

THE LIHEAP COALITION

Organizations and companies supporting the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program

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FROM: LIHEAP Coalition Co-Chairs, Olivia Wein and Pat Markey

RE: LIHEAP Coalition Update: The Administration Announces the Release of LIHEAP First Quarter Funds Under the Short-Term Continuing Resolution

Dear LIHEAP Advocate,

Today, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) announced the release of \$1.854 billion in first quarter LIHEAP block grant funds under the FY 2011 Continuing Resolution (CR), which was signed by President Obama on September 30, 2010. This short-term CR (P.L. 111-242) provides for the continued operation of government programs until December 3, 2010. Since the enactment of the CR, we have been awaiting final determination for the first quarterly allocation for LIHEAP. While the House Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations Subcommittee provided for \$5.1 billion for LIHEAP funding, the Senate Appropriations Committee recommended \$3.3 billion for LIHEAP (\$2.709 billion for the regular state block grant and \$590 million for the LIHEAP emergency contingency funding. The Office of Management and Budget ultimately provided first quarter LIHEAP allocations based on the lower Senate number for the block grant, in order to avoid restricting Congressional funding prerogatives.

As many of you are aware, states are required to submit their quarterly funding request to HHS. The short-term CR restricts the maximum percent of a state's annual LIHEAP block grant available in the first quarter of the fiscal year to 75% of the grant based on the \$2.71 billion funding. While the vast majority of states have requested up to the maximum 75% of their grant in the first quarter, not all states have done so. According to HHS, "State allocations at the \$2.71 billion level, upon which first quarter grants are being made under the CR, were determined under current Senate language for FY 2011—which provides that \$2.2 billion is allocated under the "old formula" percentages and \$505 million is allocated using the "new formula" methodology." Under the CR, as with FY 2010, states can continue to set their eligibility levels up to the greater of 150 percent of poverty or 75% state median income.

We have attached a chart from HHS setting out the state LIHEAP funding allocations under the short-term CR.

State	<u>CR Funding Level--\$2.71 Billion</u>	<u>Apportionment Limit</u>	<u>States First Quarter Requests</u>	<u>Allocations at \$2.71B</u>	<u>States First Quarter Requests</u>	<u>CR Limited Amount to Be Awarded for First Quarter</u>
		75% of Allocations			limited to 75% under CR	
Alabama	\$41,047,405	\$30,785,554	45%	\$18,471,332	45%	\$18,471,332
Alaska	\$8,355,364	\$6,266,523	50%	\$4,177,682	50%	\$4,177,682
Arizona	\$19,610,849	\$14,708,137	25%	\$4,902,712	25%	\$4,902,712
Arkansas	\$22,417,053	\$16,812,790	70%	\$15,691,937	70%	\$15,691,937
California	\$118,597,211	\$88,947,908	100%	\$118,597,211	75%	\$88,947,908
Colorado	\$34,986,872	\$26,240,154	90%	\$31,488,185	75%	\$26,240,154
Connecticut	\$59,684,120	\$44,763,090	65%	\$38,794,678	65%	\$38,794,678
Delaware	\$9,798,718	\$7,349,039	80%	\$7,838,974	75%	\$7,349,039
District of Columbia	\$8,108,310	\$6,081,233	100%	\$8,108,310	75%	\$6,081,233
Florida	\$69,411,227	\$52,058,420	90%	\$62,470,104	75%	\$52,058,420

