



## 102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2021 and 2022

HB4949

Introduced 1/27/2022, by Rep. Lakesia Collins

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 3805/7.33 new

Amends the Illinois Housing Development Act. Provides that from funds appropriated, directly or indirectly, from moneys received by the State from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund in accordance with the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, the Illinois Housing Development Authority (Authority) shall expend funds to create a Senior Home Preservation Grant Program to provide grants to legacy resident seniors to preserve the safety of their homes. Provides that grants may be used for housing owned by a legacy resident senior to reduce the cost of repair and rehabilitation, to remove or correct health or safety hazards, to comply with applicable housing standards or codes, or to make needed repairs to improve the general living conditions of the legacy resident senior, including improved accessibility for seniors with disabilities. Requires applicants to apply to the program in a form and manner prescribed by the Authority. Provides that, to qualify for a grant, the applicant must, at a minimum, be the owner of the home and use the home as his or her primary residence. Permits the Authority to establish minimum housing standards applicants must meet to qualify for a grant under the program. Provides that the Authority may adopt rules to implement the program. Provides that expenditures of funds provided under the authority of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 shall be in accordance with the permitted purposes under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 and all related federal guidance.

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1 AN ACT concerning State government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Housing Development Act is amended  
5 by adding Section 7.33 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 3805/7.33 new)

7 Sec. 7.33. Senior Home Preservation Grant Program.

8 (a) As used in this Section, "legacy resident seniors"  
9 means seniors 65 years or older who have lived in their  
10 community family home for at least 30 years.

11 (b) From funds appropriated, directly or indirectly, from  
12 moneys received by the State from the Coronavirus State Fiscal  
13 Recovery Fund in accordance with the American Rescue Plan Act  
14 of 2021, the Illinois Housing Development Authority shall  
15 expend funds to create a Senior Home Preservation Grant  
16 Program to provide grants to legacy resident seniors to  
17 preserve the safety of their homes. Grants provided under the  
18 program may be used for housing owned by a legacy resident  
19 senior to reduce the cost of repair and rehabilitation, to  
20 remove or correct health or safety hazards, to comply with  
21 applicable housing standards or codes, or to make needed  
22 repairs to improve the general living conditions of the legacy  
23 resident senior, including improved accessibility for seniors

1 with disabilities.

2 Applicants must apply to the program in a form and manner  
3 prescribed by the Authority. To qualify for a grant, the  
4 applicant must, at a minimum, be the owner of the home and use  
5 the home as his or her primary residence. The Authority may  
6 also establish minimum housing standards applicants must meet  
7 to qualify for a grant under the program.

8 The Authority may adopt any rules necessary to implement  
9 the program. Expenditures of funds provided under the  
10 authority of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 shall be in  
11 accordance with the permitted purposes under the American  
12 Rescue Plan Act of 2021 and all related federal guidance.