

# Minnesota State Senate

Transportation Committee  
Monday, March 20, 2023  
3:00 PMLivestream YouTube

## Minutes

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**Present:** Senator D. Scott Dibble - Chair, Senator Kelly L. Morrison Vice Chair, Senator Jim Carlson, Senator Fong Hawj, Senator Jeff R. Howe, Senator John R. Jasinski, Senator Andrew R. Lang, Senator Jennifer A. McEwen, Senator Lindsey Port

**Absent:** Senator Julia E. Coleman

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Chair D. Scott Dibble called the meeting to order at 3:08pm. After every agenda item, time was allotted for discussion and questions amongst committee members.

**S.F. 2591: Senator McEwen: Certain entities use of public roads for the purpose of constructing, using, operating and maintaining high voltage transmission lines authorization.**

Senator Jennifer A. McEwen presented S.F.2591.

This bill was laid on the table on March 17. The bill was taken off the table.

Senator McEwen moved the A6 Amendment. Via voice vote, the motion prevailed.

Senator McEwen moved that S.F.2591 pass and be referred to the floor. Via voice vote, the motion prevailed.

Senator McEwen moved to reconsider her motion to pass S.F.2591 to the floor. This passed via voice vote. Via voice vote, this motion prevailed. Then, Senator McEwen moved that S.F.2591 be referred to the Energy, Utilities, Environment, and Climate Committee. Via voice vote, this motion prevailed.

**S.F. 2470: Senator Kreun: Additional Metro Transit Police officers appropriation.**

Senator Michael Kreun presented S.F.2470.

Testimony was heard from the following individuals:

- Judd Schetnan, Met Council

S.F.2470 was laid over.

**S.F. 2562: Senator Coleman: Responsible authorities designation for light rail transit projects.**

Senator Andrew R. Lang presented S.F.2562 on behalf of Senator Julia E. Coleman.

Testimony was heard from the following individuals:

- Marion Greene, Hennepin County Commissioner

S.F.2562 was laid over.

**S.F. 2678: Senator Howe: Commissioner of transportation permission to implement noise abatement measures in unincorporated areas.**

Senator Jeff R. Howe presented S.F.2678.

Testimony was heard from the following individuals:

- Shep Harris, Minnesota Association of Townships

Senator Howe moved that S.F.2678 pass and be sent to the senate floor. Via voice vote, this motion prevailed.

**S.F. 2178: Senator Howe: Surcharge amendment on all-electric vehicles.**

Senator Howe presented S.F.2178.

Testimony was heard from the following individuals:

- Brendan Jordan, Drive Electric Minnesota

S.F.2178 was laid over.

**S.F. 2569: Senator Coleman: Municipal approval requirement of guideway plans.**

Senator Steve Drazkowski presented S.F.2569 on behalf of Senator Coleman.

Senator Drazkowski moved the A1 amendment. Via voice vote, this motion prevailed.

Testimony was heard from the following individuals:

- Tim David, No Rush Line Coalition

S.F.2569 was laid over.

**S.F. 2855: Senator Howe: Electric fuel tax imposition.**

Senator Howe presented S.F.2855.

Testimony was heard from the following individuals:

- Margaret Donohoe, Minnesota Transportation Alliance
- Brendan Jordan, Drive Electric Minnesota
- Bentley Graves, Minnesota Chamber of Commerce

S.F.2855 was laid over.

**S.F. 723: Senator Jasinski: Data security account appropriation.**

Senator Jasinski presented S.F.723.

Testimony was heard from the following individuals:

- Judy Randall, Legislative Auditor

Senator Jasinski moved that S.F.723 pass and be referred to the Finance Committee. Via voice vote, this motion prevailed.

**S.F. 414: Senator Howe: Allocation modification of state general sales tax revenue related to motor vehicle repair and replacement parts.**

Senator Howe presented S.F.414.

Testimony was heard from the following individuals:

- Shep Harris, Minnesota Association of Townships
- Margaret Donohoe, Minnesota Transportation Alliance
- Cap O'Rourke, Minnesota Association of Small Cities
- John Thorson, LiUNA
- Brenda Johnson, Southeastern Minnesota League of Municipalities

S.F.414 was laid over.

**S.F. 795: Senator Jasinski: Motor vehicle repair and replacement parts state general sales tax revenue modification; sales tax revenue dedication to small cities assistance account and town road account authorization.**

Senator Jasinski presented S.F.795.

S.F.795 was laid over.

**S.F. 2922: Senator Jasinski: Small cities assistance program for roads appropriation.**

Senator Jasinski presented S.F.2922.

S.F.2922 was laid over.

**S.F. 2767: Senator Jasinski: Inclusion prohibition of highway spending for nonhighway purposes in governor's budget.**

Senator Jasinski presented S.F.2767.

Senator Jasinski moved the A2 Amendment. Via voice vote, the motion prevailed.

Senator Jasinski moved that S.F.2767 be referred to the floor. Via voice vote, the motion prevailed.

**S.F. 1345: Senator Jasinski: Cost-benefit analysis requirement for proposed guideways.**

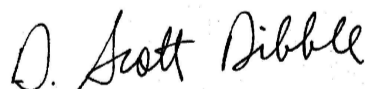
Senator Jasinski S.F.1345.

Senator Jasinski moved the A1 amendment. Via voice vote, the motion prevailed.

S.F.1345 was laid over.

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Chair Dibble adjourned the meeting at 5:05pm.



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Senator D. Scott Dibble, Chair



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Alex Will, Legislative Assistant