

Minnesota State Senate

Mining and Forestry Policy Committee
Tuesday, March 15, 2022
3:00 PM, Room G-23, Capitol

Minutes

Present: Senator Justin D. Eichorn - Chair, Senator Michael P. Goggin Vice Chair, Senator Jason Isaacson, Senator Mary K. Kunesch, Senator Carrie Ruud, Senator David J. Tomassoni

Absent: No Members Absent

Senator Justin D. Eichorn called the meeting to order at 3:02 PM.

S.F. 2797: **Senator Tomassoni: Coordination, effectiveness, transparency and accountability of environmental review and process for metallic mining projects permission improvements.**

Senator Bak presented SF 2797.

Chrisy L. Bartovich, Director of Environmental for U.S. Steel Mining and Tubular Operations

Frank Ongaro, Executive Director of Mining Minnesota

Brian Hanson, Board Chair of Jobs for Minnesotans

Jason George, Business Manager for the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 49

Pat Medure, Vice President for the Range Association of Municipalities and Schools (RAMS)

Tony Kwilas, Director of Environmental Policy for the Minnesota Chamber of Commerce

Teresa Appelwick, President and CEO of the Laurentian Chamber of Commerce

Katie Smith, DNR Ecology and Waters Division Director

Joe Henderson, DNR Lands and Minerals Division Director

Aaron Klemz, Chief Strategy Officer of the Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy

Senator Goggin moved that S.F. 2797, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Environment and Natural Resources Policy and Legacy Finance Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

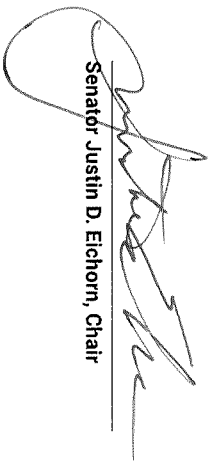
S.F. 3899: **Senator Eichorn: School trust lands director duties and powers modification.**

Senator Eichorn presented SF 3899.

Aaron Vande Linde, Director of the Minnesota Office of School Trust Lands

Senator Eichorn moved that S. F. 3899, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Environment and Natural Resources Policy and Legacy Finance Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:16 PM.



Senator Justin D. Eichorn, Chair



Victor Florell, Legislative Assistant