

State Government Finance and Policy Committee

MINUTES

Representative Nash, Chair of the State Government Finance and Policy Committee, began the meeting at 8:15 AM, on March 10, 2026, in Room G23 of the State Capitol Building. A quorum was not present.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

NASH, Jim, Co-Chair
KLEVORN, Ginny, Co-Chair
DAVIS, Ben, Co-Vice Chair
BAHNER, Kristin, Co-Vice Chair
ANDERSON, Paul
CLARDY, Mary Frances
FREIBERG, Mike
JOY, Jim
KOZNICK, Jon
KRAFT, Larry
LUGER-NIKOLAI, Meg
QUAM, Duane
SEXTON, Thomas

Members excused:

JONES, Katie

HF 3672 (Quam) Recommendations of the legislative auditor regarding agency grant, inventory, and debt collection practices implemented.

Representative Quam moved HF3672 before the committee.

Testifiers:

Betsy Hayes, Assistant Commissioner, Department of Administration

Co-Chair Nash laid over HF 3672.

Co-Chair Nash called the meeting to order at 8:25 AM. A quorum was present.

Co-Chair Nash moved the minutes of February 24th, 2026 be approved. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

Co-Chair Nash moved the minutes of March 3rd, 2026 be approved. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

Co-Chair Nash moved the minutes of March 5th, 2026 be approved. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

HF 1234 (Scott) Payment transparency required in public contracts.

Co-Chair Nash moved HF1234 to be re-referred to the Workforce, Labor, and Economic Development Finance and Policy Committee.

Co-Chair Nash moved to adopt the H1234DE1 amendment. **THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Testifiers:

Heather Hoffman, Commercial Drywall, Inc.
Blake Nelson, Hellmuth & Johnson
Cap O'Rourke, Executive Director, MN Small Cities
Kirk Pederson, Public Policy Manager, Hennepin County

Co-Chair Nash renewed the motion that HF 1234, as amended, be re-referred to the Workforce, Labor, and Economic Development Finance and Policy Committee. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

HF 3528 (Sexton) Board of Barber Examiners provisions modified.

Representative Sexton moved HF 3528 be placed on the General Register.

Testifiers:

Brent Grebinoski, Executive Director, Minnesota Board of Barbers Examiners

Co-Chair Nash moved HF 3528 be re-referred to the Ways and Means Committee. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

Co-Vice Chair Davis assumed the gavel at 9:04 AM.

HF 3679 (Nash) Mandatory reports required to be submitted to members of legislative committees electronically.

Co-Chair Nash moved HF 3679 be placed on the General Register.

Co-Chair Nash renewed the motion that HF 3679 be placed on the General Register. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

HF 3680 (Nash) State agencies required to provide certain data to the Legislative Budget Office.

Co-Chair Nash moved HF 3680 be placed on the General Register.

Testifiers:

Christian Larson, Director, Legislative Budget Office.

Co-Chair Klevorn requested a roll call vote. The results were as follows:

AYES:

NASH, Jim, Co-Chair
DAVIS, Ben, Co-Vice Chair
ANDERSON, Paul
JOY, Jim
KOZNICK, Jon
QUAM, Duane
SEXTON, Thomas

NAYS:

KLEVORN, Ginny, Co-Chair
BAHNER, Kristin, Co-Vice Chair
CLARDY, Mary Frances
FREIBERG, Mike
KRAFT, Larry
LUGER-NIKOLAI, Meg

EXCUSED:

JONES, Katie

On a vote of 7 Ayes, 6 Nays and 1 excused, **THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL.**

Co-Vice Chair Davis laid over HF3680.

Co-Chair Nash assumed the gavel at 9:37 AM.

SF856 (NORRIS) Office of the Inspector General created, reports required, and money appropriated.

Co-Chair Nash moved SF 856, as amended, before the committee.

Co-Chair Nash moved SF 856 be re-referred to the Judiciary Finance and Civil Law Committee.

Co-Chair Nash requested a roll call vote. The results were as follows:

AYES:

NASH, Jim, Co-Chair
DAVIS, Ben, Co-Vice Chair
ANDERSON, Paul
JOY, Jim
KOZNICK, Jon
QUAM, Duane
SEXTON, Thomas

NAYS:

KLEVORN, Ginny, Co-Chair
BAHNER, Kristin, Co-Vice Chair
CLARDY, Mary Frances
FREIBERG, Mike
KRAFT, Larry
LUGER-NIKOLAI, Meg

EXCUSED:

JONES, Katie

On a vote of 7 Ayes, 6 Nays and 1 excused, **THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL.**

HF 1944 (Freiberg) Recognition of federal standard time year-round beginning in 2025 and expiring upon enactment of a federal law authorizing states to recognize advanced standard time year-round provided.

Representative Freiberg moved HF1944 before the committee.

Representative Freiberg moved to adopt the H1944A1 amendment. **THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Testifiers:

Dr. Roxanne Prichard, Professor of Neuroscience and Psychology, University of St. Thomas
Jay Pea, President, Save Standard Time (remote)

Co-Chair Nash laid over HF1944, as amended.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:52 AM.

Representative Nash, Chair

Alli Winter, Committee Legislative Assistant