

## SENATE BILL 743: The Disaster Recovery Act of 2024 - Part II, Sec. 4B.7:

2023-2024 General Assembly

## **Rental Assistance**

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OVERVIEW: Section 4B.7 of S.L. 2024-53 allocates \$1 million in nonrecurring funds to county departments of social services from funds appropriated in this act to the Division of Social Services, Department of Health and Human Services. The allocated funds are to provide rental assistance to eligible individuals in counties impacted by Hurricane Helene who qualify for FEMA Individual and Public Assistance Categories A-G. Assistance payments are limited to households at or below 200% of the federal poverty level who suffered hardship due to the impact of Hurricane Helene. Eligible households will receive a one-time payment up to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's local area Fair Market Rents measure for a two-bedroom unit. Payments under this section must be used to assist eligible households facing housing crisis such as imminent risk of eviction. Up to 5% of the funds allocated to a county may be used for the county's administrative costs.

This section became effective October 25, 2024.

