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AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 691
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, after “**State**” insert “**and Local**”; in the same line, after “**Procedures**” insert “**and Requirements**”; in line 9, after “units;” insert “**prohibiting certain local governments from establishing certain permit requirements related to housing construction under certain circumstances; requiring certain local governments to provide certain justification of certain regulations to the State Housing Ombudsman and the Legislative Policy Committee under certain circumstances;**”; and in line 20, strike “10-1703” and substitute “10-1704”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, after line 21, insert:

“10-1704.

(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(2) “LOCAL GOVERNMENT” MEANS:

(I) A COUNTY;

(II) A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION IN THE STATE; OR

(III) A UNIT OF A COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION IN THE STATE.

(3) “LOCAL PERMIT” MEANS A PERMIT OR APPROVAL REQUIRED BY LAW OR REGULATION TO BE ISSUED BY A LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO A DEVELOPER, CONTRACTOR, OR SUBCONTRACTOR IN ORDER TO COMMENCE, CONTINUE, OR SUPPORT A HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROJECT.

(B) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, A LOCAL GOVERNMENT MAY NOT ESTABLISH REQUIREMENTS FOR A LOCAL PERMIT THAT ARE MORE STRINGENT THAN STATE REQUIREMENTS FOR A PERMIT RELATED TO HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, UNLESS EXPRESSLY AUTHORIZED BY STATE LAW.

(C) A LOCAL GOVERNMENT THAT ENACTS A REGULATION THAT IMPOSES A MORE STRINGENT STANDARD THAN A STATE REGULATION THAT LEADS TO A REDUCTION IN HOUSING SUPPLY MUST SUBMIT A JUSTIFICATION TO THE STATE HOUSING OMBUDSMAN AND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1257 OF THIS ARTICLE, TO THE LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE.”.