

**SENATE  
STATE OF MINNESOTA  
NINETY-FOURTH SESSION**

**S.F. No. 4145**

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DATE	D-PG	OFFICIAL STATUS
03/04/2026	6486	Introduction and first reading Referred to Judiciary and Public Safety
03/23/2026	6859a 6919	Comm report: To pass as amended and re-refer to Housing and Homelessness Prevention Author added Oumou Verbeten

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to housing; prohibiting landlords from listing the name of a minor child

1.3 of a tenant in an eviction complaint; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota

1.4 Statutes, chapter 504B.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. **[504B.2136] NAMING MINORS AS DEFENDANTS PROHIBITED.**

1.7 (a) A residential landlord shall not list a minor child of a residential tenant as a defendant

1.8 in an eviction action complaint against the residential tenant. If a minor is the only person

1.9 renting the unit from the landlord, the landlord may list the minor as a defendant in an

1.10 eviction action complaint against the minor.

1.11 (b) The requirements of this section may not be waived or modified by the parties to a

1.12 residential lease. Any provision, whether oral or written, of a lease or other agreement by

1.13 which any provision of this section is waived by a tenant is contrary to public policy and

1.14 void. The tenant shall recover from the landlord actual and consequential damages or \$300,

1.15 whichever is greater, for a violation of this section.

1.16 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to eviction

1.17 actions filed on or after that date.