



Legal Services Advocacy Project

February 17, 2024

The Honorable Lindsey Port
Chair, Housing and Homelessness Prevention Committee
Minnesota Senate
3213 Minnesota Senate Bldg.
St. Paul, MN 55155

The Honorable Eric Lucero
Ranking Minority Member, Housing and Homelessness Prevention Committee
Minnesota Senate
2413 Minnesota Senate Bldg.
St. Paul, MN 55155

Re: SF 3769 – Landlord Acceptance of ITINs

Dear Chair Port, Ranking Minority Member Lucero and Members of the Committee:

Legal Aid writes in support of SF 3769, which would amend Chapter 504B – the Landlord-Tenant Law – to provide the option for a tenant to provide either a social security number or individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN) on a rental application and prohibit denial of a tenancy based solely on the provision on an ITIN.

Legal Aid provides civil legal services to low-income Minnesotans, Minnesotans with disabilities, and elder Minnesotans, statewide, to help them meet their basic needs. Legal Aid's Legal Services Advocacy Project provides legislative and administrative advocacy on behalf of our clients and all low-income Minnesotans. Housing matters are one of Legal Aid's central areas of focus

Enactment of this bill would be another building block to support two critical goals: creating a welcoming and nondiscriminatory environment for all to further a fundamental Minnesota value; and helping everyone access housing and avoid homelessness and housing instability.

Thank you for allowing Legal Aid to offer its support for SF 3769.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ron Elwood".

Ron Elwood
Supervising Attorney

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