

STATE OF MINNESOTA TWENTY-THIRD MEETING
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES NINETY-SECOND SESSION

Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy

MINUTES

Representative Hansen, Chair of the Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy Committee, called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M. on March 18th, 2021, pursuant to House rule 10.01. The meeting was conducted over Zoom and broadcast via House Public Information Services, Facebook Live, and YouTube live streaming.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

HANSEN, Rick (Chair)
WAZLAWIK, Ami (Vice Chair)
HEINTZEMAN, Josh (Lead)
ACOMB, Patty
AKLAND, Susan
BACKER, Jeff
BECKER-FINN, Jamie
ECKLUND, Rob
FISCHER, Peter
GREEN, Steve
IGO, Spencer
JORDAN, Sydney
KEELER, Heather
LEE, Fue
LIPPERT, Todd
LUECK, Dale
MORRISON, Kelly
NELSON, Nathan
THEIS, Tama

Chair Hansen called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M. A quorum was present.

Rep. Lee moved that the minutes from March 16th, 2021 be approved. MOTION PREVAILED.

HF1989 (HUOT) Minnesota Zoological Garden funding provided, and money appropriated.

Rep. Hansen moved that HF1989 be laid over for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

Rep. Huot presented HF1989.

Rep. Hansen renewed the motion that HF1989 be laid over for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill and the bill was laid over.

Testifiers:

John Frawley, ED MN Zoo
Abigail Mosher, CFO MN Zoo

HF2285 (KEELER) Science Museum of Minnesota funding provided, and money appropriated.

Rep. Keeler moved that HF1989 be laid over for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

Rep. Keeler moved to incorporate an oral amendment "On Page 1.6, strike \$3,978,000 and insert \$3,798,000." and the amendment WAS ADOPTED.

Rep. Keeler presented HF1989, as amended.

Rep. Keeler renewed the motion that HF1989, as amended, be laid over for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill and the bill was laid over.

Testifiers:

Alison Brown, CEO Science Museum of MN
Barry Gisser, CFO Science Museum of MN

Rep. Wazlawik assumed the gavel at 1:44 P.M.

HF1733 (HANSEN) Counties allowed to collect soil and water conservation district fees on deed transfer and mortgage registration, and clean water fund grant eligibility for counties established.

Rep. Hansen moved that HF1733 be recommended to be re-referred to the Taxes Committee.

Rep. Hansen presented the bill.

Rep. Hansen renewed the motion that HF1733 be recommended to be re-referred to the Taxes Committee and a roll was taken:

AYES:

HANSEN, Rick (Chair)
WAZLAWIK, Ami (Vice Chair)
ACOMB, Patty
BECKER-FINN, Jamie
ECKLUND, Rob

FISCHER, Peter
JORDAN, Sydney
KEELER, Heather
LEE, Fue
LIPPERT, Todd
MORRISON, Kelly

NAYS:

HEINTZEMAN, Josh (Lead)
AKLAND, Susan
BACKER, Jeff
GREEN, Steve
LUECK, Dale
NELSON, Nathan

EXCUSED:

IGO, Spencer
THEIS, Tama

By a vote of 11 Ayes, 6 Nays, and 2 Excused the motion PREVAILED.

Rep. Hansen resumed the gavel at 2:10 P.M.

HF1586 (TORKELSON) Soil and water conservation districts and watershed district merger feasibility study funding provided, and money appropriated.

Rep. Hansen moved that HF1586 be laid over for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

Rep. Torkelson presented the bill.

Rep. Hansen renewed the motion that HF1586 be laid over for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill and the bill was laid over.

Testifiers:

Emily Javens, MN Association of Watershed Districts
LeAnn Buck, ED MN Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts

Rep. Hansen adjourned the meeting at 2:28 P.M.

Rick Hansen
Chair of Environment Finance and Policy

Adam Kopel
Committee Legislative Assistant