

**STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Representative Ginny Klevorn, Chair of the State and Local Government Finance and Policy Committee, called the meeting to order at 8:31 A.M. on Thursday, March 21, 2024, in Room 10 of the State Office Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members Present:

KLEVORN, Ginny (Chair)
HUOT, John (Vice Chair)
NASH, Jim (GOP Lead)
BAHNER, Kristin
BERG, Kaela
FREIBERG, Mike
HARDER, Bobbie
HANSEN, Rick
HER, Kaohly Vang
JOY, Jim
KOZNICK, Jon
NADEAU, Danny
NEWTON, Jerry

A quorum was present.

Representative Huot moved to approve the minutes from March 19, 2024. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF2000 (Stephenson); Sports betting authorized and provided, licenses established, local restrictions prohibited, sports betting taxation provided, civil and criminal penalties provided, amateur sports grants provided, reports required, and money appropriated.

Chair Klevorn moved that HF2000 be re-referred to the Taxes Committee.

Chair Klevorn moved the H2000A21 amendment.

Representative Nash requested a roll call on the H2000A21 amendment.

The clerk took the roll:

AYES

Klevorn
Huot
Bahner
Berg
Freiberg
Her
Nadeau
Newton

NAYS
Nash
Harder
Joy
Koznick

EXCUSED
Hansen

There being 8 ayes, 4 nays and 1 excused. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Stephenson presented HF2000 as amended.

Testifying on the bill as amended:

- Kristy Janigo, Legislative Chair, American Legion Department of Minnesota
- Maria Cermak
- Patrick Gibbs, Attorney, Fantasy Sports Operators Coalition
- Tracie Wilson, Chief Financial Officer, Running Aces
- Andy Plato, Executive Director, Minnesota Indian Gaming Association

Representative Nash moved to amend the motion to refer HF2000 to the Taxes Committee and, instead refer HF2000 to the Commerce Finance and Policy Committee.

Representative Nash requested a roll call on the amended referral on HF2000.

The clerk took the roll:

AYES
Nash
Harder
Joy
Koznick
Nadeau

NAYS
Klevorn

Huot
Bahner
Berg
Freiberg
Hansen
Her
Newton

There being 5 ayes and 8 nays. THE MOTION DOES NOT PREVAIL.

Chair Klevorn renewed the motion that HF2000 as amended be referred to the Taxes Committee.

Representative Nash requested a roll call on HF2000 as amended.

The clerk took the role of HF2000 as amended:

AYES
Klevorn
Huot
Bahner
Berg
Freiberg
Hansen
Her
Newton

NAYS
Nash
Harder
Joy
Koznick
Nadeau

There being 8 ayes and 5 nays. THE MOTION PREVAILS.

HF4738 (Huot); Office of Emergency Medical Services established to replace Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board, duties specified and transferred, advisory council established, alternative EMS response model pilot program established, and conforming changes made.

Representative Huot moved HF4738 be re-referred to the Health Finance and Policy Committee.

Representative Huot moved the H4738A4-1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Huot presented HF4738 as amended.

Testifying on the bill as amended:

- Michael Juntunen, Incoming President, Minnesota Ambulance Association
- Steve Koering, Fire Chief, City of Saint Louis Park
- Cap O'Rourke, Executive Director, Minnesota Small Cities

Representative Huot renewed the motion that HF4738 as amended be re-referred to the Health Finance and Policy Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF4904 (Greenman); Statutory cities authorized to create wards for election of city council members.

Chair Klevorn moved HF4904 be laid over for possible inclusion in the State and Local Government omnibus bill.

Chair Klevorn moved the H4904A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Greenman presented HF4904 as amended.

Testifying on the bill as amended:

- Alex Hassel, Lobbyist, League of Minnesota Cities

Chair Klevorn renewed the motion that HF4904 as amended be laid over for possible inclusion in the State and Local Government Finance and Policy omnibus. The bill was laid over.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:01 A.M.

Representative Ginny Klevorn, Chair

Jonah Westerman, Committee Legislative Assistant