

Labor and Industry Policy Committee
Wednesday, March 23, 2022
8:30 AM, Room 123, Capitol

Minutes

Present: Senator Jason Rarick - Chair, Senator Gene Dornink - Vice Chair,
Senator Michael P. Goggin, Senator Jason Isaacson, Senator Jennifer A. McEwen

Absent: No Members Absent

Senator Mike Goggin called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. A quorum was present.

S.F. 181: Senator Rarick: State building code inspection exemptions clarification.

Senator Rarick moved that S.F. 181 come before the committee.

Senator Dornink moved the A-3 Amendment. **THE MOTION PREVAILED and the A-3 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Testimony From:

1. Mike Bull, Director, Policy and Regulatory Affairs, Minnesota Rural Electric Association (MREA)
2. Justin Jahnz, CEO, East Central Energy
3. Joel Johnson, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers State Council
4. Michelle Drier, Member Engagement & Government Affairs Manager, MREA
5. Jamie Fitzke, Director of Legislative Affairs, Center for Energy and Environment
6. Todd Green, Assistant Director for Construction Codes and Licensing, Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry

Discussion

Senator Rarick moved that S.F. 181, as amended, be recommended to pass. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 3942: Senator Rarick: Electrical inspections fee increases authorization.

Senator Rarick moved that S.F. 3942 come before the committee.

Senator Dornink moved the A-1 Amendment. **THE MOTION PREVAILED and the A-1 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Testimony From:

1. Les Heen, Contract Electrical Inspectors Association of Minnesota
2. Todd Green, Assistant Director for Construction Codes and Licensing, Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry

Discussion

Senator Rarick moved that S.F. 3942, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the State Government Finance and Policy and Elections Committee. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 2442: Senator Rarick: Elevator code requirements modifications.

Senator Rarick moved that S.F. 2442 come before the committee.

Senator Dornink moved the A-1 Amendment. **THE MOTION PREVAILED and the A-1 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Testimony From:

1. Adam Duininck, Director of Government Affairs, North Central States Regional Council of Carpenters
2. Adam Hanson, Chapter President, Associated Builders and Contractors of MN/ND
3. Todd Green, Assistant Director for Construction Codes and Licensing, Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry

Discussion

Senator Rarick moved that S.F. 2442, as amended, be laid over.

S.F. 183: Senator Rarick: Backflow prevention tester and rebuilder designations modification.

Senator Rarick moved that S.F. 183 come before the committee.

Senator Rarick moved the A-1 Amendment. **THE MOTION PREVAILED and the A-1 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Testimony From:

1. Tim Power, Minnesota Nursery & Landscape Association (MNLA)
2. Tim Malooly, Former President, MNLA & Owner, Irrigation by Design
3. David Radziej, Executive Vice President, Plumbing Heating Cooling Contractors of Minnesota
4. Adam Hanson, Chapter President, Associated Builders and Contractors of MN/ND
5. David Ybarra, President of the Minnesota Pipe Trades Association
6. Richard Jacobs, Business Agent with St. Paul Plumbers and Gas Local 34
7. Mike Westemeier, Plumbing Plan Review Supervisor, Construction Codes and Licensing, Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry

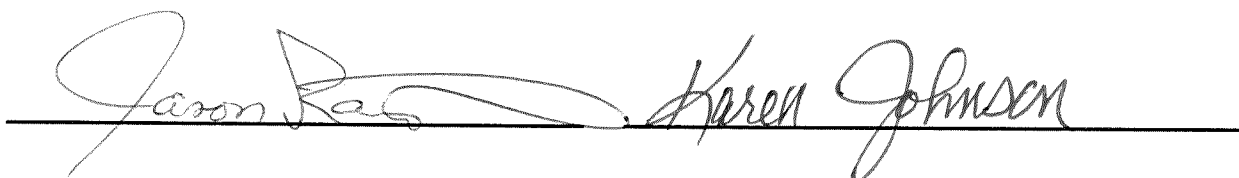
Discussion

Senator Rarick moved that S.F. 183, as amended, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

S.F. 3881: Senator Rarick: [IF TIME PERMITS] Department of Labor and Industry and Minnesota Management and Budget appropriation.

Not heard.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:13 a.m.

Handwritten signatures of Jason Rarick and Karen Johnson. The signature of Jason Rarick is on the left, and the signature of Karen Johnson is on the right. Both signatures are written in black ink and are positioned above a horizontal line.

Senator Jason Rarick, Chair

Karen Johnson, Legislative Assistant