

**STATE GOVERNMENT FINANCE & ELECTIONS COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Representative Michael V. Nelson, Chair of the Committee, called the virtual State Government Finance & Elections Committee meeting to order at 8:31 AM, March 18, 2022 pursuant to House rule 10.01. The meeting was conducted over Zoom and broadcast via House Public Information Services.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

**Members Present:**

NELSON, Michael V. - Chair  
CARLSON, Andrew - Vice Chair  
NASH, Jim - Minority Lead  
BAHNER, Kristin  
DRAZKOWSKI, Steve  
ELKINS, Steve  
GREENMAN, Emma  
KLEVORN, Ginny  
KOZNICK, Jon  
MASIN, Sandra  
NEU BRINDLEY, Anne  
PELOWSKI, Gene  
QUAM, Duane

A quorum was present.

Representative Carlson moved that the minutes for March 17, 2022, be adopted. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

Vice Chair Carlson assumed the gavel at 8:32 AM.

Chair Nelson moved HF4125.

Chair Nelson presented HF4125, state government financing; constitutional offices, state agencies, and Veterans Affairs funding provided; data practice provisions modified; Office of Enterprise Translation and language access service account established; burial grounds and cemetery governing provisions modified; Veterans Service Organization grant program established; and money appropriated.

**Testifying:**

Helen Roberts, Fiscal Analyst  
Alice Roberts-Davis, Commissioner, Department of Administration  
Tarek Tomes, Commissioner, Minnesota IT Services  
Nicole Freeman, OSS  
Jamie Edwards, Special Advisor of Government Affairs, Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe

Vice Chair Carlson renewed the motion that HF4125 be laid over.

Chair Nelson assumed the gavel at 9:15 AM.

Chair Nelson moved that HF3845 be referred to the Committee on Human Services.

Representative Hanson presented HF3845, Office of the Foster Youth Ombudsperson and Board of the Foster Youth Ombudsperson established, Office of the Foster Youth Ombudsperson and Board of the Foster Youth Ombudsperson funding provided, and money appropriated.

**Testifying:**

Shawna Bullen-Fairbanks, Foster Advocates

Izavella Wagner, Foster Advocates  
Ada Smith, Connections to Independence  
Hoang Murphy, Executive Director, Foster Advocates

Chair Nelson renewed the motion that HF3845 be referred to the Committee on Human Services.

The clerk noted the roll.

AYES

NELSON, Michael V. - Chair  
CARLSON, Andrew - Vice Chair  
NASH, Jim - Minority Lead  
BAHNER, Kristin  
ELKINS, Steve  
GREENMAN, Emma  
KLEVORN, Ginny  
MASIN, Sandra  
NEU BRINDLEY, Anne  
PELOWSKI, Gene  
QUAM, Duane

NAYS

DRAZKOWSKI, Steve

EXCUSED

KOZNICK, Jon

With a vote of 11 AYES, 1 NAY, and 1 EXCUSED, THE MOTION PREVAILED

Chair Nelson moved that HF3780 be referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Chair Nelson moved Amendment H3780A1. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Lee presented HF3780, as amended, Minnesota Management and Budget funding provided to increase the agency's capacity to assist groups and organizations with the capital budget process and coordinate with state agencies regarding the administration of capital project appropriations and programs, and money appropriated.

Testifying:

Ann Voda, AIA Minnesota  
Henry Jiménez, Executive Director and President, LEDC  
Helen Roberts, Fascial Analyst

Chair Nelson renewed the motion that HF3780, as amended, be referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

The clerk noted the roll.

AYES

NELSON, Michael V. - Chair  
CARLSON, Andrew - Vice Chair  
BAHNER, Kristin  
ELKINS, Steve  
GREENMAN, Emma  
KLEVORN, Ginny  
MASIN, Sandra  
PELOWSKI, Gene

NAYS

NASH, Jim - Minority Lead  
DRAZKOWSKI, Steve

KOZNICK, Jon  
NEU BRINDLEY, Anne  
QUAM, Duane

With a vote of 8 AYES and 5 NAYS, THE MOTION PREVAILED

The meeting was adjourned at 9:59 PM.

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Representative Michael V. Nelson, Chair

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Benjamin Brinks, Committee Legislative Assistant