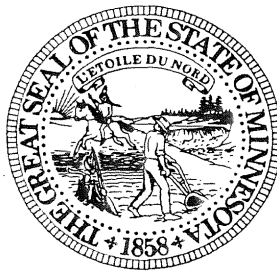


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**To: Committee Members**  
**From: Roxann Daggett**  
**Date: April 26, 2001**

The Ethics Committee is on-call, and since our organizational meeting in January, we have not had reason to meet. On April 24, I received from the Speaker a Complaint made pursuant to Rule 6.10 about Representative Abeler. The complaint was signed by Representatives Skoglund, Pugh, Kelliher, and Irvin Anderson. You were sent a copy of the formal complaint.

There is a limited period during which the complaint can be resolved without formal action or by which the Committee must conduct a probable cause hearing. This and other details will be outlined for the committee by House Research staff at the meeting on Friday, April 27, at 7:30 a.m. in Room 500S, State Office Building.

A roster of the committee members and staff is attached. Blair Tremere, the administrator of the Local Government and Metropolitan Affairs Committee has been assigned as the administrator of this committee.

It is my intent to conduct the necessary committee business in a fair and thorough manner. The format of a formal hearing will provide equal time for presentation of the complaint and presentation of the response, with equal reasonable time for questions by the members. Once the testimony is completed, the members will deliberate the question of whether there is probable cause for action.

We will meet as often as necessary, within the constraints of Floor Sessions and committee meetings. It appears that early morning is an acceptable time for members; we will provide advanced notice as early as possible. All meetings are open to the public unless the committee determines by vote to meet in executive session to deliberate probable cause.

Contact the committee administrator if you have questions or scheduling issues.