

Minnesota State Senate

Commerce and Consumer Protection Committee
Thursday, March 21, 2024
12:30 PM, G-15 Capitol

Minutes

Present: Senator Matt D. Klein - Chair, Senator Judy Seeberger Vice Chair, Senator Gary H. Dahms, Senator Zach Duckworth, Senator Nick A. Frentz, Senator Ron Latz, Senator Jordan Rasmusson, Senator Ann H. Rest, Senator Melissa H. Wiklund

Absent: Senator Jeff R. Howe

Senator Matt D. Klein called the meeting to order at 12:44 pm.

S.F. 3561: Senator Morrison: Packaging Waste and Cost Reduction Act (Pending Referral).

Senator Morrison presented SF 3561.

Amendments:

Senator Wiklund offered the A17. Amendment adopted on a voice vote.

Testifiers:

Laurie Halverson, Minnesota Inter-County Association and the Partnership on Waste and Energy
Nels Paulsen, Conservation Minnesota
Kirk Koudelka, MN Pollution Control Agency
Gabbie Batzko, Solid Waste Administrators Association
Amber Backhaus, National Waste and Recycling Association
Tim Wilkin, Minnesota Beverage Association
Tony Kwilas, MN Chamber of Commerce
Julie Ketchum, Waste Management

Senator Wiklund moved that SF 3561 as amended be recommended to pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Environment, Climate, and Legacy. Motion passes on a voice vote.

Senator Wiklund moved that S.F. 3561, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the Environment, Climate, and Legacy Committee.

S.F. 1037: Senator Frentz: Commissioner of commerce requirement to defray costs to health plan companies for additional benefits.

Senator Frentz presented SF 1037.

Amendments:

Senator Rasmusson offered the A1. Motion passed on a voice vote.

Testifiers:

Bentley Graves, MN Chamber of Commerce

Senator Klein laid over SF 1037 as amended.

Senator Klein moved that S.F. 1037, as amended, be laid over.

S.F. 3993: Senator Boldon: Active transportation requirements amendments including electric bicycles and sales regulations, complete streets requirements, drivers education and appropriations.

Senator Bolden presented SF 3993.

Amendments:

Senator Frentz offered the A7. Amendment adopted on a voice vote.

Testifiers:

CJ Lindor, BikeMn

Matt Moore, PeopleForBikes

Senator Rest moved that SF 3993 as amended be recommended to pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Finance. Motion passes on a voice vote.

S.F. 5031: Senator Rasmusson: Money transmitters governing provisions modifications.

Senator Rasmusson presented SF 5031.

Amendments:

Testifiers:

Melissa Reed, Park Street Public

Senator Klein laid over SF 5031.

S.F. 4351: Senator Gustafson: Advertisement, distribution, and sale prohibition of certain vapor products.

Committee went to Recess at 1:49pm

Committee returned from Recess at 1:51pm.

Senator Gustafson presented SF 4351.

Amendments:

Senator Latz offers an oral amendment. Page 2 delete lines 11-18. Amendment adopted on a voice vote.

Testifiers:

Emily Myatt, American Cancer Society

Senator Klein laid over SF 4351 as amended.

S.F. 3345: Senator Mitchell: Banning certain mercury-containing lighting.

Committee went into recess at 1:49 pm.

Committee came back from recess at 2:06 pm.

Senator Mitchell presented SF 3345.

Amendments:

Testifiers:

Eric Fowler, Fresh Energy

Josh McClenney, Appliance Standards Awareness Project

Senator Rest Moved that SF 3345 be recommended to pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Environment, Climate and Legacy. Motion passed on a voice vote.

Senator Rest moved that S.F. 3345, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Environment, Climate, and Legacy Committee.

S.F. 4909: Senator McEwen: Terms definition relating to virtual currency.

Senator Klein moved that S.F. 4909, be removed from agenda.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:13 pm.

Senator Matt D. Klein, Chair

Tyler Kline, Legislative Assistant