



## Senate Veterans and Military Affairs Finance and Policy Committee

Thursday, March 3, 2022

Hybrid Hearing, Room G-23 Capitol- 8:30 a.m.

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### **Agenda:**

I. Call to order

II. Pledge of allegiance

III. Budget request presentation by the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs

#### Presenters:

Larry Herke, Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs  
John Powers, Chief Financial Officer, Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs  
Ben Johnson, Legislative Director, Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs  
Dave Bellefeuille, Director of Education and Employment, Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs

IV. **SF 2635** (Howe) Reenlistment and commissioning bonus program provision change

#### Testifier:

Don Kerr, Executive Director, Minnesota Department of Military Affairs

V. Adjournment