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**Committee Bill No. 5046**

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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Housing

Introduced by:  
(HSG)

**AN ACT ESTABLISHING A COMMUNITY ACTION GROUP ON HOUSING.**

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a  
2 community action group to study and make recommendations on the  
3 long-range state housing plan prepared pursuant to section 8-37t of the  
4 general statutes. The study shall include an examination of (1) the  
5 affordability of housing, (2) housing for the disabled and elderly, and  
6 (3) funding streams for housing projects and shall make specific  
7 recommendations for (A) short-term and long-term housing  
8 procedures, and (B) short-term housing goals to be accomplished by  
9 2010, mid-term goals to be accomplished before 2012, and long-term  
10 goals to be accomplished after 2012.

11 (b) The community action group shall consist of the following  
12 members:

13 (1) The chairpersons of the select committee of the General  
14 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to housing;

15 (2) The chairpersons of the joint standing committee of the General  
16 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to planning and  
17 development;

18 (3) The Secretary of the Office of Policy or management, or the  
19 secretary's designee;

20 (4) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development  
21 or the commissioner's designee;

22 (5) The Executive Director of the Connecticut Housing Finance  
23 Authority or the executive director's designee;

24 (6) One appointed by the Governor who shall be a representative of  
25 a housing authority;

26 (7) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives,  
27 one of whom shall be a representative of a nonprofit housing  
28 development community and one an elected or appointed official of a  
29 municipality with a population between fifty thousand and one  
30 hundred thousand;

31 (8) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one  
32 of whom shall be a representative of a state-wide housing organization  
33 and one an elected or appointed official of a municipality with a  
34 population in excess of one hundred thousand;

35 (9) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of  
36 Representatives who shall be a representative of a community  
37 development financial institution;

38 (10) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate who shall be  
39 a representative of a housing authority;

40 (11) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of  
41 Representatives who shall be an elected or appointed official of a  
42 municipality with a population of less than fifty thousand; and

43 (12) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate who shall  
44 be a representative of the for-profit housing development committee.

45 (c) Any member of the community action group appointed under  
46 subdivisions (6) to (12), inclusive, of subsection (b) of this section may  
47 be a member of the General Assembly.

48 (d) All appointments to the community action group shall be made  
49 no later than thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any  
50 vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority.

51 (e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president  
52 pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the  
53 community action group, from among the members of said  
54 community action group. Such chairpersons shall schedule the first  
55 meeting of the community action group, which shall be held no later  
56 than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

57 (f) The administrative staff of the select committee of the General  
58 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to housing shall serve  
59 as administrative staff of the task force.

60 (g) Not later than January 1, 2009, the task force shall submit a  
61 report on its findings and recommendations to the select committee of  
62 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to  
63 housing, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the  
64 general statutes. The community action group shall terminate on the  
65 date that it submits such report or January 1, 2009, whichever is later.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

**Statement of Purpose:**

To establish a community action group to study and make recommendations on the state's long-term housing plan.

*[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.]*

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