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## HDLI PRESENTS IMPORTANT EMINENT DOMAIN ISSUES TO CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS

On June 23, 2006, HDLI's Executive Director and General Counsel, Lisa L. Walker, met with representatives of the Congressional Black Caucus as part of a briefing on pressing housing issues sponsored by the National Association of African-Americans in Housing (NOAAH).

Ms. Walker presented on the Bond Amendment to the FY2006 Appropriation's Bill and other bills pending before Congress containing restrictions on powers of eminent domain. She discussed the negative impact that restrictions on eminent domain powers have on many PHAs' abilities to carry out the goal

of creating viable housing in distressed communities. She also discussed specific problems with both the Bond Amendment and other bills pending before Congress, urging the CBC to consider these issues when voting on the pending bills.

Ms. Walker's written analysis may be found on HDLI's website, [www.hdli.org](http://www.hdli.org), on the "Legally Important" page.