



**House Bill No. 6594**

**Public Act No. 05-206**

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE TRAINING AND RESPONSIBILITIES  
OF RESIDENT SERVICE COORDINATORS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Section 8-114d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2005*):

(a) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall award grants-in-aid to housing authorities, municipal developers and nonprofit corporations operating elderly housing projects pursuant to this part [(1)] to hire resident services coordinators to (1) facilitate conflict resolution between residents, including between seniors and younger residents, (2) establish and maintain relationships with community service providers and link residents to appropriate community services, (3) act as a liaison to assist in problem solving, (4) assist residents of such housing to maintain an independent living status, [(2) to] (5) assess the individual needs of residents of such housing for the purpose of establishing and maintaining support services, [(3) to] (6) provide orientation services to new residents and maintain regular contact with residents of such housing, [(4) to] (7) monitor the delivery of support services to residents of such housing, [(5) to] (8) organize resident activities and meetings that promote socialization among all residents, and (9) advocate changes in services

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sought or required by residents of such housing. [, and (6) to provide mediation and conflict resolution services.] The commissioner shall award grants-in-aid based on demonstration of need and availability of matching funds. A joint application made by more than one housing authority, municipal developer or nonprofit corporation shall have the same preference as an application made by one housing authority, municipal developer or nonprofit corporation.

(b) The employment of resident services coordinators by a housing authority, municipal developer or nonprofit corporation operating elderly housing projects pursuant to this part shall be considered an allowable expense.

(c) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development may convene monthly meetings of the resident services coordinators for in-service training and information sharing. Training topics shall include, but not be limited to, the health care needs of seniors and persons with disabilities, mediation and conflict resolution, and local and regional service resources.

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