

**SB 331 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Senate Committee On Housing**

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Requires local governments to include affordable housing need in overall estimate of housing needs for 20 years upon review of comprehensive plan and inventory of buildable lands. Requires review to include local governments' consideration of impact of development on neighborhoods with lower than average property values, including gentrification, and a housing analysis by price. Defines gentrification.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

Local governments are periodically required to review their comprehensive plans or regional frameworks in accordance with state laws that govern land use planning, to show there are sufficient buildable lands within their urban growth boundaries to accommodate estimated housing needs for 20 years. Review must include an inventory and a determination of the housing capacity of buildable lands demonstrating that the local government considered any restrictive laws, written long-term utility contracts or easements, and existing single family dwellings or other structures. Review must also include analyses of housing by type and density range.

Senate Bill 331 specifies that affordable housing must be included in the overall estimate of housing needs for 20 years; expands local government's consideration to include impacts on neighborhoods with lower than average property values, including gentrification; and adds a housing analysis by price range to the review process.