

Committee Report

REGULAR CALENDAR

May 13, 2021

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

**The Committee on Finance to which was referred SB
152-FN-A,**

**AN ACT relative to affordable housing program
funding. Having considered the same, report the same
with the following resolution: RESOLVED, that it is
INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Jess Edwards

FOR THE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee:	Finance
Bill Number:	SB 152-FN-A
Title:	relative to affordable housing program funding.
Date:	May 13, 2021
Consent Calendar:	REGULAR
Recommendation:	INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE

STATEMENT OF INTENT

The bill has two sections. The first section was passed into law in HB 4, in 2019, as part of the budget. DHHS is actively engaging the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services to amend the state plan enabling state assistance to individuals and families needing to obtain housing. The second section is being addressed in a Senate omnibus bill which would substitute a Housing Stability Fund for the more narrowly constrained Homeless and Access Revolving Fund. Since progress is being made on both issues, the committee considered the bill redundant, and unanimously voted Inexpedient to Legislate.

Vote 20-0.

Rep. Jess Edwards
FOR THE COMMITTEE

Original: House Clerk
Cc: Committee Bill File

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Finance

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Voting Sheets

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
EXECUTIVE SESSION on SB 152-FN-A

BILL TITLE: relative to affordable housing program funding.

DATE: May 10, 2021

LOB ROOM: REMOTE

MOTIONS: **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE**

Moved by Rep. Edwards

Seconded by Rep. Theberge

Vote: 20-0

CONSENT CALENDAR: NO

Statement of Intent: Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep Joseph Pitre, Clerk

EXECUTIVE SESSION on SB 152-FN-A

BILL TITLE: relative to affordable housing program funding.

DATE:

LOB ROOM: 210-211 + ZOOM

MOTION: (Please check one box)

- OTP
- ITL
- Retain (1st year)
- Adoption of Amendment # _____
- Interim Study (2nd year) (if offered)

Moved by Rep. EDWARDS Secounded by Rep. Theberge Vote: 20-0

MOTION: (Please check one box)

- OTP
- OTP/A
- ITL
- Retain (1st year)
- Adoption of Amendment # _____
- Interim Study (2nd year) (if offered)

Moved by Rep. _____ Secounded by Rep. _____ Vote: _____

MOTION: (Please check one box)

- OTP
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- ITL
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Moved by Rep. _____ Secounded by Rep. _____ Vote: _____

MOTION: (Please check one box)

- OTP
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- ITL
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- Adoption of Amendment # _____
- Interim Study (2nd year) (if offered)

Moved by Rep. _____ Secounded by Rep. _____ Vote: _____

CONSENT CALENDAR: _____ YES NO

Minority Report? _____ Yes No If yes, author, Rep: _____ Motion _____

Respectfully submitted:

Rep Joseph Pitre, Clerk



2021 SESSION

Finance

Bill #: SB 152 Motion: ITL AM #: _____ Exec Session Date: 10 MAY 2021

<u>Members</u>	<u>YEAS</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>NV</u>
Meyler, Kenneth L. Chairman	20		
Ober, Lynne M. Vice Chairman			✓
Jmberger, Karen C.	1		
Jantelison, David J.	2		
Theberge, Robert L.	3		
Pitre, Joseph A. Clerk	4		
Emerick, Tracy	5		
Erf, Keith	6		
Griffin, Gerald	7		
Edwards, Jess C.	8		
Bean, Harry H.	9		
Lynn, Bob J.	10		
Vallner, Mary Jane	11		
Vordgren, Sharon L.	12		
Buco, Thomas L.	13		
Leishman, Peter R.	14		
Hatch, William A.	15		
Rogers, Katherine D.	16		
Valz, Mary Beth	17		
Leath, Mary	18		
Murray, Kate R.	19		

LEFT THE meeting

Rep RENZULLO

Rep GRASSIE

Total 20 0

Hearing Minutes

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

PUBLIC HEARING ON SB 152-FN-A

BILL TITLE: relative to affordable housing program funding.

DATE: May 10, 2021

LOB ROOM: REMOTE **Time Public Hearing Called to Order:** 12:20 p.m.

Time Adjourned: 12:31 p.m.

Committee Members: Reps. Weyler, L. Ober, Pitre, Umberger, Danielson, Theberge, Emerick, Erf, G. Griffin, Edwards, Bean, Lynn, Wallner, Nordgren, Bucu, Leishman, Hatch, Rogers, Walz, Heath and K. Murray

Bill Sponsors:
Sen. Gray

TESTIMONY

* Use asterisk if written testimony and/or amendments are submitted.

Shannon Girard, introduced the bill for Sen. Gray, the bill's sponsor.

Chris Santaniello, DHHS: Already in HB 4 of last term bill. Many parts of bill not needed.

