



Minnesota Senate

Committee on Environment, Climate, and Legacy

Minnesota Senate Building 1150

Tuesday, March 18th, 2025

3:00 – 5:00 pm

Agenda

Note: the agenda order is subject to change.

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1. Call to Order

2. SF 2070 (Mann) Comunidades Latinas Unidas En Servicio (CLUES) appropriation

- Ruby Lee, President and CEO, CLUES
- Dr. Carla Manzoni, Director of Arts and Cultural Engagement, CLUES
- Adriana Gordillo, Artist

3. SF 2158 (Champion) Phyllis Wheatley Community Center appropriation

- Amondo Dickerson, Managing Director, Phyllis Wheatley Community Center
- Zina Johnson, Director, Mary T. Wellcome Child Development Center

4. SF 2046 (Hawj) Gordan Parks celebration of life appropriation

- Robin Hickman-Winfield, CEO, SoulTouch Productions
- Don Shelby, Former WCCO News Anchor & Producer

5. SF 1708 (Howe) City of Little Falls Minnesota Fishing Museum and Hall of Fame appropriation

- Brenda Cheryl Perlowski, Minnesota State Fishing Museum and Hall of Fame
- Gary Osberg, Minnesota State Fishing Museum and Hall of Fame

6. SF 2448 (Kunesh) Regional library systems appropriation and prior appropriations modifications

- Erin Smith, Director, Viking Library System (REMOTE)
- Jody Wacker, Meinders Community Library (REMOTE)
- Amanda Xiong, Saint Paul Public Library

7. SF 2113 (Hoffman) Public television grants appropriation

- *Patty Mester, President, Minnesota Public Television Association*
- *Randal Dietrich, Minnesota Military Museum*
- *Bill Strusinski, Minnesota Public Television Association*

8. SF 2048 (Hawj) Southeast Asian American film festival and Hmong music festival appropriation

- *Va-Megn Thoj, Executive Director, AEDA (Asian Economic Development Association)*
- *Bee Vang, Actor/Writer*

9. SF 1605 (Hawj) Minnesota Humanities Center appropriation

- *Kevin Lindsey, CEO of Minnesota Humanities Center*

10. SF 2054 (Fateh) Somali Museum of Minnesota appropriation

- *Osman Ali, Executive Director, Somali Museum of Minnesota*

11. SF 1576 (Xiong) Hmong veterans of the Secret War in Laos oral histories preservation appropriation

- *Megan Lee, Board Member, SGU Veterans and Families of USA*
- *Youa Ying Vang, SGU Veterans and Families of USA*

12. SF 911 (Pappas) Hmong Cultural Center of Minnesota appropriation

- *Txongpao Lee, Executive Director, Hmong Cultural Center*

13. Adjourn