Minnesota State Senate

Transportation Committee
Wednesday, March 8, 2023
3:00 PMLivestream YouTube

Minutes

<u>Present</u>: Senator D. Scott Dibble - Chair, Senator Kelly L. Morrison Vice Chair, Senator Jim Carlson, Senator Julia E. Coleman, Senator Foung Hawj, Senator Jeff R. Howe, Senator John R. Jasinski, Senator Andrew R. Lang, Senator Jennifer A. McEwen, Senator Lindsey Port

Absent: No Members Absent

Chair D. Scott Dibble called the meeting to order at 3:20pm. After every agenda item, there was time allotted for discussion and questions.

<u>S.F. 661:</u> Senator Kunesh: Indian employment preference provision for members of federally recognized Tribes on projects near Indian reservations.

Senator Mary K. Kunesh presented S.F.661.

Senator Kunesh offered A1 amendment. Vice Chair Kelly L. Morrison moved the A1. Via voice vote the motion prevailed and the A1 amendment was adopted.

Testimony was heard from the following individuals:

• Adrien Carretero, Minnesota Department of Transportation

Senator Jeff R. Howe moved the A2 amendment. Senator John R. Jasinski requested a roll call vote. A roll call was granted.

- Yes: Dibble, McEwen, Hawj, Carlson
- No: Jasinski, Lang, Coleman, Howe

With a 4-4 vote, the motion did not prevail and the A2 amendment was not adopted.

Senator Howe moved the A3 amendment. Via voice vote, the motion did not prevail.

Vice Chair Morrison moved that S.F.661 pass and be referred to the Senate Floor. Via voice vote, the motion prevailed.

<u>S.F. 2376:</u> Senator Kunesh: Tribal affairs construction workforce training program appropriation; Tribal- state relations training program appropriation.

Senator Kunesh presented S.F.2376.

Testimony was heard from the following individuals:

• Adrien Carretero, Minnesota Department of Transportation

S.F.2376 was laid over.

S.F. 1529: Senator Dibble: Miscellaneous technical corrections to laws and statutes.

Chair Dibble gave the gavel to Senator Morrison for the duration of his presentation.

Chair Dibble presented S.F.1529.

Chair Dibble moved S.F.1529 pass and be referred to the floor. This prevailed via voice vote.

S.F. 1296: Senator Mitchell: Preference establishment for purchase of electric vehicles for state fleet; appropriating money.

Senator Mitchell presented SF.1296.

Testimony was heard from the following individuals:

- Carolyn Berninger, Drive Electric Minnesota Senate
- Amber Backhaus, Minnesota Automobilers Association

Senator Howe moved the A4 amendment. Via voice vote, the motion did not prevail.

Senator Howe moved the A5 amendment. Senator Howe requested a roll call, and one was granted.

- Yes: Jasinski , Lang, Coleman, Howe
- No: Dibble, Morrison, McEwen, Port, Carlson, Hawj

With a 6-4 vote against the motion, it did not prevail and the A5 amendment was not adopted.

Senator Jasinski moved the A17 Amendment. Senator Jasinski requested a roll call, and one was granted.

- · Yes: Jasinski, Lang, Coleman, Howe
- No: Dibble, Morrison, McEwen, Port, Carlson, Hawj

With a 6-4 vote against the motion, it did not prevail and the A17 amendment was not adopted.

Senator Jasinski offered the A16 Amendment. Senator Jasinski requested a roll call, and one was granted.

- Yes: Jasinski , Lang, Coleman, Howe
- No: Dibble, Morrison, McEwen, Port, Carlson, Hawj

With a 6-4 vote against the motion, it did not prevail and the A16 amendment was not adopted.

Senator Julia E. Coleman offered the A13 Amendment. Via voice vote, the motion did not prevail.

Senator Coleman offered the A10 Amendment. Via voice vote, the motion did not prevail.

Senator Jasinski offered the A12 Amendment. Via voice vote, the motion did not prevail.

Senator Port moved that S.F.1296 pass and be referred Energy, Utilities, Environment, and Climate Committee. The motion prevailed.

S.F. 927: Senator Kupec: Transporting petroleum products requirements modification.

Senator Kupec presented S.F.927.

Testimony was heard from the following individuals:

• Dave Wager, Minnesota Propane Association

Senator Jim Carlson moved that S.F.927 pass and be referred to the floor. Via voice vote, the motion prevailed.

S.F. 2323: Senator Carlson: Allowed uses modification for various accounts.

Senator Jim Carlson presented S.F.2323.

Testimony was heard from the following individuals:

• Jennifer Witt, Minnesota Department of Transportation

Senator Howe offered the A4 Amendment. Via voice vote, the motion prevailed.

Senator Jasinski offered the A1 Amendment. It was eventually withdrawn.

Chair Dibble moved an oral amendment. On line 3.22, change "104" to "140." Via voice vote, the motion prevailed, and the oral amendment was adopted.

Vice Chair Morrison moved an oral amendment. On line 1.17, change every mention of "North Star" to "Jim Oberstar." Via voice vote, the motion prevailed, and the oral amendment was adopted.

Senator Carlson moved that S.F.2323, as amended, pass and be sent to the senate floor. Via voice vote, the motion prevailed.

<u>S.F. 894:</u> Senator Frentz: Definition of qualifying agricultural products amendment for purposes of special farm products permits.

Senator Nick A. Frentz presented S.F.894.

Testimony was heard from the following individuals:

• Jake Hamlin, CHS

Senator Jasinski moved that S.F.894 pass and be sent to the floor. Via voice vote, the motion prevailed.

S.F. 1025: Senator Johnson: Definition amendment of qualifying agricultural products for special farm products permits.

Senator Mark T. Johnson presented S.F.1025.

Testimony was heard from the following individuals:

• Bruce Kleven, Minnesota Turf Seed Council

Senator Jasinski moved an oral amendment. On line 1.16, delete "condition" and insert "raw," deleted "unconditioned" and insert "processed." Via voice vote, the motion prevailed, and the oral amendment was adopted.

Senator Jasinski moved that S.F.1025 pass and be sent to the floor. Via voice vote, the motion prevailed.

S.F. 745: Senator Hauschild: Special permit for hauling forest products modification.

Senator Grant Hauschild presented S.F.745.

Testimony was heard from the following individuals:

• Ray Higgins, Minnesota Timber Producers Association

Senator Port moved the A2 amendment. Via voice vote, the motion prevailed.

Senator Port moved that S.F.745 pass and be sent to the floor. Via voice vote, the motion prevailed.

S.F. 843: Senator Lucero: Sewage septic tank trucks exemption from certain vehicle weight limitations.

Senator Eric Lucero presented S.F.843.

S.F.843 was laid over.

Chair Dibble adjourned the meeting at 6:10pm.

Senator D. Scott Dibble, Chair

Alex Will, Legislative Assistant