

HOUSE No. 5702

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 31, 1975.

The committee on Urban Affairs, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3595) of Robert B. Ambler and Theodore J. Aleixo, Jr., that the Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency be required to notify municipal officers before making loan commitments or loans for projects within cities or towns, report recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 5702) ought to pass.

For the committee,

JOSEPH E. BRETT.

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Five.

AN ACT REQUIRING THE MASSACHUSETTS HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY TO NOTIFY MUNICIPAL OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL COURT BEFORE MAKING LOAN COMMITMENTS OR LOANS FOR PROJECTS WITHIN CITIES OR TOWNS.

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

1 Section 5 of chapter 708 of the Acts of 1966, as most recently
2 amended by section 3, 4 and 5 of chapter 855 of the Acts of 1970,
3 is hereby further amended by adding at the end, the following
4 paragraph:—

5 (h) *Notification to Elected Officers.* Prior to making any loan
6 commitment or loan under this act, the MHFA shall notify the
7 municipal officers and members of the General Court herein after
8 specified of its intention to make such loan commitment or loan,
9 setting forth in such notification a description of the property,
10 sufficient for purposes of identification, with respect to which
11 such loan is contemplated and a description of the scope of the
12 construction or reconstruction to be financed by such loan. Said
13 notification shall be given to the mayor of cities or selectmen of
14 towns in any city or town within which property may lie with
15 respect to which such loan commitment or loan is contemplated.
16 Similarly such notification shall also be given to the state senator
17 and state representative within whose districts property may lie
18 with respect to which a MHFA loan commitment or loan is
19 contemplated. If the property, which is the subject of a
20 notification issued pursuant to this paragraph, lies in two or more
21 municipalities or in two or more state senatorial or state
22 representative districts, the MHFA shall notify the several
23 mayors or the selectmen of the several boards of selectmen of
24 each municipality and the several state senators or state
25 representatives of the several districts, whichever the case may be.