



The Story Behind Minnesota's New HOA Legislation

CAI's work as a key stakeholder during the creation of Minnesota's new HOA legislation (SF 1750)

From 2024-2026, Community Associations Institute (CAI) Minnesota legislative action committee and chapter members including homeowners, volunteer board members, community managers, attorneys, and other industry professionals participated in discussions, met with legislators, and worked extensively to improve the bill.

In 2024, the Minnesota Legislature created a working group to study common interest communities and recommend changes to HOA statutes.

The working group included CAI representatives, homeowners, realtors, attorneys, and other industry stakeholders but notably, did not include any HOA board members.

The working group held meetings and public listening sessions, led by legislators who previously expressed support for significant HOA reform.

The working group approved a broad package of recommendations with limited discussion, resulting in a final report that included measures that were not independently evaluated.

CAI's Minnesota Legislative Action Committee spent countless hours educating legislators on the impact of the bill. CAI MN attended meetings, provided testimony, and met directly with legislators to negotiate and discuss improvements to the language.

In March 2026, CAI MN held an Advocacy Day at the Capitol, meeting in-person with 25 legislators, sharing resources with nearly 50 legislative offices in-person, and reaching 46 more elected officials through a virtual call to action.

One thing is clear: CAI and other stakeholders dedicated substantial time and effort to educate lawmakers on the realities of community associations before the bill became law. CAI MN remains committed to continuing those efforts in future legislative sessions.

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Formed in 1993, CAI's Minnesota Legislative Action Committee (MN LAC) advocates on behalf of a1,560,000 Minnesotans who live in 625,000 homes in more than 8,000 community associations.

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Where CAI Advocacy Had Positive Impact

Several provisions in the original proposal would have limited associations' ability to operate effectively, make community-driven decisions, and control costs. Through CAI MN's advocacy, many of these provisions were removed or substantially improved. While the new law still contains measures that may increase administrative requirements and operating costs, the final legislation is significantly improved from the original proposal.

REMOVED: Owner-driven revocation of rules and bylaws through informal meeting actions, protecting governance stability and consistency.

IMPROVED: Meeting and participation requirements to provide boards with greater flexibility and maintain efficient decision-making.

IMPROVED: Collection and cost-recovery provisions, preserving key association tools for collecting assessments and recovering costs.

REMOVED: Mandate that would have required board members to personally engage with owners before pursuing violations, creating delays and discouraging volunteer leadership.

Looking Ahead

Signed into law on May 12, 2026, SF 1750 takes effect January 1, 2027. The focus now shifts to implementation as community associations and industry professionals work to understand the new requirements, update policies and procedures, and educate homeowners about the changes ahead.

CAI MN offers webinars and educational resources and will continue providing updates and guidance as implementation progresses.

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