

Taxes Committee

**MINUTES**

Representative Davids, Chair of the Taxes Committee, called the meeting to order at 10:15AM on February 26, 2025, in Room 120 of the State Capitol Building. A quorum was present.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

DAVIDS, Greg Chair  
JOY, Jim Vice Chair  
GOMEZ, Aisha  
ANDERSON, Patti  
ELKINS, Steve  
FREIBERG, Mike  
HANSON, Jessica  
HARDER, Bobbie  
HER, Kaohly  
HUOT, John  
JOHNSON, Wayne  
KOZLOWSKI, Liish  
LEE, Liz  
ROACH, Drew  
ROBBINS, Kristin  
SCHWARTZ, Erica  
SMITH, Andy  
STEPHENSON, Zack  
SWEDZINSKI, Chris  
WARWAS, Cal  
WIENER, Mike  
WITTE, Jeff  
YOUAKIM, Cheryl

Non-Voting member present:

NORRIS, Matt

Members Absent:

Representative Smith moved the minutes from February 25, 2025 be approved. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

**HF9 (Swedzinski) Hydroelectric capacity that qualifies as an eligible energy technology under the renewable energy standard modified; electric utility requirements relating to energy, solar, or carbon-free standards delayed under certain conditions; and sales tax exemption for residential heating fuels and electricity expanded.**

Representative Gomez moved to adopt the A11 Amendment.  
Representative Gomez withdrew the A11 Amendment.

**HF385 (Norris) Individual income tax subtraction provided for discharges of indebtedness, and certain discharges of indebtedness excluded from income.**

Testifying:

Ron Elwood, Attorney, Mid-Minnesota Legal Aid

Chairman Davids laid over HF385 for possible inclusion in the Tax Omnibus Bill.

**HF5 (Joy) Imposition and allocation of certain taxes modified, tax analysis required, transportation funding impacts analysis required, retail delivery fee repealed, unlimited Social Security subtraction provided, reports required, and money appropriated.**

Representative Joy moved to adopt the A12 Amendment. **THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Representative Joy moved to adopt the A13 Amendment. Representative Gomez requested a roll call vote. The results were as follows:

**AYES**

DAVIDS, Greg

JOY, Jim

ANDERSON, Patti

HARDER, Bobbie

JOHNSON, Wayne

ROACH, Drew

ROBBINS, Kristin

SCHWARTZ, Erica

SWEDZINSKI, Chris

WARWAS, Cal

WIENER, Mike

WITTE, Jeff

**NAYS**

GOMEZ, Aisha

ELKINS, Steve

FREIBERG, Mike

HANSON, Jessica

HER, Kaohly

HUOT, John

KOZLOWSKI, Liish

LEE, Liz

SMITH, Andy

STEPHENSON, Zack

YOUAKIM, Cheryl

On a vote of 12 Ayes and 11 Nays, **THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Representative Joy moved to adopt the A11 Amendment. **THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Testifying:

Aurora Vautrin, Legislative Director, 100%

John Thorson, LIUNA

Nan Madden, Minnesota Budget Project Director, Minnesota Council of Nonprofits

Cap O'Rourke, President, Minnesota Small Cities

Chairman Davids moved that HF5, as amended, be re-referred to the Committee on Transportation. Representative Freiberg requested a roll call. The results were as follows:

**AYES**

DAVIDS, Greg  
JOY, Jim  
ANDERSON, Patti  
HARDER, Bobbie  
JOHNSON, Wayne  
ROACH, Drew  
ROBBINS, Kristin  
SCHWARTZ, Erica  
SWEDZINSKI, Chris  
WARWAS, Cal  
WIENER, Mike  
WITTE, Jeff

**NAYS**

GOMEZ, Aisha  
ELKINS, Steve  
FREIBERG, Mike  
HANSON, Jessica  
HER, Kaohly  
HUOT, John  
KOZLOWSKI, Liish  
LEE, Liz  
SMITH, Andy  
STEPHENSON, Zack  
YOUAKIM, Cheryl

On a vote of 12 AYES and 11 Nays, **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:54 AM.

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Representative Greg Davids, Chair

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Jennifer H. Goblirsch Committee Legislative Assistant