

HOUSE BILL No. 1096

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 5-20-11.

Synopsis: Funding for senior home repair program. Establishes the residential emergency services to offer (home) repairs to the elderly (RESTORE) program and fund. Provides that a qualified applicant may be awarded a grant from the Indiana housing and community development authority (authority) to make emergency repairs to a qualified residence. Provides that the authority shall administer the program and fund. Makes an appropriation.

Effective: July 1, 2023.

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January 10, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Government and Regulatory Reform.



First Regular Session of the 123rd General Assembly (2023)

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Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state and local administration and to make an appropriation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 5-20-11 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS
- 2 A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
- 3 1, 2023]:
- 4 **Chapter 11. Residential Emergency Services to Offer (Home)**
- 5 **Repairs to the Elderly**
- 6 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "authority" refers to the Indiana**
- 7 **housing and community development authority created by**
- 8 **IC 5-20-1-3.**
- 9 **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "fund" refers to the RESTORE**
- 10 **fund established by section 6 of this chapter.**
- 11 **Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "program" refers to the**
- 12 **residential emergency services to offer repairs to the elderly**
- 13 **(RESTORE) program established by section 7 of this chapter.**
- 14 **Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "qualified applicant" refers to a**
- 15 **nonprofit organization with expertise in providing home repair for**
- 16 **seniors.**
- 17 **Sec. 5. As used in this chapter, "qualified residence" means a**



- 1 residence:
- 2 (1) that is owned and occupied by an individual;
- 3 (A) who is a resident of Indiana;
- 4 (B) who is at least sixty (60) years of age; and
- 5 (C) whose annual income is less than one hundred percent
- 6 (100%) of the county average annual income of residents
- 7 who reside within the same county as the individual as
- 8 determined in section 7 of this chapter;
- 9 (2) that consists of not more than four (4) unit residences;
- 10 (3) in which payments of property tax under IC 6-1.1 are
- 11 current; and
- 12 (4) that poses a threat to the safety, health, or life of the
- 13 individual described in subdivision (1).
- 14 Sec. 6. (a) The RESTORE fund is established for the purpose of
- 15 providing grants under section 8 of this chapter. Administrative
- 16 expenses necessary to carry out this chapter are also payable from
- 17 the fund.
- 18 (b) The fund consists of:
- 19 (1) grants, gifts, and donations intended for deposit in the
- 20 fund;
- 21 (2) appropriations to the fund from other sources; and
- 22 (3) interest that accrues from money in the fund.
- 23 (c) The fund shall be administered by the authority. The
- 24 treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not currently
- 25 needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same manner as
- 26 public money is invested. Money in the fund at the end of a state
- 27 fiscal year does not revert to the state general fund.
- 28 Sec. 7. (a) The residential emergency services to offer repairs to
- 29 the elderly (RESTORE) program is established to provide grants
- 30 to assist qualified applicants in making emergency repairs to a
- 31 qualified residence.
- 32 (b) The program is administered by the authority.
- 33 (c) The authority shall do the following:
- 34 (1) Determine the manner in which a qualified applicant may
- 35 submit an application under section 8 of this chapter.
- 36 (2) Award grants or loans to a qualified applicant in
- 37 accordance with section 8 of this chapter.
- 38 (3) Determine the average annual income for each county.
- 39 Sec. 8. (a) A qualified applicant may submit an application to
- 40 the authority in the manner prescribed by the authority.
- 41 (b) Upon receipt of the applications, the authority may enter
- 42 into contracts with qualified applicants to provide financial



1 assistance for the actual costs of emergency repairs to one (1) or
2 more qualified residences. The financial assistance contract shall
3 establish the terms of the grants.

4 (c) The total payment of a particular grant contract awarded
5 under this chapter shall not exceed one hundred thousand dollars
6 (\$100,000). Upon receipt of a grant under this chapter, the
7 qualified applicant must complete the emergency repairs to the
8 applicable qualified residence within sixty (60) business days from
9 the date the emergency repairs commence. Upon request, the
10 authority may extend the term of the contract for up to two (2)
11 additional years for good cause shown by the eligible applicant.

12 (d) The authority shall authorize the qualified applicant to
13 spend ten percent (10%) of the contract amount for approved
14 planning and administrative costs associated with the emergency
15 repairs to the qualified residence.

16 (e) The authority may not award more than fifty percent (50%)
17 of the total amount awarded by the authority under this chapter
18 for qualified residences within any single municipality.

19 SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023] (a) There is
20 appropriated to the RESTORE fund established by IC 5-20-11-6,
21 as added by this act:

22 (1) for the state fiscal year beginning after June 30, 2023, and
23 ending before July 1, 2024, five million dollars (\$5,000,000);
24 and

25 (2) for the state fiscal year beginning after June 30, 2024, and
26 ending before July 1, 2025, five million dollars (\$5,000,000);
27 from the state general fund for use by the Indiana housing and
28 community development authority for use in carrying out the
29 purpose of the RESTORE fund.

30 (b) This SECTION expires July 1, 2025.

