HB 3373 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Human Services and Housing

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Sub-Referral To: Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Meeting Dates: 4/6

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Housing and Community Services Department and Department of Land Conservation and Development to each employ one full-time equivalent employee to perform services relating to increasing availability of affordable housing. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

House Bill 3373 appropriates an unspecified amount of money from the General Fund to the Housing and Community Services Department (OHCS) for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, for OHCS to use in hiring one full-time equivalent employee. That OHCS employee is tasked with providing services to local governments, developers, and communities to increase the availability of affordable housing and review options for changes to state policies relating to housing. House Bill 3373 makes a similar appropriation to the Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) for the hiring of its own similarly tasked full-time equivalent employee.