SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Item 7: Housing and Community Services Department PRO Housing

To: Ways and Means Full Committee

From: Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee

Carrier: Senator Hansell

The Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee recommends that the Joint Interim Committee on Ways and Means approve, retroactively, the submission of a federal grant application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the amount of \$10 million for infrastructure subsidies and technical assistance to local governments.

The Department of Land Conservation and Development received approval to apply for this grant in September 2023, but has since concluded that the Housing and Community Services Department is the more appropriate primary applicant. HCSD is now seeking approval to apply for the grant. HCSD will retain \$7 million to support grant awards to developers seeking to offset site-specific costs associated with affordable housing projects, including sidewalks, streetlights, utility connections, and infrastructure system development charges imposed by local governments. The department will subgrant \$3 million to the Department of Land Conservation and Development to fund technical assistance grants for local governments and for development of adoption-ready housing policy and production plans that meet housing production goals.

The grant application was due October 30th, and no local matching funds or additional positions for either agency are required.

The Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee recommends approval.