

Minnesota State Senate

State and Local Government and Veterans Committee

Wednesday, May 3, 2023

8:30 AM, Room G-23, Capitol

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Minutes

Present: Senator Erin P. Murphy - Chair, Senator Nicole L. Mitchell - Vice Chair, Senator Bruce D. Anderson, Senator Calvin K. Bahr, Senator Jim Carlson, Senator Steve A. Cwodzinski, Senator Steve Drazkowski, Senator Omar Fateh, Senator Heather Gustafson, Senator John R. Jasinski, Senator Mark W. Koran, Senator Erin K. Maye Quade, Senator Kelly L. Morrison

Absent: Senator Andrew R. Lang

Senator Erin P. Murphy called the meeting to order at 8:43 am.

S.R. 18: Senator Drazkowski: A resolution expressing the sense of the Minnesota Senate supporting the need for suitable accommodations for the Fort Snelling National Cemetery Memorial Rifle Squad.

Senator Drazkowski introduced SR18; testimony was heard from Lee Aragoh and Dan Fischer.

Senator Drazkowski moved SR18 be recommended to pass and re-referred to the committee on Rules and Administration.

Motin prevailed with unanimous voice vote.

Senator Drazkowski moved that S.R. 18, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Rules and Administration Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 1959: Senator Frentz: Peace officer duty disability provisions modifications and appropriations.

Senator Frentz introduced SF1959; testimoney was heard from:

- Joel Carlson, Minnesota Association for Justice
- Kathleen Gomez, Gomez Law
- Danielle Waage
- Jen Zerwas
- Wendy Wulff
- Bridget Bender
- Chuck Aldean
- Chuck Gollop, Minnesota Duty Disabled Association
- Chris Steward, Heroes Helping Heros
- Reid LeBeau, Minnesota Police and Peace Officers Association

- **Dennis Genereau, Carlton County**
- **Scott Vadnais, President of Minnesota Professional Fire Fighters**
- **Chief John Swenson, Lino Lakes Police Department**

Chair Murphy moved SF1959A7, motion prevailed with unanimous voice vote.

Vice Chair Mitchell moved to orally amend SF1959 as follows:

On page 36, line 29: strike everything after (c) and insert: "these are one-time transfers."

Motion prevailed with oral voice vote.

Chair Murphy moved the contents of SF1959, as amended, substitute the contents of HF1234.

Motion prevailed with unanimous voice vote.

Chair Murphy moved HF1234 be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Committee on Finance.

Roll call requested.

Member who voted 'Yes' below:

Chair Murphy

Vice Chair Mitchell

Senator Bahr

Senator Carlson

Senator Cwodzinski

Senator Drazkowski

Senator Gustafson

Senator Koran

Senator Morrison

Members who voted "No" below:

Lead Anderson

Senator Jasinski

Senator Maye Quade

With 9 voting yes, and 3 voting no - motion prevailed.

Senator Murphy moved that S.F. 1959, be recommended to pass as amended and referred to Finance Committee.

H.F. 2950: Senator Frentz: Omnibus pension policy bill.

Testifiers:

Susan Lenczewski, Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement

Senator Frenz introduced HF2950.

Senator Maye Quade moved HF2950 be recommened to pass.

Motion prevailed with voice vote.

Senator Maye Quade moved that H.F. 2950, be recommended to pass. - MOTION PREVAILED.

H.F. 3100: Senator Frentz: Omnibus pension bill.

Senator Frentz presented HF 3100.

Testifier(s): Susan Lenczewski, Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement

Andrew Erickson, Senate Fiscal Anaylst, gave overview of Pension Budget Spreadsheet.

Senator Carlson moved HF3100A7, motion prevailed with voice vote.

Senator Carlson moved HF3100, as amended, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Committee on Finance.

Motion prevailed with voice vote.

Senator Carlson moved that H.F. 3100, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the Finance Committee. - MOTION PREVAILED.

S.F. 2404: Senator Hawj: Constitutional amendment providing for the renewal of the environment and natural resources trust fund.

Senator Hawj presented SF2404; testimony was heard from:

Nels Paulson, Conservation Minnesota

Francisco Segovia, COPAL

Mary Robinson, Minnesota Department of Natural Resouce

Chair Murphy moved SF2404A12, motion prevailed with voice vote.

Chair Murphy moved SF2404, as amened, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Rules and Administration committee.

Roll call requested.

Members who voted 'Yes' are below:

Chair Murphy

Vice Chair Mitchell

Senator Carlson

Senator Cwodzinski

Senator Gustafson

Senator Maye Quade

Members who voted "No" are below:

Lead Anderson

Senator Bahr

Senator Drazkowski

Senator Koran

With 6 voting yes, and 4 voting no, the motion prevailed.

Senator Murphy moved that S.F. 2404, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the Rules and Administration Committee. - MOTION PREVAILED.

S.F. 1949: Senator Klein: Lawful sports betting establishment and appropriation.

Senator Klein presented SF1949; testimony was heard from:

- Andy Platto, Minnesota Indian Gaming Association
- Tracie Wilson, Running Aces
- Randy Sampson, Canterbury Park
- Pat Gibbs, Sports Betting Alliance
- Jake Grassel, Citizens Against Gambling Expansion

Senator Klein introduced SF1949.

Senator Morrison moved SF1949A7, motion prevailed with voice vote.

Senator Morrison moved to orally amend SC1949A8 as follows: on page 1, line 3, delete "promulgate" and insert "adopt rules" and page 1, line 4, delete "a regulation", motion prevailed.

Senator Morrison moved SF1949A8, as amended, motion prevailed with voice vote.

Senator Morrison moved SF1949A9, motion prevailed with voice vote.

Senator Morrison moved SF1949A10, motion prevailed with voice vote.

Andrew Erickson, Senate Fiscal Analyst, went over SF1949 fiscal note.

Chair Murphy laid SF1949, as amended, on the table.

Senator Murphy moved that S.F. 1949, be laid on the table.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:23 pm.



Senator Erin P. Murphy, Chair



Alexis Kise, Legislative Assistant