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Today I rise support of LD 964 so we can use general assistance for Recovery housing.

As we are growing in our state for the need of this housing we know that certain communities are forming such a small houses sporting houses and even hotels have been converted but the lack of funding of the individual in recovery has required them to apply for general assistance to prevent homelessness. Prebble street Resource center states" for every five calls, three of them are veterans seeking housing from away".

Or in some cases to be on general assistance until such time as their vouchers or other programs such as brap or shelter plus care is activated so that way they have a proper place to live that is safe and certified or at least checked on by code enforcement.

With a growing number of folks coming to our state because of our data showing that we are the safest in this time of covid-19 we must find a process for them to be able to seek safe and affordable housing or at least safer than they currently exist in 10 cities as a travel to our great state seeking hope and recovery and stability.

Please support the bill as we do. Also please make sure that you maintain access to Services after hours or during this time of covid-19 that way people do not get into Harm's Way or danger as they get off the buses. To come to our great state or are released from treatment facilities or the Department of Corrections.

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