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Committee Bill No. 5068

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Referred to Committee on Planning and Development

Introduced by:

(PD)

AN ACT CONCERNING A PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT FOR CERTAIN PROPERTY OWNERS IN NEW HAVEN AND ESTABLISHING A PROGRAM TO ALLOW SENIOR CITIZENS TO EARN A PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT BY PERFORMING WORK IN THEIR MUNICIPALITY.

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective July 1, 2007, and applicable to assessment years*
2 *commencing on or after October 1, 2007*) The city of New Haven
3 municipality may, upon approval by its legislative body, abate the
4 property taxes due for any tax year or the interest on delinquent taxes
5 with respect to any dwelling unit located in the Beverly Hills section of
6 said city that was repaired because of damage due to the siting of such
7 dwelling unit in the immediate vicinity of the West River.

8 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2007, and applicable to assessment years*
9 *commencing on or after October 1, 2007*) (a) The legislative body of any
10 municipality may establish, by ordinance, a program to provide
11 property tax relief to persons sixty-five years of age and older who
12 volunteer their services to the municipality.

13 (b) Any property tax relief under this section for any taxpayer shall

14 not exceed seven hundred fifty dollars in any assessment year. The
15 amount of such relief shall be determined based on the number of
16 hours volunteered multiplied by the state minimum fair wage, as
17 defined in subsection (j) of section 31-58 of the general statutes

18 (c) The amount of the property tax relief shall be applied to the taxes
19 due to the municipality and shall not be paid to the taxpayer.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2007, and applicable to assessment years commencing on or after October 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2007, and applicable to assessment years commencing on or after October 1, 2007</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To permit New Haven to provide property tax abatements to property owners who have made repairs to homes damaged by earth settlement or sinking and to provide property tax relief to eligible seniors who volunteer their services to the municipality in which they reside.

[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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