

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES****Food and Drug Administration****21 CFR Part 112**

[Docket No. FDA-2014-N-2244]

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**Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Rule, Standards for Growing, Harvesting, Packing, and Holding of Produce for Human Consumption; Notice for Public Meeting on Draft Environmental Impact Statement***Correction*

FR proposed rule document 2015-00205 beginning on pages 1478 in the issue of Monday, January 12, 2015, was never placed on public inspection and was published in error. It should be removed.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT****24 CFR Parts 200 and 232**

[Docket No. FR-5632-P-01]

RIN 2502-AJ27

**Federal Housing Administration (FHA): Updating Regulations Governing HUD Fees and the Financing of the Purchase and Installation of Fire Safety Equipment in FHA-Insured Healthcare Facilities**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing—Federal Housing Commissioner, HUD.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** FHA insures mortgage loans to facilitate the construction, substantial rehabilitation, purchase, and refinancing of multifamily housing under the National Housing Act, and nursing homes, intermediate care facilities, board and care homes, and assisted-living facilities (collectively residential healthcare facilities) under section 232 of the National Housing Act (the Section 232 program). Through this rule, HUD proposes to update HUD fees for multifamily housing and residential healthcare facilities and to update and streamline the Section 232 program regulations that govern the financing of the purchase and installation of fire safety equipment in the insured healthcare facilities, which have not been substantially updated in over 20

years. The proposed changes would give HUD flexibility in raising or lowering fees, and for residential healthcare facilities, streamline the loan application process by eliminating unnecessary requirements, conforming needed requirements to current industry practices, and allowing for HUD to centralize the loan application process.

**DATES:** *Comment Due Date:* March 16, 2015.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposed rule to the Regulations Division, Office of General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Room 10276, Washington, DC 20410-0500. Communications must refer to the above docket number and title. There are two methods for submitting public comments. All submissions must refer to the above docket number and title.

1. **Submission of Comments by Mail.** Comments may be submitted by mail to the Regulations Division, Office of General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Room 10276, Washington, DC 20410-0500.

2. **Electronic Submission of Comments.** Interested persons may submit comments electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). HUD strongly encourages commenters to submit comments electronically. Electronic submission of comments allows the commenter maximum time to prepare and submit a comment, ensures timely receipt by HUD, and enables HUD to make them immediately available to the public. Comments submitted electronically through the [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) Web site can be viewed by other commenters and interested members of the public. Commenters should follow the instructions provided on that site to submit comments electronically.

**Note:** To receive consideration as public comments, comments must be submitted through one of the two methods specified above. Again, all submissions must refer to the docket number and title of the rule.

**No Facsimile Comments.** Facsimile (FAX) comments are not acceptable.

**Public Inspection of Public Comments.** All properly submitted comments and communications submitted to HUD will be available for public inspection and copying between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., weekdays, at the above address. Due to security measures at the HUD Headquarters building, an appointment to review the public comments must be scheduled in advance by calling the Regulations

Division at 202-708-3055 (this is not a toll-free number). Individuals with speech or hearing impairments may access this number via TTY by calling the Federal Relay Service at 800-877-8339. Copies of all comments submitted are available for inspection and downloading at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For information about: HUD's Multifamily Housing program, contact Dan Sullivan, Deputy Director, Office of Multifamily Housing Development, Office of Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Room 6148, Washington, DC 20410-8000; telephone number 202-708-1142; HUD's Healthcare program, contact Vance Morris, Office of Healthcare Programs, Office of Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Room 6134, Washington, DC 20410-8000; telephone number 202-402-2419. The telephone numbers listed above are not toll-free numbers. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at 800-877-8339.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****I. Background***HUD Fees*

Section 207(d) of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1713) authorizes the Secretary, as he determines necessary, to charge and collect fees for the appraisal of a property or project offered for insurance and for the inspection of such property, as long as such fees do not exceed one percent of the amount of the mortgage. Despite the flexibility to set fees given to the Secretary in the statute, relevant HUD fees are currently set by regulation in parts 200 and 232, which does not allow HUD the flexibility necessary to adapt to market changes in a timely manner.

*Loans To Finance the Purchase of Fire Safety Equipment*

Under section 232 of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1715w), FHA insures mortgage loans to finance the development of residential healthcare facilities. HUD's regulations for the Section 232 program are codified in 24 CFR part 232. In addition to insuring such mortgage loans, FHA insures, under the Section 232 program, loans to finance the purchase and installation of fire safety equipment in insured healthcare facilities.

The Fire Safety Equipment Loan Act (Pub. L. 93-204, approved December 28, 1973) amended section 232 of the National Housing Act to provide that