

**SB 5825** - H COMM AMD

By Committee on Housing, Human Services & Veterans

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that the lack of  
4 sufficient affordable housing inventory, specifically rental housing,  
5 is deeply felt statewide. The legislature also finds that despite the  
6 administration of numerous local rental property registration and  
7 landlord licensing programs, it is difficult to accurately track  
8 housing inventory and understand the extent of affordable housing  
9 need and housing supply shortages on a statewide scale. To accurately  
10 track and maintain the level of rental and vacant housing in this  
11 state, the legislature intends with this act to convene a work group  
12 to evaluate the feasibility of creating a statewide rental and vacant  
13 property registration program and database.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** (1) The department of commerce must  
15 convene a work group to make recommendations on the creation of a  
16 statewide rental and vacant property registration program for the  
17 purpose of inventorying both tenant-occupied and potentially  
18 available rental housing.

19 (2) The work group must include relevant stakeholders including,  
20 but not limited to, tenant representatives, landlord and property  
21 management representatives, multifamily housing representatives,  
22 housing developer representatives, and representatives from cities  
23 and counties.

24 (3) The work group must meet at least three times and evaluate  
25 the following:

26 (a) Current local rental property registration and landlord  
27 licensing programs and strategies to synthesize and collect  
28 registration information from such programs into a statewide  
29 database, while addressing any information technology challenges;

30 (b) Which property and landlord information should be collected  
31 and made disclosable in such a database;

1 (c) The need to implement a rental and vacant property  
2 registration requirement over time and across specific state regions,  
3 and challenges in both identifying housing units and providing  
4 adequate notice to rental and vacant property owners subject to a  
5 registration requirement;

6 (d) The imposition of registration or licensing fees and fee  
7 amounts, use of fee revenue, and appropriate penalties;

8 (e) Which types of housing units should be exempted from a  
9 statewide registration requirement;

10 (f) The use of a statewide registration program database to  
11 provide rental assistance program information to both tenants and  
12 landlords;

13 (g) The feasibility of requiring landlords to report rent rate  
14 data as part of such a registration program; and

15 (h) Any other relevant factors or considerations discussed by the  
16 work group.

17 (4) The department of commerce must issue a final report,  
18 including any work group findings and recommendations, to the  
19 appropriate committees of the legislature by June 1, 2023.

20 (5) This section expires June 1, 2024."

21 Correct the title.

EFFECT: Changes the deadline by which the Department of Commerce (Commerce) must issue a final report, including any work group findings and recommendations, to the Legislature from December 1, 2022, to June 1, 2023. Provides that the section requiring Commerce to convene a work group to make recommendations on creating a statewide rental and vacant property registration program expires on June 1, 2024, rather than January 1, 2023.

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