

## **Neighborhood Homes Investment Act:**

## Changes from Previous (117th Congress) Bills

- 1. <u>Allocation volume inflation adjustment</u>: Increases state credit volume from \$6 per capita to \$7 and the small state minimum from \$8 million to \$9 million, to account for inflation since 2020. This change should maintain projected production of 50,000 homes annually.
- 2. Additional state flexibility: (1) Adds exception eligibility for Presidentially declared disaster areas; (2) Increases the exception percentage from 20% to 40% for states that have both relatively high nonmetro population shares and relatively few census tracts meet the general standards (MT, ND, SD, VT, WY); and (3) allows state agency discretion to bump up the credit amount to 120% of the gap between development costs and the sales price if necessary for project feasibility.
- 3. Owner-occupied rehabs: (1) Limits the income of eligible homeowners to 100 percent of the area median income; (2) Increases the credit percentage to 50%; (3) Limits the credit amount to \$50,000 per home; (4) Includes reconstruction in the definition of substantial rehab; and (5) requires states to set standards for disclosure of homeowners rights and responsibilities and determining a homeowner's capacity to repay the portion of rehab costs not covered by the tax credit.
- 4. <u>Project selection criteria enhanced guardrails</u>: (1) "Neighborhood impact" includes the impact on neighborhood residents; (2) "Sponsor capability" includes its prior performance.
- 5. <u>Coordination/streamlining with other laws</u>: (1) Exempts Neighborhood Homes credits from the alternative minimum tax; (2) Allows energy efficiency credits and certain state energy efficiency grants to be used with Neighborhood Homes credits without penalty or basis reduction.