

State Government Budget Division

Tuesday, February 8, 2005

9:00 a.m. – 11:30a.m. Room 107 – State Capitol

Members Present

Senator S. Kiscaden
Senator S. Chaudhary
Senator R. Cohen
Senator C. Larson
Senator J. Metzen
Senator G. Michel
Senator J. Ranum
Senator M. Reiter
Senator D. Senjem
Senator J. Vickerman

Members Excused

Senator Kiscaden called the meeting to order at 9:05.

9:07 Major General Larry Shellito, Adjutant General

Overview of Department of Military Affairs

Handout #1 Minnesota Department of Military Affairs Overview

10:30 Michael Pugliese, Acting Commissioner, Department of Veterans Affairs

Overview of Department of Military Affairs

Handout #2 Department of Veterans Affairs Budget Overview

10:49 Tom Hanson, Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), VFW Claims Service Director

10:57 Jerry Kryser, President, Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA)

11:05 Al Holtan, Commander, Military Order of the Purple Heart

11:10 Disabled American Veterans (DAV)
Hank Sadler, State Commander
Pete Philippi, National Service Officer
Dean Ascherman, Adjutant

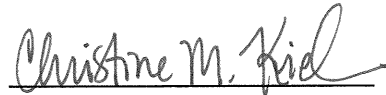
Handout #3 Minnesota Disabled American Veterans

11:22 Recall Acting Commissioner Michael Pugliese for committee questions.

The meeting adjourned at 11:26 . The proceedings were recorded and the materials distributed are attached to these minutes.



Senator Sheila Kiscaden
Chairman



Christine Kiel
Committee Administrator

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AGENDA

Military and Veteran Issues

1. Overview of Military Affairs
Major General Larry Shellito, Adjutant General

2. Overview of Veterans Affairs
Michael Pugliese, Acting Commissioner
 - a. Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW)
Al Loehr, Legislative Chair
Thomas Hanson, Claims Officer
James Hesselgrave, Quartermaster

 - b. Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA)
Jerry Kyser, President
Julie Bailey, Claims Officer

 - c. Military Order of the Purple Heart (MOPH)
Al Holtan, Commander
Larry German, Adjutant
Dave Srock, Claims Officer

 - d. Disabled American Veterans (DAV)
Dean Ascheman, Adjutant
Hank Sadler, Commander
Pete Philippi, National Service Officer