

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

SB 684

Relating to Housing

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Capital Construction Subcommittee
Carrier: Senator Frederick

SB 684 directs the Housing and Community Services Department to develop a program structure for a revolving loan fund that provides a source of long-term financing for residential housing. The department is required to report to interim committees of the Legislative Assembly by November 15, 2025, with recommendations on program structure and necessary statutory authorization for the revolving loan fund. By January 1, 2027, the department is required to develop and implement lending strategies that are within the department's existing statutory authority.

The amendment adds \$2 million Other Funds and eight permanent positions to develop processes and criteria for the revolving loan program. To fund start-up costs, the department will use service fees charged for conduit bonds issued on behalf of developers. Proceeds from revenue bonds issued by the department will serve as the source of loan funds, while bond interest and program fees will provide ongoing funding for administrative costs of the program.

The Capital Construction Subcommittee recommends SB 684 be amended by the –B9 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.