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SB-142

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A HOUSING AUTHORITY RESIDENT QUALITY OF LIFE IMPROVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM AND A HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER TASK FORCE.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 25 \$	FY 26 \$
Department of Housing	GF - Cost	Up to 286,500	Up to 286,500
State Comptroller - Fringe Benefits ¹	GF - Cost	Up to 15,100	Up to 15,100

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill requires the Department of Housing (DOH) to establish a housing authority resident quality of life improvement grant program, which results in a total state cost of up to \$301,600 annually beginning in FY 25, for both grants and staff to administer the program.

The bill requires DOH to award grants totaling up to \$250,000 per year to housing authorities that apply and meet program criteria. DOH is anticipated to require up to one part-time housing specialist at a state cost of approximately \$51,600 annually (\$36,500 in salary and \$15,100 in fringe benefits) to administer the program.

The bill also establishes a task force to report on the implementation of the federal Housing Choice Voucher Program (Section 8) in

¹The fringe benefit costs for most state employees are budgeted centrally in accounts administered by the Comptroller. The estimated active employee fringe benefit cost associated with most personnel changes is 41.25% of payroll in FY 25.

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Connecticut. There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the state or municipalities as the administrative staff of the General Assembly's Housing Committee will serve as the task force staff.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to changes in employee wage and benefit costs and appropriations for the grant program.