

Minnesota State Senate

Environment, Climate, and Legacy Committee
Tuesday, March 11, 2025
3:00 PM, 1150 Minnesota Senate Bldg.

Minutes

Present: Senator FOUNG Hawj - **Chair**, Senator Jennifer A. McEwen - **Vice Chair**, Senator Justin D. Eichorn - **Ranking Minority Member**, Senator Steve Green, Senator John A. Hoffman, Senator Ann M. Johnson Stewart, Senator Mary K. Kunesh, Senator Andrew R. Lang, Senator Nathan Wesenberg

Absent: Senator Grant Hauschild

Senator FOUNG Hawj called the meeting to order at 3pm. Quorum is present.

Call To Order

S.F. 1809: Senator Pappas: Minnesota Children's Museum appropriation.

Dianne Krizan, President of Minnesota Children's Museum

Senator Eichorn moved that S.F. 1809, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

S.F. 975: Senator Oumou Verbeten: Art From the Inside grant appropriation to use the arts to address the needs of incarcerated persons and persons on supervised release.

Luke Scott

Senator Eichorn moved that S.F. 975, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

S.F. 1965: Senator Pha: Cultural studies materials development appropriation for underrepresented groups.

Kevin Lindsey, CEO, Minnesota Humanities Center

Senator Eichorn moved that S.F. 1965, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

S.F. 1869: Senator Housley: City of Forest Lake veterans memorial appropriation.

Ron Miller, Chairman, Forest Lake Veterans Memorial

Senator Eichorn moved that S.F. 1869, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

S.F. 1901: Senator McEwen: Children's museums grants appropriation.

Drew Jensen, Executive Director, Duluth Children's Museum

Senator Eichorn moved that S.F. 1901, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

S.F. 1537: Senator Johnson Stewart: Minnesota Public Radio appropriation.

Duchesne Drew, Senior VP, American Public Media Group, and President, Minnesota Public Radio
David Davis, Music Teacher, Park Spanish Immersion Elementary School in St. Louis Park

Senator Eichorn moved that S.F. 1537, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

Parks & Trails Legacy Partner Agency Update

- o Lisa Barajas, Executive Director, Community Development, Metropolitan Council
- o Laura Preus, Minnesota DNR
- o Renee Mattson, Executive Director, Greater Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails Commission

The meeting was adjourned at 5pm

Senator Justin D. Eichorn

Maikao Vue

Maikao Vue, Legislative Assistant