

**TAXES COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Representative Aisha Gomez, Chair of the Committee on Taxes, called the meeting to order at 1:00PM on April 11, 2024 in Room 5 of the State Office Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

**Members present:**

GOMEZ, Aisha, Chair  
NORRIS, Matt, Vice Chair  
DAVIDS, Greg, Minority Lead  
AGBAJE, Esther  
ANDERSON, Patti  
BRAND, Jeff  
ELKINS, Steve  
HOWARD, Michael  
JOY, Jim  
KOZNICK, Jon  
LEE, Liz  
LISLEGARD, Dave  
OLSON, Bjorn  
OLSON, Liz  
PINTO, Dave  
ROBBINS, Kristin  
SMITH, Andy  
SWEDZINSKI, Chris  
WIENER, Mike  
WITTE, Jeff  
YOUAKIM, Cheryl

A quorum was present.

Vice Chair Norris moved that the minutes from April 4, 2024 be adopted. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Vice Chair Norris moved that the minutes from April 9, 2024 be adopted. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF5075 (Lee) Individual income tax credit for removal of trees infested by emerald ash borer provided.

Chair Gomez moved that HF5075 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Taxes Omnibus bill.

Chair Gomez moved the H5075DE2. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Lee presented HF5075, as amended.

Testifying on HF5075, as amended:

- Alora Jones, Resident, North Minneapolis

- C Terrance Anderson, Director of Community Based Research, University of Minnesota Center of Urban and Regional Affairs
- Cathy Abene, Commissioner, Minneapolis Parks and Recreation Board District Six

Chair Gomez renewed the motion that HF5075, as amended, be laid over for possible inclusion in the Taxes Omnibus bill. The bill was laid over.

At 1:34PM, Vice Chair Norris assumed the gavel.

HF4830 (Gomez) Commissioner of revenue required to establish direct free filing system for individual income tax returns, and money transferred.

Chair Gomez moved that HF4830 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Taxes Omnibus bill.

Chair Gomez moved the H4830A3 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Chair Gomez presented HF4830, as amended.

Testifying on HF4830, as amended:

- Nan Madden, Director, Minnesota Budget Project
- Eric Bernstein, Coalition Director, We Make Minnesota

Chair Gomez renewed the motion that HF4830, as amended, be laid over for possible inclusion in the Taxes Omnibus bill. The bill was laid over.

HF5335 (Gomez) Cities and counties authorized to impose local sales taxes for certain projects, local sales tax equalization distribution established, state auditor oversight provided, and money appropriated.

Chair Gomez moved that HF5335 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Taxes Omnibus bill.

Chair Gomez moved the H5335A5 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Chair Gomez presented HF5335, as amended.

Testifying on HF5335, as amended:

- Julie Blaha, Auditor, Office of the State Auditor
- Nathan Jesson, Intergovernmental Relations Representative, League of Minnesota Cities
- Bradley Peterson, Executive Director, Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities
- Matt Massman, Executive Director, Minnesota Inter-County Association

Minority Lead Davids moved the HF5335A1 amendment.

Minority Lead Davids requested a roll call on the HF5335A1 amendment.

The clerk took the roll:

AYES

Davids

Joy

Koznick

Olson, B.

Robbins

Swedzinski

Wiener  
Witte

NAYS

Gomez  
Norris  
Agbaje  
Brand  
Elkins  
Howard  
Lee  
Olson, L.  
Pinto  
Smith  
Youakim

EXCUSED

Anderson  
Lislegard

There being 8 ayes, 11 nays, and 2 members excused. THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL.

Representative Joy moved the H5335A2 amendment.

Representative Joy requested a roll call on the H5335A2 amendment.

The clerk took the roll:

AYES

Dauids  
Joy  
Koznick  
Olson, B.  
Robbins  
Swedzinski  
Wiener  
Witte

NAYS

Gomez  
Norris  
Agbaje  
Brand  
Elkins  
Howard  
Lee  
Olson, L.  
Pinto  
Smith  
Youakim

EXCUSED

Anderson  
Lislegard

There being 8 ayes, 11 nays, and 2 members excused. THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL.

Chair Gomez renewed the motion that HF5335, as amended, be laid over for possible inclusion in the Taxes Omnibus bill. The bill was laid over.

At 2:26PM, Chair Gomez assumed the gavel.

HF2277 (Vang) Eligibility for beginning farmer tax credit modified for sale of agricultural asset, credit administration funding provided, sunset of credit repealed, and money appropriated. Chair Gomez moved that HF2277 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Taxes Omnibus bill.

Testifying on HF2277, as proposed to be amended by the H2277DE4 amendment:

- Jenny Heck, Program Administrator, Minnesota Department of Agriculture

Chair Gomez moved the H2277DE4 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Vang presented HF2277, as amended.

Testifying on HF2277, as amended:

- Jenny Heck, Program Administrator, Minnesota Department of Agriculture

Chair Gomez renewed the motion that HF2277, as amended, be laid over for possible inclusion in the Taxes Omnibus bill. The bill was laid over.

HF4728 (Bahner) Commissioner of revenue required to establish online system to claim the political contribution refund, political contribution refund program amended to allow electronic transfer between the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board and the Department of Revenue, and money appropriated.

Chair Gomez moved that HF4728 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Taxes Omnibus bill.

Chair Gomez moved the H4728A3 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Bahner presented HF4738, as amended.

Chair Gomez renewed the motion that HF4728, as amended, be laid over for possible inclusion in the Taxes Omnibus bill. The bill was laid over.

The meeting adjourned at 2:33 PM.

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Representative Aisha Gomez, Chair

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Lauren Sabes, Committee Legislative Assistant