SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Item 22: Department of Land Conservation and Development Development and Zoning Codes

To:	Ways and Means Full Committee
From:	Natural Resources Subcommittee
Carrier:	Representative Pham

The Natural Resources Subcommittee recommends that the Joint Interim Committee on Ways and Means approve the submission of a federal grant application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the amount of \$3 million to support increased housing production through development and zoning code updates, and policy guidance resources created for local governments.

If awarded, the Department of Land Conservation and Development will use the grant to support communities working to remove barriers to affordable housing production. A total of \$2 million would be distributed to local governments to update development and zoning codes to reduce regulatory barriers related to housing production. The remaining \$1 million would be used to create policy guidance documents that local governments can use to increase housing production and affordability. The grant does not require a state match and the application is due October 30th.

The Natural Resources Subcommittee recommends approval.