

WHOLE-HOME REPAIRS ACT



The **Whole-Home Repairs Act (SB1135, HB2617)** is a bipartisan, bicameral bill that creates a one-stop shop for home repairs and weatherization while building out Pennsylvania's workforce and adding new family-sustaining jobs. This bill is the first of its kind in the nation, making it so that Pennsylvanians can stay warm, safe, and dry in homes they can afford.

Hundreds of thousands of Pennsylvanians are living in homes that are fundamentally unsafe because they can't afford to make needed repairs. By providing up to \$50,000 to repair and weatherize homes across the Commonwealth, by including support staff to ensure applicants receive the help they need in the order they need it, and by funding pre-apprenticeship and training programs to build a skilled local workforce, the Whole-Home Repairs Act will ensure residents remain safely in their homes and in their communities.

The Whole-Home Repairs Act is a housing bill, an energy bill, an anti-blight bill, a jobs bill, and a community safety bill. Dozens of stakeholders were involved in drafting and editing the legislation.

At a time of incredible hardship for people across the Commonwealth, we have a historic opportunity to permanently move the needle on our housing crisis. The United States needs a model for how to preserve its aging housing stock and create new jobs. Pennsylvania can be a leader.

The Whole-Home Repairs Act Is a Priority for Pennsylvanians

Results from a recent survey by Data for Progress and People's Action show that Pennsylvania voters living in urban, rural, and suburban areas alike are struggling:

1 in 4 lives in a home in need of a critical repair

1 in 3 reports their utility bills are unaffordable

Nearly half would struggle to pay for a critical repair

AT A GLANCE

Broad Bipartisan Political Support

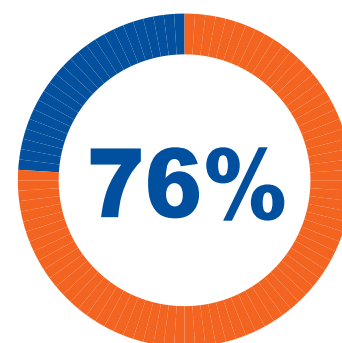
- **51% of Senators Cosponsoring** (20 Democrats and 5 Republicans)
- **22% of Representatives Cosponsoring** (44 Democrats and 1 Republican)
- **3 Senate Democratic Policy Committee Hearings**
- **2 Senate Urban Affairs & Housing Committee Hearings** (held in Philadelphia and Armstrong Counties)

Extensive Media Coverage

- **30 articles and opinion pieces** published in local, statewide, and national media outlets

Sweeping Stakeholder and Community Engagement

- **58 organizations** signed on as endorsers of the policy
- **38 organizations** submitted letters of support to the Senate UAH Committee
- **7 community-led events** showing local support across Pennsylvania
- **Capitol rally** with more than **200 people** in attendance
- **Hundreds of people** from across the state signed on as community cosponsors



Across all party lines and geographic bounds, more than three-quarters of PA voters support the Whole-Home Repairs Act.

