

## MINUTES

Environment, Agriculture and Economic Development Budget Division  
Thursday, April 6, 2006  
12:00 Room 107 Capitol

### MEMBERS PRESENT

Anderson  
Bachmann  
Bakk  
Cohen  
Dibble  
Dille  
Frederickson  
Jungbauer  
Kubly  
Metzen  
Pariseau  
Rosen  
Sams  
Vickerman

### MEMBERS ABSENT

The meeting was called to order at 12:05 p.m.

Chairman Sams handed out the spread sheets with his budget recommendations.

Senator Metzen presented SF3011, an appropriation for the deaf and hard of hearing commission. Hector Brual, Kim Waggenaar, Patti Morelle-Teachout testified in support of the bill. The bill was laid over for possible inclusion in the supplemental omnibus bill.

Senator Saxhaug presented SF2852, land donor appraisal reimbursement. Kathy Lewis, DNR, Bob Meier, DNR and Jim Japs, DNR testified on the bill. The bill was amended and sent to full finance.

Senator Pappas presented SF2677, establishing a climate neutral policy for state building projects funded with state bonds. John Bailey, Institute for Local Self-Reliance testified in support of the bill. The bill was laid over for possible inclusion in the supplemental omnibus bill.

Senator Dille presented SF3283, providing for a check off for fertilizer; soil amendment, plant amendment. Tom Peterson, MN Farmer's Union; Bruce Kleven, MN Assoc of Coops; Jerry Schoenfeld, Soybean Growers testified on the bill. The bill was laid over to be discussed at the next meeting.

Senator Anderson presented SF2656, a bill to provide funding for low income heating assistance. Paula Erdman, St. Cloud Tri-Cap; Jim Scheibel, Director, Cap Partnership, Ramsey & Washington County; Commissioner Ed Garver, Deputy Commissioner Dept of Commerce; Ron Elwood, Legal Aid testified on the bill. The bill was laid over for possible inclusion in the supplemental omnibus bill.

Senator Frederickson presented SF2872, providing for temporary state park permits for towed vehicles; modifying state park permit requirements and fees. Bob Meier, DNR testified on the bill. The bill was laid over for possible inclusion in the supplemental omnibus bill.

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Environment, Agriculture & Econ. Development Budget Division  
Chair: Senator Dallas Sams  
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**Agenda**

Chairman's budget recommendation.

SF3011-Metzen: Commission serving deaf and hard-of-hearing people operational expenses grant.

SF3283-Dille: providing for a check off for fertilizer; soil amendment plant amendment.

SFSF2852-Saxhaug: Land donor appraisal reimbursement.

SF2872-Frederickson: Providing for temporary state park permits for towed vehicles: modifying state park permit requirements and fees.  
Bob Meier, Department of Natural Resources

SF2677-Pappas: establishing a climate neutral policy for state building projects funded with state bonds.  
John Bailey, Institute for Local Self-Reliance

SF2656-Anderson: Providing funding for low income heating assistance.  
Paula Erdman, St. Cloud Tri-Cap  
Jim Scheibel, Director, Cap Partnership, Ramsey & Washington county.