

Education Policy Committee  
April 4, 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 LeRoy Stumpf	Senator Tom Saxhaug
Senator Geoff Michel	Senator Gen Olson	Senator Michele Bachmann
Senator David Tomassoni		

Members Absent:

No members were absent.

Sen. Kelley called the meeting to order at 3:11 p.m.

The Committee heard testimony for SF 2741 from Sen. Lourey, of which she is chief author.

Cindy Stevens, Teen Center Director, Pine City, testified in support of the bill.

Paula Vanacek, Family Pathways Program Coordinator, Mora Youth Services testified in support of the bill.

Cheryl Meld, Executive Direct, testified in support of the bill.

Sen. Clark moved that the 2994A-27 amendment be amended to the 2994A-7 amendment.

The motion prevailed.

The Committee heard testimony for SF 2894 from Sen. Limmer, of which he is chief author. Sen. Limmer referenced a 2006 Elk River School District map. The SF 2894 Research Summary was distributed to the Committee.

Sen. Olson moved the 2891 A-1 amendment.

The motion prevailed.

Bill Hjertstedt, Elk River Education Association, expressed concerns associated with the bill.

Sen. Olson moved that SF 2894 pass.

The motion prevailed.

The Committee heard testimony for SF 3645 from Sen. Tomassoni, of which he is chief author.

Colleen Doyle, Parent, testified in support of the bill.

Sen. Tomassoni moved the A-1 amendment.

The motion prevailed.

Anita Ratwick, Minnesota New Visions, testified on amending SF 3645 to include world languages.

Sen. Tomassoni moved that SF 3645 pass.

The motion prevailed.

The Committee heard testimony for SF 2826 from Sen. Clark.

The Committee laid the bill over until the A-3 amendment could be corrected.

The Committee began compiling the Omnibus bill (SF 2994).

Sen. Skoe discussed the A-29 amendment, of which he is the author.

Brad Lundell, MN Association for Pupil Transportation testified regarding the changes the amendment makes to the original bill.

Sen. Skoe moved the A-29 amendment with the following oral amendment:  
2.21 after the second of nonpublic insert "or"

The motion prevailed.

Sen. Skoe discussed the A-30 amendment, of which he is the author.

Sen. Skoe moved the A-30 amendment.

The motion prevailed.

Sen. Skoe discussed the A-21 amendment, of which he is the author.

Sen. Skoe moved the A-21 amendment.

The motion prevailed.

Sen. Skoe discussed the A-25 amendment, of which he is the author.

Sen. Skoe moved the A-25 amendment.

The motion prevailed.

Sen. Kelley discussed the A-23 amendment, of which he is the author.

Angela Jerabeck, St. Louis Park High School, testified in support of the amendment.

Roger Swenson, Coordinator of Programs, Development, and Training, Minnesota Public Health, testified in support of the amendment.

Kate Vispala, Civics Teacher, St. Louis Park High School, testified in support of the amendment.

Emily Wagner, student, St. Louis Park High School, testified in support of the amendment.

Hannah Sykora, student, St. Louis Park High School, testified in support of the amendment.

Ivan Gail, student, St. Louis Park High School, testified in support of the amendment.

Sen. Kelley moved the A-23 amendment with the following oral amendment:

On Page 1, Line 8, insert, "school administrators," after communities,

Ralph Maves, Minnesota School Psychologists Association, testified regarding the language of groups included in the School Safety Advisory Council.

Kate Vispala, Civics Teacher, St. Louis Park High School, returned to answer questions.

Angela Jerabeck, St. Louis Park High School, returned to answer questions.

Sen. Kelley renewed his motion.

The motion prevailed.

Sen. Skoe chaired the meeting.

Sen. Saxhaug discussed the A-26 amendment, of which he is the author. Sen. Saxhaug referenced the following article from the Lake Elmo Leader, "Online-learning Policy Proves Divisive for School Board Members."

Sen. Saxhaug moved the A-26 amendment.

The motion prevailed.

Sen. Kelley chaired the meeting.

Sen. Michel moved to include SF 3645 into SF 2994.

