



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND SMALL BUSINESS SUBCOMMITTEE ON HOUSING

REP. KEVIN COLEMAN
CHAIR

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, September 28, 2023 10:30 AM Room 326, House Office Building

The House Economic Development and Small Business Subcommittee on Housing was called to order by Chair Coleman.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Coleman, Dievendorf, Stone, Andrews, Grant, Tsernoglou, Aragona, Zorn, Fink, DeBoyer.

Absent: Rep. Scott.

Excused: Rep. Scott.

Representative Stone moved to adopt the meeting minutes from September 14, 2023. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4919 before the committee:

HB 4919 (Rep. Dievendorf)	A bill to establish a bill of rights for the homeless; and to provide a remedy for violation of those rights.
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Representative Dievendorf testified in support of HB 4919. Questions and discussion followed.

Mike Karl, representing the Cardboard Prophets, testified in support of HB 4919.

Jason Gray, representing the SDA Homeless Outreach, testified in support of HB 4919.

William Walken testified in support of HB 4919.

Kelsey Brianne, representing For Our Future and the Rent is Too Damn High, testified in support of HB 4919.

Kyle Richard, representing the Rent is Too Damn High, testified in support of HB 4919.

Gabriel Biber, representing the Haven House and the Capitol Region Housing Collaboration, testified in support of HB 4919.

Greg Pratt, representing the SDA Homeless Outreach, testified in support of HB 4919.

Linda Karl, representing the Cardboard Prophets, testified in support of HB 4919.

William Rodriguez testified in support of HB 4919.

Brandy Edwards, representing the Homeless Community, testified in support of HB 4919.

Christial Sierra, representing Angel Hands Community Outreach, testified in support of HB 4919.

Jonathan Evans, representing the Unhoused Citizen, testified in support of HB 4919.

The following person submitted a card in support of HB 4919, but due to the time constraints were unable to speak:

Elana N. Dixon.

The following people submitted a card in support of HB 4919, but did not wish to speak:

Julie Cassidy, representing the Michigan League for Public Policy.

Noah Hawkins, representing the Rent is Too Damn High.

Heath B. Lowry, representing the Michigan Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence.

Jim Schaafsma, representing the Michigan Poverty Law Program.

Tony Gant, representing Nation Outside.

The following person submitted a card in opposition to HB 4919, but did not wish to speak:

Tim Langholz, representing the National Federation of Independent Businesses.

Representative Aragona moved to excuse Representative Scott from the meeting. There being no objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

There being no further business before the subcommittee, Chair Coleman adjourned the meeting at 11:36 AM.

Representative Kevin Coleman, Chair

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