



Senate

General Assembly

File No. 76

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Senate Bill No. 1306

Senate, March 10, 2025

The Committee on Housing reported through SEN. MARX of the 20th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT ELIMINATING CERTAIN FUNDING PROVISIONS FROM THE HEALTHY HOMES FUND.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 8-446 of the
2 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
3 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

4 (1) Funding of not more than one million dollars, from remittances
5 transferred pursuant to section 38a-331 for the period beginning January
6 1, 2019, and ending December 31, 2019, shall be remitted to the
7 Department of Economic and Community Development to be used for
8 grants-in-aid to homeowners with homes located in the immediate
9 vicinity of the West River in the Westville section of New Haven and
10 Woodbridge for structurally damaged homes due to subsidence and to
11 homeowners with homes abutting the Yale Golf Course in the Westville
12 section of New Haven for damage to such homes from water infiltration
13 or structural damage due to subsidence; [, and, from remittances
14 transferred pursuant to section 38a-331, for the period beginning May 1,

15 2022, and ending April 30, 2023, funding not exceeding the actual cost
16 of remediation or relocation shall be remitted to the Department of
17 Housing to be used for grants-in-aid for the remediation of structurally
18 deficient foundations in owner-occupied units or the relocation of any
19 owner of any such unit of any condominium associations located in the
20 town of Hamden;]

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>July 1, 2025</i>	8-446(a)(1)
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HSG *Joint Favorable*

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill, which removes a provision that required certain remittances for structurally deficit foundations of condominiums in Hamden, is not anticipated to result in a fiscal impact to the state or to municipalities.

Such remittances would come from the Healthy Homes Fund and the bill does not change any funding structure of the fund. To date, no payments have been made under this provision. These funds will be available for other programs under the Healthy Homes Fund. The Healthy Homes Fund currently supports 1) the Crumbling Foundations Assistance Fund and 2) a program for lead removal, remediation, and abatement activities.

The Out Years

None

OLR Bill Analysis**SB 1306*****AN ACT ELIMINATING CERTAIN FUNDING PROVISIONS FROM THE HEALTHY HOMES FUND.*****SUMMARY**

This bill eliminates a provision related to a Healthy Homes Fund assistance program for owner-occupied condominium units in Hamden with structurally deficient foundations. Under this provision, funding from remittances to the Healthy Homes Fund between May 1, 2022, and April 30, 2023, was directed to the Department of Housing (DOH) to give grants to the owners of these condominiums to either remediate their foundations or move.

By law, the Healthy Homes Fund is a separate nonlapsing General Fund account used primarily to support the Crumbling Foundations Assistance Fund, which assists homeowners with concrete foundations damaged by pyrrhotite (i.e., crumbling foundations). It also supports DOH's lead removal, remediation, and abatement activities. The fund is capitalized by revenue from an annual \$12 surcharge on certain homeowners' insurance policies.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2025

BACKGROUND***Related Bill***

sHB 6942, favorably reported by the Housing Committee, broadens the purposes of the Healthy Homes Fund to include funding a program for reducing radon hazards in residential dwellings.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Housing Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 18 Nay 0 (02/20/2025)