SUPPORT HB 1634/SB1187

Topic: Resilience Planning
Bill Patron: Bulova, Lewis

Overview:
This legislation would encourage localities to consider strategies to address resilience in their comprehensive planning process.

Reasons to support:
- This legislation would encourage localities to “to anticipate, prepare for, respond to, and recover from significant multi-hazard threats” so communities are better prepared for climate related impacts
- Through advance resilience planning communities and the Commonwealth can reduce the substantial costs of disaster recovery
- Advance planning helps to safeguard citizen social well-being and health, the economy, and the environment
- The legislation includes no mandate on localities but merely encourages them to begin planning for more resilient communities

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