April 30, 2013

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1029

That the Senate recede from its amendments as printed on pages 1515 and 1516 of the House Journal and page 1099 of the Senate Journal and that Engrossed House Bill No. 1029 be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 5, after the semicolon insert "to provide a report to the budget section;"

Page 2, line 4, after "appropriation" insert "- Report to budget section"

Page 2, line 5, remove "in an amount not to exceed twenty million dollars"

Page 2, line 13, remove "A portion"

Page 2, line 13, overstrike "of the fund"

Page 2, line 13, remove "as determined by the housing"

Page 2, line 14, remove "finance agency in the annual allocation plan"

Page 2, line 14, overstrike "must be used to benefit"

Page 2, line 15, remove "individuals and families of"

Page 2, line 16, remove "low or moderate"

Page 2, line 16, overstrike "income."

Page 2, after line 17, insert:

"The annual allocation plan must give first priority through its scoring and ranking process to housing for essential service workers. For purposes of this subsection, "essential service workers" means individuals employed by a city, county, school district, medical or long-term care facility, the state of North Dakota, or others as determined by the housing finance agency who fulfill an essential public service.

The second priority in the annual allocation plan must be to provide housing for individuals and families of low or moderate income. For purposes of this second priority, eligible income limits are determined as a percentage of median family income as published in the most recent federal register notice. Under this second priority, the annual allocation plan must give preference to projects that benefit households with the lowest income and to projects that have rent restrictions at or below department of housing and urban development published federal fair market rents or department of housing and urban development section 8 payment standards.

The housing finance agency shall maintain a register reflecting the number of housing units owned or master leased by cities, counties, school districts, or other employers of essential service workers. This register must also reflect those entities that are providing rent subsidies for their essential workers. The housing finance agency shall report quarterly to the budget section of the legislative management on the progress being made to

reduce the overall number of units owned, master leased, or subsidized by these entities. This report must include a listing of projects approved and number of units within those projects that provide housing for essential service workers."

Renumber accordingly