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emergency shelter beds; seniors.

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# SENATE BILL 1848

AN ACT

PROVIDING FOR EMERGENCY SHELTER BEDS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Arizona department of housing; emergency shelter  
3 beds

4 The Arizona department of housing shall provide emergency shelter  
5 beds in western Maricopa County to shelter and serve homeless seniors who  
6 are at least fifty-five years of age. The department shall contract with  
7 a single Arizona nonprofit provider that meets all of the following:

8 1. Has experience in sheltering four hundred or more homeless  
9 individuals nightly in temporary shelter.

10 2. Has at least ten years of experience working with the most  
11 chronically homeless individuals in Maricopa County.

12 3. Has experience in providing housing placement services under the  
13 housing first model.

14 4. Participates in the coordinated entry system pursuant to the  
15 requirements of the Maricopa continuum of care.