The motion prevailed.

Sen. Kelley discussed the A-11 amendment.

Sen. Kelley moved the A-11 amendment.

The motion prevailed.

Sen. Kelley discussed the A-28 amendment.

Alice Seagren, Commissioner, Department of Education testified regarding the A-28 amendment. Commissioner Seagren referenced the "Standards and Graduation Requirement Revisions" dated 04/03/06.

Sen. Kelley moved the A-28 amendment with the following oral amendment, On Page 1, Line 35, after standards, insert, "consistent with recommendations from school media specialists"

The motion prevailed.

Sen. Hann discussed the A-16 amendment, of which he is the author.

The motion failed.

Division was called.

The motion failure was affirmed.

Sen. Hann discussed the A-13 amendment, of which he is the author.

Sen. Hann moved the A-13 amendment, with the following oral amendment:

Delete Lines 10-14.

Replace semi colon on line 1.9 with a period.

After line 1.6, after the semi colon, insert "or".

The motion failed.

Sen. Clark moved the following oral amendment:  
On page 28, delete Section 13, lines 28.1-28.17.

The motion prevailed.

Sen. Clark moved the following oral amendment:  
On page 30, delete lines 30.1-30.7.

The motion prevailed.

Sen. Clark moved the following oral amendment:  
On page 14 and 15, line 14.30 after purchase, insert "comprehensive".

On page 15, 15.2 after approve, insert “comprehensive”.

The motion prevailed.

Sen. Kelley discussed the A-24 amendment, of which he is the author.

Sen. Kelley moved the A-24 amendment.

The motion prevailed.

Sen. Kelley discussed the A-22 amendment, of which he is the author.

Sen. Kelley moved the A-22 amendment.

Amy Roberts, Minnesota Department of Education responded to a question regarding 2.9-2.11. Ms. Roberts noted the need for a fiscal note with the bill.

Sen. Kelley renewed the motion.

The motion prevailed.

Sen. Kelley discussed the A-12 amendment, of which he is the author.

The motion failed.

Julianne Zinn Kottke, Minnesota Advanced Placement Advisor Committee, Chair, testified regarding IB and AP programs as contained in the omnibus.

Sen. Tomassoni moved the A-14 amendment.

The motion prevailed.

Sen. Clark moved the A-15 amendment.

The motion prevailed.

Julie Quist, Director, Ed Watch, testified regarding Article II, Section I and testified in opposition to IBO program inclusion in the Omnibus bill.

Meg Lindberg, Secondary Gifted Counselor, South Washington Schools, Advanced Placement Advisory Council, testified regarding PSEO and College in the Schools programs inclusion in the omnibus bill.

Karen Efrem, Ed Watch, testified regarding Article I, Section II.

Sen. Skoe moved the A-7 amendment as amended, into SF 2994.

The motion prevailed.

Sen. Skoe moved that SF 2994 pass and re-referred to Finance.

The motion prevailed.

Sen. Clark moved the A-3 amendment to SF 2826 with the following oral amendment:  
On Page 1, Line 11, after second approved, insert, “Comprehensive”

The motion prevailed.

Sen. Clark moved that SF 2826 pass.

The motion prevailed.

The meeting adjourned at 5:11 p.m.

*Steve Kelley*

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Senator Steve Kelley  
Chairman

*Alice Carlson Seuffert*

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Legislative Assistant

# Education Committee

Senator Steve Kelley, Chair

Tuesday, April 4, 2006

3:00-5:30 p.m.

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## Agenda

I. SF 2741: Lourey

*Runaway and Homeless Youth Act*

- Cindy Stevens, Teen Center Director, Pine City
- Paula Vanacek, Family Pathways Program Coordinator, Mora Youth Services

II. SF 2894: Limmer

*Elk River Election to Form Two Separate School Districts*

III. SF 3645: Tomassoni

*Accelerated K-12 Science and Mathematics Programs*

- Colleen Doyle

IV. SF 2826: Clark

*Character Development Revenue*

V. SF 2994: Kelley

*Education Policy Omnibus Bill*