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HOUSING VOUCHERS FUNDED IN CONNECTICUT UNDER PENDING PROPOSALS

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 Connecticut.

- 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 Connecticut in 2006 would be funded***. Moreover, agencies in Connecticut would receive enough funding to restore vouchers that have been cut in recent years. Overall, **99 percent of Connecticut'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 Connecticut in 2006. Overall, **96 percent of Connecticut's currently authorized vouchers would be funded** under the Senate appropriations formula.
- Under the formula in the House appropriations bill, 22 housing agencies in Connecticut would be forced to cut assistance to 625 low-income families in 2007. Only **93 percent of Connecticut'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	
Ansonia HA	ct015	647	631	647	644	622	9
Bridgeport HA	ct001	2,617	2,488	2,617	2,538	2,518	0
Bristol HA	ct023	674	674	674	674	674	0
Canton HA	ct068	14	14	14	14	14	0
Connecticut Department of Social Services	ct901	5,565	5,331	5,565	5,437	5,131	200
Danbury	ct020	802	659	802	672	698	0
Derby	ct017	278	261	278	266	271	0
East Hartford HA	ct013	312	312	312	312	312	0
East Haven HA	ct063	46	39	39	40	45	0
Enfield	ct008	132	132	132	132	132	0
Fairfield HA	ct052	171	105	105	107	117	0
Farmington HA	ct041	90	90	90	90	89	1
Glastonbury	ct040	33	23	23	24	29	0
Greenwich	ct019	343	319	319	326	343	0
Hamden Housing	ct042	305	300	305	305	295	5
Hartford HA	ct003	2,018	1,947	2,018	1,986	1,856	91
Hartford*	ct051	4,701	4,499	4,701	4,589	4,401	98
Killingly HA	ct061	85	85	85	85	79	6

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Manchester HA	ct026	458	416	458	425	396	21
Mansfield	ct038	149	148	149	149	137	10
Meriden HA	ct011	656	610	656	623	587	23
Middletown	ct009	783	695	783	709	669	27
Milford HA	ct030	266	209	209	214	235	0
Naugatuck	ct047	249	231	231	236	246	0
New Britain	ct005	801	693	801	706	666	27
New Haven HA*	ct004	4,379	3,434	4,379	4,379	4,143	0
New London	ct022	114	107	107	109	114	0
Newington HA	ct049	30	29	29	29	30	0
Norwalk HA*	ct002	680	650	680	663	680	0
Norwich HA	ct018	499	499	499	499	491	8
Plainfield HA	ct058	197	160	197	163	165	0
Portland	ct036	86	79	86	81	79	0
Putnam	ct024	34	31	34	32	32	0
South Windsor HA	ct033	35	31	35	32	29	3
Stamford HA	ct007	1,121	993	993	1,013	1,121	0
Stratford HA	ct027	280	268	280	274	261	7
Torrington	ct031	269	203	203	207	222	0
Vernon	ct028	437	309	437	315	317	0

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Wallingford Housing	ct067	114	111	114	113	108	3
Waterbury HA	ct006	2,053	1,924	2,053	1,963	2,008	0
West Hartford HA	ct039	575	499	575	509	481	18
West Haven	ct029	1,009	1,009	1,009	1,009	968	41
Wethersfield HA	ct053	46	40	40	41	45	0
Willimantic	ct010	409	409	409	409	394	15
Winchester	ct025	238	217	238	222	207	11
Windsor	ct048	158	147	158	150	146	1
Windsor Locks	ct032	127	127	127	127	127	0
Total		35,085	32,190	34,695	33,637	32,727	625

*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.