

(b) **APPLICABILITY.**—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall apply to the first Director of the Office of Multifamily Housing Assistance Restructuring of the Department of Housing and Urban Development appointed after the date of the enactment of this Act, and any such Director appointed thereafter. 42 USC 1437f note.

**SEC. 623. VACANCY IN POSITION OF DIRECTOR.**

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 572 of the Multifamily Assisted Housing Reform and Affordability Act of 1997 (42 U.S.C. 1437f note) is amended by striking subsection (b) and inserting the following new subsection:

“(b) **VACANCY.**—A vacancy in the position of Director shall be filled by appointment in the manner provided under subsection (a). The President shall make such an appointment not later than 60 days after such position first becomes vacant.”.

President.  
Deadline.

(b) **APPLICABILITY.**—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall apply to any vacancy in the position of Director of the Office of Multifamily Housing Assistance Restructuring of the Department of Housing and Urban Development which occurs or exists after the date of the enactment of this Act.

42 USC 1437f  
note.

**SEC. 624. OVERSIGHT BY FEDERAL HOUSING COMMISSIONER.**

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 578 of the Multifamily Assisted Housing Reform and Affordability Act of 1997 (42 U.S.C. 1437f note) is amended to read as follows:

**“SEC. 578. OVERSIGHT BY FEDERAL HOUSING COMMISSIONER.**

“All authority and responsibilities assigned under this subtitle to the Secretary shall be carried out through the Assistant Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development who is the Federal Housing Commissioner.”.

(b) **REPORT.**—The second sentence of section 573(b) of the Multifamily Assisted Housing Reform and Affordability Act of 1997 (42 U.S.C. 1437f note) is amended by striking “Secretary” and inserting “Assistant Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development who is the Federal Housing Commissioner”.

**SEC. 625. LIMITATION ON SUBSEQUENT EMPLOYMENT.**

Section 576 of the Multifamily Assisted Housing Reform and Affordability Act of 1997 (42 U.S.C. 1437f note) is amended by striking “2-year period” and inserting “1-year period”.

## Subtitle C—Miscellaneous Housing Program Amendments

**SEC. 631. EXTENSION OF CDBG PUBLIC SERVICES CAP EXCEPTION.**

Section 105(a)(8) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(8)) is amended by striking “through 2001” and inserting “through 2003”.

**SEC. 632. USE OF SECTION 8 ENHANCED VOUCHERS FOR PREPAYMENTS.**

Section 8(t)(2) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(t)(2)) is amended by inserting after “insurance contract for the mortgage for such housing project” the following: “(including any such mortgage prepayment during fiscal year 1996 or a fiscal

year thereafter or any insurance contract voluntary termination during fiscal year 1996 or a fiscal year thereafter”.

**SEC. 633. PREPAYMENT AND REFINANCING OF LOANS FOR SECTION 202 SUPPORTIVE HOUSING.**

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 811 of the American Homeownership and Economic Opportunity Act of 2000 (12 U.S.C. 1701q note) is amended by striking subsection (e).

12 USC 1701q  
note.

(b) **EFFECTIVENESS UPON DATE OF ENACTMENT.**—The amendment made by subsection (a) of this section shall take effect upon the date of the enactment of this Act and the provisions of section 811 of the American Homeownership and Economic Opportunity Act of 2000 (12 U.S.C. 1701q note), as amended by subsection (a) of this section, shall apply as so amended upon such date of enactment, notwithstanding—

(1) any authority of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to issue regulations to implement or carry out the amendments made by subsection (a) of this section or the provisions of section 811 of the American Homeownership and Economic Opportunity Act of 2000 (12 U.S.C. 1701q note); or

(2) any failure of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to issue any such regulations authorized.

**SEC. 634. TECHNICAL CORRECTION.**

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 101(a) of Public Law 100-77 (42 U.S.C. 11301 note) is amended to read as if the amendment made by section 1 of Public Law 106-400 (114 Stat. 1675) were made to “Section 101” instead of “Section 1”.

42 USC 11301  
note.

(b) **RETROACTIVE EFFECT.**—The amendment made by subsection (a) of this section is deemed to have taken effect immediately after the enactment of Public Law 106-400 (114 Stat. 1675).

## **TITLE VII—MENTAL HEALTH PARITY**

**SEC. 701. EXTENSION OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS.**

(a) **ERISA.**—Section 712(f) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (29 U.S.C. 1185a(f)) is amended by striking “September 30, 2001” and inserting “December 31, 2002”.

(b) **PHSA.**—Section 2705(f) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300gg-5(f)) is amended by striking “September 30, 2001” and inserting “December 31, 2002”.

26 USC 9812.

(c) **INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986.**—Section 9812(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking “September 30, 2001” and inserting “December 31, 2002”.

**SEC. 702. CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET ACT.**

Notwithstanding Rule 3 of the Budget Scorekeeping Guidelines set forth in the joint explanatory statement of the committee of conference accompanying Conference Report 105-217, the provisions of this title that would have been estimated by the Office of Management and Budget as changing direct spending or receipts under section 252 of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 were it included in an Act other than an appropriations Act shall be treated as direct spending or receipts legislation, as appropriate, under section 252 of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, and by the Chairmen of the