

Introduced by Senators Wiener and Vidak

January 3, 2018

An act relating to housing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 829, as introduced, Wiener. Employee housing: farmworker housing.

Existing law, the Employee Housing Act, requires a person operating employee housing, as defined, to obtain a permit to operate that housing from the agency that enforces the act, which can either be the Department of Housing and Community Development or a city, county, or city and county that assumes responsibility for enforcing the act.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would expand the Employee Housing Act to (1) further incentivize the creation of farmworker housing in agricultural communities, (2) authorize the Department of Housing and Community Development to partner private agricultural operators with independent nonprofits that will manage and operate residences, and (3) preserve and protect the civil rights of tenants living in employee housing.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

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