

# SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

## HB 3644

### Relating to a statewide shelter system

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To:	Ways and Means Full Committee
From:	Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee
Carrier:	Representative Gomberg

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HB 3644 requires the Housing and Community Services Department to establish a statewide shelter program to reduce unsheltered homelessness, and transition homeless people to housing stability.

The department will work with regional coordinators to plan and fund services based on region, needs, type of shelter, and past performance. Shelters receiving funds must primarily be all season and available 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. Shelters must use best practices, including coordinated entry and data systems to facilitate data collection and reporting. The measure includes reporting requirements, funding set asides for low-barrier and recovery-based shelters and specifies contract terms for coordinator selection. The measure includes a sunset provision of January 2, 2034.

Funding and agency staffing for a statewide shelter system is included in HB 5011, the budget bill for the Housing and Community Services Department.

The Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee recommends HB 3644 be amended by the –A2 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.