

SENATE COMMERCE COMMITTEE

Monday, March 21, 2005

12:00 p.m. Room 123 - State Capitol

Members Present

Senator Linda Scheid
Senator Dan Sparks
Senator Ellen Anderson
Senator William Belanger
Senator David Gaither
Senator Sheila Kiscaden
Senator Cal Larson
Senator Brian LeClair
Senator Becky Lourey
Senator Geoff Michel
Senator Sandy Pappas
Senator Larry Pogemiller
Senator Mady Reiter
Senator Ann Rest
Senator Jim Metzen

Members Excused

Senator Dallas Sams

Senator Sparks called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

H.F. 997/S.F. 985 – Senator Ruud- authorizing a detached banking facility in Burns Township.

Exhibit A

Senator Reiter moved H.F. 997 be recommended to pass. Motion prevailed.

Senator Reiter renews her motion to place H.F. 997 on the consent calendar. Motion prevailed.

S.F. 1459 – Senator Betzold: statewide health plan for school district employees.

Exhibit B and C

The following provided testimony in support of S.F. 1459:

- Jan Alswager, Education Minnesota
- Bob Cooley, retired public employee, MN
- Janelle Rau-Clausen, Service Employees International Union (SEIU)
- Kevin Fahey, executive Director, MN School Employees Association (MSEA)
- Lee Johanson, Education Minnesota

The following provided testimony in opposition to S.F. 1459:

- Grace Schwab, Minnesota School Board Association (Exhibits D-F)
- Nik Lightfoot, Hopkins School District (Exhibit G)
- Paula Klinger, Hopkins School District
- Mary Gilbert, St. Paul Public Schools
- Jim Grathwol, Minneapolis Public Schools
- Paul Brinkman, Minnesota Regional Service Agencies (Exhibit H & I)
- Charlie Kyte, Minnesota Association of School Administrators
- George Kraemer, Watertown-Mayer School District
- Doug Kugler, Watertown-Mayer School District

Senator Lourey moved the A-1 Amendment.

Chair is in doubt on the voice vote and calls for a division. On a vote of 6 yeas and 6 nays

the motion does not prevail.

Senator Rest moved to reconsider the vote on the A-1 amendment. A division was called.

On a vote of 7 yeas, and 6 nays, the motion prevailed.

Senator Rest renews motion to adopt the A-1 amendment. Motion prevailed.

Senator Kiscaden moved the A-3 Amendment. Motion prevailed.

Senator Kiscaden moved the A-2 Amendment.

The following provided testimony to answer clarifying question on S.F. 1459:

- Lynn Gruber- president, Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association

Motion to adopt the A-2 Amendment prevailed.

Senator Kiscaden moved S.F. 1459 be recommended to pass as amended without recommendation.

Senator Michel moved to lay S.F. 1459 on the table. A division was called.

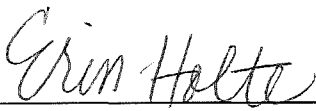
On a vote of 6 yeas and 6 nays, the motion did not prevail.

Senator Kiscaden renewed the motion to pass S.F. 1459 as amended and re-refer it without recommendation to Health and Family Security Committee. Motion prevailed.

The meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m. The proceedings were taped and the materials distributed are attached to these minutes.



Senator Linda Scheid
Chair



Erin Holte
Legislative Assistant

Senate Commerce Committee

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1. SF 1459 (Betzold) statewide health plan for school district employees

Testifying in support:

Jan Alswager, Education Minnesota
Bob Cooley
Janelle Rau-Clauson, Service Employees International Union (SEIU)
Kevin Fahey, executive Director, MN School Employees Association (MSEA)

Testifying in opposition:

Grace Schwab, Minnesota School Board Association
Nik Lightfoot, Hopkins School District
Paula Klinger, Hopkins School District
Mary Gilbert, St. Paul Public Schools
Jim Grathwol, Minneapolis Public Schools
Paul Brinkman, Minnesota Regional Service Agencies
Charlie Kyte, Minnesota Association of School Administrators
George Kraemer, Watertown-Mayer School District
Doug Kugler, Watertown-Mayer School District
Carolyn Jones, Minnesota Chamber of Commerce

2. SF 1636 (Sparks) commerce department regulation of financial institutions

Patrick Sexton, commerce department

3. HF 977/SF 985 (Ruud) authorizing a detached banking facility in Burns Township

Larry Nelson, executive vice president, Pine River State Bank
Jerry Taylor, board member, Pine River State Bank
Kent Zaffke, board member, Pine River State Bank

Senate Committee Meeting Log

Committee Name: Commerce

Date: 3-21-05

Day: Monday

Start Time: 12:30 actual

Agenda

Bill # (or Topic)	SE 985 / HF 997
Author	Rund
Short Descriptor	authorizing a detached banking facility in Burnstownship
Action(s)	passed to consent calendar
Bill # (or Topic)	SE 1459
Author	Petzold
Short Descriptor	statewide health plan for school district employees
Action(s)	passed as amended & re-referred to Health & Family Security
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