

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 February 27, 2025, in Room G23 of the Capitol Building. A quorum was present.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

NASH, Jim, Chair  
DAVIS, Ben, Vice Chair  
ANDERSON, Paul  
BAHNER, Kristin  
CLARDY, Mary Frances  
FREIBERG, Mike  
HOWARD, Michael  
JONES, Katie  
JOY, Jim  
KOZNICK, Jon  
KRAFT, Larry  
QUAM, Duane  
SEXTON, Thomas

Non-voting member present:

KLEVORN, Ginny, Lead

Representative Jones moved the minutes of February 20, 2025 be approved. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

Representative Joy moved the minutes of February 25, 2025 be approved. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

**HF550 (Torkelson) Bipartisan Redistricting Commission established, principles to be used in adopting legislative and congressional districts established, and constitutional amendment proposed.**

Chair Nash moved HF550 be re-referred to the Judiciary Finance and Civil Law Committee.

**Testifiers:**

Brian Cook, Minnesota Chamber of Commerce  
Tom Wiesen, Private Citizen  
Annastacia Belladonna-Carrera, Common Cause

Representative Freiberg moved to adopt the HF0550DE2 amendment.

Representative Klevorn requested a roll call vote. The results were as follows:

**AYES:**

BAHNER, Kristin  
CLARDY, Mary Frances  
FREIBERG, Mike  
HOWARD, Michael  
JONES, Katie  
KRAFT, Larry

**NAYS:**

NASH, Jim, Chair  
DAVIS, Ben, Vice Chair

ANDERSON, Paul  
JOY, Jim  
KOZNICK, Jon  
QUAM, Duane  
SEXTON, Tom

On a vote of 6 Ayes and 7 Nays, **THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL. THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.**

Representative Klevorn moved to table HF 550. **THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL.**

Chair Nash renewed the motion that HF550 be re-referred to the Judiciary Finance and Civil Law Committee.

Representative Klevorn requested a roll call vote. The results were as follows:

**AYES:**

NASH, Jim, Chair  
DAVIS, Ben, Vice Chair  
ANDERSON, Paul  
JOY, Jim  
KOZNICK, Jon  
QUAM, Duane  
SEXTON, Tom

**NAYS:**

BAHNER, Kristin  
CLARDY, Mary Frances  
FREIBERG, Mike  
HOWARD, Michael  
JONES, Katie  
KRAFT, Larry

On a vote of 7 Ayes and 6 Nays, **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

**HF 412 (Myers) Members of the legislative committees on education policy and education finance required to observe a teacher or administrator each year, house and senate required to adopt rules, and report required.**

Chair Nash moved HF 412 be re-referred to the Education Policy Committee.

**Testifiers:**

Claire Luger, Special Education Teacher, White Bear Lake Public Schools  
Rachel Falkowski, Wayzeta Education Association President  
Scott Croonquist, Association of Metropolitan School Districts

Representative Klevorn moved to table HF 412.

Representative Klevorn requested a roll call vote. The results were as follows:

**AYES:**

BAHNER, Kristin  
CLARDY, Mary Frances  
FREIBERG, Mike  
HOWARD, Michael  
JONES, Katie  
KRAFT, Larry

**NAYS:**

NASH, Jim, Chair  
DAVIS, Ben, Vice Chair  
ANDERSON, Paul  
JOY, Jim  
KOZNICK, Jon  
QUAM, Duane  
SEXTON, Tom

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

Chair Nash renewed the motion to re-refer HF 412 to the Education Policy Committee. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

**HF796 (Myers) Members of public safety policy and finance committees required to participate in ride along with law enforcement or fire departments, and adoption of legislative rules required.**

Chair Nash moved HF 796 be re-referred to the Public Safety Finance and Policy Committee.

Chair Nash moved to adopt the A1 amendment. **THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMDNEMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Chair Nash renewed the motion to re-refer HF 796, as amended, to the Public Safety Finance and Policy Committee. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

**HF 140 (Bahner) State-funded County and city cybersecurity grant program established, report required, and money appropriated.**

Chair Nash moved HF 140 before the committee.

Representative Bahner moved to adopt the A1 amendment.

Representative Bahner moved the following oral amendment to the A1 amendment: On P.1. L. 6, delete the ellipsis and insert “\$5,000”. **THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE ORAL AMEDNMENT TO THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Representative Bahner renewed the motion to adopt the A1 amendment, as amended. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

**Testifiers:**

Daniel Lightfoot, League of Minnesota Cities/ Association of Minnesota Counties

Graham Berg-Moberg, Minnesota Association of Townships

Chair Nash laid over HF 140, as amended.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:43 AM.

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Representative Nash, Chair

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Alli Winter, Committee Legislative Assistant