

TRANSPORTATION FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Representative Brad Tabke, Chair of the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy, called the meeting to order at 1:02 P.M. on, Monday, March 23, 2026, in Room 123 of the State Capitol Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members Present:

TABKE, Brad (DFL Chair)  
KOZNICK, Jon (GOP Chair)  
REHM, Lucy (DFL Vice Chair)  
MYERS, Andrew (GOP Vice Chair)  
FOGELMAN, Marj  
GREENE, Julie  
JOY, Jim  
KOEDEL, Erin  
KRAFT, Larry  
LUGER-NIKOLAI, Meg  
MURPHY, Tom  
OLSON, Bjorn  
SENCER-MURA, Samantha  
SKRABA, Roger

Members participating remotely, in accordance with House Rule 10.05:  
JONES, Katie

Members Excused:

ANDERSON, Patti

A quorum was present.

HF3926 (Rehm) Various transportation-related provisions modified, silencing of railroad crossing bells prohibited, major highway project cost thresholds increased, authorization for maintenance of Piney-Pinecreek Border Airport in Roseau County removed, and other transportation provisions modified.

Vice Chair Rehm moved that HF 3926 be re-referred to the General Register.

Vice Chair Rehm moved the A1 amendment to HF 3926.

Vice Chair Rehm presented the A1 amendment to HF 3926.

Testifying:

- Jennifer Witt, Legislative Affairs Manager, Minnesota Department of Transportation

Vice Chair Rehm renewed the motion to adopt the A1 amendment to HF 3926. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Vice Chair Rehm presented HF 3926 as amended.

Testifying:

- Jennifer Witt, Legislative Affairs Manager, Minnesota Department of Transportation
- Erik Rudeen, Government Affairs Director, Minnesota Department of Transportation

Chair Koznick moved the A3 amendment to HF 3926 as amended.

Testifying:

- Graham Berg-Moberg, In House Counsel, Minnesota Association of Townships

Chair Koznick renewed the motion to adopt the A3 amendment to HF 3926 as amended. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Vice Chair Rehm renewed the motion that HF 3926, as amended, be re-referred to the General Register. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Chair Koznick moved that the minutes of March 18, 2026, be approved. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF4062 (Rehm) Deadline to file vehicle title transfers increased to 20 days, eligibility requirements for rental motor vehicle license plates modified, and technical corrections made.

Vice Chair Rehm moved that HF 4062 be re-referred to the General Register.

Vice Chair Rehm presented HF 4062.

Testifying:

- Pong Xiong, Director, Minnesota Department of Vehicle Services

Vice Chair Rehm renewed the motion that HF 4062 be re-referred to the General Register. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF4063 (Rehm) Stopping requirements for vehicles approaching school buses modified, first aid kit requirements on school buses modified, USDOT numbers for all school buses required, and use of school buses on public roads for training purposes authorized.

Vice Chair Rehm moved that HF 4063 be re-referred to the General Register.

Vice Chair Rehm moved the A1 amendment to HF 4063. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Vice Chair Rehm presented HF 4063 as amended.

Testifying:

- Brian Rue, Lieutenant, Minnesota State Patrol

Vice Chair Rehm renewed the motion that HF 4063, as amended, be re-referred to the General Register. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF4065 (Rehm) Criminal penalty provisions for assaulting transit workers clarified

Vice Chair Rehm moved that HF 4065 be re-referred to the Committee on Public Safety Finance and Policy.

Vice Chair Myers moved the A1 amendment to HF 4065. THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL.

Vice Chair Rehm presented HF 4065.

Testifying:

- Lesley Canderas, General Manager, Metro Transit

Vice Chair Rehm renewed the motion that HF 4065 be re-referred to the Committee on Public Safety Finance and Policy. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF4216 (Sencer-Mura) Advisory board established to study impacts of commercial autonomous vehicle operations implementation, minimum requirements for operation of commercial autonomous vehicles established, and permit process for commercial autonomous vehicle operations required.

Representative Sencer-Mura moved that HF 4216 be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Representative Sencer-Mura moved the A1 amendment to HF 4216.

Representative Sencer-Mura presented the A1 amendment to HF 4216.

Representative Sencer-Mura renewed the motion to adopt the A1 amendment to HF 4216. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Sencer-Mura presented HF 4216 as amended.

Testifying:

- David Stiggers, President, Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU) 1005
- Sumer Spika, Rideshare Passenger
- Abdirashid Mohamed, Rideshare Driver
- Eid Ali, President, Minnesota Uber/Lyft Drivers Association (MULDA)
- Dave Snyder, Adjunct Faculty, University of Minnesota and Metro State University
- Kouri Marshall, Senior Director of State and Local Government Relations, Chamber of Progress

Chair Koznick requested a roll call.

Representative Sencer-Mura renewed the motion that HF 4216, as amended, be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The clerk took the roll.

#### **AYES**

TABKE, Brad (DFL Chair)  
REHM, Lucy (DFL Vice Chair)  
GREENE, Julie  
JONES, Katie  
KOEGL, Erin  
LUGER-NIKOLAI, Meg  
SENCER-MURA, Samantha

#### **NAYS**

KOZNICK, Jon (GOP Chair)  
MYERS, Andrew (GOP Vice Chair)  
FOGELMAN, Marj  
JOY, Jim  
MURPHY, Tom  
OLSON, Bjorn  
SKRABA, Roger

#### **EXCUSED**

ANDERSON, Patti  
KRAFT, Larry

There being 7 AYES, 7 NAYS and 2 EXCUSED. THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL.

HF3176 (Koegel) Rail corridor service analysis required for passenger rail service to Fargo and Kansas City, commissioner of transportation required to apply for federal passenger rail corridor identification and development programming, and money appropriated.

Representative Koegel moved that HF 3176 be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Representative Koegel moved the A1 amendment to HF 3176. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Koegel presented HF 3176 as amended.

Testifying:

- Ian Rigg, City Manager, Albert Lea Melissa Reed, Lobbyist, Resolve Strategies
- Cale Dunwoody, Vice President of Public Policy, Fargo Moorhead West Fargo Chamber of Commerce
- Brian Nelson, Board member All Aboard Minnesota

Representative Koegel renewed the motion that HF 3176, as amended, be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL.

HF3988 (Myers) Persons under 21 years of age required to complete driver education course before obtaining a driver's license.

Vice Chair Myers moved that HF 3988 be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Vice Chair Myers presented HF 3988.

Testifying:

- Pete Hosmer, President, Minnesota Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association,

Chair Koznick requested a roll call.

Vice Chair Myers renewed the motion that HF 3988 be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The clerk took the roll.

**AYES**

TABKE, Brad (DFL Chair)  
REHM, Lucy (DFL Vice Chair)  
MYERS, Andrew (GOP Vice Chair)  
GREENE, Julie  
LUGER-NIKOLAI, Meg  
SENCER-MURA, Samantha

**NAYS**

KOZNICK, Jon (GOP Chair)  
FOGELMAN, Marj  
JONES, Katie  
JOY, Jim  
KOEDEL, Erin  
MURPHY, Tom  
SKRABA, Roger

**EXCUSED**

ANDERSON, Patti  
KRAFT, Larry  
OLOSN, Bjorn

There being 6 AYES, 7 NAYS, and 3 EXCUSED, THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL.

The meeting adjourned at 2:57 P.M.

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Representative Brad Tabke, Chair



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Leah Killian, Committee Legislative Assistant