

Senate Tax Committee
Monday, May 2, 2005
Room 15 Capitol
Chair, Senator Lawrence J. Pogemiller

Present

Pogemiller, Chair
Tomassoni, Vice Chair
Bakk
Belanger
Marty
Moua
Ortman
Skoe

Absent

Betzold
Johnson
Limmer
McGinn

Senator Pogemiller called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

A quorum was present.

Agenda Item #1: Tax 3 Draft

1. Amendments

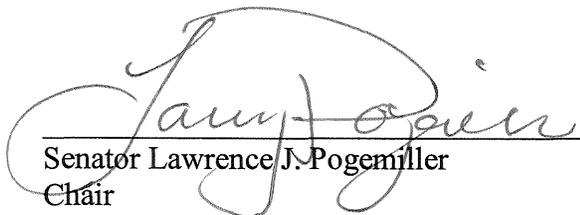
- a. BL1056
 - i. Overview given by Pierre Willette, City of Minneapolis
 - ii. Senator Tomassoni moved that BL1056 be incorporated into Tax 3. Motion adopted
- b. BL1057
 - i. Overview given by Senator Bakk
 - ii. Testimony
 1. Eric Kohler, NWA
 2. Jeff Davis, NWA
 3. Jim Pearson, Department of Commerce
 - iii. Set aside until a fiscal note is provided.
- c. BL1068
 - i. Overview by Barry Tilly, Dakota County
 - ii. Senate Counsel suggested an amendment on pg. 1, line 10, after the period insert "The authority may levy for this purpose under M.S. section 398.A04 subdivision 8, to the extent the levy authority under that subdivision levy is not required to be used for that year for railroad purposes."
 1. Senator Belanger moved the amendment for incorporation into Tax 3. Motion adopted
 - iii. Discussion regarding local approval
 - iv. Senator Belanger moved that BL1068, as amended, be incorporated into Tax 3. Motion adopted
- d. BL1060
 - i. Testimony
 1. Nancy Haas, City of St. Paul
 2. Matt Smith, City of St. Paul
 - ii. Senator Moua moved that BL1060 be incorporated into Tax 3. Motion adopted
- e. BL1066
 - i. Overview by JoAnne Sellner, Senate Counsel
 - ii. Testimony by Jack Mansun, Department of Revenue
 1. Goes against the streamline sales tax
 - iii. Senator Tomassoni moved to include the Duluth Deck as one of the "state-subsidized facilities". Motion adopted
 - iv. Senator Tomassoni moved that BL1066 be added to the C list for Tax 3. Motion adopted
- f. BL1067
 - i. Senator Ortman moved that BL1067 be incorporated into Tax 3. Motion not adopted

- ii. Senator Ortman requested a division. Motion is not adopted.
- 2. Testimony on the Tax 3 Draft
 - a. Tom Hesse, MN Chamber of Commerce
 - i. F.O.C. effective date
 - ii. Definition of threshold
- 3. Continuation of amendments
 - a. BL1044-1
 - i. Overview by Senator Schied
 - ii. Overview of pg. 6, line 1, increasing tables from 50 to 90, by Senator Metzen
 - iii. Discussion
 - iv. Testimony
 - 1. Anne Gabriel, Columbus Concerned Citizens
 - a. Handout #1 "Columbus Concerned Citizens"
 - 2. Evan Whitby, Columbus Township Resident
 - a. Handout #2 "Columbus Concerned Citizens Summary of documented opposition"
 - 3. Deb Davies, Columbus Township Resident
 - 4. John Apitz, Canterbury Racetrack
 - a. Handout #3 "2004 Canterbury Park"
 - 5. Brian Riese, Joint Religious Coalition
 - 6. Cort Holten, Chestnut & Cambronne, P.A.
 - 7. Anne Gabriel, Columbus Concerned Citizens
 - 8. Doug Francine, North Metro Harness
 - v. Discussion
 - 1. How much money would a 5% tax raise?
 - a. Vic Moore, North Metro Harness
 - 2. Business plan
 - 3. Popularity of harness racing
 - vi. Set aside
- 4. Amendments distributed – no action taken at the time.
 - a. BL1064
 - b. BL1061
 - c. BL1063

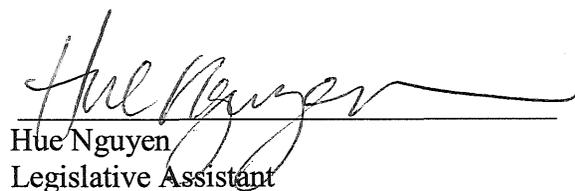
Senator Pogemiller recessed the Senate Tax Committee was at 12:35 p.m.

The Senate Tax Committee did not reconvene.

Respectfully Submitted:



Senator Lawrence J. Pogemiller
Chair



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Legislative Assistant

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