Members Present:
Senator Martin Quezada
Matthew Contorelli
Jake Hinman
Spencer Kamps
Jean Moreno
Representative Steve Kaiser, Co-Chair
Representative César Chávez
Joan Serviss
Cindy Stotler (Thomas Simplot Designee)
Mayor Corey Woods

Members Excused:
Senator David Gowan, Co-Chair

Staff:
Stephanie Jensen, House Research Analyst
Nathan McRae, House Assistant Research Analyst
Jason Theodorou, Senate Research Analyst
Ian Jaime, Senate Assistant Research Analyst

Co-Chairman Kaiser called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m. and attendance was taken.

PRESENTATIONS

Wanda Wright, Director, Arizona Department of Veterans' Services, distributed and explained a PowerPoint presentation entitled "Housing Impacts on Arizona Veterans" (Attachment A). Ms. Wright offered comments and answered questions posed by the Committee.

The Committee offered comments.

Joselyn Wilkinson, House Coordinator, Arizona Department of Veterans' Services, answered questions posed by the Committee.

Ms. Wright answered additional questions posed by the Committee.

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Ms. Wright offered additional comments.
Ms. Wilkinson answered additional questions posed by the Committee.

**Kuhl Brown, Real Estate Development Director, Mountain Plains Region**, distributed and explained a PowerPoint presentation entitled "Arizona House of Representatives – Housing Supply Study Committee" (Attachment B). Mr. Brown answered questions posed by the Committee.

The Committee offered comments.

**Diana Yazzie Devine, President and CEO, non-profit Native American Connections**, distributed and explained a PowerPoint presentation entitled "Native American Connections" (Attachment C). Ms. Devine answered questions posed by the Committee.

The Committee offered comments.

**John Mendibles, League of Veterans**, expressed his concerns with veterans experiencing housing issues and offered comments.


**Toyosi Adesoye, The Daniel Jordan Fiddle Foundation Center for Public Policy Fellow, First Place Global Leadership Institute**, continued with the PowerPoint presentation (Attachment D).

Ms. Casey continued with the PowerPoint presentation on The Power of Our Examples (Attachment D).

**Lisa Glow, Central Arizona Shelter Services**, expressed her concerns on the six different populations being affected by the housing issue and asked for creative solutions.

**Mary Lynn Kasunic, President & CEO/Executive Director, Area Agency on Aging, Region One**, distributed and explained a PowerPoint presentation entitled "Responding to Community Needs for 48 Years" (Attachment F). Ms. Kasunic answered questions posed by the Committee.

**Bridget Sharpe, Human Rights Campaign**, expressed her concerns on housing for those who have been discriminated against because of their identity. Ms. Sharpe answered questions posed by the Committee.
PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Holly Gieszl, representing herself, expressed her personal experience with the housing supply and offered comments.

The Committee offered comments.

Michael J. Hernandez, Senior Citizens Rent, expressed his concerns with the housing rent increase and asked the legislative members to establish a new law that protects seniors from housing rate increases.

The Committee offered comments.

Gabriel Jaramillo, Vitalist Health Foundation, asked for support from the cities to address housing needs in their communities. Mr. Jaramillo answered questions posed by the Committee.

Connie Phillips, Lutheran Social Services of SW, expressed her concerns on housing for refugees.

Letitia Brown Gambino, representing herself, expressed her own personal experience with housing issues.

The Committee offered comments.

MJ Simpson, William E. Morris Institute for Justice, expressed her concerns regarding low-income housing supply. Ms. Simpson answered questions posed by the Committee.

The Committee offered comments.

Representative Kaiser set the next meeting date for August 23, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.

Attached are forms noting the individuals who submitted a Speaker slip on the agenda items (Attachment G).

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brisa Roman
Committee Secretary

(Audio recordings and attachments are on file in the Secretary of the Senate’s Office/Resource Center, Room 115. Audio archives are available at http://www.azleg.gov)