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Referred to Committee on Planning and Development

Introduced by:

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AN ACT CONCERNING HOUSING.

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision (3) of section 34 of public act 03-6 of the June
2 30 special session is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
3 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

4 (3) "Housing revitalization plan" means the master plan of
5 development for the housing developments accepted by the housing
6 authority of the city of New Britain on March 13, 2002, and approved
7 by the commissioner pursuant to subsection (d) of section 35 of [this
8 act] public act 03-6 of the June 30 special session, as amended by this
9 act, as such plan may be amended from time to time.

10 Sec. 2. Section 35 of public act 03-6 of the June 30 special session is
11 amended by adding subsection (e) as follows (*Effective from passage*):

12 (NEW) (e) The housing authority may, from time to time, amend an
13 approved revitalization plan. Any such amendment shall be proposed
14 and approved pursuant to the provisions of subsections (c) and (d) of

15 this section.

16 Sec. 3. Subdivision (44) of section 8-250 of the general statutes, as
17 amended by section 39 of public act 03-6 of the June 30 special session,
18 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
19 *from passage*):

20 (44) Provide assistance, in such form and subject to such conditions
21 as the authority may determine, to a local housing authority or project
22 sponsor in connection with a housing revitalization project undertaken
23 pursuant to [this section] sections 34 to 38, inclusive, of public act 03-6
24 of the June 30 special session, as amended by this act.

25 Sec. 4. Subsection (a) of section 51 of public act 03-6 of the June 30
26 special session is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
27 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

28 (a) As used in this section:

29 (1) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Economic and
30 Community Development;

31 (2) "Connecticut Housing Finance Authority" means the authority
32 created and operating pursuant to the provisions of chapter 134;

33 (3) "Financially distressed development" means a housing
34 development owned by a housing authority and subject to an asset
35 transferred from the Department of Economic and Community
36 Development to the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority pursuant
37 to [subsection (a) of this] section 8-37u or subdivision (3) of section 32-
38 11; and

39 (4) "Housing authority" means a local housing authority owning a
40 financially distressed development.

41 Sec. 5. Subsection (b) of section 8-216 of the general statutes is
42 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*

43 *passage*):

44 (b) The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of
 45 Economic and Community Development, may enter into a contract
 46 with a municipality and the housing authority of the municipality or
 47 with the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority or any subsidiary
 48 created by the authority pursuant to section 8-244, as amended, to
 49 make payments in lieu of taxes to the municipality on land and
 50 improvements owned or leased by the housing authority or the
 51 Connecticut Housing Finance Authority under the provisions of part II
 52 of chapter 128 or under the provisions of sections 8-430 to 8-438,
 53 inclusive. On and after July 1, 1997, the time period of the contract may
 54 include the remaining years of operation of the project. Such payments
 55 shall be made annually in an amount equal to the taxes that would be
 56 paid on such property were the property not exempt from taxation,
 57 and shall be calculated by multiplying the assessed value of such
 58 property, which shall be determined by the tax assessor of such
 59 municipality in the manner used by such assessor for assessing the
 60 value of other real property, by the applicable tax rate of the
 61 municipality. Such contract shall provide that, in consideration of such
 62 grant-in-aid, the municipality shall waive during the period of such
 63 contract any payments by the housing authority or the Connecticut
 64 Housing Finance Authority to the municipality under the provisions of
 65 section 8-71, and shall further provide that the amount of the payments
 66 so waived shall be used by the housing authority or the Connecticut
 67 Housing Finance Authority for a program of social and supplementary
 68 services to the occupants or shall be applied to the operating costs or
 69 reserves of the property, or shall be used to maintain or improve the
 70 physical quality of the property.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>
Sec. 3	<i>from passage</i>
Sec. 4	<i>from passage</i>

Sec. 5	from passage
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Statement of Purpose:

To implement the Governor's budget recommendations.

[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.]