



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 853**

LCO No. 1562



Referred to Committee on HOUSING

Introduced by:

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***AN ACT CONCERNING REVISIONS TO THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING APPEALS PROCEDURE AND REQUIRING A STUDY ON BUILDING APPLICATIONS AND BUILDING CODES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 That the general statutes be amended to (1) include in the calculation  
2 of the ten per cent threshold for the affordable housing appeals  
3 procedure any properties that are not deed restricted but meet the  
4 income criteria under section 8-30g of the general statutes, (2) require  
5 the rental rate for any affordable housing unit be verified through an  
6 affidavit or a copy of an executed rental agreement, (3) allow any  
7 municipality to establish a tax abatement for properties that are not deed  
8 restricted but that meet the income criteria under section 8-30g of the  
9 general statutes, (4) redefine "median income" in subsection (a) of  
10 section 8-30g of the general statutes to allow any municipality to choose  
11 whether state or area median income applies, and (5) require the  
12 Department of Housing to conduct a study on streamlining and  
13 hastening the review of building permit applications and to review  
14 building codes and regulations.

***Statement of Purpose:***

To include certain market-rate properties in calculation of the affordable housing appeals procedure threshold, to require documentary verification of rents, to allow tax abatements for certain market-rate properties, to allow municipalities to choose the method of determining median income, and to require the Department of Housing to conduct a study on building applications and building codes and regulations.