

HB 3359 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Human Services and Housing

Action Date: 04/08/19

Action: Do pass with amendments and be referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.
(Printed A-Eng.)

Vote: 9-0-0-0

Yeas: 9 - Helt, Keny-Guyer, Meek, Mitchell, Noble, Sanchez, Schouten, Williams, Zika

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 3/25, 4/8

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Establishes the Vacation Occupancy Task Force. Outlines task force charge and membership. Requires task force to report findings and recommendations to interim committee by September 15, 2020. Sunsets task force on December 31, 2020. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Housing shortages for permanent residents in some communities due to purchase of second homes by those outside of area
- Increased housing market prices from more homes being purchased as second homes
- Desire to have task force be represented by vacation rental industry

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Allows Senate President and Speaker of the House to both appoint two legislators. Changes staffing support from Department of Administrative Services to Housing and Community Services Department.

BACKGROUND:

In many coastal and other resort areas, people not from the area will purchase a "second home" to use as a personal vacation home or a vacation rental home. There are reports that this creates housing shortages for permanent residents and results in increased prices of homes that are unaffordable by local residents.