

STATE OF MINNESOTA
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE

NINETEENTH MEETING
NINETY-FOURTH SESSION

HOUSING FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Representative Michael Howard, Chair of the Committee on Housing Finance and Policy, called the meeting to order at 3:00 P.M. on Wednesday, February 18, 2026, in Room G3 of the State Capitol Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members Present:

HOWARD, Michael (DFL Chair)
KOZLOWSKI, Lish (DFL Vice Chair)
IGO, Spencer (GOP Chair)
DOTSETH, Jeff (GOP Vice Chair)
BUCK, Shelley
HUSSEIN, Samakab
JOHNSON, Wayne
MEKELAND, Shane
MOMANYI-HILTSLEY, Huldah
MYERS, Andrew
NASH, Jim
NORRIS, Matt
REHRAUER, Kari
SKRABA, Roger

A quorum was present.

Chair Igo moved that the minutes of April 9, 2025, be approved. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 3403 (Kozlowski) A bill for an act relating to taxation; local government aids; establishing a onetime emergency rental assistance aid for counties; appropriating money.

Vice-Chair Kozlowski moved that HF 3403 be re-referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Vice-Chair Kozlowski moved the A1 amendment to HF 3403. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Vice-Chair Kozlowski presented HF 3403 as amended.

Testifiers:

- Cities United Way
- Stephanie L. Lewis, Associate Vice President, Advocacy & Community Impact, Greater Twin Cities United Way
 - Commissioner Annie Harala, St. Louis County
 - Commissioner Angela Conley, Hennepin County
 - Juan Luis Rivera-Reyes, Member, Equity in Place Coalition
 - Kayley Nicole, Resident, Carlton County
 - Council Member Aurin Chowdhury, Minneapolis Ward 12
 - Beth Winterfeldt, President, Social Workers Association
 - Rico Morales, Resident, Hennepin County
 - Jordan May, Executive Director, Red Lake Homeless Shelter

Representative Momanyi-Hiltsley requested a roll call.

Vice-Chair Kozlowski renewed the motion that HF 3403, as amended, be re-referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

The Committee Legislative Assistant took the roll.

AYES

HOWARD, Michael (DFL Chair)
KOZLOWSKI, Liish (DFL Vice-Chair)
BUCK, Shelley
HUSSEIN, Samakab
MOMANYI-HILTSLEY, Huldah
NORRIS, Matt
REHRAUER, Kari

NAYS

IGO, Spencer (GOP Chair)
DOTSETH, Jeff (GOP Vice Chair)
JOHNSON, Wayne
MEKELAND, Shane
MYERS, Andrew
NASH, Jim
SKRABA, Roger

There being 7 AYES, and 7 NAYS, THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL.

HF 3410 (Sencer-Mura) A bill for an act relating to housing; amending provisions related to redemption in an eviction action for nonpayment of rent; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 504B.291, subdivision 1.

Chair Howard moved that HF 3410 be re-referred to the Judiciary Finance and Civil Law Committee.

Chair Howard moved the A1 amendment to HF 3410. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Sencer-Mura presented HF 3410 as amended.

Testifiers:

- Anne Smetak, Director and Senior Counsel, Housing Justice Center
- Cecil Smith, President & CEO of Minnesota Multi Housing Association
- Andrea Inouye, Program Director, Family Housing Fund
- Nelima Sitati Munene, Executive Director, African Career and Education Resources

Representative Rehrauer requested a roll call.

Chair Howard renewed the motion that HF 3410, as amended, be rereferred to the committee on Judiciary Finance and Civil Law.

The Committee Legislative Assistant took the roll.

AYES

HOWARD, Michael (DFL Chair)
KOZLOWSKI, Liish (DFL Vice-Chair)
BUCK, Shelley
HUSSEIN, Samakab
MOMANYI-HILTSLEY, Huldah
NORRIS, Matt
REHRAUER, Kari

NAYS

IGO, Spencer (GOP Chair)
DOTSETH, Jeff (GOP Vice Chair)
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MYERS, Andrew
NASH, Jim
SKRABA, Roger

There being 7 AYES, and 7 NAYS, THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL.

HF 3424 (Agbaje): Notice requirements for an eviction action for nonpayment of rent amended.

Chair Howard moved that HF 3424 be re-referred to the committee on Judiciary Finance and Civil Law.

Chair Howard moved the A1 amendment to HF 3424. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Agbaje presented HF 3424 as amended.

Testifiers:

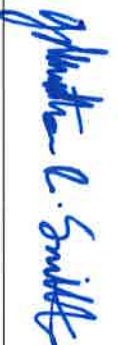
- Michael Bartos, Janitor, SEIU-26 Member
- Anne Smetak, Director and Senior Counsel, Housing Justice Center
- Cecil Smith, President & CEO of Minnesota Multi Housing Association
- Michael Dahl, Public Policy Director, HOME Line
- Rye Galbreath, Member, CTUL Action Fund

Chair Howard laid over HF 3424 as amended.

The meeting adjourned at 4:49 PM.



Representative Michael Howard, DFL Chair



Johnathan Smith, DFL Committee Legislative Assistant