

**Subject** Appropriations for housing supports for persons with a mental illness

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### Overview

This bill contains several appropriations to fund certain state programs that provide housing assistance to persons with a mental illness or persons experiencing homelessness. The amount of each appropriation is unstated.

### Summary

**Section** **Description**

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- 1 Appropriations; bridges rental assistance.**

Appropriates an unstated amount from the general fund in fiscal years 2022 and 2023 to the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency (MHFA) for the bridges program, which provides rental assistance for households in which at least one adult member has a serious mental illness and the household income is 50% or less of the area median income. The appropriation is added to the base.
- 2 Appropriations; housing options for persons with serious mental illness.**

Appropriates an unstated amount from the general fund in fiscal years 2022 and 2023 to the Department of Human Services to provide grants to support increased availability of housing options with supports for persons with serious mental illness. The appropriation is added to the base.
- 3 Appropriation; landlord risk mitigation fund.**

Appropriates an unstated amount in fiscal year 2022 from the general fund to MHFA for grants to entities such as nonprofits and supportive housing providers to create or expand risk mitigation programs to reduce landlord financial risks for renting to persons eligible for the certain state programs that provide housing assistance to persons with mental illness or persons experiencing homelessness. Reimbursable landlord costs include nonpayment of rent and damage costs above those costs covered by security deposits. Priority may be given to applicants with a financial match.



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