Housing Committee
JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT

Bill No.: HB-6892
Title: AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATE’S CONSOLIDATED PLAN FOR HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.
Vote Date: 3/7/2019
Vote Action: Joint Favorable
PH Date: 2/14/2019

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SPONSORS OF BILL:
The Housing Committee,

REASONS FOR BILL:
To have the commissioner of the Department of Housing consult with other agencies to determine goals in the states consolidated plan for housing and community development, and report progress of each goal.

RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION/AGENCY:
None Stated.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT:

Betsy Gara, Executive Director CT Council of Small Towns: supports this bill, expressing the importance of having information from various state agencies which will provide a comprehensive look at community and economic development efforts throughout the state.

Peter Haberlandt, Senior Legal Counsel, Open Communities Alliance: supports this bill, stating the improvements it will make to the existing system of reporting fair housing data in addition to creating an obligation to produce the information in a way that helps identify barriers to fair housing, setting goals to overcome barriers and measure the results.
Donna Hamzy, Advocacy Manager of CT Conference of Municipalities; supports this bill, stating that clearly identifying the geographic housing developments and housing resource allocation goals are essential to assess the needs of Connecticut municipalities.

Hartford Foundation for Public Giving; supports this bill, stating it would provide better affordable housing data to the public, and help the state and other parties interested in housing to allocate resources in a more efficient and equitable way.

Erin Kemple, Executive Director, Connecticut Fair Housing Center; supports this bill.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF OPPOSITION:

None Stated.

Reported by: Joe Begnal  Date: 3/14/19