STATE OF MINNESOTA FOURTEENTH MEETING

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES NINETY-THIRD SESSION

**HOUSING FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Representative Michael Howard, Chair of the Housing Finance and Policy Committee, called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM on February 21, 2023, in Room 5 of the State Office Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members Present:

HOWARD, Michael (Chair)

AGBAJE, Esther (Vice Chair)

JOHNSON, Brian (GOP Lead)

CHA, Ethan

DOTSETH, Jeff

HASSAN, Hodan

HUSSEIN, Samakab

MYERS, Andrew

NASH, Jim

NORRIS, Matt

PEREZ- VEGA, Maria Isa

PETERSBURG, John

Members Excused:

KOZLOWSKI, Alicia

A quorum was present.

Representative Agbaje moved that the minutes of February 15, 2023, be approved. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 1440 (Howard) Family homeless prevention and assistance program funding provided, and money appropriated.

Representative Agbaje moved HF 1440, as previously presented on February 14, 2023, before the committee.

Representative Agbaje moved the H1440A6 amendment to the H1440A5 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Johnson moved the H1440A7 amendment to the H1440A5 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED.THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Agbaje moved to adopt the H1440A5, as amended. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT AS AMENDED WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Agbaje moved to refer HF 1440 as amended to the committee on Ways and Means. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 1635 (Norris) Workforce and affordable homeownership development program modified, workforce and affordable homeownership account created in the housing development fund, and money appropriated.

Representative Norris moved to refer HF 1635 to the committee on Taxes.

Representative Norris moved the H1635A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Norris presented HF 1635 as amended.

Testifying:

* Jeff Washburne, Executive Director, City of Lakes Community Land Trust
* Cristen Incitti, CEO, Habitat for Humanity Minnesota

Representative Norris renewed the motion to refer HF 1635 as amended to the committee on Taxes. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 1696 (Norris) Rental housing assistance and risk mitigation programs funding provided, and money appropriated.

Representative Norris moved to lay over HF 1696 for possible inclusion in the Housing Finance and Policy Committee omnibus bill.

Representative Norris presented HF 1696.

Testifying:

* Nicholas Rasmussen, Member of Public
* Elliot Butay, Senior Policy Coordinator, National Alliance on Mental Health

Representative Johnson moved the H1696A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMEDNMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Norris renewed the motion to lay over HF 1696 as amended for possible inclusion in the Housing Finance and Policy Committee omnibus bill. The bill was laid over.

HF 1507 (Fischer**)** Lead safe homes grant program created, and money appropriated.

Chair Howard moved to lay over HF 1507 for possible inclusion in the Housing Finance and Policy Committee omnibus bill.

Chair Howard moved the H1507A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Fischer presented HF 1507 as amended.

Testifying:

* Ticiea Fletcher, Member of Public
* Rachelle Menanteau Peleska, MPH, Director, Sustainable Resources Center
* Sue Watlov Phillips, M.A, Executive Director, **Metropolitan Interfaith Council on Affordable Housing**

Representative Johnson moved the H1507A1 amendment.

Representative Johnson withdrew the H1507A1 amendment.

Chair Howard renewed the motion to lay over HF 1507 as amended for possible inclusion in the Housing Finance and Policy Committee omnibus bill. The bill was laid over.

The meeting adjourned at 4:05 PM.

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| Representative Michael Howard, Chair |

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| Abdullahi Abdullahi, Committee Legislative Assistant |