HOUSE BILL 24-1007

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CONCERNING RESIDENTIAL OCCUPANCY LIMITS.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 29-20-111 as follows:

29-20-111. Local government residential occupancy limits - short title - legislative declaration - definition. (1) THE SHORT TITLE OF THIS SECTION IS THE "HOME (HARMONIZING OCCUPANCY MEASURES EQUITABLY) ACT".

(2) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS AND DECLARES THAT OCCUPANCY LIMITS AND THE INCREASED AVAILABILITY OF HOUSING ARE
MATTERS OF MIXED STATEWIDE AND LOCAL CONCERN.

(3) A LOCAL GOVERNMENT SHALL NOT LIMIT THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO MAY LIVE TOGETHER IN A SINGLE DWELLING BASED ON FAMILIAL RELATIONSHIP. LOCAL GOVERNMENTS RETAIN THE AUTHORITY TO IMPLEMENT RESIDENTIAL OCCUPANCY LIMITS BASED ONLY ON:

(a) DEMONSTRATED HEALTH AND SAFETY STANDARDS, SUCH AS INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE STANDARDS, FIRE CODE REGULATIONS, OR COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT WASTEWATER AND WATER QUALITY STANDARDS; OR

(b) LOCAL, STATE, FEDERAL, OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM GUIDELINES.

(4) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "LOCAL GOVERNMENT" MEANS A HOME RULE OR STATUTORY CITY, HOME RULE OR STATUTORY COUNTY, TOWN, TERRITORIAL CHARTER CITY, OR CITY AND COUNTY.

SECTION 2. Effective date. This act takes effect July 1, 2024.

SECTION 3. Safety clause. The general assembly finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state institutions.

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APPROVED Monday April 15, 2024 at 12:15 PM
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