

HB 2433 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Human Services and Housing

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs Housing and Community Services Department (OHCS) to establish housing colocation pilot program with school district building low-income senior housing on school district property. Limits rent to certain percentage of senior's income and requires classroom assistance from senior. Establishes the Low-Income Senior Housing Colocation Fund. Directs continuous appropriation of moneys to OHCS for construction costs of housing pilot program. Authorizes State Treasurer to issue lottery bonds to Low-Income Senior Housing Colocation Fund for bond-related costs. Sunsets January 2, 2021. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Affordable housing choices for seniors
- Siting of housing development on school land
- Contents of the measure

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-1 Replaces section one.

Directs Housing and Community Services Department (OHCS) and local school district to develop and implement a school district and low-income senior housing colocation pilot program (pilot program) to increase affordable housing for low-income seniors and provide additional classroom assistants to participating school districts. Directs OHCS to adopt rules to implement the pilot program including specific rules regarding selection of school districts, selection of affordable housing providers, rent limitations and development of wait list for applicants. Specifies pilot program application requirements for school district and low-income seniors.

BACKGROUND:

Local school districts around the country are examining proposals to plan or build affordable housing in their communities for teachers, school employees, or low-income community members.

House Bill 2433 directs Housing and Community Services Department (OHCS) to establish a housing colocation pilot program allowing school districts building low-income senior housing on school district property. The pilot program would grant approval for the school districts to build a low-income senior housing development, rent units to low-income seniors and provide schools with classroom assistants. HB 2433 limits rent to a certain percentage of a senior's income and requires participation as a classroom assistant from senior tenant.

HB 2433 establishes the Low-Income Senior Housing Colocation Fund. The bill directs continuous appropriation of moneys to OHCS for construction costs of housing pilot program and authorizes the State Treasurer to issue lottery bonds to the Low-Income Senior Housing Colocation Fund for construction costs and bond-related costs. Funds appropriated to the Low-Income Senior Housing Colocation Fund would be made available immediately to OHCS pay the costs of construction and bond-related costs.