

# State and Local Government Operations

## Minutes

**Chair, Senator Linda Higgins called the meeting to order**

**Time: 1:05 p.m.**

**Date: March 1, 2006**

**Location: Rm 123, State Capitol, 75 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, St. Paul, MN 55155**

Members present:

Sen. Linda Higgins  
Sen. Chuck Wiger  
Sen. Debbie Johnson  
Sen. Clair Robling  
Sen. Scott Dibble  
Sen. David Senjem  
Sen. Sharon Marko  
Sen. Gary Kubly  
Sen. Betsy Wergin  
Sen. Yvonne Prettner Solon  
Sen. Michelle Fischbach  
Sen. David Tomassoni  
Sen. Dick Day  
Sen. Jim Vickerman

A quorum was present.

### **Confirmation of Gopal Khanna, State Chief Information Officer**

Handouts provided

**Sen. Kubly** moved the recommendation to confirm Gopal Khanna and to pass to the floor.

**Motion prevailed** on a voice vote.

**S.F. 2239 Sen. Pogemiller**-Pension Commission Omnibus bill.

**Senator Pogemiller** presented the delete everything amendment LCPR06-121

### **Testifying on behalf of LCPR06-121 are as follows:**

#### **Lawrence Martin, Legislative Commission on Pensions**

Answered questions pertaining to Article 2; Article 12 Section 19 and Article 13

**Karen McCarty, Department of Corrections** answered questions pertaining to Article 2

**David Bergstrom, Minnesota State Retirement System** answered questions pertaining to Article 2

**Tom Harmon, Manager for the City of St. Louis Park** answered questions pertaining to Article 4.

**Mary Most Vanek, Public Employee Retirement Association** answered questions pertaining to Article 4

**Luther Thompson, Teachers Retirement Association** answered questions pertaining to Article 13

**Sen. Kubly** moved LCPR06-121 delete everything amendment.

**Motion prevailed** on a voice vote.

**Sen. Johnson** moved to delete Article 4 Section 4 of the LCPR06-121 delete everything amendment.

**Motion failed** on a voice vote.

**Sen. Marko** moved oral amendment to the LCPR06-121 delete everything amendment as follows:

page 41, line 22, delete "St. Louis Park;"

page 41, line 23, after "costs" insert "; APPROPRIATION"

PAGE 41, delete lines 24 to 30

page 41, line 31, delete "legislature" and insert "An amount equal to the applicable actuarial present value of the survivor benefits attributable to a member of the city of St. Louis Park police department who died on February 21, 2005, plus interest at the rate of 0.71 percent per month since July 1, 2005, is appropriated from the general fund in fiscal year 2006 to the commissioner of finance for payment to the public employees police and fire retirement fund"

page 42, delete lines 1 to 8.

**Motion prevailed** on a voice vote.

**Sen. Solon** moved motion to pass SF2239 as amended and re-referred to the Finance Committee.

**Motion prevailed** on a voice vote.

2 handouts provided by Sen. Pogemiller

Without objection the meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Sen. Linda Higgins, CHAIR

Trayshana Thomas  
Committee Legislative Assistant