

**JOINT HOUSE COMMERCE & FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND SENATE  
COMMERCE COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES**

Representative Tim Wilkin, Chairman of the Commerce and Financial Institutions Committee, called an interim hearing to order at 1:15 p.m. on Tuesday, February 28, 2006, in Room 10 of the State Office Building.

The Clerk noted the roll.

House Members present:

WILKIN, Tim, Chair  
GAZELKA, Paul, Vice-Chair  
DAVIDS, Greg  
GUNTHER, Bob  
HAMILTON, Rod  
KOHLS, Paul  
PEPPIN, Joyce  
POWELL, Duke  
SEVERSON, Dan  
SIMPSON, Dean  
SODERSTROM, Judy  
VANDEVEER, Ray  
ZELLERS, Kurt

ATKINS, Joe  
CLARK, Karen  
FRITZ, Patti  
GOODWIN, Barb  
LIEBLING, Tina  
LOEFFLER, Diane  
MOE, Frank  
MULLERY, Joe  
RUKAVINA, Tom  
SAILER, Brita  
SERTICH, Tony

Excused:     HOWES, Larry  
                  JAROS, Mike

Senate Members present:

SCHEID, Linda  
SPARKS, Dan  
ANDERSON, Ellen R.  
KISCADEN, Sheila M.  
LOUREY, Becky  
METZEN, James P.  
PAPPAS, Sandra L.  
POGEMILLER, Lawrence J.  
REST, Ann H.

BELANGER, William V. Jr.  
LECLAIR, Brian  
JUNGBAUER, Michael J.  
MICHEL, Geoff  
REITER, Mady

Excused:     LARSON, Cal  
                  SAMS, Dallas C.

A quorum was present.

The following people shared testimony regarding No-Fault Auto Insurance:

Bob Johnson, Insurance Federation of Minnesota  
Brett Olander, Olander & Associates  
Dr. David Moen, M.D., Emergency Med. Services, Fairview; American  
College of Emergency Physicians  
Buck McAlpin, EMT-Paramedic; North Medical Transportation; Pres., MN  
Ambulance Association  
Wil Fluegel, Pres., MN Trial Lawyers' Assoc.; Vice-Chair, MN Supreme Court's  
Standing Committee on No-Fault  
Linda Way, Emergency Room Dir., St. Mary's Medical Center in Duluth

Dr. Michael McGonigal, M.D., Dir. of Trauma Services, Regions Hospital  
Mark and Therese Fruth  
Phil Griffin, Preferred One  
Keith Johnson, D.C.  
Doug Stang, Minnesota Medical Group Management Association  
Gert Bronfort, D.C., PhD.; Assoc. Vice Pres. of Research, Northwestern Health  
Sciences University

The meeting was adjourned at 4:25 pm.

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REP. TIM WILKIN, CHAIR

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Tim Jacobson  
Committee Legislative Assistant

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SEN. LINDA SCHEID, CHAIR

  
Tangee Harrison  
Committee Legislative Assistant

# Joint House Commerce and Financial Institutions, Senate Commerce

Chairs: Representative Tim Wilkin, Senator Linda Scheid

**MEETING:** February 28, 2006  
1:00 PM  
200 State Office Building

## AGENDA

- I. Call to Order.
- II. Roll Call.
- III. Testimony on No-Fault Auto Insurance

Testifiers will include:

Bob Johnson, Insurance Federation of Minnesota  
Brett Olander, Olander & Associates  
Dr. Steve Sterner, Emergency Physician, HCMC; Leg. Chair, American College of  
Emergency Physicians  
Buck McAlpin, EMT-Paramedic; North Medical Transportation; Pres., MN  
Ambulance Association  
Wil Fluegel, Pres., MN Trial Lawyers' Assoc.; Vice-Chair, MN Supreme Court's  
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- IV. Adjournment.

**Next meeting:** 12:30 PM, March 2, 2006.