

# Minnesota State Senate

Agriculture, Broadband, and Rural Development Committee  
Wednesday, March 13, 2024  
3:00 PM, 1150 Minnesota Senate Bldg.

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## Minutes

**Present:** Senator Aric Putnam - Chair, Senator Robert J. Kupec - Vice Chair, Senator Bruce D. Anderson, Senator Gary H. Dahms, Senator Gene Dornink, Senator Heather Gustafson, Senator Mary K. Kunes, Senator Judy Seeberger, Senator Torrey N. Westrom

**Absent:** No Members Absent

Senator Aric Putnam called the meeting to order at 3:05pm

### Call to Order

**S.F. 4301:** Senator Kupec: Elk provisions modifications.

The following individuals testified on S.F.4301:  
Peder Kjeseth – Assistant Commissioner Minnesota Department of Agriculture

Senator Putnam moved that S.F. 4301, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

**S.F. 4542:** Senator Kunes: Pest control provisions modifications.

Senator Putnam moved that S.F. 4542, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

**S.F. 4224:** Senator Putnam: Pesticides provisions modifications.

3:20pm - Senator Putnam recessed the committee  
3:23pm - Senator Putnam called the committee to order

3:23pm Senator Putnam passed the gavel to Senator Kunes

The following individuals testified on S.F.4224:  
Gurinderbir Chahal – Supervisor of Licensing & Certification Unit - Minnesota Department of Agriculture

Senator Kunes moved that S.F. 4224, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

**S.F. 4225:** Senator Putnam: Minnesota Rural Finance Authority provisions modifications.

Senator Putnam offered the A1 amendment. Amendment adopted by voice vote

Senator Kunes moved that S.F. 4225, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

**S.F. 4011:** Senator Putnam: Sustainable aviation fuel definition amendment provision.

Senator Kunes moved that S.F. 4011, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

**S.F. 4223: Senator Seeberger: Pesticide products discontinuation and cancellation provisions modifications.**

3:46pm Senator Kunesh passed the gavel to Senator Putnam

Senator Putnam moved that S.F. 4223, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

**S.F. 4187: Senator Gustafson: Food handler license provisions modifications.**

The following individuals testified on S.F.4187:  
Katherine Simon - Director of FFSD - Minnesota Department of Agriculture

Senator Putnam moved that S.F. 4187, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

**S.F. 4302: Senator Kupec: Grain indemnity provisions modifications.**

The following individuals testified on S.F.4302:  
Nick Milanowski - Fruit, Vegetable and Grain Section Manager - Minnesota Department of Agriculture  
Laura Lemke -Executive Director - MN Grain & Feed Association

Senator Kupec moved an oral amendment to SF 4302  
Page 4, lines 2 and 3 reinstate the stricken language and delete “, grade”  
**MOTION PREVAILED** by voice vote

Senator Putnam moved that S.F. 4302, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

**S.F. 4391: Senator Kupec: Fertilizer definitions modifications.**

Senator Putnam moved that S.F. 4391, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

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**The meeting was adjourned at 4:47pm**

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**Senator Aric Putnam, Chair**

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**Nick Roth, Legislative Assistant**