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State of Minnesota
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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HOUSE FILE NO. 340

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations, Reform, Technology and Elections

February 15, 2007

Committee Recommendation and Adoption of Report:

To Pass as Amended

Read Second Time

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to elections; allowing certain persons access to multiple unit residences
1.3 for certain campaign and election purposes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006,
1.4 section 211B.20, subdivision 1.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 211B.20, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.7 Subdivision 1. **Prohibition.** (a) It is unlawful for a person, either directly or
1.8 indirectly, to deny access to an apartment house, dormitory, nursing home, manufactured
1.9 home park, other multiple unit facility used as a residence, or an area in which two or more
1.10 single-family dwellings are located on private roadways to a candidate who ~~has~~ is currently
1.11 filed for election to public office or to campaign workers accompanied by the candidate, if:

1.12 (1) the candidate and workers seeking admittance to the facility do so solely for the
1.13 purpose of campaigning for a candidate, registering voters, or getting out the vote; and

1.14 (2) the candidate and any campaign workers accompanying the candidate are within
1.15 the territory for which the candidate has filed for election.

1.16 (b) A candidate and campaign workers obtaining access under this section must be
1.17 permitted to leave campaign materials for residents.

1.18 (c) A violation of this section is a petty misdemeanor.