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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Housing

Introduced by:
(HSG)

AN ACT PROHIBITING THE SALE OF A LOW OR MODERATE INCOME HOUSING PROJECT BY A HOUSING AUTHORITY WITHOUT A HEARING AND THE APPROVAL OF THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF THE MUNICIPALITY IN WHICH THE PROJECT IS LOCATED.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) No housing authority
2 that has constructed a low or moderate income rental housing project
3 or purchased property for use as a low or moderate income rental
4 housing project may sell, lease, transfer or destroy, or contract to sell,
5 lease, transfer or destroy, such housing project or a portion of the
6 project where such project or portion would no longer be available for
7 low or moderate income rental housing, unless the legislative body of
8 the municipality approves, in writing, such sale, lease, transfer or
9 destruction. The legislative body may approve said sale, lease, transfer
10 or destruction if it finds, after a public hearing, that (1) the sale, lease,
11 transfer or destruction is in the best interest of the housing authority
12 and the municipality in which the project is located, (2) the housing
13 authority has developed a plan for the sale, lease, transfer or
14 destruction of the project or portion of the project in consultation with
15 the residents of the project and representatives of the municipality in

16 which the project is situated, and (3) the housing authority has made
17 adequate provision for said residents' and representatives'
18 participation in said plan. The legislative body shall give the residents
19 of the housing project or portion of the project that is to be sold, leased,
20 transferred or destroyed written notice of said public hearing by first
21 class mail not less than thirty calendar days before the date of the
22 hearing. Not later than ten business days after the public hearing, the
23 legislative body of the municipality shall issue a statement of findings
24 and its decision approving, modifying or rejecting the proposed action
25 by the housing authority.

26 (b) Any person displaced as a result of the sale, lease, transfer or
27 destruction of a housing project or portion of a housing project under
28 subsection (a) of this section shall receive relocation assistance under
29 chapter 135 of the general statutes. The municipality or the housing
30 authority shall be responsible for paying the cost of such relocation
31 assistance.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>

Statement of Purpose:

To prohibit a housing authority from selling or otherwise disposing of a low or moderate income housing project without notice to the residents of the project, a hearing and the approval of the municipality in which the project is located.

[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.]