

Taxes Committee
Wednesday, March 29, 2023
8:30 AM, Room G-15, Capitol

Minutes

Present: Senator Ann H. Rest - Chair, Senator Matt D. Klein - Vice Chair, Senator D. Scott Dibble, Senator Grant Hauschild, Senator Carla J. Nelson, Senator Aric Putnam, Senator Bill Weber

Absent: Senator Steve Drazkowski, Senator Kari Dziedzic, Senator Jeremy R. Miller

Senator Weber called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

Call to Order

Quorum is Present.

Members Absent but Excused: Senator Drazkowski, Senator Dziedzic, Senator Miller

Minutes from 3.28.23 were corrected to show Senator Nelson chaired 3.28.23 meeting. Minutes were approved as corrected.

S.F. 1251: Senator Kunesh: Fridley use of tax increment special rule creation.

Senator Kunesh moved the A1 Amendment. The motion prevailed and the A1 Amendment was adopted.

Testifiers:

Senator Kunesh
Scott Lund, Mayor, City of Fridley

SF 1251 was laid over as amended.

S.F. 198: Senator Latz: Hopkins Tax Increment Financing District No. 2-11 special rules modification.

Senator Dibble moved the A1 Amendment. The motion prevailed and the A1 Amendment was adopted.

Testifiers:

Senator Latz
(zoom) Kersten Elverun, Director of Planning and Development, City of Hopkins

SF 198 was laid over as amended.

S.F. 135: Senator Pratt: City of Shakopee authorization to establish a tax increment financing district subject to special rules.

Testifiers:

Senator Pratt
Bill Reynolds, City Administrator, City of Shakopee

SF 135 was laid over.

S.F. 1708: Senator Wiklund: Special TIF authority modification for the Central Station district.

Testifiers:

Senator Wiklund
Holly Masek, Port Authority Administrator, City of Bloomington
Mark Fabel, Executive Vice President of Development and Facility Management, McGough

SF 1708 was laid over.

S.F. 2184: Senator Bahr: Ramsey special tax increment financing authority provision.

Testifiers:

Senator Bahr
Brian Hagen, City Administrator, City of Ramsey
Sean Sullivan, Economic Development Manager, City of Ramsey

SF 2184 was laid over.

S.F. 3037: Senator Bahr: Ramsey exemption provision for construction materials for a new water treatment plant.

Testifiers:

Senator Bahr
Brian Hagen, City Administrator, City of Ramsey
Sean Sullivan, Economic Development Manager, City of Ramsey

SF 3037 was laid over.

S.F. 1952: Senator Kupec: Nonmetropolitan counties tax increment financing districts five and six year rules extension.

Testifiers:

Senator Kupec
(zoom) Craig Clark, Co-Chair of the Coalition of Greater Economic Development Committee & City Administrator, City of Austin

SF 1952 was laid over.

S.F. 1953: Senator Kupec: Tax increment financing housing districts in nonmetropolitan counties income restrictions removal.

Testifiers:

Senator Kupec
(zoom) Craig Clark, Co-Chair of the Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities - Economic Development Committee & City Administrator, City of Austin
Erik Simonson, Representing the Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities

SF 1953 was laid over.

S.F. 1776: Senator McEwen: Duluth tax increment financing districts authorization.

Senator Putnam moved the A1 Amendment. The motion prevailed and the A1 Amendment was adopted.

Testifiers:

Senator McEwen
(zoom) Chris Fleege, Director of Planning and Economic Development, City of Duluth

SF 1776 was laid over as amended.

S.F. 2539: Senator McEwen: Duluth tax increment financing districts under special rules authorization.

Senator Rest moved the A1 Amendment. The motion prevailed and the A1 Amendment was adopted.

Testifiers:

Senator McEwen
(zoom) Chris Fleege, Director of Planning and Economic Development, City of Duluth

SF 2539 was laid over as amended.

S.F. 257: Senator Westlin: Plymouth tax increment finance authority establishment.

Senator Hauschild moved the A3 Amendment. The motion prevailed and the A3 Amendment was adopted.

Testifiers:

Senator Westlin
Jeffry Wosje, Mayor, City of Plymouth
Dave Callister, City Manager, City of Plymouth

SF 257 was laid over as amended.

S.F. 260: Senator Port: Savage tax increment financing district special rule amendments.

Senator Dibble moved the A1 Amendment. The motion prevailed and the A1 Amendment was adopted.

Testifier:

Senator Port

SF 260 was laid over as amended.

S.F. 474: Senator Mitchell: Woodbury tax increment financing special rules authorization - Senator Klein Presented.

Testifiers:

Senator Klein
Angela Gorall, Assistant City Administrator, City of Woodbury
Eric Searles, Assistant Community Development Director, City of Woodbury

SF 474 was laid over.

S.F. 158: Senator Klein: West Saint Paul tax increment financing district special rule amendments.

Testifiers:

Senator Klein
Ben Boike, Community Development Director, City of West Saint Paul

SF 158 was laid over.

S.F. 1436: Senator Nelson: Economic development district limitation modification.

Testifiers:

Senator Nelson
Christopher Giesen, Economic Development Coordinator, City of Chatfield
Joel Young, City Administrator, City of Chatfield
Cap O'Rourke, Executive Director, Minnesota Association of Small Cities

SF 1436 was laid over.

S.F. 1216: Senator Putnam: Small city definition expansion relating to tax increment financing authorization.

Testifiers:

Senator Putnam
Daniel Lightfoot, Intergovernmental Relations Representative & Federal Relations Manager, League of Minnesota Cities
Cap O'Rourke, Executive Director, Minnesota Association of Small Cities

SF 1216 was laid over.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.



Senator Ann H. Rest, Chair



Christie Blood, Legislative Assistant