

1.1 Senator ..... moves to amend S.F. No. 1294 as follows:

1.2 Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

1.3 "Section 1. **[3.8845] LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON HOUSING**  
1.4 **AFFORDABILITY.**

1.5 Subdivision 1. **Membership.** (a) The Legislative Commission on Housing Affordability  
1.6 consists of:

1.7 (1) two senators appointed by the senate majority leader;

1.8 (2) two senators appointed by the senate minority leader;

1.9 (3) two representatives appointed by the speaker of the house; and

1.10 (4) two representatives appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives.

1.11 (b) Each appointing authority must make appointments by January 31 of the regular  
1.12 legislative session in the odd-numbered year.

1.13 Subd. 2. **Meetings.** The ranking senator from the majority party appointed to the  
1.14 commission must convene the first meeting of a biennium by February 15 in the  
1.15 odd-numbered year.

1.16 Subd. 3. **Terms; vacancies.** Members of the commission serve for terms beginning upon  
1.17 appointment and ending at the beginning of the regular legislative session in the next  
1.18 odd-numbered year. The appropriate appointing authority must fill a vacancy for a seat of  
1.19 a current legislator for the remainder of the unexpired term.

1.20 Subd. 4. **Officers.** The commission must elect a chair and may elect other officers as it  
1.21 determines are necessary, at the first meeting of the commission in an odd-numbered year.  
1.22 The chair alternates between a member of the senate and a member of the house of  
1.23 representatives at the start of the regular legislative session in each odd-numbered year.

1.24 Subd. 5. **Staff.** The Legislative Coordinating Commission must provide administrative  
1.25 and research assistance to the commission.

1.26 Subd. 6. **Duties.** The commission shall:

1.27 (1) define "housing affordability;"

1.28 (2) study issues relating to housing affordability for owner-occupied and rental housing,  
1.29 existing and future government regulations impacting housing affordability, market forces  
1.30 impacting housing affordability, and access to homeownership;

(3) review and provide the legislature with research and analysis of emerging issues affecting housing affordability and homeownership access, especially with regard to first-time home buyers and socially and economically disadvantaged buyers;

(4) review and provide the legislature with research and analysis of policies to reduce the homeownership equity gap;

(5) review and make recommendations on legislative and rulemaking proposals positively impacting personal housing affordability, access to homeownership, and other related barriers to homeownership;

(6) review and provide the legislature with research and analysis of policies to spur the development and preservation of affordable owner-occupied housing for households that have incomes of up to 115 percent of the greater of state or area median income as determined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, and affordable rental housing projects for households that have up to 80 percent of the greater of state or area median income as determined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development;

(7) review and provide the legislature with research and analysis to recommend policies that address the preservation and rehabilitation, repair, and stabilization of federally assisted rental housing and naturally affordable, unsubsidized rental and owner-occupied housing; and

(8) review and provide the legislature with research and analysis of policies to address market forces that directly impact housing affordability, including construction workforce, innovation in home-building technology and building practices, and building material costs.

Subd. 7. **Expiration.** This section expires June 30, 2023.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

## Sec. 2. **INITIAL APPOINTMENTS.**

(a) Appointing authorities for the Legislative Commission on Housing Affordability under Minnesota Statutes, section 3.8845, must make initial appointments by June 1, 2019, to serve a term ending in January 2021.

(b) The speaker of the house of representatives must designate one member of the commission to convene the first meeting of the commission by June 15, 2019. A member of the house of representatives shall serve as the first chair of the commission. A member of the senate shall serve as chair of the commission beginning in January 2021."