

State Government Finance and Policy Committee

MINUTES

Representative Nash, Chair of the State Government Finance and Policy Committee, called the meeting to order at 8:15 AM, on March 3, 2026, in Room G23 of the State Capitol Building. A quorum was present.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

NASH, Jim, Co-Chair
KLEVORN, Ginny, Co-Chair
DAVIS, Ben, Co-Vice Chair
BAHNER, Kristin, Co-Vice Chair
ANDERSON, Paul
CLARDY, Mary Frances
FREIBERG, Mike
JOY, Jim
KOZNICK, Jon
KRAFT, Larry
LUGAR-NIKOLAI, Meg
QUAM, Duane
SEXTON, Thomas

Members excused:

JONES, Katie

Co-Chair Klevorn moved the minutes of February 19th, 2026 be approved. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

Co-Chair Klevorn moved the minutes of February 26th, 2026 be approved. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

Co-Vice Chair Davis assumed the gavel at 8:16 AM.

HF3676 (NASH) Safe at Home program; protections, remedies, and various provisions provided and modified; and criminal penalties established.

Co-Vice Chair Davis moved HF 3676 be re-referred to the Transportation Finance and Policy Committee.

Testifiers:

Nicole Freeman, Government Relations Director, Office of the Secretary of State
Diana Umidon, Director of the Minnesota Safe at Home Program, Office of the Secretary of State

Co-Vice Chair Davis renewed the motion that HF 3676 be re-referred to Transportation Finance and Policy Committee. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

HF 3683 (NASH) Inclusions of the impacts of fraud in budget forecasts required.

Co-Vice Chair Davis moved HF 3683 be placed on the General Register.

Testifiers:

Deputy Commissioner Minge, Minnesota Management and Budget

Co-Vice Chair Davis renewed the motion that HF 3683 be placed on the General Register.

Co-Chair Klevorn requested a roll call vote. The results were as follows:

AYES:

NASH, Jim, Co-Chair
DAVIS, Ben, CO-Vice Chair
ANDERSON, Paul
JOY, Jim
KOZNICK, Jon
QUAM, Duane
SEXTON, Thomas

NAYS:

KLEVORN, Ginny, Co-Chair
BAHNER, Kristin, Co-Vice Chair
CLARDY, Mary Francis
FREIBERG, Mike
KRAFT, Larry
LUGAR-NIKOLAI, Meg

EXCUSED:

JONES, Katie

On a vote of 7 Ayes, 6 Nays and 1 Excused, **THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL.**

HF 3395 (NISKA) Fraud Isn't Free Act established; corrective action plans, enrollment freezes, agency budget reductions, and employee dismissal required when fraud is committed against a program administered by the state; and other fraud prevention provisions established.

Co-Vice Chair Davis moved HF 3395 be re-referred to the Public Safety Finance and Policy Committee.

Co-Vice Chair Davis moved the H3395A2 amendment. **THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Testifiers:

Devon K. Bruce, Director of Legislative and Political Affairs, Minnesota Association of Professional Employees
Deputy Commissioner Minge, Minnesota Management and Budget
Deputy Commissioner Blake Chaffee, Minnesota Management and Budget

Chair Nash assumed the gavel at 9:39 AM.

Co-Vice Chair Davis renewed the motion that HF 3395, as amended, be re-referred to the Public Safety Finance and Policy Committee.

Co-Chair Klevorn requested a roll call vote. The results were as follows:

AYES:

NASH, Jim, Co-Chair
DAVIS, Ben, CO-Vice Chair
ANDERSON, Paul
JOY, Jim
KOZNICK, Jon
QUAM, Duane
SEXTON, Thomas

NAYS:

KLEVORN, Ginny, Co-Chair
BAHNER, Kristin, Co-Vice Chair
CLARDY, Mary Francis
FREIBERG, Mike
KRAFT, Larry
LUGAR-NIKOLAI, Meg

EXCUSED:

JONES, Katie

On a vote of 7 Ayes, 6 Nays and 1 Excused, **THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL.**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 AM.

Representative Nash, Chair

Alli Winter, Committee Legislative Assistant