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REALTORS® SUPPORT Housing Production

The Massachusetts Association of REALTORS® (MAR), a 99-year-old professional trade association with over 25,000 members, supports H.233, *an Act improving housing opportunities*, promoting desperately needed housing production.

- **Zoning relief** is key to addressing the state's longstanding housing crisis. H.233 would increase the availability of by-right multifamily and open space residential development as well as accessory dwelling units (ADUs).
- **Expands the simple majority voting threshold** from the Housing Choice law to apply to variances and special permits, rather than the current two-thirds requirement.
- **Uniform site plan review standards** will help alleviate the confusing local patchwork of site plan review processes, making development easier and more cost effective. This uniformity will assist communities that lack resources to create their own standards.



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