

**Jobs, Energy, and Community Development Committee
Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 27, 2006
3:00pm, Room 15, State Capitol**

Members present: Anderson, Bachmann, Bakk, Clark, Dibble, Gerlach, Kelley, Koch, Kubly, Metzen, Pappas, Rosen, Rudd, Saxhaug, Senjem, Sparks

Members absent: none

Senator Anderson called the meeting to order at 3:15 pm

SF 2840 (Senator Scheid)

- Jim McKane, Business representative, Middle Management Association

Bill laid on table for quorum

SF 3244 (Senator Neuville)

Senator Neuville recommended oral author's amendment: 1.7 after "employer" insert "as defined under section 181.960" and delete "to all employees, and"

- Rich Neumeister, citizen lobbyist, supportive of bill
- Tom Hesse, MN Chamber of Commerce, concerned with posting requirement of bill

Quorum present

Senator Senjem moved author's oral amendment (above)

Motion prevailed

Senator Senjem moved bill do pass to the Senate Floor

Motion prevailed

Senator Metzen moved SF 2840 pass to Senate Floor

Motion prevailed

SF 3516 (Senator Cohen)

- Michael Dahl, Housing Solutions Alliance
- Bob Schrier, NAHRO

Senator Dibble moved A-1 amendment

- Susan Diory, MN Association of Realtors, opposed to bill

Senator Dibble moved bill do pass to Tax Committee

Motion prevailed

SF 3308 (Senator Frederickson)

- Tom Johnson, Copper Power Systems

Senator Kelley moved bill do pass to Tax Committee

Motion prevailed

SF 2832 (Senator Tomassoni)

- Nyle Zikmund, MN Fire Chiefs Association
- OJ Doyle, MN Ambulance Association

Senator Kelley offered A-1 amendment

Motion prevailed

Senator Kelley moved bill do pass to the Consent Calendar

Motion prevailed

SF 2882 (Senator Tomassoni)

- Brad Lehto, MN AFL-CIO

Senator Dibble moved the A-1 amendment

Motion prevailed

- Tony Ogundiran, AFSCME
- Rick Varco, SEIU
- Tom Hesse, MN Chamber of Commerce, opposed to bill

Senator Metzen moved bill do pass to Senate Floor

Motion prevailed

SF 776 (Senator Sparks)

- Tim Lovaasen, Communication Workers of America

Senator Sparks moved oral amendment: 2.19 delete “2005” and insert “2006”

Motion prevailed

Senator Sparks moved bill pass to Senate Floor

Motion prevailed

SF 3528 (Senator Kelley)

Senator Kelley moved A-4 amendment

Motion prevailed

- Myer Shark, Attorney
- Tom O’Keffe, Financial Services Policy Institute, President
- Ron Gitek, Office of the MN Attorney General
- Scott Welinsky, Xcel Energy, opposed to bill

Senator Kelley moved bill do pass

Senator Metzen moved to table bill

Roll call:

Yea: Gerlach, Kock, Metzen, Rosen, Rudd, Senjem, Sparks

Nay: Anderson, Bakk, Clark, Dibble, Kelley, Pappas, Saxhaug

Tie vote, motion failed

Senator Pappas moved to amend Senator Kelley’s motion and move bill to Tax Committee

Motion prevailed

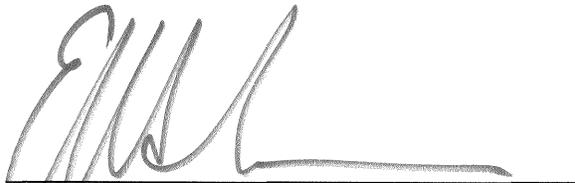
SF 3465 (Senator Bakk)

- Patricia Todd, Assistant Commissioner, Workers Compensation, DOLI

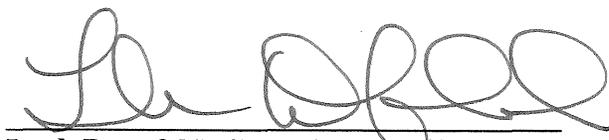
Senator Bakk moved bill do pass to the Consent Calendar

Motion prevailed

Senator Anderson adjourned meeting at 5:15pm



Senator Ellen Anderson, Chair



Leah Dornfeld, Committee Staff

**SENATE JOBS, ENERGY & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
MONDAY, MARCH 27, 2006 - 3:00 PM
ROOM 15 CAPITOL
AGENDA:**

- ① ✓ SF 2840 (Scheid) Organ donation paid leave for public employees
Jim McKane, business representative, Middle Management Association
- ④ ✓ SF 3308 (Frederickson) Soy based transformer fluid tax refund
Tom Johnson, Cooper Power Systems
- ③ ✓ SF 3516 (Cohen) Dedicated fund for housing programs
Michael Dahl, Housing Solutions Alliance; Bob Schrier, MN NAHRO
- ⑩ ✓ SF 2882 (Tomassoni) Employer mandatory politics or religious meetings prohibition
Brad Lehto, MN AFL-CIO; Tong Ogundiran, AFSCME; Fred Mendez;
& Rick Varco, Director of Communications & Research, SEIU Local 113
Tom Hesse, MN Chamber
- ⑤ ✓ SF 2832 (Tomassoni) Volunteer firefighters employers unpaid leave for employees performing firefighter duties
Nyle Zikmund, MN Fire Chiefs Association, O. J. Doyle, MN Ambulance Assn
- ② ✓ SF 3244 (Neuville) Employee right to access and review personnel records employer notification requirement
Rich Neumeister; Brad Lehto, MN AFL-CIO
- ⑦ SF 776 (Sparks) Customer sales or service call centers regulation
Tim Lovaasen, Communication Workers of America
- ⑨ SF 3465 (Bakk) Workers compensation appeal and notice of coverage provisions modification
Patricia Todd, Asst Commr, Workers Compensation, Dept of Labor & Industry
- ⑧ SF 3528 (Kelley) Public utilities income taxes rate recovery provisions modification
Tom O'Keefe and Meyer Shark
Ron Giteck, Assistant Attorney General
Scott Wilensky, Xcel Energy