General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on HOUSING

Introduced by:
(HSG)

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A WORKING GROUP TO STUDY AND DEVELOP BEST PRACTICES TO PROMOTE HOUSING GROWTH AND PROTECT THE STATE'S WATER SUPPLY.

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

Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a working group to develop a best practices to promote housing growth and protect the state's water supply.

(b) The working group shall consist of the following members:

(1) The chairpersons of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to housing;

(2) The ranking members of the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to housing, or their designees;

(3) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the secretary's designee;

(4) The Commissioner of Housing, or the commissioner's designee;

(5) The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection, or the commissioner's designee;

(6) The Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's designee;

(7) Two representatives with expertise in housing, appointed by the chairpersons of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to housing;

(8) Two representatives with expertise in state, regional or local planning, appointed by the chairpersons of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to housing; and

(9) Two representatives with expertise in public water supply, appointed by the chairpersons of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to housing.

(c) Any member of the working group appointed under subdivision (1), (2), (7), (8) or (9) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member of the General Assembly.

(d) All initial appointments to the working group shall be made not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority.

(e) The chairpersons of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to housing shall serve as the chairpersons of the working group. Such chairpersons shall schedule the first meeting of the working group, which shall be held not later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

(f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to housing shall serve as the administrative staff of the working group.

(g) Not later than January 1, 2026, the working group convened pursuant to this section shall submit a report on its findings to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to housing, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes. The working group shall terminate on the date that it submits such report or January 1, 2026, whichever is later.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	*from passage*	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To establish a working group to study and develop best practices to promote housing growth and protect the state's water supply.

[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.]