

Minnesota State Senate

Environment, Climate, and Legacy Committee
Thursday, March 14, 2024
3:00 PM, 1150 Minnesota Senate Bldg.

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Minutes

Present: Senator FOUNG Hawj - Chair, Senator Jennifer A. McEwen Vice Chair, Senator Justin D. Eichorn, Senator Steve Green, Senator Grant Hauschild, Senator John A. Hoffman, Senator Mary K. Kunesh, Senator Andrew R. Lang, Senator Kelly L. Morrison, Senator Nathan Wesenberg

Absent: No Members Absent

Senator FOUNG Hawj called the meeting to order at 3:09pm, Senator Eichorn took gavel at 3:10pm, Senator Hawj has gavel back at 3:19pm

Call To Order

S.F. 4493: Senator Hawj: Pollution Control Agency Capital Assistance Program rulemaking requirement provision.

The following individuals testified on S.F.4493:
Kirk Koudelka, Assistant Commissioner, MPCA
Brian Martinson, Environment and Natural Resources Policy Analyst, Association of Minnesota Counties

Senator Hawj offers the A-1 Author's Amendment, pass by voice vote

Senator Hawj moved that S.F. 4493, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the State and Local Government and Veterans Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 4494: Senator Hawj: Pollution Control Agency waste disposal facilities postclosure care period termination rulemaking requirement provision.

Was amended with SF4493, no hearing

Not heard.

S.F. 4165: Senator McEwen: Certain rulemaking authority related to natural resources clarifications provision.

The following individuals testified on S.F.4165:
Melissa Kuskie, Deputy Director, Ecological and Water Resources, DNR

Senator Morrison moved that S.F. 4165, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the State and Local Government and Veterans Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 3693: Senator Hauschild: Chippewa Bands open seasons for big game establishment authorization in accordance with 1854 treaty and prior appropriations modifications.

The following individuals testified on S.F.3693:

Bob Meiers, Assistant Commissioner, DNR

Senator Hauschild offers the A-1 Author's Amendment, Senator Hoffman moves to adopt the A-1 amendment, pass by voice vote

Senator Hawj moved that S.F. 3693, as amended, be laid over. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 4898: Senator Hoffman: Native rough fish provisions and aquatic farm licenses and taking and possessing fish conforming changes.

The following individuals testified on S.F.4898:
Tyler Winter, Native Fish for Tomorrow: Izaak Walton League of America (MN Division)
Shannon Fisher, Populations & Regulations Manager, Fish and Wildlife, DNR

Senator Wesenberg offers a the A-1 Amendment, was pass by voice vote

Senator Hoffman moved that S.F. 4898, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the State and Local Government and Veterans Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 3867: Senator Morrison: Administrative penalty order authority modification for enforcing public water and drainage ditch buffer requirements.

Senator Green offers the A-1 Amendment, was not passed.

Senator Morrison moved that S.F. 3867, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Judiciary and Public Safety Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 3557: Senator Kunesh: Tax-forfeited land that includes land within the boundary of and Indian reservation to be offered to affected bands before being offered to other parties requirement.

The following individuals testified on S.F.3557:
Chairman Faron Jackson
Red Lake Nation Chairman Darrell Seki Sr.

Senator Hawj moved that S.F. 3557, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:17pm

Senator Foug Hawj, Chair

Maikao Vue, Legislative Assistant