

PROPERTY TAX DIVISION

MINUTES

Chair Youakim, Chair of the Property Tax Division, called the remote meeting to order at 8:30 A.M. on March 18, 2022, pursuant to House Rule 10.01. The meeting is being broadcast via Zoom and House Public Information Services.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members Present:

YOUAKIM, Cheryl (Chair)
GOMEZ, Aisha (Vice-Chair)
HERTAUS, Jerry (GOP-Lead)
ANDERSON, Paul
BECKER-FINN, Jamie
FISCHER, Peter
HASSAN, Hodan
HER, Kaohly
MARQUART, Paul
MORTENSEN, Erik
PELOWSKI, Gene
TORKELSON, Paul

Members Excused:

GREEN, Steve

A quorum was present.

Representative Fischer moved the approval of the March 16, 2022 minutes. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Presentation on the February Budget Forecast
Katherine Schill, House Fiscal Analyst

HF 3719 (Reyer) Soil and water conservation district aid program established, and money appropriated.

Chair Youakim moved that HF 3719 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

Representative Reyer presented the bill.

Public Testimony:

Chuck Rau, Minnesota Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts
Rhyan Schicker, Lac Qui Parle SWCD Resource Technician, Land Stewardship
Project Member

Chair Youakim lays over HF 3719 for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

HF 3586 (Torkelson) Morton; 2021 aid penalty forgiveness provided, and money appropriated.

Representative Torkelson moved that HF 3586 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

Representative Torkelson presented the bill.

Chair Youakim lays over HF 3586 for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

Representative Fischer assumed the gavel at 9:04 A.M.

HF 4064 (Youakim) Mahnomen; local government aid calculation modified, and property tax reimbursement program aid increased.

Chair Youakim moved that HF 4064 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

Chair Youakim presented the bill.

Public Testimony:

Jared Swanson, House Research

Gary Carlson, League of Minnesota Cities

Patricia Nauman, Metro Cities

Cap O'Rourke, Minnesota Small Cities

Bradley Peterson, Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities

Representative Fischer lays over HF 4064 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

Chair Youakim assumed the gavel at 9:34 A.M.

HF 3794 (Lislegard) Local government aid annual appropriation increased.

Representative Marquart moved that HF 3794 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

Representative Lislegard presented the bill.

Public Testimony:

Jackie Monahan-Junek, City Administrator, City of Eveleth

Gary Carlson, League of Minnesota Cities

Patricia Nauman, Metro Cities

Chair Youakim lays over HF 3794 for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

HF 4155 (Hertaus) Local government aid; city aid program modified.

Representative Hertaus moved that HF 4155 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

Representative Hertaus moved the A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. The A1 amendment was adopted.

Representative Hertaus presented the bill, as amended.

Public Testimony:

Gary Carlson, League of Minnesota Cities

Patricia Nauman, Metro Cities

Chair Youakim lays over HF 4155, as amended for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

Chair Youakim moved a recess at 10:24 A.M.

Chair Youakim reconvened the Property Tax Division Meeting at 10:32 A.M.

HF 2929 (Marquart) School building bond agricultural tax credit amount increased.

Representative Marquart moved that HF 2929 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

Representative Marquart presented the bill.

Chair Youakim lays over HF 2929 for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

HF 3782 (Stephenson) Energy storage system exemption established.

Representative Marquart moved that HF 3782 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

Representative Stephenson presented the bill.

Public Testimony:
Greg Ridderbusch, President/CEO, Connexus Energy

Chair Youakim lays over HF 3782 for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

HF 2181 (Anderson) Solar generating system real property classification provisions modified.

Representative Anderson moved that HF 2181 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

Representative Anderson moved the A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. The A1 amendment was adopted.

Representative Anderson presented the bill, as amended.

Public Testimony:
Jeff Johnson, Stearns County Assessor
Joe Perske, Stearns County Commissioner
Jared Swanson, House Research

Chair Youakim lays over HF 2181, as amended for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

Representative Fischer assumed the gavel at 10:59 A.M.

HF 4281 (Youakim) Various pooling provisions clarified, administrative expense limitations clarified, and application of violations and remedies expanded.

Chair Youakim moved that HF 4281 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

Chair Youakim moved the A2 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. The A2 amendment was adopted.

Chair Youakim presented the bill, as amended.

Public Testimony:
Julie Blaha, State Auditor
Jason Nord, Assistant State Auditor
Gary Carlson, League of Minnesota Cities

Representative Fischer lays over HF 4281, as amended be laid over for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

Chair Youakim assumed the gavel at 11:09 A.M.

Chair Youakim moved a recess at 11:10 A.M.

Chair Youakim reconvened the Property Tax Division Meeting at 11:15 A.M.

HF 3678 (Schultz) Airport property tax exemption modified.

Representative Marquart moved that HF 3678 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

Representative Marquart moved the A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. The A1 amendment was adopted.

Representative Schultz presented the bill, as amended.

Public Testimony:
Chris Fleege, Director Planning & Economic Development, City of Duluth
Bill King, Executive Director, Government Relations and Special Projects at Cirrus Aircraft

Chair Youakim lays over HF 3678, as amended for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

The committee adjourned at 11:35 A.M.

Representative Cheryl Youakim, Chair

Eric Petersen, Committee Legislative Assistant