

**HB 1956 - DIGEST**

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 1ST SUB)

Authorizes a church to provide shelter or housing to homeless persons on property owned or controlled by the church whether within buildings located on the property or elsewhere on the property outside of buildings.

Prohibits a county, city, or town from enacting an ordinance or regulation or taking any other action that: (1) Unreasonably interferes with the decisions or actions of a church regarding the location of housing or shelter for homeless persons on property the church owns or controls;

(2) Prohibits or attempts to regulate the housing of homeless persons on church property based upon the property's proximity to a school or day care center;

(3) Requires a church to maintain property and casualty insurance; or

(4) Requires a church to obtain insurance pertaining to the liability of a municipality with respect to homeless persons housed on church property or otherwise requires the church to indemnify the municipality against such liability.