

# Minnesota State Senate

Housing and Homelessness Prevention Committee  
Thursday, March 21, 2024  
12:30 PM, 1150 Minnesota Senate Bldg.

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## Minutes

**Present:** Senator Lindsey Port - Chair, Senator Liz Boldon - Vice Chair, Senator Rich Draheim, Senator Zaynab Mohamed, Senator Susan Pha, Senator Tou Xiong

**Absent:** Senator Karin Housley, Senator Eric Lucero

Senator Liz Boldon called the meeting to order at 12:42pm.

### Call to Order

**S.F. 4704:** Senator Port: Recommendations of the Workgroup on Expediting Rental Assistance implementation for improving application approval times for the family homelessness prevention and assistance program, the emergency assistance program, and emergency general assistance.

Senator Port moved the A1 amendment, motion prevailed, amendment adopted

Senator Port provided an overview of the bill

### Testifiers

Victor Obisakin  
Jean Lee  
Ranee Rock, SHIP Collaborative  
Ellen Sahli, Family Housing Fund

Senator Draheim moved the A3 amendment, motion prevailed, amendment adopted

Senator Draheim moved the A4 amendment, motion prevailed, amendment adopted

### Discussion

Ellen Sahli, Family Housing Fund

Senator Port moved the oral amendment  
Page 1, line 5, delete “protection” and insert “projection”  
Page 2, line 1, delete “program assistance” and insert “assistance program”  
Motion prevailed, amendment adopted

Senator Port moved that S.F. 4704, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Health and Human Services Committee. -  
**MOTION PREVAILED.**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:21pm.

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Senator Liz Boldon, Vice Chair

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Courtney Schaff, Legislative Assistant