

HOUSING FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Representative Hausman, Chair of the Housing Finance and Policy Committee, called the virtual meeting to order at 10:30 A.M. on March 3, 2022 pursuant to House rule 10.01. The meeting was conducted over Zoom and broadcast via House Public Information Services.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members Present:

HAUSMAN, Alice (Chair)  
HOWARD, Michael (Vice Chair)  
THEIS, Tama (GOP Lead)  
AGBAJE, Esther  
BLISS, Matt  
GOMEZ, Aisha  
HASSAN, Hodan  
HEINRICH, John  
HER, Kaohly  
JURGENS, Tony  
OLSON, Liz  
PFARR, Brian  
REYER, Liz

A quorum was present.

Representative HOWARD moved to approve the minutes from March 1, 2022. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF835(Her); Evictions due to nonpayment of rent specific notice requirements created, eligibility expanded for discretionary and mandatory expungements for eviction case court files, rental discrimination based on a tenant's receipt of public housing assistance prohibited, and public access limited to pending eviction case court actions.

Representative HER moved that HF835 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Housing Finance and Policy omnibus bill.

Representative Her introduced HF835.

Testifying on the bill:

- Shana Tomenes: Equal Justice Works Fellow, Housing Justice Center
- Leah DeGrazia: Housing Attorney, HOME Line
- Nancy Etwiler: Volunteer, Volunteer Lawyers Network
- Lecretia Brewer: Tenant
- Michael Dahl: Director of Public Policy, HOME Line

Representative HER renewed her motion that HF835 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Housing Finance and Policy omnibus bill.

HF398(Her); Residential lease implied covenants amended, tenant remedies against landlords for repairs provided, and tenant allowed to request emergency repairs from court.

Representative HER moved that HF398 be re-referred to the General Register.

Representative Her introduced HF398.

Testifying on the bill:

- Leah DeGrazia: Housing Attorney, HOME Line

Representative HER renewed her motion that HF398 be re-referred to the General Register. A roll was taken, and the results were as follows:

AYES:

HAUSMAN, Alice (Chair)  
HOWARD, Michael (Vice Chair  
AGBAJE, Esther  
GOMEZ, Aisha  
HASSAN, Hodan  
HER, Kaohly  
OLSON, Liz  
REYER, Liz

NAYES:

THEIS, Tama (GOP Lead)  
BLISS, Matt  
HEINRICH, John  
JURGENS, Tony  
PFARR, Brian

There being 8 AYES and 5 NAYES, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF399(Her); Landlords prohibited from imposing fees, and landlord entry restricted and fees amended for improper entry.

Representative HER moved that HF399 be re-referred to the General Register.

Representative Her introduced HF399.

Testifying on the bill:

- Leah DeGrazia: Housing Attorney, HOME Line
- Erica Staab-Absher: Executive Director, HOPE Center

Representative HER renewed her motion that HF399 be re-referred to the General Register. A roll was taken, and the results were as follows:

AYES:

HAUSMAN, Alice (Chair)  
HOWARD, Michael (Vice Chair  
AGBAJE, Esther  
GOMEZ, Aisha  
HASSAN, Hodan  
HER, Kaohly  
OLSON, Liz  
REYER, Liz

NAYES:

THEIS, Tama (GOP Lead)  
BLISS, Matt  
HEINRICH, John  
JURGENS, Tony  
PFARR, Brian

There being 8 AYES and 5 NAYES, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF400(Her); Termination of lease upon infirmity of tenant established.

Representative HER moved that HF400 be re-referred to the General Register.

Representative Her introduced HF400.

Testifying on the bill:

- Leah DeGrazia: Housing Attorney, HOME Line

Representative HER renewed her motion that HF400 be re-referred to the General Register. A roll was taken, and the results were as follows:

AYES:

HAUSMAN, Alice (Chair)  
HOWARD, Michael (Vice Chair)  
THEIS, Tama (GOP Lead)  
AGBAJE, Esther  
BLISS, Matt  
GOMEZ, Aisha  
HASSAN, Hodan  
HEINRICH, John  
HER, Kaohly  
JURGENS, Tony  
OLSON, Liz  
PFARR, Brian  
REYER, Liz

There being 13 AYES and 0 NAYES, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 A.M.

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Representative Alice Hausman, Chair

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Katie Hirsch, CLA