

The Senate Agriculture, Veterans and Gaming Committee met on Monday, March 13, 2006 at 3:00 p.m. in Room 112, Capitol. The following members were present:

Vickerman, Chair  
Skoe, Vice Chair  
Day  
Hann  
Johnson, Dean  
Lourey  
Murphy  
Sams  
Solon  
Wergin

Senator Vickerman called the meeting to order at 3:11 p.m. and called on Senate Lourey for S.F. 1678, a bill relating to hepatitis C.

Helen Clark, Liver Hope, testified in support of the bill. She stated jet injectors in Vietnam were a major cause for people getting Hepatitis C. Ms. Clark stated the Minnesota Department of Health does nothing to make people aware of the dangers of Hepatitis C.

Quorum present at 3:20 p.m.

Senator Lourey presented written statement from Amy Nelson, Executive Director, American Liver Foundation, and an email from John Moore. "See Attachments A & B."

Senator Lourey moved S.F. 1678 be passed and rereferred to the floor. BILL PASSED.

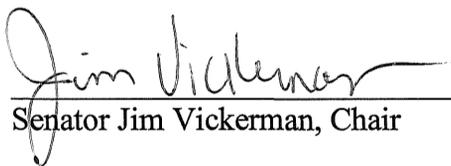
Senator Frederickson presented S.F. 2749, a bill relating to removing the limit in county expenditures for soldiers' rest. Senator Frederickson stated at this time they have a yearly limit of \$3,500. Brown County is the only county in the state with a soldiers' rest.

"See Attachment C."

Senator Murphy moved that S.F. 2749 be passed and placed on the Consent Calendar. BILL PASSED.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

This meeting was taped.

  
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Senator Jim Vickerman, Chair

  
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by/ Sandi Brown

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**AGENDA**

S.F. 2749-Frederickson: County expenditures for Soldiers' rest.

S.F. 1678-Lourey: Veterans health: Hepatitis C.

Helen Clark, Liver Hope