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## **Students with Disabilities Receiving Section 8 as of November 30, 2005, Exempt From Section 8 Restriction**

On July 27, 2006, President Bush signed into law an amendment that exempts college students with disabilities from the restriction on providing Section 8 rental assistance to college students if the student with the disability was receiving the assistance as of November 30, 2005. The text of the amendment is as follows:

### **SECTION 1. EXEMPTION OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES FROM SECTION 8 RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROHIBITION**

Subsection (a) of section 327 of Public Law 109-115 (119 Stat. 2466) is amended –  
(1) in paragraph (5), by striking “and” at the end;  
(2) by redesignating paragraph (6) as paragraph (7); and  
(3) by inserting after paragraph (5) the following new paragraph:

“(6) is not a person with disabilities, as such term is defined in section 3(b)(3)(E) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437a(b)(3)(E)) and was not receiving assistance under such section 8 as of November 30, 2005”.

The exemption is effective as of July 27, 2006. The Offices of Housing and Public and Indian Housing will be issuing a notice to this effect in the near future.

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