Elections Committee Thursday, January 26, 2023 3:00 PM, Room 1200, Minnesota Senate Bldg.

Minutes

<u>Present</u>: Senator Jim Carlson - Chair, Senator Bonnie S. Westlin Vice Chair, Senator Bruce D. Anderson, Senator Calvin K. Bahr, Senator Liz Boldon, Senator Steve A. Cwodzinski, Senator Gene Dornink, Senator Mark W. Koran, Senator Warren Limmer, Senator John Marty, Senator Andrew Mathews, Senator Nicole L. Mitchell, Senator Ann H. Rest

Absent: Senator Lindsey Port

Senator Jim Carlson called the meeting to order at 3:07 PM.

Call to order

S.F. 516: Senator Champion: Absence from work to vote in person before election day authorization.

Testifiers:

Senator Champion

Nicole Freeman, Government Relations Director, Office of the Secretary of State

Senator Anderson requests a roll call vote. Senator Anderson withdrew his roll call motion. Senator Weslin moved that SF 516 be recommended to pass. By a voice vote, the motion prevailed.

Senator Westlin moved that S.F. 516 be recommended to pass. - MOTION PREVAILED.

<u>S.F. 48:</u> Senator Dibble: Amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, providing for free, fair and equal elections.

Testifiers:

Senator Dibble

Dane Smith, Board Member, Clean Elections Minnesota Jeanne Massey, Executive Director, FairVote Minnesota

Senator Westlin moved that SF 48 be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Rules and Administration Committee. By a voice vote, the motion prevailed.

Senator Westlin moved that S.F. 48 be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Rules and Administration Committee. - MOTION PREVAILED.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:31 PM.

Senator Jim Carlson, Chair

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Christie Blood, Legislative Assistant for Taylor Spreeman, Legislative Assistant