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House Bill 5557 (as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Representative Kristian Grant

House Committee: Economic Development and Small Business

Senate Committee: Local Government

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Planning Enabling Act to require a local government's master plan to promote a range of housing types and include an assessment of the community's housing demand with strategies and policies for addressing those demands. It also would add housing to the list of major interests that the membership of a local government's planning commission must represent.

MCL 125.3807 et al.

BRIEF RATIONALE

Michigan is facing a housing crisis and needs more tools to address the problem. While most master plans in local communities likely include housing issues, the lack of an explicit State requirement does not help the problem or support a solutions-oriented approach. It is important that local communities be required to assess their housing needs and promote a range of housing because they have the best understanding of how to address their local housing issues.

Legislative Analyst: Alex Krabill

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the State and possibly a minor negative fiscal impact on local units of government. The bill's fiscal impact on local units of government would be in the form of increased administrative costs.

Date Completed: 10-10-24 Fiscal Analyst: Bobby Canell