HB 1495 - DIGEST

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Finds that: (1) There is a substantial inventory of unsold or foreclosed vacant homes on the market that is driving property values down and destabilizing neighborhoods; and

(2) Providing targeted incentives to housing developers will stimulate the sale of these vacant homes to low-income buyers now and stabilize neighborhoods affected by this growing inventory.

Declares an intent to provide such incentives through excise tax relief on sales of homes to low-income first-time homebuyers.