

Energy Finance and Policy Committee

MINUTES

Representative Swedzinski, Chair of the Energy Finance and Policy Committee, called the meeting to order at 1:01 PM on April 9, 2026, in Room 123 of the Capitol Building. A quorum was present.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

SWEDZINSKI, Chris, Co-Chair
ACOMB, Patty, Co-Chair
MURPHY, Tom, Co-Vice Chair
KRAFT, Larry, Co-Vice Chair
ANDERSON, Paul
BAKER, Dave
BUCK, Shelley
CARROLL, Ned
HOLLINS, Athena
JONES, Katie
LUGER-NIKOLAI, Meg
MAHAMOUD, Anquam
MEKELAND, Shane
SEXTON, Thomas
WIENER, Mike

Member excused:

IGO, Spencer

Representative Sexton moved that the minutes of March 26, 2026, be approved. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 4770 (Mekeland)

Anaerobic digester or biomass thermal generation facility planning and construction funding provided, and money appropriated.

Representative Mekeland moved HF 4770.

Rep. Mekeland moved the A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Testifier:

Jim Morgan, President and CEO, Liberty Diversified International

House File 4770, as amended, was laid over.

Presentation - Energy use and heating demand in Minnesota

Presenter:

Jamie Fitzke, Director of Government Affairs, CenterPoint Energy
Dr. Joel Lynch, Energy Efficiency Engineer, CenterPoint Energy

The meeting was adjourned at 1:55 PM.

Sharon Goblisch, Committee Legislative Assistant