

**COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee

Monday, March 14, 2005

12:00 Noon, Room 107 Capitol

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Marty  
Bakk  
Chaudhary  
Frederickson  
Hottinger  
Nienow  
Olson  
Pariseau  
Saxhaug  
Stumpf

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Jungbauer

**AGENDA:**

See enclosed agenda.

Senator Marty called the Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee to order at 1:15 p.m. and stated that a quorum was present.

Senator Ruud presented S.F. 1066.

Senator Frederickson moved the 1066A-2 amendment. MOTION PREVAILED.

Lauri Martinson, Director, Trails & Waterways Division, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, answered questions from committee members and summarized S.F. 1066, as amended.

Senator Pariseau moved that S.F. 1066, as amended, be recommended to pass and referred to the Committee on Finance. MOTION PREVAILED.

Senator Marty presented S.F. 1047.

Senator Marty moved the 1047A-1 amendment. MOTION PREVAILED.

Lauri Martinson, Director, Trails & Waterways Division, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, answered questions from committee members and summarized S.F. 1047, as amended.

Senator Frederickson moved the following amendment to S.F. 1047: page 3, line 22 delete "as" and insert "and". MOTION PREVAILED.

Matt Norton, representing Forestry and Wildlife for the Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy, has concerns about portion of S.F. 1047.

Senator Marty moved the following verbal amendment: page 2, line 29 before "vehicles" insert "all terrain" and delete rest of line; page 3, line 30, delete "84.922". The amendment passed on a division 5 ayes/4 nays. MOTION PREVAILED.

Senator Marty moved that S.F. 1047, as amended, be recommended to pass. MOTION PREVAILED. Division called for by Sen. Saxhaug 6 ayes and 3 nays.

Senator Marty presented S.F. 720.

Senator Marty moved the 720A-1 amendment. (Hold until Wednesday, March 16 for a vote.)

Susan Solterman, Audubon, summarized S.F. 720.

Lauri Martinson, Director, Trails & Waterways Division, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, answered questions from committee members and summarized S.F. 720, with the proposed amendment.

Senator Marty moved a verbal amendment: page 2, line 33, delete "95" and insert "96"; hold until Wednesday, March 16 for a vote.

Senator Pariseau asked for testimony from the manufacturers of snorkels for Wednesday, March 16, committee meeting.

Senate File 1442-Bakk was summarized by Ray Bohn, who represents ATV Minnesota.

Senator Saxhaug moved the 1442a-1 amendment. MOTION PREVAILED.

The Environment and Natural Resources committee meeting was recessed at 2:40 p.m., until 5:30 p.m. in Room 107.

The Environment and Natural Resources was called back to order at 5:55 p.m. in room 107.

Senator Stumpf presented S.F. 1406.

George Swentik, Chair, Lake of the Woods County Board and Mike Hansen, Chair Koochiching County Board spoke in support of S.F. 1406.

Persons testifying in support of S.F. 720 were the following:

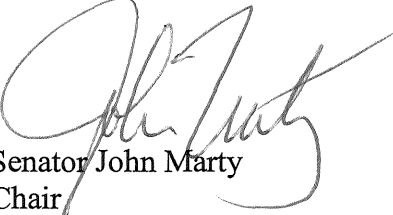
Norm Moody, Cass County Land Commissioner  
Kevin Bigler, Trout Unlimited  
Gary Botzek, Minnesota Environmental Partnership Board Member  
Peter Hovde, Private Citizen, Moorhead, Minnesota  
Susan Solterman, Audubon Society  
Matt Norton, Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy

Persons testifying in opposition to S.F. 720 were the following:

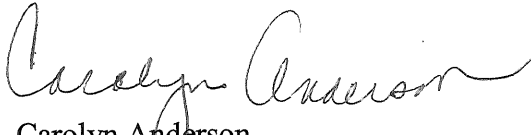
Ray Bohn, representing ATVAM  
Lois Campbell, Minnesota 4 Wheel Drive Association  
Alexandra Woodmansee, Minnesota 4 Wheel Drive Association  
Interim Land Coordinator  
Morgan Bains, Minnesota 4 Wheel Drive Association  
Dave Hendricks, President, ATVAM  
Phill Morud, Regional Director

