



# Minnesota Senate

## Subcommittee on Veterans

Monday, February 10th, 2025

3:00 pm | Room 1150

### Agenda

#### Chair

Aric Putnam

#### Ranking Minority Member

Bruce Anderson

#### Members

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1. Call to Order by Chair Putnam
2. SF 586 (Hauschild) Veterans on the Lake appropriation

#### Testifiers:

- Valerie and Howard Rasmussen, Vets R Us, Inc.
- Andy Berkenpas, General Manager, Veterans on the Lake

3. SF 613 (Hauschild) Veterans on the Lake grant appropriation

#### Testifiers:

- Nathan Burr, Board Member, Veterans on the Lake
- Eric Mayranen, Board Chair, Veterans on the Lake
- Andy Berkenpas, General Manager, Veterans on the Lake

4. SF 674 (Seeberger) Mental health services and outdoor activities for currently serving military personnel and veterans appropriation

#### Testifiers:

- Chris Tetrault, President Hometown Hero Outdoors
- Jason Kuehn, US Army Veteran
- Matthew Deitner, US Army Major (Retired)
- Brian Peters, MPPOA Executive Direct & USMC

5. SF 388 (Lieske) State veterans cemetery burial fee removal for spouses and dependents of eligible veterans

#### Testifiers:

- Jack Schlichting, Advocate
- Kevin Millage, Advocate

6. Adjournment

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