

TRANSPORTATION FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Representative Frank Hornstein, Chair of the Transportation Finance and Policy Committee, called the virtual meeting to order at 1:00pm on March 31, 2022, pursuant to House rule 10.01. The meeting was broadcast via Zoom and House Public Information Services.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

HORNSTEIN, Frank, Chair
KOEGL, Erin, Vice-Chair
PETERSBURG, John, Lead
BAHR, Cal
BERNARDY, Connie
ELKINS, Steve
FREDERICK, Luke
HAUSMAN, Alice
HEINRICH, John
KOZNICK, Jon
MASIN, Sandra
MURPHY, Mary
NELSON, Michael
OLSON, Bjorn
RICHARDSON, Ruth
TORKEKELSON, Paul
WEST, Nolan

A quorum was present.

Representative Petersburg moved that the March 29 minutes be adopted. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF4571 (Pinto) - Reintegration license established for individuals released from custody.

Chair Hornstein moved to lay over HF 4571 for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

Chair Hornstein moved that the H4571DE1 amendment be adopted. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Rep. Pinto gave an overview on HF 4571, as amended.

Public Testimony on HF 4571, as amended

Anna Odegaard, Director, Minnesota Asset Building Coalition
Eve Runyon, President and CEO, Pro Bono Institute
Jamie Rigling, Re-entry Affairs Coordinator, U.S. Probation and Pretrial Services

Chair Hornstein laid over HF 4571, as amended.

HF2904 (Lippert) - Accelerated conservation planting, living snow fences, and tree planting funding provided, and money appropriated.

Chair Hornstein moved to lay over HF 2904 for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

Chair Hornstein moved that the H2904A5 amendment be adopted. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Rep. Lippert gave an overview of HF 2904, as amended.

Public Testimony on HF 2904, as amended

Will Bomier, the ROW/Permits Agent for Carlton County

Chair Hornstein laid over HF 2904, as amended.

HF523 (Elkins) - Road usage charge imposed, report required, and money appropriated.

Chair Hornstein moved to lay over HF 523 for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

Chair Hornstein moved that the H0523A1 amendment be adopted. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Rep. Elkins gave an overview of HF 523, as amended.

Public Testimony on HF 523, as amended

Charlie Mitchell, EMOVIS

Dr. Ben Miners

Ken Buckeye, MnDOT

Pong Xiong, DVS Director

Nathan Lee, Utah Department of Transportation

Rep. Kay Christofferson, Chair of the Utah House Transportation Committee

Bentley Graves, MN Chamber

Brendan Jordan, Drive Electric Minnesota

Patrick Hynes, Messerli Kramer, for Alliance for Automotive Innovation

Chair Hornstein laid over HF 523, as amended.

Vice-Chair Koegel assumed the gavel at 2:21pm.

HF3833 (Elkins) - Motor vehicle sales and lease maximum documentary fees charged by dealers increased.

Rep. Elkins moved to lay over HF 3833 for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

Rep. Elkins moved to adopt the H3833A1 amendment. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Rep. Elkins gave an overview on HF 3833, as amended.

Public Testimony on HF 3833, as amended

Amber Backhaus, Minnesota Auto Dealers Association

Chair Koegel laid over HF 3833, as amended.

Chair Koegel recessed the meeting at 2:30pm.

Chair Hornstein reconvened the meeting at 7:30pm.

HF4313 (Hansen) - Highways for habitat program established, report required, and money appropriated.

Chair Hornstein moved to lay over HF 4313 for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

Rep. Hansen gave an overview of HF 4313.

Public Testimony on HF 4313

Tina Markeson, MnDOT

Chair Hornstein laid over HF 4313.

Vice-Chair Koegel assumed the gavel at 7:50pm.

HF3931 (Huot) - Motor vehicle repair and replacement parts state general tax revenue allocated exclusively to fund roads.

Chair Koegel moved to refer HF 3931 to the committee on Taxes.

Rep. Huot gave an overview of HF 3931.

Rep. Hornstein moved that the H3931DE1 amendment be adopted. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Public Testimony on HF 3931, as amended

Tim Worke, CEO, Associated General Contractors of Minnesota
Brian McDaniel, on behalf of Minnesota Asphalt Pavement Association
Suzanne Sobotka, Move Minnesota
John Pollard, Legislative Director, International Union of Operating Engineers Local 49
Joel Johnson, Legislative Director for the IBEW State Council
Risa Hustad
John Thorson, LIUNA Minnesota and North Dakota
Adam Duininck, Director of Government Affairs, North Central States Regional Council of Carpenters
Eric Berger
Matt Zeller, Executive Director, Concrete Paving Association of Minnesota
Shane Zahrt, Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities
Adrianna Jereb, MN 350
Margaret Donahoe, Executive Director, Minnesota Transportation Alliance
Kate Lynne Snyder, Education Minnesota
Peter Wagenius, Sierra Club North Star Chapter
Bentley Graves, Director of Health Care and Transportation Policy, Minnesota Chamber of Commerce
Luther Wynder, Chief Executive Officer, Minnesota Valley Transit Authority
Jeff Krueger, Minnesota Association of Townships
Cap O'Rourke, Minnesota Association of Small Cities
Marion Greene, Hennepin County Commissioner
Sherry Munyon

Chair Koegel renewed the motion to renew HF 3931, as amended, to the committee on Taxes. The results were as follows:

AYES:

HORNSTEIN, Frank
KOEDEL, Erin
ELKINS, Steve
FREDERICK, Luke
HAUSMAN, Alice
MASIN, Sandra
MURPHY, Mary
NELSON, Michael
RICHARDSON, Ruth

NAYS:

PETERSBURG, John
BAHR, Cal
HEINRICH, John
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There being 9 AYES and 7 NAYS, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Chair Koegel adjourned the meeting at 9:25pm.

Representative Frank Hornstein, Chair

Dan Dodge, Committee Legislative Assistant