



House Bill 168

Committee: Economic Matters

Bill: House Bill 168 - Housing and Community Development - Affordable Housing - Educator Workforce Housing and Municipal Corporations

Date: February 5th, 2025

Position: Favorable

The Maryland Multi-Housing Association (MMHA) is a professional trade association established in 1996, whose members consist of owners and managers of more than 214,000 rental housing homes in over 1015 apartment communities. Our members house over 571,000 residents of the State of Maryland. MMHA also represents over 270 associate member companies who supply goods and services to the multi-housing industry.

House Bill 168 (“HB 168”) establishes that providing educator workforce housing is an eligible use of certain financial assistance provided by the Department of Housing and Community Development. Additionally, HB 168 establishes that teachers and other employees of a local school system shall be considered a specified group for purposes of the federal Low-Income Housing Tax Credit program.

MMHA would like to commend the sponsor for bringing forth an innovative idea that seeks to chip away at Maryland’s housing dearth of 96,000 units. MMHA recognizes that many educators across Maryland seek and choose to live in our multi-housing communities and to make it their homes. By freeing up these specified funds, MMHA is hopeful this legislation may result in the creation of unique and dedicated educator workforce multi-housing developments.

For those reasons, MMHA would ask for a favorable report to HB168.

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