Elections Committee

Thursday, February 27th, 2025

03:00 PM, (Hybrid Hearing) 1200 Minnesota Senate Bldg.

Minutes

<u>Present</u>: Senator Jim Carlson - Chair, Senator Bonnie S. Westlin - Vice Chair, Senator Mark W. Koran, Senator Calvin K. Bahr, Senator Liz Boldon, Senator Steve A. Cwodzinski, Senator Warren Limmer, Senator Andrew Mathews

Absent: Senator Eric Lucero, Senator John Marty, Senator Lindsey Port

Senator Jim Carlson called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.

Call to Order

A quorum is present.

• S.F. 1071 (Carlson): Ranked Choice Voting local option

The following individuals testified on Ranked Choice Voting local option:

Senator Jim Carlson

Minnesota Secretary of State Steve Simon

Paula Ramalay, Council Member, City of Minnetonka

Kevin Anderson, Hennepin County Commissioner

Amanda Marquez Simula, Mayor, City of Columbia Heights

Elillii Ebisso, Representing Clean Elections Minnesota

Tom Wiesen, Citizen

Senator Boldon moved that SF 1071 be recommended to pass and re-referred to the State & Local Government Committee. Senator Boldon requested a roll call.

With a vote of 6/5, the MOTION PREVAILED.

Ayes: Carlson, Westlin, Boldon, Cwodzinski, Marty, Port

Nays: Koran, Bahr, Limmer, Lucero, Mathews

S.F. 1071 was recommended to pass and re-referred to the State & Local Government Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:27 p.m.

Senator Jim Carlson, Chair

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Christie Blood, Legislative Assistant

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