

**Finance Committee**  
**April 26th, 2006**  
**12:00 p.m. Room 123**  
**Chair, Senator Richard J. Cohen**

Present:

Dick Cohen, Chair  
Linda Berglin  
Satveer Chaudhary, Vice Chair  
Michelle Fischbach  
Dennis Frederickson  
John Hottinger  
Bob Kierlin  
Sheila Kiscaden  
Keith Langseth  
Cal Larson  
Jim Metzen  
Steve Murphy  
Tom Neuville  
Sean Nienow  
Sandy Pappas  
Jane Ranum  
Dallas Sams  
LeRoy Stumpf  
Chuck Wiger

Absent:

Steve Dille  
Chris Gerlach  
Gen Olson

Excused:

Pat Pariseau

**Agenda**

Senator Cohen called the meeting to order at 12:35 pm. A quorum was present.

First item:

- SF 2898 (Berglin)
- Senator Berglin moved adoption of the division report. Motion carried.
- Senator Berglin moved the A5 amendment. Motion carried.
- Senator Berglin moved that SF 2898 as amended be recommended to pass. Motion carried.

Second Item:

- SF 2888 (Berglin)
- Senator Berglin moved that the division report be adopted. Motion carried.
- Senator Berglin moved that SF 2888 be recommended to pass as amended. Motion carried.

Third Item:

- SF 2460 (Pogemiller)
- Senator Pogemiller testified on the bill.
- Senator Pappas moved the A7 amendment.
- Richard Pfitzenreuter, Chief Financial Officer for the University of Minnesota, testified on the bill.
- Robert Bruininks, University of Minnesota President, testified on the bill.

- Richard Pfutzenreuter, Chief Financial Officer for the University of Minnesota, answered questions on the bill.
- Senator Pappas moved an oral amendment to change the A7 amendment. On page 2 lines 14 and 17, strike \$13,900,000 and insert \$12,900,000 on both lines. Motion carried.
- Joe Maturi, University of Minnesota Athletic Director, testified in response to a question.
- John Fuller, Senate Council, testified on the bill.
- Greg Knopff, Legislative Analyst, testified on the bill.
- Mark Holsten, Department of Natural Resources Deputy Commissioner, testified on the bill.
- Tim Scherkenbach, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency Mediation Division Director, testified in response to a question.
- Mark Rotenberg, General Council for University of Minnesota, testified on the bill.
- Rick Kubler, attorney with Ray, Plant, Moody who works with the University of Minnesota, testified on the bill.
- Matt Massman, Fiscal Analyst, testified in regards to a number change that would coincide with the earlier oral amendment and answered questions.
- Senator Pappas moved by oral amendment to change the A7 on page 2 line 3 delete \$62,500,000 and insert \$75,300,000 and on page 2 line 16 delete \$185,500,000 and insert \$172,700,000. Motion carried.
- Robert Bruininks, University of Minnesota President, testified on the bill.
- Senator Pappas moves the A7 amendment as amended. Motion carried.
- Senator Metzen moved that SF 2460 be recommended to pass as amended and be re-referred to the Committee on Taxes.
- Senator Ranum moved that if the bill is passed, it be passed without recommendation and re-referred to Taxes. Motion fails.
- Senator Metzen's motion carried.

Fourth Item:

- SF 2521 (Larson)
- Senator Berglin moved to adopt the division report. Motion carried.
- Senator Larson moved that SF 2521 be recommended to pass. Motion carried.

Senator Cohen adjourned the meeting at 3:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



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Senator Richard J. Cohen  
Finance Committee Chair



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Jane Gelbmann  
Finance Committee Secretary

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**Chair: Richard J. Cohen**

**Wednesday, April 26th, 2006**

**12:00 p.m.**

**Room 123, Capitol**

## **Agenda:**

SF 2672 (Lourey) Large employer health cost payments.

SF 2888 (Berglin) Assisted living bill of rights addendum; licensing and regulation provisions and modifications; uniform consumer information guide.

SF 2898 (Berglin) Long term care insurance federal conformity requirements.

SF 2460 (Pogemiller) University of Minnesota football stadium.

SF 2521 (Larson): Fergus Falls hospital construction moratorium exception.

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## **Revised Agenda:**

Committee convened at 12:35 p.m.

### Track 1:

SF 2898 (Berglin) Long term care insurance federal conformity requirements.

SF 2888 (Berglin) Assisted living bill of rights addendum; licensing and regulation provisions and modifications; uniform consumer information guide.

### Track 2:

SF 2460 (Pogemiller) University of Minnesota football stadium.

Testimony: Senator Pogemiller

Richard Pfutzenreuter, University of Minnesota Chief Financial Officer

Robert Bruininks, University of Minnesota President

Joe Maturi, University of Minnesota Athletic Director

John Fuller, Senate Council

Greg Knopff, Legislative Analyst

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SF 2521 (Larson) Fergus Falls hospital construction moratorium exception.

Committee adjourned at 3:54 p.m.