

Housing Committee JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT

Bill No.: HB-5206

Title: AN ACT CONCERNING HOUSING AUTHORITIES.

Vote Date: 3/10/2022

Vote Action: Joint Favorable

PH Date: 3/1/2022

File No.:

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SPONSORS OF BILL:

Rep. Michael A. Winkler, 56th Dist.

Rep. David Michel, 146th Dist.

REASONS FOR BILL:

This bill was created to address several oversight issues regarding the Windsor Housing Authority. To avoid similar issues statewide, this bill requires basic training for housing authority commissioners and employees. A similar bill was introduced in 2021 as HB 6529.

RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION/AGENCY:

None Expressed

NATURE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT:

[Raphael L. Podolsky](#) CT Legal Services- **Supports** this bill in his public testimony because housing authority commissioners are lay people and would benefit from the required training. They also support the requirement that housing authority tenants be provided with information on how to contact the management, CHRO, the local health department and a copy of the Judicial Branch posting of landlord and tenant rights and responsibilities.

This testimony suggested that the bill be amended to also require housing authority tenants be provided with the contact information to the local housing code enforcement agency.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF OPPOSITION:

None Expressed

Reported by: William Cromwell

Date: 3/18/2022