

Taxes Committee  
Thursday, April 13, 2023  
8:30 AM, Room G-15, Capitol

Minutes

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**Present:** Senator Ann H. Rest - Chair, Senator Matt D. Klein - Vice Chair, Senator D. Scott Dibble, Senator Steve Drazkowski, Senator Kari Dziedzic, Senator Grant Hauschild, Senator Jeremy R. Miller, Senator Carla J. Nelson, Senator Aric Putnam, Senator Bill Weber

**Absent:** No Members Absent

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Senator Ann H. Rest called the meeting to order at 8:41 a.m.

Call to Order

Quorum is Present.

Member Attending Remotely: Senator Dziedzic

Minutes from 4.4.23 were approved as presented.

**S.F. 2684: Senator Kunesh: Omnibus Education appropriations.**

Senator Klein moved the A8 Amendment. The motion prevailed and the A8 Amendment was adopted.

Senator Weber moved an oral amendment to makes changes to the school bond levy referendum extension without voter approval. Senator Weber withdrew his amendment.

**Testifiers:**

Senator Kunesh

Betty Hjelseth, Analyst for Education Finance Committee, Minnesota Senate

Jenna Hofer, Fiscal Analyst for Education Finance Committee, Minnesota Senate

Senator Klein moved SF 2684 be recommended to pass and referred to the Finance Committee as amended.

**SF 2684 was recommended to pass to the Finance Committee as amended.**

**S.F. 1608: Senator Weber: Watershed district general fund levy maximum amount increase.**

Senator Weber moved the A2 Amendment. The motion prevailed and the A2 Amendment was adopted.

**Testifiers:**

Senator Weber

Jan Voit, Executive Director, Minnesota Association of Watershed Districts

(zoom) Tera Guetter, Administrator, Pelican River Watershed District

**SF 1608 was laid over as amended.**

**S.F. 671: Senator Dibble: Rental motor vehicle tax and fee modification.**

**Testifiers:**

Senator Dibble

Paul Schroeder, President & CEO, HOURCAR

Russ Stark, Chief Resilience Officer, City of St. Paul

Will Schroer, Chair, Twin Cities Shared Mobility Collaborative; Executive Director, East Metro Strong

**SF 671 was laid over.**

**S.F. 3233: Senator Dibble: Additional financing of metropolitan area transit capital expenditures provisions and authorizing the issuance of certain obligations.**

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

**Testifiers:**

Senator Dibble  
Judd Schetnan, Director of Government Affairs, Metropolitan Council

**SF 3233 was laid over as amended.**

**S.F. 3157: Senator Dibble: Active transportation program appropriations.**

Senator Putnam moved the A50 Amendment. The motion prevailed and the A50 Amendment was adopted.

**Testifiers:**


Senator Dibble  
Krista Boyd, Fiscal Analyst for Transportation Committee, MN Senate  
Bentley Graves, Director of Health Care and Transportation Policy, MN Chamber of Commerce  
Jill Sims, Director of Government Relations, Hospitality Minnesota  
Jamie Pfuhl, President, Minnesota Grocers Association  
Aurora Vautrin, Political Director, 100% Minnesota  
Margaret Donahoe, Executive Director, The MN Transportation Alliance  
Eric Bernstein, Policy Director, We Make Minnesota  
John Thorson, Legislative Director & Political Coordinator, LIUNA Minnesota and North Dakota  
Brad Lehto, Secretary-Treasurer, Minnesota AFL/CIO  
Katie Nicholson, Citizen, City of St. Paul  
(zoom) Darwin Schaeferlane, Citizen, City of Bloomington


Senator Dibble moved SF 3157 be recommended to pass and referred to the finance committee as amended.

**SF 3157 was recommended to pass to the Finance Committee as amended.**

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**The meeting was adjourned at 11:17 a.m.**

  
Senator Ann H. Rest, Chair

  
Christie Blood, Legislative Assistant