

Finance Committee

Chair: Senator Richard J. Cohen

Monday, April 25, 2005

9:00 a.m.

Room 123, Capitol

PRESENT: Cohen, Chaudhary, Berglin, Dibble*, Frederickson, Gerlach, Kierlin, Kiscaden, Langseth, Larson, Metzen, Murphy, Neuville, Nienow, Olson, Ourada, Pappas, Pariseau, Ranum, Stumpf, Wiger

ABSENT: Dille, Fischbach, Hottinger, Sams

* Beginning 3/18/05, when Senator Sams is absent, Senator Dibble replaces him on the Finance Committee

Senator Cohen called the meeting to order at 10:03 A.M.

A quorum was not present.

AGENDA ITEM #1: Public Safety Omnibus Budget Bill (document SC4098-1)

- A quorum was present at 10:05.
- Senator Ranum testified on the Public Safety Omnibus Budget Bill (document SC4098-1). She started by explaining the charts and handouts she provided.
- Chris Turner, Public Safety Budget Division Fiscal Analyst, testified on the spreadsheet for the bill.
- Sandy Neren, District Judges Association, testified on the issue of pay raises for judges.
- Peter Wattson, Finance Counsel, testified on the judges' salaries issue.
- Senator Chaudhary chaired from 10:55.
- Ted Marti, August-Schell Brewery in New Ulm, MN, testified against the proposed increase on the excise liquor tax.
- Sherry Munyon, County Probation Officers, testified in favor of the proposed increase.
- John Falconer, Falconer Vineyards Winery in Red Wing, MN, testified in opposition to the increased tax.
- Senator Cohen recessed the meeting for lunch at 12:20.
- Senator Chaudhary reconvened the meeting at 2:09. It was announced that the Public Safety Omnibus Budget Bill was laid over until April 26.

AGENDA ITEM #2: K-12 Omnibus Budget Bill (document #05-4092)

- Senator Stumpf and Eric Nauman, K-12 Education Budget Division Fiscal Analyst, testified on the K-12 Omnibus Budget Bill (document #05-4092).
- Senator Stumpf moved the BL1026 amendment.
- Mr. Nauman testified on the BL1026 amendment.
- The BL1026 amendment was adopted.
- Senator Stumpf moved the BL1018 amendment.
- Mr. Nauman testified on the BL1018 amendment.
- The BL1018 amendment was adopted.
- Senator Stumpf moved the BL1019 amendment.
- Mr. Nauman testified on the BL1019 amendment.
- The BL1019 amendment was adopted.
- Senator Stumpf testified on and moved the BL1023 amendment. Motion carried.
- Senator Stumpf testified on and moved the BL1021 amendment. Motion carried.
- Mr. Nauman testified on the spreadsheet for the bill.
- Senator Kelley testified on the remedial education section in the bill.

- Senator Stumpf testified on the data runs spreadsheet.
- Senator Kelley testified on the all day kindergarten program, explaining what Minnesota is doing.
- Senator Cohen returned to chair at 3:25.
- Senator Chaudhary began to chair the meeting at 3:35.
- Senator Cohen returned to chair at 3:37.
- Senator Langseth moved to delete Article 2, Section 76. Motion carried.
- Senator Stumpf moved that document 05-4092 as amended be introduced as a committee bill, be recommended to pass, and referred to the Tax Committee.

Senator Cohen adjourned the meeting at 3:52 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



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Legislative Assistant



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Chair

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Agenda:

Public Safety Budget Bill

K-12 Budget Bill

Time: 3:56³⁹

Senate Committee Meeting Log

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Bill # (or Topic)	Public Safety Omnibus Budget Bill
Author	Jane Rarum
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Action(s)	Laid over
Bill # (or Topic)	K-12 Omnibus Budget Bill
Author	LeRoy Stumpf
Short Descriptor	
Action(s)	Amended, to introduce as a comm bill, & sent to Taxes.
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