

Minnesota State Senate

Agriculture and Rural Development Finance and Policy Committee

Wednesday, March 9, 2022

3:00 PM, Room 1150, Minnesota Senate Bldg.

Minutes

Present: Senator Torrey N. Westrom - Chair, Senator Gary H. Dahms - Vice Chair, Senator Bruce D. Anderson, Senator Gene Dorrink, Senator Kent Eken, Senator Nick A. Frentz, Senator Michael P. Goggin, Senator Erin P. Murphy

Absent: No Members Absent

Senator Torrey N. Westrom called the meeting to order at 3:10pm

Call to Order

S.F. 3479: Senator Westrom: Rural Finance Authority revolving loan account for drought relief appropriation.

THOM PETERSEN, COMMISSIONER, MN DEPT OF AGRICULTURE (MDA)

MATT MCDEVITT, FINANCE AND BUDGET, AG FINANCE SUPERVISOR, MDA

SEN WESTROM

PAUL HUGUNIN, MDA

Senator Westrom moved that S. F. 3479, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the Finance Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 3711: Senator Dahms: University of Minnesota Forever Green Agriculture Initiative appropriation.

SEN DAHMS

DR DON WYSE, U OF M FOREVER GREEN INITIATIVE

DR STEVEN ROSENZWEIG, SRNIOR AGRICULTURAL SCIENTIST, GENERAL MILLS

DOMINIC JONES, MAYOR, CITY OF WINDOW

Senator Westrom moved that S.F. 3711, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

S.F. 3271: Senator Westrom: Certain agricultural organizations grant.

SEN WESTROM

ANNE SCHWAGERL, FARMER, MN FARMERS UNION

MAC EHRHARDT, PRESIDENT, ALBERT LEA SEED CO

JOHN STROHFUS, FOUNDER AND CEO, FIELD THEORY

LAUREN ALEXA PEREZ, CHIEF OF STAFF, PURIS

DR. DON WYSE, U OF M FOREVER GREEN INITIATIVE

Senator Westrom moved that S.F. 3271, as amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:37pm



Senator Torrey N. Westrom, Chair



Ben Abrahamson, Legislative Assistant