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Statement from State Senator Daniel Squadron on Senate passage of S6430-A (Squadron)/A9487-B (Lopez), which allows the New York City Housing Authority to access federal aid for 21 State- and City-built developments that have gone unfunded:

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"This bill will allow New York City's public housing authority to bring in more than \$75 million a year in federal aid — a massive investment to address its operating deficit and dramatically improve housing for more than 400,000 tenants. Every single NYCHA resident will benefit from filling the funding gap left by the State and City, which will help us fix broken elevators, avoid heat outages, and address the basic maintenance problems that public housing tenants contend with every day. I would like to thank Assembly Housing Chair Vito Lopez, NYCHA Chairman John Rhea, Democratic Conference Leader John Sampson, Senate Finance Committee Chairman Carl Kruger, Congresswoman Nydia Velázquez and U.S. Senator Chuck Schumer, without whom this bill could never have become a reality."