

PUBLIC SAFETY FINANCE AND POLICY MINUTES

Representative Kelly Moller, Chair of the Public Safety Finance and Policy Committee, called the meeting to order at 10:31 AM on January 19, 2023, in Room 200 of the State Office Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members Present:

MOLLER, Kelly, Chair
FEIST, Sandra, Vice Chair
NOVOTNY, Paul, GOP Lead
BECKER-FINN, Jamie
ENGEN, Elliot
FRAZIER, Cedrick
GROSSELL, Matt
HOLLINS, Athena
HUDSON, Walter
HUOT, John
MUELLER, Patricia
PINTO, Dave
TABKE, Brad
WITTE, Jeff

Members Excused

CURRAN, Brion

A quorum was present.

Representative Becker-Finn moved that the Committee minutes from January 17, 2023, be approved. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 25 (Frazier) A bill relating to relating to public safety; establishing a violent crime investigation team account to fund violent crime investigation teams throughout the state; establishing grants for crime and violence prevention; establishing grants for evidence-processing technology and crisis response teams; providing supplemental funding for the force investigations unit; establishing special revenue accounts; requiring a report; transferring money; appropriating money.

Rep. Frazier moved that HF 25 be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Rep. Frazier moved the H0025A5 amendment.

Rep. Frazier presented the H0025A5 amendment.

Rep. Novotny moved the H0025A6 amendment, to amend the H0025A5 amendment.

Rep. Novotny presented the H0025A6 amendment.

Chair Moller renewed the motion for the H0025A6 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Chair Moller renewed the motion for the H0025A5 amendment, as amended. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Rep. Frazier presented H0025, as amended.

HF25 Testifiers:

- Andrew Martin Bentley, Policy Lab Staff Member, Harvard Kennedy School
- LaTanya Black, Founder, Mothers Against Community Gun Violence
- Mary Moriarty, Hennepin County Attorney, Hennepin County Attorney's Office
- Drew Evans, Superintendent, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension
- Irene Fernando, Hennepin County Commissioner District 2, Hennepin County Commission
- Antonio Williams, Executive Director, T.O.N.E U.P. Enterprises, Vice President, The People's Canvass Co-Op
- Jeff Potts, Executive Director, Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association
- Lori Weissman, Gun Violence Prevention Advocate, National Council of Jewish Women
- Romisha Jones, Gun Violence Advocate, Mothers Against Community Gun Violence
- Thomas Evenstad, community member
- Katie Weeks, Executive Director, Office of Justice Programs

Rep. Mueller moved the H0025A2 amendment.

Representative Mueller requested roll call vote on the HF0025A2 amendment.

The clerk noted the role:

AYES

Novotny

Engen

Grossell

Hudson

Mueller

Witte

NAYS

Moller

Feist

Becker-Finn

Frazier

Hollins

Huot

Pinto

Tabke

There being 6 ayes, and 8 nays, THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL. THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.

Rep. Novotny moved the H0025A3 amendment.

Representative Novotny requested roll call vote on the HF0025A3 amendment.

The clerk noted the role:

AYES

Novotny

Engen

Grossell

Hudson

Mueller

Witte

NAYS

Moller

Feist

Becker-Finn

Frazier

Hollins
Huot
Pinto
Tabke

There being 6 ayes, and 8 nays, THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL. THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.

Rep. Engen moved the H0025A4 amendment.

Chair Moller renewed the motion for the H0025A4 amendment. THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL. THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.

Rep. Frazier renewed the motion that HF 25, as amended, be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 28 (Frazier) A bill relating to relating to elections; restoring the right to vote to individuals convicted of a felony upon completion of any term of incarceration imposed and executed by a court for the offense.

Rep. Frazier moved that HF 28 be re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary Finance and Civil Law.

Rep. Frazier presented HF 28.

HF 28 Testifiers:

- Raymond Dehn, Former State Representative
- Mary Moriarty, Hennepin County Attorney, On behalf of Minnesota County Attorney's Association
- Carli E. Stark, Public Safety Policy Analyst, Association of Minnesota Counties, Director, Minnesota Association of Community Corrections Act Counties
- Munira Mohamed, Policy Associate, American Civil Liberties Union of Minnesota
- Wintana Melekin, Voting Rights Advocate and Resident of St. Paul
- Jean La Fontaine, Community Organizer, ISALAH
- Jay Lindgren, Resident of St. Louis Park, Leader, Faith in Minnesota
- Ann Svennungsen, Bishop, Minneapolis Area Synod, Evangelical and Lutheran Church of America
- Jerod Freeberg, Senior Pastor, St. James Lutheran Church
- Antonio Williams, Executive Director, T.O.N.E U.P. Enterprises, Vice President, The People's Canvass Co-Op
- Kevin Reese, Founder, Until We Are All Free
- Ezekiel Caligiuri, Outreach Manager, Minnesota Justice Research Center
- Dr. Chris Uggen, Regents Professor and Martindale Chair in Sociology, Law, & Public Affairs, University of Minnesota
- Thomas Evenstad, community member

Rep. Frazier renewed the motion that HF 28 be re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary Finance and Civil Law. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:13 PM.

Representative Kelly Moller, Chair

Farhin Sayeed, Committee Legislative Assistant