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"Housing Options" Bill Passes with Support from RCM Members

At the conclusion of the legislative session, Governor Mark Dayton signed **H.F. 1538** into law. Described as the "Housing Options" bill, it is an amendment to the Minnesota Common Interest Ownership Act (MCIOA) that supports a full range of housing choices by reducing the risk of litigation associated with building condos and townhomes.

Although written to protect property owners from construction defects, the existing MCIOA unintentionally discouraged the construction of condos and townhomes altogether. In 2015, just 3% of multifamily homes were condos compared against 23% pre-recession in 2007. Single family home construction grew 80% from 2007 to 2015 while townhomes dropped 70% in that time.

The changes in H.F. 1538 encourage the resolution of construction defect disputes through negotiations or mediation while protecting the rights of owners. ULI MN supported sponsor Faegre Baker Daniels who helped author the bill, and several mayors and some city councils formally supported the change with legislators and the governor.



CURRENT LAW	CHANGE IN H.F. 1538
Homeowner association boards able to pursue legal action on behalf of all members without consent.	Require a majority of association members to approve the decision to pursue legal action
Homeowner association board not require to disclose information to all association members before taking legal action.	Require a complete disclosure to association members of any alleged defects
Mediation not required.	Require mediation as a cost effective and preferred method of dispute resolution before legal action.
No requirement for maintenance plan.	All homeowner associations adopt and implement a preventative maintenance plan.

Coming July 18th: 9th Annual ULI MN / RCM Housing Summit *Home in America: Immigrants and Housing Demand*

ULI Minnesota / Regional Council of Mayors are excited to announce the 9th Annual Housing Summit, [Home in America: Immigrants and Housing Demand](#).

The event will feature a keynote address from Dr. Lisa Sturtevant, Senior Visiting Fellow at the Urban Land Institute's Terwilliger Center for Housing. Lisa will discuss the Center's recent [report of the same name](#) on immigrants and housing, which featured the MSP region as one of its five study areas from across the country, followed by a panel of regional business leaders discussing the jobs and housing mismatch and what can be done to overcome it.

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EVENT DETAILS

Tuesday, July 18th, 8:00-10:30 AM
Dorsey & Whitney
\$45 Members / \$60 Nonmembers
2 hrs CE applied for

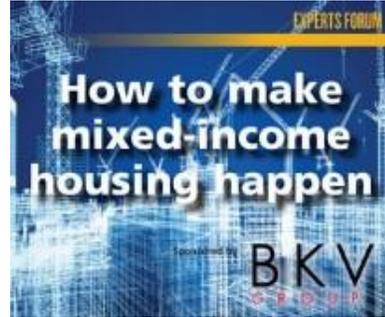
WHERE IN THE WORLD IS ULI MN?

Cathy Bennett, Director of ULI MN's Housing Initiative, Contributes to Finance & Commerce Experts Forum on Mixed-Income Housing

At a forum for Finance & Commerce sponsored by BKV Group, ULI MN's Cathy Bennett joined fellow experts in a discussion about how to make mixed-income housing happen in the MSP region. The discussion included insights on "the substantial supply-demand gap in affordable housing, how cities and developers can better work together to get projects done, and what management strategies enable thriving mixed-income communities."

The other panelists included Jack Boarman, BKV Group; Deidre Lal Schmidt, CommonBond Communities; Sarah Berke, Family Housing Fund; and Christopher Sherman, Sherman Associates. Each panelist is either a ULI member and/or represent sponsors.

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ULI MN sponsor BKV Group sponsored this forum for Finance & Commerce

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