

HIGHER EDUCATION FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Representative Robbins, Chair of the Higher Education Finance and Policy Committee, called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM, on April 16, 2026, in Room G23 of the State Capitol Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

ROBBINS, Kristin, Co-Chair, GOP
SCHWARTZ, Erica, Co-Vice Chair, GOP
WOLGAMOTT, Dan, Co-Chair, DFL
COULTER, Nathan, Co-Vice Chair, DFL
ALLEN, Keith
DURAN, Bidal
HANSON, Jessica
HICKS, Kim
KLEVORN, Ginny
LIEBLING, Tina
NOOR, Mohamud
NOVOTNY, Paul
RARICK, Marion
SCOTT, Peggy

A quorum was present.

Representative Novotny moved the minutes of April 14, 2026. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

HF4252 (Wolgammott) Student aid reporting requirements modified, additional accommodations for parenting students required. American Indian Scholars program eligibility modified and reports required.

Representative Wolgammott moved HF4252 before the committee with the recommendation it be re-referred to the Ways and Means Committee.

Representative Wolgammott moves the HF4252DE2 amendment be adopted.

Representative Rarick moved the HF4252A8 amendment to the HF4252DE2 amendment.

Representative Rarick requested a roll call vote. The results were as follows:

AYES

ROBBINS, Kristin
SCHWARTZ, Erica
ALLEN, Keith
DURAN, Bidal
NOVOTNY, Paul
RARICK, Marion
SCOTT, Peggy

NAYS

WOLGAMOTT, Dan
COULTER, Nathan
HANSON, Jessica
HICKS, Kim
KLEVORN, Ginny
LIEBLING, Tina
NOOR, Mohamud

On a vote of 7 AYES and 7 NAYS, **THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL. THE**

AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.

Representative Coulter moved the HF4252A12 amendment to the HF4252DE2 amendment.

Representative Coulter requested a roll call vote. The results were as follows:

AYES

WOLGAMOTT, Dan
COULTER, Nathan
HANSON, Jessica
HICKS, Kim
KLEVORN, Ginny
LIEBLING, Tina
NOOR, Mohamud

NAYS

ROBBINS, Kristin
SCHWARTZ, Erica
ALLEN, Keith
DURAN, Bidal
NOVOTNY, Paul
RARICK, Marion
SCOTT, Peggy

On a vote of 7 AYES and 7 NAYS, **THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL. THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.**

Representative Coulter moved the HF4252A13 amendment to the HF4252DE2 amendment.

Representative Coulter requested a roll call vote. The results were as follows:

AYES

WOLGAMOTT, Dan
COULTER, Nathan
HANSON, Jessica
HICKS, Kim
KLEVORN, Ginny
LIEBLING, Tina
NOOR, Mohamud

NAYS

ROBBINS, Kristin
SCHWARTZ, Erica
ALLEN, Keith
DURAN, Bidal
NOVOTNY, Paul
RARICK, Marion
SCOTT, Peggy

On a vote of 7 AYES and 7 NAYS, **THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL. THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.**

Representative Allen moved the HF4252A14 amendment to the HF4252DE2 amendment.

Representative Coulter requested a roll call vote. The results were as follows:

AYES

ROBBINS, Kristin
SCHWARTZ, Erica
ALLEN, Keith
DURAN, Bidal
NOVOTNY, Paul
RARICK, Marion
SCOTT, Peggy

NAYS

WOLGAMOTT, Dan
COULTER, Nathan
HANSON, Jessica
HICKS, Kim
KLEVORN, Ginny
LIEBLING, Tina
NOOR, Mohamud

On a vote of 7 AYES and 7 NAYS, THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL. THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.

Representative Rarick moved the HF4252A.15 amendment to the HF4252DE2 amendment.

Representative Coulter requested a roll call vote. The results were as follows:

AYES

ROBBINS, Kristin
SCHWARTZ, Erica
ALLEN, Keith
DURAN, Bidal
NOVOTNY, Paul
RARICK, Marion
SCOTT, Peggy

NAYS

WOLGAMOTT, Dan
COULTER, Nathan
HANSON, Jessica
HICKS, Kim
KLEVORN, Ginny
LIEBLING, Tina
NOOR, Mohamud

On a vote of 7 AYES and 7 NAYS, THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL. THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.

Representative Scott moved the HF4252A.16 amendment to the HF4252DE2 amendment.

Representative Scott requested a roll call vote. The results were as follows:

AYES

ROBBINS, Kristin
SCHWARTZ, Erica
ALLEN, Keith
DURAN, Bidal
NOVOTNY, Paul
RARICK, Marion
SCOTT, Peggy

NAYS

WOLGAMOTT, Dan
COULTER, Nathan
HANSON, Jessica
HICKS, Kim
KLEVORN, Ginny
LIEBLING, Tina
NOOR, Mohamud

On a vote of 7 AYES and 7 NAYS, THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL. THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.

Representative Wolgamott renewed the motion that the HF4252DE2 amendment be adopted. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Testifiers:

William Luthor, Director of State Affairs, University of Minnesota Student Government

Nate Peterson, Office of Student Finance Executive Director, University of Minnesota
Paul Cerkvenik, President, Minnesota Private College Council

Representative Wolgamott renewed the motion to refer HF4252, as amended, to the Ways and Means Committee. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:46 PM.



Representative Kristin Robbins, Co-Chair



Representative Dan Wolgamott, Co-Chair



Representative Erica Schwartz, Co-Vice Chair



Representative Nathan Coulter, Co-Vice Chair



Representative Keith Allen



Representative Bidal Duran



Representative Jessica Hanson



Representative Kim Hicks



Representative Ginny Klevorn



Representative Tina Liebling




Representative Mohamud Noor



Representative Paul Novotny



Representative Marion Rarick



Representative Peggy Scott

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