Department of Planning and Budget 2025 General Assembly Session State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: HB1658 **Patron:** Keys-Gamarra

Bill Title: Board of Housing and Community Development; USBC; stakeholder group to evaluate

temperature regulation.

Bill Summary: Directs the Board of Housing and Community Development to convene a stakeholder advisory group to evaluate changes to the Uniform Statewide Building Code addressing temperature regulation. The stakeholder group shall submit its findings and recommendations to the Board and to the Chairmen of the House Committee on General Laws and the Senate Committee on General Laws and Technology no later than November 1, 2025.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No Items Impacted: N/A

Explanation: This bill involves the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD). See Fiscal

Analysis section, below.

Fiscal Summary: DHCD indicates that the requirements of this bill can be absorbed within current resources. However, the cumulative impact of this and other bills pertaining to stakeholder work groups and task forces may result in an unabsorbable fiscal impact.

General Fund Expenditure Impact:

<u>Agency</u>	<u>FY2025</u>	<u>FY2026</u>	<u>FY2027</u>	<u>FY2028</u>	FY2029	FY2030
DHCD	\$7,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL	\$ 7,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Analysis: The agency anticipates that this bill will require approximately 10 persons to convene three times, with an estimated cost of \$7,500 in FY2025. DHCD's estimate is based on anticipated meetings, which may be in-person, requiring supplies, travel, and sustenance reimbursement. Existing agency staff is to provide administrative support.

DHCD indicates that the requirements of this bill can be absorbed within current resources. However, the cumulative impact of this and other bills pertaining to stakeholder work groups and task forces may result in an unabsorbable fiscal impact. Any funding for this purpose can be allocated to Item 105 in HB1600/SB800, as introduced.

Other: None.