

Senate Taxes Committee
Wednesday, March 22, 2006
Room 15 Capitol
Chair, Senator Lawrence J. Pogemiller

Present

Pogemiller, Chair
Tomassoni, Vice Chair
Bakk
Betzold
Johnson
Marty
McGinn
Ortman
Skoe

Absent

Limmer
Moua
Belanger

Senator Pogemiller called the meeting to order at 9:20 a.m.

A quorum was present.

Agenda Item #1: SF 2536 (Day) Owatonna sales tax

1. Testimony
 - a. Tom Kunt, Mayor, City of Owatonna
 - i. Handout #1 "Support an Owatonna Local Options Sales Tax"
 - b. Greg Sparks, City Administrator, City of Owatonna
2. Senator Ortman moves that SF 2536 be placed on the A list
 - a. Motion adopted

Agenda Item #2: SF 2590 (Vickerman) Luverne sales tax

1. Senator Johnson moves the A-1 amendment
 - a. Motion adopted
2. Benjamin Vader Kooi Jr., City Attorney, City of Luverne
 - a. Handout #2 "Support a Luverne Local Options Sales Tax"
3. Senator Johnson moves that page 1, lines 23 and 24 be deleted
 - a. Motion adopted
4. Senator Johnson moves to remove the A1 amendment
 - a. Motion adopted
5. Senator Johnson moves that SF 2590 be placed on the B list
 - a. Motion adopted
6. Senator Skoe moves that the A-1 amendment be amended as follows: on pg 1, line 7, delete "the next" and insert "a"
7. Senator Skoe moves that the A-1 amendment as amended, be incorporated into SF 2590
 - a. Motion adopted

Agenda Item #3: SF 2482 (Lourey) Cloquet sales tax

1. Testimony
 - a. Brian Fritsinger, City Administrator, City of Cloquet
 - i. Handout #3 "City of Cloquet Resolution"
 - b. Dylan Kesti, City of Cloquet
2. Senator Bakk moves that SF 2482 be placed on the A list
 - a. Motion adopted

Agenda Item #4: SF 3218 (Koering) Baxter sales tax

SF 2768 (Koering) Baxter, Brainerd, and Nisswa sales tax

1. Testimony
 - a. Darrel Olson, Mayor, City of Baxter
 - i. Handout #4 "Baxter Local Options Sales Tax Request"
 - b. Anne Nelson Fischer, City Councilperson, City of Brainerd
 - c. Harold Kraus, Mayor, City of Nisswa
 - d. Dennis Coryell, City Administrator, City of Baxter
2. Senator Ortman moves that SF 2768 and SF 3218 be placed on the B list

- a. Motion adopted

Agenda Item #5: SF 2546 (Solon) Increasing Duluth's Local Sales Tax on food and beverages

1. Testimony
 - a. Herb Bergson, Mayor, City of Duluth
 - b. Dan Russell, Executive Director, Duluth Entertainment Convention Center
2. Senator Bakk moves that SF 2546 be placed on the A list
 - a. Motion adopted

Agenda Item #6: SF 2901 (Sparks) Austin sales tax

1. Senator Betzold moves the A-2 amendment
 - a. Motion adopted
2. Testimony
 - a. Jim Hurm, City Administrator, City of Austin
 - i. Handout #5 "City of Austin"
 - b. Bonnie Rietz, Mayor, City of Austin
3. Senator Skoe moves that SF 2901 as amended be placed on the A list
 - a. Motion adopted

Agenda Item #7: SF 3423 (Ruud) Local sales and use tax for the City of Breezy Point

1. Senator Ortman moves to place SF 3423 as introduced on the A list
 - a. Motion withdrawn
2. General Discussion
3. Dave Gravdahl, Breezy Point, opposes SF 3423
Senator Tomassoni is given the gavel at 10:50am
Senator Pogemiller is given the gavel at 10:55am
4. Senator Bakk moves to amend SF 3423, as follows: on pg 1, line 21, delete “,” after “sewer” and insert “and”, and delete “, street infrastructure, and public safety” after the second “sewer”
5. Senator Bakk moves to place SF 3423 on the A list
 - a. Motion adopted

Agenda Item #8: SF 2860 (Ruud) Local sales and use tax for the City of Pequot Lakes

1. Senator Ortman moves the A-1 amendment
 - a. Motion adopted
2. Kathy Malecha, Mayor, City of Pequot Lakes
3. Senator Ortman moves to place SF 2860 on the B list
 - a. Motion Adopted

Agenda Item #9: SF 3010 (Hottinger) North Mankato sales tax

1. Testimony
 - a. Wendell Sande, City Administrator, City of North Mankato
 - i. Handout #6 "City of North Mankato Local Options Sales Tax"
 - b. Gary Zellmer, Mayor, City of North Mankato
2. Senator Marty move to delete line 18
 - a. Motion adopted
3. Senator Marty moves to place SF 3010 on the B list
 - a. Motion adopted

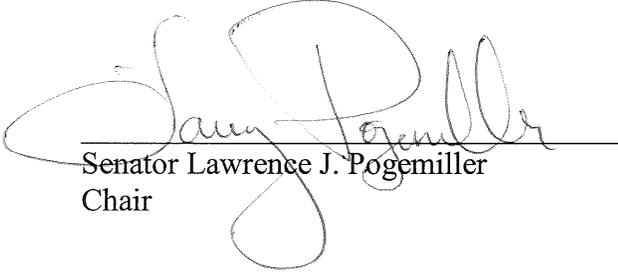
Agenda Item #10: SF 2208 (Cohen) Film Production Tax Credit

- Senator Tomassoni is given the gavel at 11:10am
1. Senator Marty moves the A-1 Amendment
 - a. Motion adopted
 2. Testimony
 - a. Lucinda Winter, Executive Director, MN Film and TV Board
 - i. Handout #7 "Minnesota Film and TV Board"
 - ii. Handout #8 "Shoot in Minnesota"
 - iii. Viewing of DVD
 - b. Julie Hartley, Freelance Production Manager
 3. Senator Tomassoni moves that SF 2208 be placed on the B list

- a. Motion not adopted
- 4. Senator Betzold moves that SF 2208 be place on the C list
 - a. Motion adopted

Senator Pogemiller adjourned the meeting at 11:44 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted:



Senator Lawrence J. Pogemiller
Chair



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