Minutes for State and Local Government Operations

Monday, April 11, 2005 Start Time 6:10 p.m. Chair, Senator Linda Higgins

Present Members: Sen. Higins, Sen. Wiger, Sen. Dibble, Sen. Senjem, Sen. Robling, Sen. Wergin, Sen. Fischbach, Sen. Marko, Sen. Kubly, Sen. Tomassoni, Sen. Vickerman and Senator Solon

Absent Members: Sen. Debbie Johnson and Sen. Day

SF 427 Senator Betzold: Omnibus Pensions Bill

Cheryl Fever, Education Minnesota answered questions.

Larry Martin answered questions on the 05-228 amendment

Mary Bannick testified in opposition to the A-1 amendment

Senator Wiger moves the 05-232 amendment

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Senator Dibble moves to delete Section 16

Motion prevailed on a voice vote

Senator Senjem moves the 05-240 amendment

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Senator Senjem moves the 05-233 amendment

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Senator Marko moves the 05-228 amendment

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Senator Marko moves an oral amendment on the 05-228 amendment

Page 1 line 12 after Page insert "51"

Page 1 line 12 after line insert "30"

Page 52, after line 1 insert [EFFECTIVE DATE.]

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Senator Tomassoni moves the A-1 amendment

Senator Tomassoni withdrew his motion

Senator Marko moves the bill to pass as amended to the floor

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

SF 896 Senator Bakk: Hubbard, Lake and Wabasha counties surplus state land sales

Commissioner Mark Holston, DNR answered questions

Dan Larson, Minnesota Rural Caucus testified in favor of the bill

Senator Robling moves the A-15 amendment

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Senator Tomassoni moves bill as amended and re-referred the bill to Committee on Taxes.

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

1 handout- March 29, 2005 letter from the Department of Natural Resources

SF 1905 Senator Vickerman: County economic development authority boards membership increase authority

Senator Vickerman moves motion to place the bill on the Consent Calendar Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

SF 1846 Senator Kelley: State energy savings program

Senator Vickerman moves oral amendment

Page 2, line 1 after the word "GUARANTEED" insert "ENERGY"

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

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

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

SF 1390 Senator Higgins: State employees group insurance plan provisions modifications

Liz Holding, Manager for the Employee Insurance Division provided an overview of the bill

Lorna Smith, Department of Employee Relations testified in favor of the bill

Senator Higgins moves the A-1 amendment

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Senator Higgins moves the A-5 amendment

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Senator Vickerman oral amendment

Page 7, lines 3 through 27 delete "Section 4"

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

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

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

SF 1945 Senator Higgins: City charter amendments enactment notice and hearing requirements modifications

Senator Higgins moves motion to place the bill on the Consent Calendar. Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

SF 1298 Senator Higgins: Minnesota Electronics Recycling Act of 2005 (E-waste)

Trudy Richter testified in favor of the A-14 amendment

Buz Anderson, Retailors Association testified in favor of the A-14 amendment

Laura Bishop, Best Buy testified in favor of the A-14 amendment

Mark Nelson, Hewlett Packard testified in favor of the A-14 amendment

Tim Rudniki, Computer Takeback Campaign testified in favor of the A-14 amendment

David Thompson testified in opposition of the A-14 amendment

Valerie Pace, IBM testified in opposition of the A-14 amendment

Senator Tomasssoni moves the A-14 amendment

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Senator Higgins moves the bill as amended to pass and be re-referred to the Finance Committee

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

3 handouts-April 11, 2005 letter from Best Buy, April 11, 2005 letter from Consumer Electronics Retailers Coalition and April 4, 2005 letter from the Computer TakeBack Campaign

Adjourned at 8:55pm

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Chair: Senator Linda Higgins

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Tim Rudnicki, Computer Takeback Campaign Tom Geier, 3M Laura Bishop, Best Buy

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