

General Assembly

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LCO No. 5522



Referred to Committee on HOUSING

Introduced by: (HSG)

## AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY STATE GUARANTEED CONSTRUCTION BONDS.

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 task force
- 2 to conduct a study concerning the feasibility and potential benefits of (1)
- 3 the State Bond Commission having the power to authorize the issuance
- 4 of surety bonds for housing construction projects contracted by private
- 5 developers to which the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut
- 6 are pledged, and (2) establishing an alternative process for the issuance
- 7 of bonds for housing construction projects that does not require
- 8 allocation by the State Bond Commission.
- 9 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:
- 10 (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;
- 11 (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;
- 12 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of

13 Representatives;

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- 14 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;
- 15 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of 16 Representatives;
- 17 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate;
- 18 (7) The Commissioner of Housing, or the commissioner's designee;
- 19 (8) One appointed by the Treasurer; and
- 20 (9) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management.
- 21 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),
- 22 (2), (3), (4), (5) or (6) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member
- 23 of the General Assembly.
- 24 (d) All initial appointments to the task force shall be made not later
- 25 than thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall
- 26 be filled by the appointing authority.
- 27 (e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro
- 28 tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task force from
- among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons shall schedule
- 30 the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held not later than sixty
- 31 days after the effective date of this section.
- 32 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
- 33 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to housing
- 34 shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.
- 35 (g) Not later than February 1, 2026, the task force shall submit a report
- on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee of
- 37 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to housing
- and planning and development, in accordance with the provisions of
- 39 section 11-4a of the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on
- 40 the date that it submits such report or February 1, 2026, whichever is

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## 41 later.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following		
sections:		
Section 1	from passage	New section

## Statement of Purpose:

To establish a task force to study the feasibility and potential benefits of (1) the State Bond Commission having the power to authorize the issuance of surety bonds for certain housing construction projects, and (2) establishing a process for the issuance of bonds for housing construction projects that does not require allocation by the State Bond Commission.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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