

**Joint Committee on Financial Services**  
**The 194th General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts**  
**2025-2026**  
**Bill Summary**

**Bill No:** H1279

**Title:** Resolve creating a special commission on affordable housing insurance

**Sponsor:** Rep. Steven Owens

**Hearing Date:** 9/15/25

**Reporting Date:** 11/14/25

**Similar Matters:** S768

**Prior History:**

**Current Law:**

**Summary:**

Creates special commission to develop a statutory and regulatory framework to address setting of insurance rates for properties with affordability restrictions and homeowners using vouchers. Commission will propose legislation, to the house and senate committees on ways and means, the joint committee on financial services and the joint committee on housing.

Commission will consist of 1 House, 1 Senate, Commissioner of Insurance (chair), AG, 1 from Citizens' Housing And Planning Association; 1 from the Massachusetts Association of Community Development Corporations; 1 from the Builders of Color Coalition; 1 from the National Association of Industrial and Office Properties Massachusetts, and 1 from insurance trade association.