Senator Saxhaug adjourned the Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Senator John Marty  
Chair



Carolyn Anderson  
Committee Secretary

## Senate Committee Meeting Log

Committee Name: ENV AND NAT RESOURCES  
 Date: 3/14/05 Day: MON Start Time: 1:15 PM

### Agenda

Bill # (or Topic)	SF 1066 RUDD
Author	
Short Descriptor	A2 AMENDMENT - FREDERICKSON MOVES PARISENA MOVES BILL TO FINANCE - VOIET VOTE UNANIMOUS
Action(s)	
Bill # (or Topic)	SF <del>1041</del> MANTU 1041 A1 AMENDMENT
Author	
Short Descriptor	FIND. ORAL AMENDMENT MANTU AMENDMENT A.3
Action(s)	
Bill # (or Topic)	MOVED TO FLOOR 54
Author	
Short Descriptor	SF 700 A1 AMENDMENT
Action(s)	MANTU ORAL AMENDMENT D.2
Bill # (or Topic)	SF 1442 BARR
Author	
Short Descriptor	A1 AMENDMENT RAY BOHN PRESENTS
Action(s)	
Bill # (or Topic)	SF 1406 STUMPE
Author	
Short Descriptor	
Action(s)	
Bill # (or Topic)	
Author	
Short Descriptor	
Action(s)	

## Senate Committee Meeting Log

Committee Name: Elections

Date: 3/14/05 Day: Monday Start Time: 3:00

### Agenda

Bill # (or Topic)	SF 1389 Higgins
Author	Higgins
Short Descriptor	state primary election date change
Action(s)	did not pass
Bill # (or Topic)	1051
Author	Hettinger
Short Descriptor	<del>facilitating</del> vol Ongoing status of an absentee voter
Action(s)	passed as amended sent to floor
Bill # (or Topic)	1249
Author	Jungbauer
Short Descriptor	Eliminating specified grounds for recall
Action(s)	Laid over for next year
Bill # (or Topic)	1493
Author	Nienow
Short Descriptor	requiring an additional report by a principal campaign committee in a year
Action(s)	Laid over



# Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee

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12:00 Noon  
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## AGENDA

① S.F.1066-Ruud: DNR OHV gas tax study.  
*AS AMENDMENT DELETE ALL - MOVED TO FINANCE*

② S.F.1047-Marty: DNR OHV bill.  
*AI AMENDMENT - ADOPTED - FIES OR AMENDMENT MARY AMARO  
MOVED TO FLOW 5-4*

Presentation of the following bills: (No action will be taken on these bills today)

③ S.F.720-Marty: OHV enforcement bill.

⑤ S.F. 1406-Stumpf: OHV forest classification.

④ S.F. 1442-Bakk: OHV trail development.  
*AI AMENDMENT*

Testimony on OHV bills, 45 minutes for proponents and 45 minutes for opponents.

The committee meeting will recess at 2:30 pm and reconvene in Room 107 at 5:30 p.m. to continue testimony.

# Senate Elections Committee

**Chair: Chuck Wiger**  
Monday, March 14, 2005  
3:00 p.m.  
Room 107 Capitol

## Agenda

1. S.F. 1389-Higgins: State primary election date change
2. S.F. 1051-Hottinger: Ongoing status of an absentee voter  
Testifying: Karl Knutson
3. S.F. 852-Higgins: Facilitating voter registration by college students
4. S.F. 1086-Higgins: Authorizing early voting by absentee ballot at certain locations without qualification.
5. S.F. 1249-Jungbauer: Eliminating specified grounds for recall
6. S.F. 1494-Nienow: Suggestion solicitation and postage are constituent services  
Testifying: Frank Wright, Concerned citizen
7. S.F. 1493-Nienow: Requiring an additional report by a principal campaign committee in a year