Tom DeRosa, Housing Action NH, Communications Coordinator - supports the bill.

Molly Lynch, DHHS - did not testify.

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Joseph Pitre
Clerk

PUBLIC HEARING ON

BILL TITLE: Relative to AFFORDABLE housing program FUNDING

DATE: 10 MAY 2021

5B152

LOB ROOM: 210-204 Zoom

Time Public Hearing Called to Order: 12:30 AM

Time Adjourned: 12:31 AM

Committee Members: Reps. Weyler, L. Ober, Pitre, Umberger, Danielson, Theberge, Emerick, Erf, G. Griffin, Edwards, Bean, Lynn, Wallner, Nordgren, Bucu, Leishman, Hatch, Rogers, Walz, Heath and K. Murray

TESTIMONY

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SEN GRAY

SHANNON GIRARD FOR SEN GRAY - INTRODUCES BILL

D HHS: There are FUNDS TO include this program

CHRIS SANTARELLO
D HHS:

ALREADY IN HBY OF LAST TERM BILL
MANY PARTS OF BILL NOT NEEDED

TOM DUROSA COMMUNICATIONS
NOMINEE COORDINATOR

MULLY LYNCH NO TESTIMONY

House Remote Testify

Finance Committee Testify List for Bill SB152 on 2021-05-10

Support: 62 Oppose: 3 Neutral: 2 Total to Testify: 4

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<u>Name</u>	<u>City, State</u> <u>Email Address</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Testifying</u>	<u>Non-Germane</u>
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Bill
as
Amended
by the
Senate

SB 152-FN-A - AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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2021 SESSION

21-1026
06/08

SENATE BILL ***152-FN-A***

AN ACT relative to affordable housing program funding.

SPONSORS: Sen. Gray, Dist 6

COMMITTEE: Health and Human Services

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill:

I. Requires the department of health and human services to submit a State Plan Amendment to the Centers of Medicare and Medicaid Services.

II. Permits an extension of the timeline for repayments to the homeless housing and access revolving loan fund for emergency circumstances.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struck through.~~]
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty One

AN ACT relative to affordable housing program funding.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 Department of Health and Human Services; Housing Assistance. The department of health
2 and human services shall, no later than December 1, 2021, submit to the Centers of Medicare and
3 Medicaid Services a 1915i State Plan Amendment to provide supportive services to assist individuals
4 and families in obtaining housing.

5 2 Homeless Housing and Access Revolving Loan Fund. Amend RSA 126-A:63 to read as follows:

6 126-A:63 Homeless Housing and Access Revolving Loan Fund. There is hereby established a
7 non-lapsing and continually appropriated homeless housing and access revolving loan fund. The
8 fund shall be administered by the department of health and human services with advice and
9 recommendations from the governor's interagency council on homelessness. To be eligible, an
10 applicant shall have no permanent address and shall be residing temporarily in a shelter for the
11 homeless, a hotel, a motel, the home of another household designed for occupancy by only one
12 household, or entirely without shelter. Funds shall be used solely to provide loans for the first
13 month of rent and security deposit for homeless individuals and families. Repayment terms of the
14 loans shall be determined by the department in consultation with the interagency council and shall
15 be based on need. Such repayments shall commence no later than 120 days after the loan is
16 disbursed, *provided that the time line for such repayments may be extended with the*
17 *approval of the commissioner for emergency circumstances or other good cause shown.*

18 3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect July 1, 2021.

**SB 152-FN-A- FISCAL NOTE
AS INTRODUCED**

AN ACT relative to affordable housing program funding.

FISCAL IMPACT: State County Local None

STATE:	Estimated Increase / (Decrease)			
	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
Appropriation	\$0	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$0
Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Expenditures	\$0	Indeterminable	Indeterminable	Indeterminable
Funding Source:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Education <input type="checkbox"/> Highway <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other - Federal Matching Medicaid Funds			

METHODOLOGY:

Section one of this bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to submit to the federal Centers of Medicare and Medicaid Services a 1915(i) State Plan Amendment to provide supportive services to assist individuals and families in obtaining housing. The Department assumes there will be no fiscal impact related to drafting and submitting the proposed amendment. The Department states that as of February 2021, it is working on determining what the financial impact will be if the amendment is approved and supportive services must be made available to assist Medicaid-eligible individuals and families in obtaining housing. The Department notes that the bill contains no appropriation for this purpose, but assumes that any general fund expenditures would be matched by federal Medicaid funds.

Section two of the bill appropriates \$5 million in each of FY 2022 and 2023 to the NH Housing Finance Authority for the purpose of providing finance or state matching funds for affordable housing.

Section three amends RSA 126-A:63 relative to repayments of loans from the Homeless Housing and Access Revolving Loan Fund. This section is not expected to have a fiscal impact.

AGENCIES CONTACTED:

Department of Health and Human Services and New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority