



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 7369***

LCO No. 6015



Referred to Committee on PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Introduced by:  
(PD)

***AN ACT CONCERNING AFFORDABLE HOUSING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR TOWNS.***

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

1 Section 1. Section 8-30j of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

3 (a) At least once every five years, each municipality shall prepare or  
4 amend and adopt an affordable housing plan for the municipality.  
5 Such plan shall specify how the municipality intends to increase the  
6 number of affordable housing developments in the municipality.

7 (b) The municipality may hold public informational meetings or  
8 organize other activities to inform residents about the process of  
9 preparing the plan. If the municipality holds a public hearing, at least  
10 thirty-five days prior to the public hearing on the adoption, the  
11 municipality shall file in the office of the town clerk of such  
12 municipality a copy of such draft plan or any amendments to the plan,  
13 and if applicable, post such draft plan on the Internet web site of the  
14 municipality. After adoption of the plan, the municipality shall file the

15 final plan in the office of the town clerk of such municipality and, if  
16 applicable, post the plan on the Internet web site of the municipality.

17 (c) Following adoption, the municipality shall regularly review and  
18 maintain such plan. The municipality may adopt such geographical,  
19 functional or other amendments to the plan or parts of the plan, in  
20 accordance with the provisions of this section, as it deems necessary. If  
21 the municipality fails to amend such plan every five years, the chief  
22 elected official of the municipality shall submit a letter to the  
23 Commissioner of Housing that explains why such plan was not  
24 amended.

25 (d) Each regional council of governments created pursuant to  
26 section 4-124j shall:

27 (1) Develop specific guidelines tailored to the needs of the  
28 municipalities in such planning region, which guidelines shall be  
29 included in any affordable housing plan adopted pursuant to  
30 subsection (a) of this section on and after January 1, 2020;

31 (2) Identify resources available to municipalities in preparing or  
32 amending any such affordable housing plan, including, but not limited  
33 to, training on the use of mixed income housing to promote economic  
34 growth; and

35 (3) Identify incentives, beyond funding, available to municipalities  
36 in preparing or amending any such affordable housing plan, including,  
37 but not limited to, publicly owned land, private sector investment and  
38 tax increment financing.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2019	8-30j

***Statement of Purpose:***

To require regional councils of government to develop guidelines for their member municipality regarding affordable housing and identify resources available to municipalities in the adoption of their individual affordable housing plans.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*