

JOBS, ENERGY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SUBCOMMITTEE ON  
ENERGY

Wednesday, April 6, 2005  
Room G-15 Capitol  
3:00 PM

PRESENT

Gary Kubly  
Scott Dibble  
Chris Gerlach  
Steve Kelley  
James Metzen  
Mark Ourada  
Julie Rosen  
Tom Saxhaug  
David Senjem  
Dan Sparks  
Ellen Anderson

ABSENT

AGENDA

The meeting was called to order by Senator Kubly at 3:10 p.m.

Sen. Vickerman presented SF 462. Sen. Saxhaug moved the A-8 amendment. The motion passed on a voice vote. Sen. Vickerman presented handout A.

The following people testified on the bill:

Tom Davis, EQB Citizens Task Force, Lakefield - Fox Lake Transmission Line,  
presented handout B.

John Nauerth, EQB Citizens Task Force, Lakefield - Fox Lake Transmission Line

Tim Henning, Minnesota Farmers Union

Loren Laugtug, Ottertail Power Company

Sen. Anderson moved that the bill be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Sen. Anderson presented SF 1369. Edward Garvey, Deputy Commissioner of Commerce for Energy & Telecommunications testified in support of the bill. Sen. Anderson moved the A-1 amendment. The motion passed on a voice vote. Sen. Anderson moved that the bill be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Sen. Nienow presented SF 1492. Henry Fischer, Business & Community Development Manager, East Central Energy, P.O. Box 39, Braham, MN 55006, testified in support of the bill. Sen. Ourada moved that the bill be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Sen. Metzen presented SF 1575. Sen. Metzen moved the A-3 amendment. The motion passed on a voice vote. Tracy Bridge from Center Point Energy testified in support of the bill. Sen. Ourada moved that the bill be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. Sen. Ourada withdrew his motion. Tom Mathison, Director of Public Works, City of Crystal, 4141 Douglas Dr N, Crystal, MN 55422 testified in opposition to the bill. Sen. Ourada moved that the bill be recommended to pass as amended and referred to the Jobs, Energy and Community Development Committee. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Sen. Sparks and Sen. Kelley presented SF 1894. Sen. Sparks moved the A-1 amendment. The motion passed on a voice vote. Sen. Ourada moved to delete section 1. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Sen. Kelley moved to delete section 1 from SF 2041. The motion passed on a voice vote.

John Bailey, Institute for Self-Reliance, 1313 Fifth St. SE, Minneapolis, MN 55414, testified in support of SF 1894 and SF 2041.

Sen. Kelley moved that SF 1894 and SF 2041 be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Sen. Anderson presented SF 1924 and handout C. Sen. Anderson moved the A-1 amendment. The motion passed on a voice vote.

The following people testified in support of the bill:

Rolf Nordstrom, Upper Midwest Hydrogen Initiative, 2801 21st Ave S., Suite 230  
Minneapolis MN, 55407

Dave Mulder, Donaldson Co., 1400 W 94th St, Minneapolis, MN 55431

Michael Reese, U of M, West Central Research and Outreach Center, Morris, MN

Sen. Anderson moved that the bill be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Senator Kubly adjourned the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

  
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Senator Gary Kubly, Chair

  
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Kristina Handt, Sub. Sec.

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**AGENDA**

**S.F. 462-Vickerman:** Agricultural land acquisition public utilities additional landowner payments

- Tom Davis, EQB Citizens Task Force, Lakefield - Fox Lake Transmission Line
- John Nauerth III, EQB Citizens Task Force, Lakefield - Fox Lake Transmission Line
- Tim Henning, Minnesota Farmers Union
- Loren Laugtug, Ottertail Power

**S.F. 1369-Anderson:** Public utilities distributed generation installation opportunities consideration and local power quality zones establishment

- Edward Garvey, Deputy Commissioner of Commerce for Energy & Telecommunications

**S.F. 1492-Nienow:** Qualified on farm biogas recovery facility definition expansion

- Henry Fischer, East Central Energy

**SF 1575-Metzen:** Gas utilities infrastructure replacement costs recovery

- Tracy Bridge, Center Point Energy
- Dave Kult, Director of Business Operations, Aquila

**SF 1894 –Sparks:** Public utilities electronic regulatory filing system

- John Bailey, Institute for Local Self-Reliance

**SF 2041-Kelley:** Public utilities commission documents electronic filing and retrieval system

- Michael Noble, Executive Director, Minnesotans for an Energy-Efficient Economy

**SF 1901-Metzen:** Public utilities commission costs recovery authority expansion

- Burl Haar, Executive Secretary, Public Utilities Commission

**SF 1902-Metzen:** Power plant siting and routing, wind energy conversion systems and pipelines authority transfer

- Burl Haar, Executive Secretary, Public Utilities Commission

**SF 1924-Anderson:** Hydrogen use incentives

- Rolf Nordstrom, Upper Midwest Hydrogen Initiative

## Senate Committee Meeting Log

Committee Name: Energy Subcommittee

Date: 4/6/05 Day: Wednesday Start Time: 3:10 pm

### Agenda

Bill # (or Topic)	SF 462
Author	Vickerman
Short Descriptor	Agricultural land acquisition public utilities additional landowner payments
Action(s)	amended and laid over for possible inclusion in omnibus bill
Bill # (or Topic)	1369
Author	Anderson
Short Descriptor	Public utilities distributed generation installation opportunities consideration and local power quality zones establishment
Action(s)	amended and laid over for possible inclusion in omnibus bill
Bill # (or Topic)	1492
Author	Nichols
Short Descriptor	Qualified on farm biogas recovery facility definition expansion
Action(s)	laid over for possible inclusion in omnibus bill
Bill # (or Topic)	1575
Author	Metzen
Short Descriptor	Gas utilities infrastructure replacement <del>recovery</del> cost recovery
Action(s)	amended and referred to full committee

Bill # (or Topic)	1994
Author	Sparks
Short Descriptor	Public utilities electronic regulatory filing system
Action(s)	amended and laid over for possible inclusion in omnibus bill
Bill # (or Topic)	2041
Author	Kelley
Short Descriptor	Public utilities commission documents electronic filing system
Action(s)	amended and laid over for possible inclusion in omnibus bill
Bill # (or Topic)	1924
Author	Anderson
Short Descriptor	Hydrogen use incentives
Action(s)	amended and laid over for possible inclusion in omnibus bill
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Adjournment Time: 5:30 pm

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