

Minnesota State Senate

Environment, Climate, and Legacy Committee
Tuesday, February 14, 2023
3:00 PM, 1150 Minnesota Senate Bldg.

Minutes

Present: Senator Foug Hawj - Chair, Senator Jennifer A. McEwen Vice Chair, Senator Justin D. Eichorn, Senator Steve Green, Senator Grant Hauschild, Senator John A. Hoffman, Senator Mary K. Kunesh, Senator Andrew R. Lang, Senator Kelly L. Morrison, Senator Nathan Wesenberg

Absent: No Members Absent

Senator Foug Hawj called the meeting to order at 3:05p Sen McEwen takes gavel at 3:41p Sen Hawj takes gavel at 4:26p

Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Budget Presentation

Presenters: Sarah Strommen (Commissioner, DNR); Mary Robison (CFO, DNR); Bob Meier (Assistant Commissioner, DNR)

S.F. 573: Senator Hawj: Outdoor heritage fund appropriation.

Testifiers: Mark Johnson (Executive Director, Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council); Joe Pavelko (Assistant Director, Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council); Bob Lessard (former Senator, namesake);

A1- Senator Hawj offers, adopted by voice

As amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

S.F. 442: Senator Morrison: Environment and natural resources trust fund appropriations; reporting and capital construction requirements modification; prior appropriations modifications.

Testifiers: Becca Nash (Director, LCCMR); Mike Compana (Senior Project Analyst, LCCMR); Sarah Ciochetto (Deputy Director, St Louis and Lake Counties Regional Railroad Authority)

Senator Morrison offers A4, adopted by voice

Senator Hauschild offers A1, adopted by voice

Senator Morrison moved that S.F. 442, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the Finance Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55p



Senator Fong Hawj, Chair

Maikao Vue, Legislative Assistant