



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5811

LCO No. 1697

Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Housing

Introduced by:

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***AN ACT CONCERNING CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECKS OF TENANTS
IN HOUSING OPERATED BY HOUSING AUTHORITIES.***

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

1 That chapter 128 of the general statutes, concerning municipal
2 housing projects, be amended to require (1) that each housing
3 authority maintain a computerized list of tenants occupying any
4 housing unit maintained by such authority and that at least once every
5 six months the housing authority check the names of tenants with the
6 State Police Bureau of Identification to determine if any such tenants
7 have been convicted of a felony during the time that such person has
8 been a tenant of the housing authority and that the housing authority
9 shall submit a list of any such tenants who have been convicted of a
10 felony during their tenancy to the Commissioner of Economic and
11 Community Development, and (2) that the commissioner reduce state
12 financial assistance to any housing authority that does not terminate
13 the tenancy of any tenant convicted of a felony within thirty days of
14 discovering such conviction; and that section 29-11 of the general
15 statutes, establishing fees to be paid to the State Police Bureau of
16 Identification for criminal background checks, be amended to provide

17 that no fee shall be paid by a municipal housing authority for a state
18 criminal history records check.

Statement of Purpose:

To reduce state financial assistance to housing authority that do not evict tenants convicted of a felony.