

HOUSE No. 2480

By Mrs. Tucker of Andover, petition of Susan C. Tucker, Thomas G. Palumbo, Larry F. Giordano, Augusto F. Grace, Stephen W. Doran and Robert H. Marsh relative to state funding for affordable housing. Housing and Urban Development.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Eight.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO STATE FUNDING FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Chapter 40B of the MGL is hereby amended by adding section
- 2 24: —
- 3 “The Executive Office of Communities and Development,
- 4 Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency and any other state
- 5 agency which contributes financing subsidies or any public monies
- 6 to low and moderate housing developments under the
- 7 Massachusetts Housing Partnership, Homeownership Opportu-
- 8 nity Program, State Housing Rental Assistance Program or
- 9 TELLAR, shall maintain a priority list of proposals for funding
- 10 purposes. Only those applications which have received local
- 11 approval by virtue of a majority vote by the city council or Board
- 12 of Selectmen shall be placed on a priority funding list.”

The Committee on Education and the Arts, in response to a request from the House of Representatives, has the honor to report to the House the results of its study of the proposed legislation.

The Committee's Findings

It is the finding of the Committee that the proposed legislation is necessary and appropriate in the public interest.

The Committee has conducted a thorough study of the proposed legislation and has held numerous public hearings. It has received many suggestions and criticisms from interested parties. The Committee has carefully considered all of these suggestions and criticisms and has endeavored to incorporate into the proposed legislation all of the suggestions and criticisms that it deems appropriate.

The Committee believes that the proposed legislation is necessary and appropriate in the public interest. It is the finding of the Committee that the proposed legislation will result in the most effective and efficient administration of the program. The Committee believes that the proposed legislation will result in the most effective and efficient administration of the program.