198A.025 State policy on housing.

The General Assembly hereby finds and declares it to be in the public interest to establish a state policy on housing. The objectives of a Kentucky housing policy shall be to:

- (1) Encourage the availability of decent and affordable housing for all Kentucky residents:
- (2) Identify the basic housing needs of all Kentuckians, including the elderly, persons of low and very low income, the disabled, the homeless, and single-parent households;
- (3) Coordinate housing activities and services among state departments and agencies to ensure program flexibility and comprehensive housing production;
- (4) Remove administrative and regulatory guidelines to ensure compatibility in the development of affordable housing for all Kentuckians;
- (5) Inventory state owned lands and buildings to evaluate utilization for both public and private housing development;
- (6) Encourage and strengthen collaborative planning and partnerships among social service providers, all levels of government, and the public and private sectors, including for-profit and nonprofit organizations, in the production of affordable housing;
- (7) Reevaluate housing and housing-related programs and policies to ensure proper coordination of those programs and policies;
- (8) Coordinate housing into comprehensive community and economic development strategies at the state and local levels;
- (9) Encourage local planning commissions to include a housing element in the five
 (5) year comprehensive plan; and
- (10) Discourage housing policies or strategies which concentrate affordable housing in limited sections of metropolitan areas and county jurisdiction.

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