	146	0
Winnebago Co. HA*	il083	367	345	345	352	367	0
Woodford Co. HA	il104	240	240	240	240	240	0
Total		92,033	75,522	89,211	86,962	84,584	346

*Agency received new "tenant protection" vouchers from HUD in 2005 to replace demolished public housing units or privately-owned units that no longer receive project-based federal housing assistance. Incomplete information was available to estimate the additional funding due these agencies in 2007 to renew these vouchers under each of the approaches. As a result, estimates for these agencies may be too low, and under the House approach may be too low or too high.

**Agency took over administration of additional vouchers from another agency in 2005 or early 2006. Our estimates may not fully account for the effect of the consolidation on the agency's likely funding in 2007.