



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 1073**

*January Session, 2001*

**AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR CERTAIN HOUSING PROGRAMS.**

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (a) For purposes of this section, "affordable  
2 housing unit" means affordable housing development, as defined in  
3 subsection (a) of section 8-30g of the general statutes, and assisted  
4 housing, as defined in subsection (a) of section 8-30g of the general  
5 statutes.

6 (b) There is established an Affordable Housing Incentive Program.  
7 The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall  
8 provide grants to municipalities that add affordable housing units to  
9 their housing stock, in order to assist municipalities in defraying costs  
10 associated with any additional services required. The program shall  
11 also provide municipalities with technical assistance in the planning  
12 and development of affordable housing.

13 (c) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development  
14 shall provide a list annually to the Commissioner of Environmental  
15 Protection listing municipalities where the number of affordable  
16 housing units has increased by two per cent of the total housing stock.  
17 The Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall give such  
18 municipalities priority for funding under the open space and  
19 watershed land acquisition grant program established pursuant to

20 section 7-131d of the general statutes.

21 (d) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development  
22 shall adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54 of the general  
23 statutes, to carry out the purposes of this section. Such regulations  
24 shall include the method used to determine the total number of  
25 housing units and the number of existing and new affordable housing  
26 units in a municipality, application procedures for both technical  
27 assistance and for grants, a description of the technical assistance  
28 available, the method used to allocate grants and eligible costs, and the  
29 method used to determine an increase.

30 (e) There is established a separate, nonlapsing affordable housing  
31 incentive account within the General Fund. Payment from the account  
32 shall be made upon authorization by the Commissioner of Economic  
33 and Community Development and shall be used by said commissioner  
34 for purposes of this section.

35 Sec. 2. The sum of five million dollars is appropriated, from the  
36 General Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, to the affordable  
37 housing incentive account established by section 1 of this act.

38 Sec. 3. The sum of ten million dollars is appropriated, from the  
39 General Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, to the affordable  
40 housing incentive account established by section 1 of this act.

41 Sec. 4. The sum of fifteen million dollars is appropriated, from the  
42 General Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, to the affordable  
43 housing incentive account established by section 1 of this act.

44 Sec. 5. The sum of twenty million dollars is appropriated, from the  
45 General Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, to the affordable  
46 housing incentive account established by section 1 of this act.

47 Sec. 6. The sum of ten million dollars is appropriated to the  
48 Department of Economic and Community Development, from the  
49 General Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, for funding the

50 program authorized pursuant to subsection (b) of section 8-216 of the  
51 general statutes.

52 Sec. 7. The sum of ten million dollars is appropriated to the  
53 Department of Economic and Community Development, from the  
54 General Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, for funding the  
55 program authorized pursuant to subsection (b) of section 8-216 of the  
56 general statutes.

57 Sec. 8. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001.

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