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Raised Bill No. 167

LCO No. 847



Referred to Committee on AGING

Introduced by:
(AGE)

***AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF EMERGENCY POWER NEEDS
IN PUBLIC HOUSING FOR THE ELDERLY.***

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective July 1, 2016*) (a) The Commissioner of Housing,
2 in consultation with the Commissioner on Aging and the
3 Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection, shall
4 conduct a study of the need for emergency power generators at public
5 housing for the elderly in the state. For purposes of this section, "public
6 housing for the elderly" means any building where fifty per cent or
7 more of the units are rented to persons sixty-two years of age and
8 older under any program created or financed pursuant to chapter 128
9 of the general statutes.

10 (b) The study shall include, but need not be limited to: (1) An
11 inventory of public housing for the elderly in each municipality that
12 includes (A) the total number of housing units, (B) the location of each
13 housing unit, (C) a description of the type of each housing unit, and
14 (D) an indication as to whether emergency power generators are
15 provided for such housing units; (2) recommendations for the

16 provision of emergency power generators; (3) the estimated cost to
17 provide the recommended emergency power generators; and (4) the
18 availability of grants for emergency power generators through the
19 Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security within
20 the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection or any
21 other state or federally funded grant source.

22 (c) Not later than January 1, 2017, the Commissioner of Housing, in
23 consultation with the Commissioner on Aging and the Commissioner
24 of Emergency Services and Public Protection, shall, in accordance with
25 the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, report to the
26 joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance
27 of matters relating to aging, housing and public safety concerning the
28 results of the study.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2016</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To ensure that elderly persons have sufficient backup power in emergencies.

[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.]