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## OLR Bill Analysis

### HB 6592

#### ***AN ACT REQUIRING THE CONSIDERATION OF HOUSING NEEDS FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES IN MUNICIPAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING PLANS.***

#### **SUMMARY**

This bill expands the municipal affordable housing planning requirement by requiring plans submitted to the Office of Policy and Management (OPM) after October 1, 2023, to specify how the municipality will improve affordable housing unit accessibility for people with developmental disabilities.

Existing law requires all municipalities to adopt an affordable housing plan and submit a copy to OPM by June 1, 2022, and then at least once every five years afterwards. The plan must detail how the municipality will increase its number of affordable housing developments, as defined under CGS § 8-30g. By law, “affordable housing development” generally means a proposed housing development that is either government assisted housing or a set-aside development subject to an affordability deed restriction.

Under existing law, municipalities that fail to submit a plan following the required timeline must send a letter to OPM (1) explaining why the plan was not submitted and (2) designating a date by which it will do so.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2023

#### **BACKGROUND**

##### ***Related Bill***

sHB 6781, § 24, reported favorably by the Housing Committee, contains provisions generally replacing the current municipal affordable housing planning requirement with a requirement that

municipalities prepare or amend a plan to affirmatively further fair housing.

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Housing Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 15 Nay 0 (02/28/2023)