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sHB-5394

AN ACT CONCERNING THE UNIFORM RELOCATION ASSISTANCE ACT.

As Amended by House "A" (LCO 5113)

House Calendar No.: 219

Senate Calendar No.: 495

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 27 \$	FY 28 \$
Department of Housing	GF - Potential Cost	Minimal	Minimal
Resources of the General Fund	GF - Potential Revenue Gain	Minimal	Minimal

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact:

Municipalities	Effect	FY 27 \$	FY 28 \$
All Municipalities	Potential Revenue Gain	Minimal	Minimal
All Municipalities	Potential Cost	Minimal	Minimal

Explanation

The bill expands what municipalities must pay for when relocating individuals who are displaced for certain reasons to include hotel stays. This may result in a potential cost to municipalities beginning in FY 27 to the extent hotel stays are paid for, however, under existing law unchanged by the bill, the payments may not exceed \$4,000. To the extent municipalities would have already made payments that reached the cap this provision will not result in a fiscal impact.

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The bill also requires a municipality to lien the property and assign such lien(s) after a period to qualify for a grant from the Department of Housing (DOH) that would cover a portion of the municipality's relocation costs.

The existing grant program is not currently operational; no grants dependent on the above requirements have been issued since at least 1986. If grants are issued, this will result in a cost to DOH for the grant, a revenue gain to the General Fund for grants recovered via lien enforcement, and a revenue gain to municipalities.

House "A" makes various technical and clarifying changes that do not alter the fiscal impact.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to actual relocation assistance payments made, actual grants issued by DOH, and the ability of the state to recover funds.