

## **Elections Committee**

**Thursday, February 27th, 2025**

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

### **Minutes**

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**Present: 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 Eric Lucero, Senator John Marty, Senator Andrew Mathews, Senator Lindsey Port**

**Absent: No Members Absent**

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**Senator Jim Carlson called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m.**

A quorum is present.

- **Call to order**
- **Impact of cuts to the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA)**

**The following individuals testified on Impact of cuts to the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA):**

Minnesota Secretary of State Steve Simon

Nicole Freeman, Govern Relations Director, Office of Secretary of State

Larry Olson, CISO, Office of Secretary of State

Bill Ekblad, Election Security Cyber Navigator, Office of Secretary of State

**The gavel transferred to Vice-Chair Westlin.**

- **S.F. 1430 (Carlson): Voting operations, technology, and election resources account transfer provision**

**The following individuals testified on Voting operations, technology, and election resources account transfer provision:**

Senator Jim Carlson

Minnesota Secretary of State Steve Simon

(Zoom) Michelle Rossman, County Commissioner, Olmstead County

(Zoom) Cathy Sorenson, City Clerk, City of Blaine

(Zoom) Michael Stalberger, Director of Property & Environmental Resources, Blue Earth County, Representing Minnesota Association of County Officers (MACO)

Nicole Freeman, Government Relations Director, Office of Secretary of State

**S.F. 1430 was laid over.**

**The gavel transferred to Chair Carlson.**

- **S.F. 0567 (Marty): Public official prohibition from lobbying for seven years after leaving office establishment**

**The following individuals testified on Public official prohibition from lobbying for seven years after leaving office establishment:**

Senator John Marty  
Annastacia Belladonna-Carrera, Executive Director, Clean Elections Minnesota  
Elillii Ebisso, Representing Clean Elections Minnesota  
Jeff Sigurdson, Executive Director, Campaign Finance Board

Senator Marty provided the A1 Author’s Amendment and A3 Author’s Amendment for committee discussion.

**S.F. 567 was laid over.**

- **S.F. 1677 (Klein): Legislators prohibited from lobbying for two years after leaving office provision and civil penalties authorization provision**

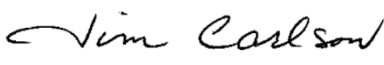

**The following individuals testified on Legislators prohibited from lobbying for two years after leaving office provision and civil penalties authorization provision:**

Senator Matt Klein

**S.F. 1677 was laid over.**

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**The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.**

	
Senator Jim Carlson, Chair	Christie Blood, Legislative Assistant