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Senate Appropriations Government Operations Committee

Senate Bill 2225 - January 27, 2025

Testimony of Micah Olson, P&A Position-In Support

Mr. Chairman, members of the committee, my name is Micah Olson. I am an attorney at Protection & Advocacy. I am speaking in support of Senate Bill No. 2225, a bill to provide housing for opportunity, mobility, and empowerment program grants to political subdivisions to build infrastructure necessary to support affordable, market rate housing.

Protection & Advocacy supports funding for accessible and affordable housing. The high cost of rent, limited housing options with accessibility features, and limits on public transportation options can be barriers for individuals to find a place to live. Increased funding will assist in improving housing options. Protection & Advocacy encourages communities to keep accessibility and the need for public transportation in mind when reviewing housing needs, as this will benefit those you require accessible housing and transportation.

P&A recommends do pass on Senate Bill 2225.