



General Assembly

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LCO No. 3089



Referred to Committee on HOUSING

Introduced by:
(HSG)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE HOUSING TRUST FUND.

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

1 Section 1. Section 8-336q of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2023*):

3 (a) The commissioner, in consultation with the Treasurer, the
4 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the Connecticut
5 Housing Finance Authority, [and after consideration of the
6 recommendations of the committee established by subsection (b) of
7 this section,] shall establish regulations and criteria for rating various
8 proposals for funds under the Housing Trust Fund program. The
9 regulations shall be adopted pursuant to chapter 54 and posted on the
10 department's web site.

11 [(b) There shall be a Housing Trust Fund Program Advisory
12 Committee. Said committee shall meet at least semiannually and shall
13 advise the commissioner on (1) the administration, management and
14 objectives of the Housing Trust Fund program; and (2) the
15 development of regulations, procedures and rating criteria for the
16 program. The committee shall be appointed by the commissioner, in

17 consultation with the Treasurer and the secretary and shall include the
18 chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing committee of
19 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
20 planning and development, and the joint standing committee of the
21 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to housing
22 and representatives from each of the following: (A) The nonprofit
23 housing development community; (B) the for-profit housing
24 development community; (C) a housing authority; (D) a community
25 development financial institution; (E) the Connecticut Housing
26 Finance Authority; (F) a state-wide housing organization; (G) an
27 elected or appointed official of a municipality with a population of less
28 than fifty thousand; (H) an elected or appointed official of a
29 municipality with a population between fifty thousand and one
30 hundred thousand; (I) an elected or appointed official of a
31 municipality with a population in excess of one hundred thousand;
32 and (J) the employers of the state, which may be satisfied by the
33 appointment of a representative from a state business and industry
34 association or regional chambers of commerce.]

35 [(c)] (b) The commissioner may adopt regulations, in accordance
36 with the provisions of chapter 54, to carry out the provisions of
37 sections 8-336m to 8-336q, inclusive.

38 [(d)] (c) The commissioner may request, inspect and audit reports,
39 books and records and any other financial or project-related
40 information with respect to eligible applicants that receive financial
41 assistance, including, without limitation, resident or employment
42 information, financial and operating statements and audits. The
43 commissioner may investigate the accuracy and completeness of such
44 reports, books and records.

45 [(e)] (d) Whenever financial assistance is provided pursuant to
46 section 8-336p, the commissioner may take all reasonable steps and
47 exercise all available remedies necessary or desirable to protect the
48 obligations or interests of the state, including, but not limited to,
49 amending any term or condition of a contract or agreement, provided

50 such amendment is allowed or agreed to pursuant to such contract or
51 agreement, or purchasing or redeeming, pursuant to foreclosure
52 proceedings, bankruptcy proceedings or in other judicial proceedings,
53 any property on which such commissioner or the department holds a
54 mortgage or other lien, or in which the commissioner or the
55 department has an interest.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2023</i>	8-336q

HSG *Joint Favorable*