

Education Policy Committee  
March 30, 2006  
3-5:30p.m.  
Capitol Room 112  
Senator Steve Kelley

Members Present:

Senator Steve Kelley	Senator Tarryl Clark	Senator David Hann
Senator Rod Skoe	Senator Gen Olson	Senator LeRoy Stumpf
Senator Tom Saxhaug	Senator Geoff Michel	Senator Michele Bachmann
Senator David Tomassoni		

Members Absent:

No members were absent.

Sen. Kelley called the meeting to order at 3:12 p.m.

The Committee heard testimony regarding the M0005 amendment.

Jerry Schoenfeld, Executive Director, Minnesota Association of Agricultural Education, 5049 Nine Mile Creek Circle, Bloomington, MN 55437, discussed agriculture and economic standards.

Tom Apple, Teacher, Box 400, Mt. Lake, MN 56159, discussed agriculture and economic standards.

All amendments discussed today will be moved into the final motion of the day.

The Committee heard testimony regarding the SCS 2994 A-2 amendment.

Alice Seagren, Commissioner of Education, testified on behalf of the Minnesota Department of Education regarding the A-2 amendment.

Amendments and language referenced by the Minnesota Department of Education are in the A06-1374 amendment.

Amy Roberts, Department of Education, testified regarding Section 1 (1.5).

Quorum present at 3:25p.m.

Alice Seagren, Department of Education, Commissioner, discussed the revisions to the standards and graduation requirements. Commissioner Seagren referenced, "Standards and Graduation Requirements Revision."

Beth Aune, Minnesota Department of Education, discussed the revisions to the standards and graduation requirements.

Amy Roberts, Department of Education, testified regarding Section 3, subdivision 1 and 4.

Tom Melcher, Department of Education, testified regarding Section 5.

Commissioner Alice Seagren, Department of Education, testified regarding Section 6, Section 7, and Section 8.

Beth Aune, Minnesota Department of Education, testified regarding Section 8, subdivision 13.

Daniel Bitman, Ed Licensing, testified regarding Section 9.

Commissioner Alice Seagren, Department of Education, testified regarding Section 10 (6.30), Section 1 (7.2) Raised Academic Achievement; Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate Programs, and Section 3 (11.16)

Daniel Bitman, Ed Licensing, testified regarding Section 3 (11.16).

Allen Hoffman, Board of Teaching, Department of Education, testified regarding Section 3 (11.16) Teacher Training Program for Qualified Professionals.

Commissioner Alice Seagren, Department of Education, testified regarding Section 5 (14.20) Alternative Teacher Compensation Revenue for Perpich Center and Section 4 (13.27) Teach for Minnesota.

Commissioner Alice Seagren, Department of Education, testified regarding Section 6 (14.34) High School Redesign Grants and Section 7 (17.33) Grants for Intensive English Instruction for Adult Immigrants and Refugees.

Beth Aune, Minnesota Department of Education, testified regarding Section 8 (18.16).

Tom Melcher, Department of Education, testified regarding Section 9 Subdivision 2 (19.22).

Commissioner Alice Seagren, Department of Education, testified regarding Article 3.

Tom Melcher, Department of Education, testified regarding Article 3 of A06-1374 amendment (4.20).

Barbara O'Sullivan, Department of Education, testified regarding Article 3 of A06-1374 amendment (4.20).

Commissioner Alice Seagren, Department of Education, testified regarding A06-1374 (6.25) reinstating stricken language.

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Commissioner Alice Seagren, Department of Education, testified regarding Section 4 (7.22)

Barbara O'Sullivan, Department of Education, testified regarding Section 4 (7.22) and Section 5 (8.26), 6, 7, 8.

Amy Roberts, Department of Education, testified regarding Section 9-15.

Commissioner Alice Seagren, Department of Education, testified regarding Section 16.

Tom Melcher, Department of Education, testified regarding Section 17.

The 2994 A-7 amendment was distributed to the Committee.

Sen. Kelley discussed 4.14-15, 8.20-21, and 9.8-9.10.

Sen. Olson referenced 9.33.

Sen. Kelley discussed 14.27.

Sen. Kelley discussed Article 2, Section 1 Concurrent Enrollment Programs.

Sen. Kelley discussed 20.15 Technology and Information Literacy Standards.

Sen. Kelley discussed 30.8.

Sen. Kelley discussed the repealer, Section 16.

Bob Brick, PACER Center, testified regarding Article 3, A06-1374, (4.19).

Cyndy Crist, MNSCU, testified regarding alternative pathway program.

Jan Alswager, Education Minnesota, testified regarding the A-2 amendment (12.10, 13.17-18).

Mary Gilbert, St. Paul Public Schools, testified regarding the timeline for changes to graduation standards and chemistry requirement.

Brad Lundell, Literacy Minnesota, Article 2, Section 13 (28.1) testified regarding organizations eligible for grants.

Jan Alswager, Education Minnesota, referenced "Minnesota Science Teachers Association" position.

Jim Grathwol, Minneapolis Public Schools, testified regarding the timeline changes regarding mathematics.

Jim Bartholomew, Education Policy Director, Minnesota Business Partnership testified in opposition regarding the repealer on the structural balance. Testified in support of the standards review cycle and graduation requirements.

Stacia Smith, Minnesota Chamber of Commerce, spoke in opposition of the repealer on the structural balance.

Jim Bartholomew, Education Policy Director, Minnesota Business Partnership, returned to clarify position on repealer.

Sen. Skoe moved the A-9 amendment to A-7 amendment (delete everything amendment includes M0005 amendment language).

The motion prevailed.

The meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.



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Senator Steve Kelley  
Chairman



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Alice Carlson Seuffert  
Legislative Assistant

# Education Committee

Senator Steve Kelley, Chair

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## Agenda

- I. Minnesota Department of Education Policy Provisions of Governor's Supplemental Budget SF 3274: Stumpf
- II. Minnesota Department of Education - A06-1374
- III. Policy Omnibus SF 2994: Kelley