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## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 442

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*Directing the Virginia Housing Commission to study the tax policies enacted by the Commonwealth and its political subdivisions concerning affordable housing. Report.*

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Referred to Committee on Rules

10 WHEREAS, the availability of affordable housing and success of affordable housing initiatives are of  
11 great statewide importance; and

12 WHEREAS, the Commonwealth and its political subdivisions have adopted different tax policies  
13 concerning the funding and availability of affordable housing; and

14        WHEREAS, different tax policies affect the funding and availability of affordable housing in different  
15 ways; and

16 WHEREAS, different geographic areas of the Commonwealth have different affordable housing needs  
17 and financial abilities; and

18 WHEREAS, the Commonwealth and its political subdivisions may benefit from an examination and  
19 understanding of all available tax policies concerning affordable housing; and  
20 WHEREAS, the Virginia Housing Commission has a responsibility to study and evaluate affordable

20        WHEREAS, the Virginia Housing Commission has experience studying issues related to affordable  
21        housing; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the Virginia Housing Commission  
23 be directed to study the tax policies enacted by the Commonwealth and its political subdivisions concerning  
24 affordable housing.

24 affordable housing.  
25 In conducting its study, the Virginia Housing Commission (the Commission) shall examine the tax  
26 policies of the Commonwealth and its political subdivisions for uniformity and success. The Commission  
27 shall make any recommendations regarding statewide standards as appropriate.

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28 Technical assistance shall be provided to the Commission by the Department of Housing and Community  
29 Development. All agencies of the Commonwealth shall provide assistance to the Commission for this study,  
30 upon request.

The Commission shall complete its meetings by November 30, 2025, and the chairman shall submit to the Division of Legislative Automated Systems an executive summary of its findings and recommendations no later than the first day of the 2026 Regular Session of the General Assembly. The executive summary shall state whether the Commission intends to submit to the General Assembly and the Governor a report of its findings and recommendations for publication as a House or Senate document. The executive summary and report shall be submitted as provided in the procedures of the Division of Legislative Automated Systems for the processing of legislative documents and reports and shall be posted on the General Assembly's website.