STATE OF MINNESOTA FIFTHEENTH 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 28, 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

KOZLOWSKI, Alicia

MYERS, Andrew

NASH, Jim

NORRIS, Matt

PEREZ- VEGA, Maria Isa

PETERSBURG, John

A quorum was present.

Representative Agbaje moved that the minutes of February 21, 2023, be approved. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 647 (Hassan) Eligibility expanded for discretionary and mandatory expungement for eviction case court files, and public access to pending eviction case court actions limited.

Representative Hassan moved to lay over HF 647 for possible inclusion in the Housing Finance and Policy Committee omnibus bill.

Representative Hassan presented HF 647.

Testifiers:

* Larry McDonough, Policy Attorney, HOME Line Minnesota
* Nancy Etzwiler, Volunteer Lawyer’s Network
* Leanna Stefaniak, Board Chair, Minnesota Multi Housing Association
* Michael Dahl, Director of Public Policy, HOME Line Minnesota

Representative Hassan moved the H0647A2 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Hassan renewed the motion to lay over HF 647 as amended for possible inclusion in the Housing Finance and Policy Committee omnibus bill. The bill was laid over.

HF 2055 (Cha) Affordable housing covenants on real property exempted from 30-year restriction.

Representative Cha moved to layover HF 2055 for possible inclusion in the Housing Finance and Policy Committee omnibus bill.

Representative Cha presented HF 2055.

Testifiers:

* Dan Kitzberger, Legislative Director, Minnesota Housing Finance Agency

Representative Cha renewed the motion to layover HF 2055 for possible inclusion in the Housing Finance and Policy Committee omnibus bill. The bill was laid over.

HF 1215 (Agbaje) Stable housing mediation grant program established, and money appropriated.

Representative Agbaje moved to layover HF 1215 for possible inclusion in the Housing Finance and Policy Committee omnibus bill.

Representative Agbaje presented HF 1215.

 Testifiers:

* Katie Arnold, Director of Rice County Restorative and Medication Practices, Community Mediation Minnesota
* Bernadette Kafoe, Executive Director, Mediation and Restorative Services
* Jen Frisbie, Housing Program and Finance Manager, Community Mediation Minnesota

Representative Agbaje renewed the motion to layover HF 1215 for possible inclusion in the Housing Finance and Policy Committee omnibus bill. The bill was laid over.

HF 314 (Her) Court notice required to persons holding liens in tenant remedy actions, attorney fee award limitations and lien priority amended in tenant remedy actions, and requirements repealed in tenant remedy actions for appointment of administrators.

Chair Howard moved to layover HF 314 for possible inclusion in the Housing Finance and Policy Committee omnibus bill.

Representative Her presented HF 314.

Testifiers:

* Ellen Sahli, President, Family Housing Fund
* Alex Dybsky, Director, Lighthouse Management
* Mark Hughes, Member of Public

Representative Myers moved the H0314A1 amendment.

Representative Myers withdrew the H0314A1 amendment.

Chair Howard renewed the motion to layover HF 314 for possible inclusion in the Housing Finance and Policy Committee omnibus bill. The bill was laid over.

The meeting adjourned at 4:33 PM.

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| Representative Michael Howard, Chair |

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|  Abdullahi Abdullahi, Committee Legislative Assistant |