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**Joint Committee on
Ways and Means**

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To: Ways and Means Full Committee

From: Human Services Subcommittee

Re: HB 3063 Relating to housing for individuals with mental illness

Senator Winters: “HB 3063 establishes an advisory committee to the Housing and Community Services Department and gives direction regarding the disbursement of funds for the development of community-based housing for individuals with mental illness and individuals with substance abuse disorders.

In 2015, the Legislature approved \$20 million in lottery bonds for affordable housing for those with mental illness and substance abuse issues. The balance of uncommitted funds is expected to be about \$9.2 million after the next round of competitive awards are approved. There is no cost to the Housing and Community Services Department associated with the remaining disbursement and oversight of these funds, and the advisory group can be convened within existing Department resources.

The Human Services Subcommittee recommends HB 3063 be amended by the –A3 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.”