Georgia	\$54,894,291	\$41,170,718	90%	\$49,404,862	75%	\$41,170,718
Hawaii	\$3,922,175	\$2,941,631	25%	\$980,544	25%	\$980,544
Idaho	\$14,853,698	\$11,140,274	60%	\$8,912,219	60%	\$8,912,219
Illinois	\$135,915,743	\$101,936,807	100%	\$135,915,743	75%	\$101,936,807
Indiana	\$57,191,147	\$42,893,360	70%	\$40,033,803	70%	\$40,033,803
Iowa	\$40,536,856	\$30,402,642	90%	\$36,483,170	75%	\$30,402,642
Kansas	\$26,247,922	\$19,685,942	100%	\$26,247,922	75%	\$19,685,942
Kentucky	\$33,864,828	\$25,398,621	90%	\$30,478,345	75%	\$25,398,621
Louisiana	\$35,575,766	\$26,681,825	90%	\$32,018,189	75%	\$26,681,825
Maine	\$28,668,332	\$21,501,249	100%	\$28,668,332	75%	\$21,501,249
Maryland	\$54,764,760	\$41,073,570	75%	\$41,073,570	75%	\$41,073,570
Massachusetts	\$100,529,181	\$75,396,886	100%	\$100,529,181	75%	\$75,396,886
Michigan	\$129,608,367	\$97,206,275	65%	\$84,245,439	65%	\$84,245,439
Minnesota	\$86,408,148	\$64,806,111	100%	\$86,408,148	75%	\$64,806,111
Mississippi	\$24,722,279	\$18,541,709	90%	\$22,250,051	75%	\$18,541,709
Missouri	\$54,505,789	\$40,879,342	60%	\$32,703,473	60%	\$32,703,473
Montana	\$15,110,117	\$11,332,588	85%	\$12,843,599	75%	\$11,332,588
Nebraska	\$22,892,076	\$17,169,057	90%	\$20,602,868	75%	\$17,169,057
Nevada	\$9,966,500	\$7,474,875	100%	\$9,966,500	75%	\$7,474,875
New Hampshire	\$19,767,875	\$14,825,906	100%	\$19,767,875	75%	\$14,825,906
New Jersey	\$109,541,625	\$82,156,219	100%	\$109,541,625	75%	\$82,156,219
New Mexico	\$11,923,056	\$8,942,292	100%	\$11,923,056	75%	\$8,942,292
New York	\$276,594,758	\$207,446,069	100%	\$276,594,758	75%	\$207,446,069
North Carolina	\$72,422,187	\$54,316,640	25%	\$18,105,547	25%	\$18,105,547
North Dakota	\$15,819,526	\$11,864,645	100%	\$15,819,526	75%	\$11,864,645
Ohio	\$132,766,064	\$99,574,548	75%	\$99,574,548	75%	\$99,574,548
Oklahoma	\$28,960,297	\$21,720,223	90%	\$26,064,267	75%	\$21,720,223
Oregon	\$26,529,316	\$19,896,987	90%	\$23,876,384	75%	\$19,896,987
Pennsylvania	\$159,566,162	\$119,674,622	85%	\$135,631,238	75%	\$119,674,622
Rhode Island	\$17,142,286	\$12,856,715	75%	\$12,856,715	75%	\$12,856,715
South Carolina	\$32,577,854	\$24,433,391	50%	\$16,288,927	50%	\$16,288,927
South Dakota	\$13,282,802	\$9,962,102	90%	\$11,954,522	75%	\$9,962,102
Tennessee	\$45,318,534	\$33,988,901	90%	\$40,786,681	75%	\$33,988,901
Texas	\$115,506,734	\$86,630,051	85%	\$98,180,724	75%	\$86,630,051
Utah	\$18,221,079	\$13,665,809	60%	\$10,932,647	60%	\$10,932,647
Vermont	\$14,816,726	\$11,112,545	97%	\$14,372,224	75%	\$11,112,545
Virginia	\$65,532,143	\$49,149,107	35%	\$22,936,250	35%	\$22,936,250
Washington	\$42,784,464	\$32,088,348	100%	\$42,784,464	75%	\$32,088,348
West Virginia	\$22,532,956	\$16,899,717	80%	\$18,026,365	75%	\$16,899,717
Wisconsin	\$77,779,740	\$58,334,805	100%	\$77,779,740	75%	\$58,334,805
Wyoming	\$7,123,171	\$5,342,378	90%	\$6,410,854	75%	\$5,342,378
Total to States	\$2,648,704,459	\$1,986,528,350		\$2,220,516,020		\$1,853,743,617

Total Allocated	\$2,709,672,000
Leveraging	\$27,000,000
Difference	\$2,682,672,000
T&TA	\$300,000
Difference	\$2,682,372,000

Total First Quarter Awards \$1,878,987,166

Tribes	\$30,034,859
Territories	\$3,632,682
Total to States	\$2,648,704,459

Tribes First Quarter Award	\$22,519,036
Territories First Quarter Award	\$2,724,513
States First Quarter Award	\$1,853,743,617

Territory	Amount to Be Awarded for Q1 Limited to 75%
American Samoa	\$45,071
Guam	\$98,816
Northern Marianas	\$34,322
Puerto Rico	\$2,452,864
Virgin Islands	\$93,440
<hr/> Total	<hr/> \$2,724,513

We will keep you apprised of efforts to increase the FY 2011 funding levels.

Thank you for your strong support of the LIHEAP program.

Sincerely,

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