SENATE BILL SB-11

Introduced by Senator Angelique Ashby (D-8)

An act relating to An act to establish a program that connects families living in affordable housing with local support services..

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB-11, Angelique Ashby (D-8). An act to establish a program that connects families living in affordable housing with local support services..

Under existing law, California requires cities and counties to have a housing element that addresses the housing needs of people at different income levels. Local governments must also include programs to help develop affordable housing.

Existing law allows local governments to work with nonprofit and community based housing organizations to develop and manage affordable housing projects.

This bill would create the Family Housing Stability Partnership Program within the Department of Housing and Community Development. The program would fund affordable housing projects that partner with local organizations to connect families with housing, employment, transportation, and family support services.

The bill would appropriate five million dollars ($5,000,000) from the General Fund to the Department of Housing and Community Development to establish and operate the program.

Vote: 2/3rds. **Appropriations/fiscal:** yes. **Local program:** yes.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1.

The Family Housing Stability Partnership Act is established within the Department of Housing and Community Development.

SECTION 2.

(a) The purpose of the program is to help families living in affordable housing access services that can support housing stability.

(b) The department shall provide funding to eligible affordable housing projects that partner with local community organizations.

(c) Partner organizations may help families connect with:

(1) Housing assistance.

(2) Employment services.

(3) Transportation services.

(4) Family support services.

SECTION 3.

(a) The Department of Housing and Community Development shall select participating housing projects and community organizations.

(b) Participating projects shall use program funds to support partnerships and connect residents with available services.

SECTION 4.

The sum of five million dollars ($5,000,000) is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Housing and Community Development for purposes of this act.

SECTION 5.

The Department of Housing and Community Development may adopt guidelines necessary to implement this act.