



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 495

LCO No. 2427

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Referred to Committee on Planning and Development

Introduced by:
(PD)

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE PUBLIC HOUSING PILOT PROGRAM
AND THE LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING TAX
ABATEMENT.**

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions
2 of section 8-71 of the general statutes, for the one-year period ending
3 June 30, 2008, no payment otherwise due to any municipality under
4 said section 8-71 shall be due from any housing authority. No
5 municipality may impose or collect any tax, assessment or charge in
6 lieu of any payment otherwise due to the municipality under such
7 section for such period. Any such tax, assessment or charge already
8 made shall be withdrawn or reversed, and any payment made by a
9 housing authority pursuant to such tax, assessment or charge shall be
10 refunded to the housing authority.

11 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of the general statutes or any
12 public or special act, for the one-year period ending June 30, 2008, no
13 housing authority shall increase the base or percentage rent of any
14 tenant based upon the actual or anticipated tax, assessment or charge
15 described in subsection (a) of this section and the Connecticut Housing
16 Finance Authority or the Commissioner of Economic and Community

17 Development shall not approve any such increase. Any such increase
18 already approved or implemented shall be withdrawn or reversed to
19 the extent based upon such tax, assessment or charge and any
20 payments received shall be refunded or credited to the tenant.

21 (c) For the purposes of this section, the Connecticut Housing
22 Finance Authority shall be deemed to be a housing authority in
23 relation to any property it owns that is subject to section 8-71 of the
24 general statutes.

25 Sec. 2. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of
26 the general statutes or any public or special act, for the one-year period
27 ending June 30, 2008, no municipality that, for the fiscal year ending
28 June 30, 2007, received payment pursuant to subsection (a) of section 8-
29 216 of the general statutes, shall impose or collect any tax, assessment
30 or charge in lieu of payment pursuant to such subsection (a) on the
31 owner of any housing for which payments would have been made
32 during the one-year period ending June 30, 2008, but for which no
33 appropriations were made available in public act 07-1 of the June
34 special session. Any such tax, assessment or charge made shall be
35 withdrawn or reversed, and any payment made by such owner
36 pursuant to such tax, assessment or charge shall be refunded to owner.

37 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of the general statutes or any
38 public or special act, for the one-year period ending June 30, 2008, no
39 owner of housing described in subsection (a) of this section shall
40 increase the rent of any tenant based upon the actual or anticipated
41 tax, assessment or charge described in subsection (a) of this section.
42 Any such increase already implemented shall be withdrawn or
43 reversed to the extent based upon such tax, assessment or charge and
44 any payments received shall be refunded or credited to the tenant.

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

Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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Statement of Purpose:

To protect residents from rent increases prior to restoration.

[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.]