

General Assembly

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Substitute Bill No. 7238

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AN ACT ESTABLISHING A WORKING GROUP TO STUDY THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A STATE SHORT-TERM RENTAL REGISTRY.

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a working 2 group to study the establishment of a state short-term rental registry. 3 Such study shall examine, but need not be limited to, the following: (1) 4 The information that should be collected for such registry from short-5 term rental owners and operators and how often such information 6 should be updated, (2) ways to minimize the administrative burdens on 7 short-term rental owners and operators who are subject to a municipal 8 licensure or registration requirement pursuant to section 7-148qq of the 9 general statutes, (3) how such registry would be accessed by the public 10 and the appropriate state agency to be responsible for overseeing and 11 maintaining such registry, (4) the amount of the fee to be charged, if any, 12 to register a short-term rental property, the penalty for failure to register 13 a short-term rental property and enforcement mechanisms that could be 14 implemented, (5) any requirements for safety or health standards that 15 would be applicable to short-term rental properties and that are not in 16 conflict with state or local building or fire codes or other state or local 17 laws, and a determination of what would be required of a short-term 18 rental owner or operator to show compliance with any such 19 requirements, and (6) whether municipalities should be authorized to

20 impose a local tax on short-term rental properties and, if so, how such21 tax should be structured.

22 (b) The working group shall consist of (1) the chairpersons and 23 ranking members of the joint standing committees of the General 24 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to finance, revenue and 25 bonding, local governments and commerce, (2) the Secretary of the 26 Office of Policy and Management and the Commissioner of Revenue 27 Services, or their designees, (3) representatives of regional councils of 28 governments and of municipalities, including a representative of a 29 municipality that requires licensure or registration of short-term rental 30 properties pursuant to section 7-148qq of the general statutes, and (4) 31 short-term rental owners or operators and any other individuals said 32 chairpersons and ranking members deem relevant or necessary to carry 33 out such study. The chairpersons of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to finance, 34 35 revenue and bonding shall serve as cochairpersons of the working 36 group and shall schedule the first meeting of the working group, which 37 shall be held not later than sixty days after the effective date of this 38 section.

39 (c) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
40 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to finance,
41 revenue and bonding shall serve as administrative staff of the working
42 group.

(d) Not later than January 1, 2026, the working group shall submit a
report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing
committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
relating to finance, revenue and bonding, local governments and
commerce, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the
general statutes. The working group shall terminate on the date that it
submits such report or January 1, 2026, whichever is later.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

| Section 1 | from passage | New section |
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