

Minnesota State Senate

Housing and Homelessness Prevention Committee
Tuesday, March 18, 2025
12:30 PM, 1150 Minnesota Senate Bldg.

Minutes

Present: Senator Lindsey Port - **Chair**, Senator Liz Boldon - **Vice Chair**, Senator Eric Lucero - **Ranking Minority Member**, Senator Jim Abeler, Senator Doron Clark, Senator Rich Draheim, Senator Karin Housley, Senator Zaynab Mohamed, Senator Susan Pha, Senator Aric Putnam

Absent: Senator Julia E. Coleman

Senator Lindsey Port called the meeting to order at 12:32 pm

S.F. 2298: Senator Port: Minnesota Housing Finance Agency budget establishment and appropriation.

Senator Port moved that S.F. 2298, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

S.F. 2552: Senator Port: Miscellaneous housing provisions modifications.

Senator Port moved that S.F. 2552, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Taxes Committee. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

Call to Order

At 1:36 pm Senator Liz Boldon took the gavel.

S.F. 2503: Senator Putnam: St. Cloud Iskufilan Village Workforce Housing Development appropriation.

The following individuals testified on S.F.2503:
Abdikadir Bashir, Center for African Immigrants and Refugees
Farhiya Iman
Nimo Arte

Senator Port moved that S.F. 2503, as amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

S.F. 2085: Senator Housley: Lake, St. Louis, and Washington counties Minnesota Nice HomeShare pilot program for seniors establishment.

Senator Housley moved that S.F. 2085, as amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

S.F. 2423: Senator Champion: African American workforce and affordable homeownership development program establishment.

The following individuals testified on S.F.2423:

Nieeta Presley, Saint Paul NAACP

Rev. Alfred babington-Johnson, Stairstep Foundation

Carl Crawford, Council for Minnesotans of African Heritage

Senator Mohamed moved that S.F. 2423, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the Jobs and Economic Development Committee. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

S.F. 2644: Senator Hawj: Housing infrastructure bonds issuance authorization provision and appropriation.

The following individuals testified on S.F.2644:

Melvin Carter, Mayor, St. Paul

Todd Hurley, Saint Paul port Authority

Chris Coleman, Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity

Chris Sherman, Sherman Associates

Johnny Opara, JO Companies

Senator Port moved that S.F. 2644, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

S.F. 2579: Senator Pha: CAPI USA grant appropriation.

The following individuals testified on S.F.2579:

Patricia Aguilar

Senator Port moved that S.F. 2579, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:47



Senator Lindsey Port, Chair



CJ Larson, Legislative Assistant