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SYNOPSIS

Establishes five-year housing advisory plan.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT establishing a five year housing advisory plan and
2 supplementing P.L.2009, c.123 (C.52:27D-287a et al.).
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4 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
5 *of New Jersey:*
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7 1. a. In consultation with the Department of Children and
8 Families, the Department of Corrections, the Department of Health
9 and Senior Services, and the Department of Human Services, the
10 Department of Community Affairs shall prepare, and amend as
11 needed, a five-year housing advisory plan. The purpose of the plan
12 is to document the affordable housing needs of all residents in this
13 State, especially those of homeless or near homeless persons,
14 determine the extent to which those needs are addressed through
15 public and private sector programs, and facilitate any necessary
16 planning to meet the affordable housing needs of the State, thereby
17 enabling the development of sound strategies and programs for
18 affordable housing. The information in the five-year housing
19 advisory plan shall include:

- 20 (1) an assessment of the State's housing market trends;
21 (2) an assessment of the housing needs for all economic
22 segments of the State and special needs populations;
23 (3) an inventory of the supply and geographic distribution of
24 affordable housing made available through public and private sector
25 programs;
26 (4) a status report on the degree of progress made by the public
27 and private sectors toward meeting the housing needs of the State;
28 (5) an identification of State and local regulatory barriers to
29 affordable housing and proposed regulatory and administrative
30 techniques designed to remove barriers to the development and
31 placement of affordable housing; and
32 (6) specific recommendations, policies, or proposals for meeting
33 the affordable housing needs of the State, especially those of
34 homeless or near homeless persons.

35 b. The five-year housing advisory plan required under this
36 subsection shall be prepared and submitted to the Governor and the
37 Legislature's Joint Committee on Housing Affordability, or its
38 successor, 18 months following enactment of P.L. , c. (C.)
39 (pending before the Legislature as this bill), and subsequent plans
40 shall be submitted every five years thereafter.
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42 2. This act shall take effect immediately.
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45 STATEMENT

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