

## Minutes for State and Local Government Operations

**Monday, March 14, 2005**

**Start Time 1:22 p.m.**

**Chair, Senator Linda Higgins**

Present Members: Sen. Higgins, Sen. Wiger, Sen. Dibble, Sen. Senjem, Sen. Robling, Sen. Wergin, Sen. Fischbach, Sen. Marko, Sen. Solon and Sen. Wiger, Sen. Day, Sen. Tomassoni, Sen. Kubly and Sen. Johnson

**S.F. 1057 Senator Pogemiller:** State employment; providing voluntary unpaid leave options and early retirement incentives to state employees

Senator Dibble moves the A05-0241 amendment

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Senator Vickerman moves the SCS1057A-1 amendment

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Gary Denault, Executive Director of the Middle Management Association testified in favor of the bill. Gary Denault was also available to answer questions.

Paul Larson, Department of Employee Relations testified in opposition of the bill.

Dave Bergstrom, Director for Minnesota State Retirement System answered questions.

Senator Vickerman moves motion as amended to pass the bill and re-referred the bill to the Finance Committee.

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

1 handout provided-Early Retirement Incentives

**S.F. 1253 Senator Pappas:** Local government; authorizing the city of t. Paul to participate in the creation of, and to contract with, a nonprofit organization for management and operation of the RiverCentre complex

Karolyn Kirchglesler, Director of the St. Paul Convention and Visitors Bureau, testified in favor of the bill. Karolyn Kirchglesler answered questions.

Senator Wiger moves motion to pass the bill and re-referred the bill to the Judiciary Committee.

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

**S.F. 686 Senator Betzold:** Waters; provding for administrative penalty orders; providing civil penalties

Kent Lokkesmoe, Director DNR Division of Waters testified in favor of the bill.

Senator Wigiers moves the SCS0686A-1 amendment

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Senator Wiger moves motion as amended to pass the bill and re-referred the bill to the Judiciary Committee.

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

1 handout provided by Kent Lokkesmoe-Administrative Penalty Order

**S.F. 1146 Senator Vickerman:** Agriculture; clarifying the county agriculture society exemption from local zoning ordinances

Jerry Schoenfeld, Minnesota Federation of County Fairs testified in favor of the bill.

Jerry Schoenfeld also, answered questions.

Senator Robling moves oral amendment.

Page 2, line 4, delete "and are exempt from local zoning ordinances throughout the year"

Page 2, line 5, delete "as provided in section 38.16."

Motion failed on a voice vote.

Senator Vickerman moves motion to pass the bill to the floor.

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

**S.F. 1208 Senator Robling:** Employee relations; modifying state employment provisions  
Bill carried over to Wednesday, March 16, 2005

Adjourned at 2:38 p.m.

# State and Local Government Operations

Chair: Senator Linda Higgins

March 14, 2005  
12:00 – 2:30 p.m.  
Room 123

## Agenda

S.F. 1057-Pogemiller: State employment; providing voluntary unpaid leave options and early retirement incentives to state employees

Gary Denault, Executive Director of the Middle Management Assoc.  
Paul Larson, DOER

S.F. 1253-Pappas: Local government; authorizing the city of St. Paul to participate in the creation of, and to contract with, a nonprofit organization for management and operation of the RiverCentre complex

Karolyn Kirchgesler, Director of the St. Paul Convention and Visitors Bureau  
Lois West Duffy, Chair, St. Paul River Centre  
Rich Neumeister

S.F. 686-Betzold: Waters; providing for administrative penalty orders; providing civil penalties

S.F. 1146-Vickerman: Agriculture; clarifying the county agriculture society exemption from local zoning ordinances

Jerry Schoenfeld, Minnesota Federation of County Fairs

~~S.F. 1208-Robling~~: Employee relations; modifying state employment Provisions Laid-over

Ann Schluter, DOER Deputy Commissioner of Personnel Services  
Brian Bergson, MAPE

## Senate Committee Meeting Log

Committee Name: State and Local Government Operations

Date: March 14, 2005 Day: Monday Start Time: 1120

### Agenda

1:20

Bill # (or Topic)	SF 1057
Author	Rosemiller
Short Descriptor	Providing voluntary unpaid leave options and early retirement incentives to state employees
Action(s)	Motion to approve and re-refer to Finance
	PASSED

1:50

Bill # (or Topic)	SF 1253
Author	Pappas
Short Descriptor	Authorizing the City of Seward to participate in the creation of a non-profit organization.
Action(s)	Recommended to pass and referred to Judiciary
	PASSED

1:55

Bill # (or Topic)	SF 686
Author	Reizold
Short Descriptor	Providing for administrative penalty orders; providing civil penalties
Action(s)	Recommended to pass w. amendment and referred to Judiciary
	PASSED

2:10

Bill # (or Topic)	<del>Vickerman</del> SF 1146
Author	Vickerman
Short Descriptor	Clarifying the county agriculture society exemption from local zoning ordinances.
Action(s)	Recommended to pass & referred to the floor
	PASSED

Bill # (or Topic)	SR 208
Author	Rabry
Short Descriptor	
Action(s)	
Bill # (or Topic)	
Author	
Short Descriptor	
Action(s)	
Bill # (or Topic)	
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Adjournment Time: 2:35

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