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Finance - K-12 Education Budget Division

Monday, April 3, 2006

6:00 PM, Room 112, Capitol

Minutes

Present: Senator LeRoy A. Stumpf, chair, Senator Ellen R. Anderson, Senator Terri Bonoff, Senator Michelle L. Fischbach, Senator David Hann, Senator Michael J. Jungbauer, Senator Steve Kelley, Senator Keith Langseth, Senator Sean R. Nienow, Senator Tom Saxhaug, Senator Linda Scheid, Senator Wesley J. Skoglund, Senator Dan Sparks, Senator Betsy L. Wergin, Senator Charles W. Wiger

Absent: Senator Sharon Marko, vice-chair, Senator Debbie J. Johnson, Senator Gen Olson

Senator LeRoy A. Stumpf called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

S.F. 3622 Senator Dille: Independent school district #463, Eden Valley-Watkins; permanent fund transfer.

Senator Dille, chief author of S.F. 3622 explained his bill to members.

Motion:

Senator Hann moved that S.F. 3622 be recommended for possible inclusion in the supplemental bill. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Handout - Eden Valley-Watkins Schools

Handout - Fiscal note

S.F. 3536 Senator Dille: Public libraries appropriations increase.

Senator Dille, chief author of S.F. 3536 presented his bill.

Testifying:

Elaine Keefe - MN Regional Public Library Systems

Chris Olson - Metro Service Agency

Suzanne Miller - State librarian

Motion:

Senator Newnow moved that S.F. 3536 pass for inclusion in the supplemental bill. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Handout MN Regional Public Library Systems

S.F. 3447 Senator Scheid: School districts statutory operating debt levy.

Senator Scheid, chief author of S.F. 3447 presented her bill.

Testifying:

Dr. Chris Richardson - Northfield Public Schools
Cheryl Jahorik - Brooklyn School Board Member
Tom Melcher - DOE

Motion:

Senator Scheid moved that S.F. 3447 pass for possible inclusion into the supplemental bill. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Handout - Fiscal note

S.F. 3243 Senator Lourey: Special education fiscal agents cooperative special education service providers list inclusion.

Senator Lourey presented S.F. 3243 to the committee.

Testifying:

Mary Ruprecht - Director - Rum River Co-op

Motion:

Senator Newnow moved that S.F. 3243 be recommended for possible inclusion into the supplemental bill. **MOTION CARRIED.**

S.F. 3299 Senator Lourey: Independent school district #577, Willow River; operating referendum levy early recognition.

Senator Lourey, chief author of S.F. 3299 presented her bill.

Testifying:

Steve Wymoe - Superintendent - Willow River

Motion:

Senator Lourey moved that S.F. 3299 pass for possible inclusion into the supplemental bill. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Handout Willow River Public Schools
Handout Fiscal note

S.F. 3420 Senator Skoe: Independent school district #601, Fosston; permanent fund transfer.

Senator Skoe, chief author of S.F. 3420 explained his bill to the members.

Motion:

Senator Langseth moved that S.F. 3420 be recommended for possible inclusion into the supplemental bill. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Handout Fosston Public Schools
Handout Fiscal note

S.F. 3636 Senator Neuville: Independent school districts #721, New Prague, #394, Montgomery-Lonsdale and #659, Northfield Holy Cross student transportation contract requirement.

Senator Neuville, chief author of S.F. 3636 explained his bill to members.

Testifying:

Mark Seibenar - School Board member - Holy Cross Schools
Peter Noll - MN Catholic Conference
Tom Melcher - DOE
Brad Lundell - Schools for Equity

In opposition:
Dr. Richardson

Motion:

Senator Hann moved that S.F. 3636 pass for possible inclusion into the supplemental bill. **MOTION CARRIED.**

S.F. 3686 Senator Frederickson: Independent school district #635, Milroy; permanent fund transfer.

Senator Frederickson, chief author of S.F. 3686 explained his bill to the committee.

Motion:

Senator Jungbauer moved to pass S.F. 3686 for possible inclusion into the supplemental bill. **MOTION CARRIED.**

S.F. 3534 Senator Hann: Special education study.

Senator Hann, chief author fo S.F. 3534 explained his bill to members.

Motion:

Senator Scheid moved to put the A06-1439 before the committee.
To include - page 1 line 1.16 delete "by location of instruction and services" **MOTION CARRIED.**

Motion:

That S.F. 3534 as amended be recommended for possible inclusion in the supplemental bill. **MOTION CARRIED.**

S.F. 3133 Senator Skoglund: Intermediate school district special education tuition billing.

Senator Skoglund explained S.F. 3133 to members.

Testifying:

Valerie Dosland - Intermediate Schools Districts
Tom Melcher DOE

Motion:

Senator Skoglund moved that S.F. 3133 be recommended to pass for inclusion into the supplemental bill. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m. The meeting was taped and the materials distributed are attached to these minutes.



Senator LeRoy A. Stumpf, Chair



Jeri Wenzel, Legislative Assistant

K-12 Education Budget Division

Monday, April 3, 2006

6:00 pm. Room 112 Capitol

Agenda

- 6:29pm (8) S.F. 3447-Scheid: Authorizing a levy for school districts in statutory operating debt.
- 8:17pm (9) S.F. 3534-Hann: Providing for an approved special education study and report.
- 7:38pm (7) S.F. 3636-Neuville: Requiring ISD nos 721,394,659 to contract transportation with Holy Cross School.
- 6:17pm (2) S.F. 3536-Dille: Increasing funding for basic library system support grants.
- 7:10pm (1) S.F. 3622-Dille: Fund transfer - ISD 463
- 7:35pm (6) S.F. 3420-Skoe: Account transfer for ISD 601 Fosston.
- 7:20pm (5) S.F. 3299-Lourey: Authorizing school district to recognize its operating levy early.
- 7:13pm (4) S.F. 3243-Lourey: Including certain special education fiscal agents in the list of cooperative special education service providers eligible for waiver.
- 8:13pm (3) S.F. 3686-Frederickson: Authorizing a fund transfer for ISD 635-Milroy.
- 8:26pm (10) S.F. 3133-Skoglund: Delaying the implementation of the state determined tuition rates for special education services.