



ORDINANCE SUBMISSION

DEPARTMENT: Law
FILE NUMBER: Law-1214

ITEM TYPE: ORDINANCE

RE:

Ordinance to amend Chapter 22, Housing, to add Article VIII, Right to Counsel

SUMMARY:

This ordinance amends Chapter 22, of the 2018 Detroit City Code, *Housing*, by adding Article VIII, *Right to Counsel*, which consists of Section 22-8-1, *Purpose*, Section 22-8-2, *Legislative findings*, Section 22-8-3, *Definitions*, Section 22-8-4, *Provision of legal representation*, Section 22-8-5, *Reporting*, Section 22-8-6, *Public meeting required*, Section 22-8-7, *Director of Housing Revitalization and Development to promulgate administrative rules*, Section 22-8-8, *Funding*, and Section 22-8-9, *No private right of action*, to provide for the right to counsel for the qualified low-income occupants in residential eviction cases in 36th District Court and in housing-related administrative proceedings which threaten occupancy; to provide for such representation by nonprofit organizations with expertise to provide such legal services with funding from the City, and to provide for penalties and enforcement of the article.

COMMITTEE REFERRED TO:

Public Health and Safety

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