

ENERGY FINANCE AND POLICY MINUTES

Representative Larry Kraft, Co-Vice-Chair of the Committee on Energy Finance and Policy, called the meeting to order at 1:00P.M. on Tuesday, April 14, 2026, in Room 123 of the State Capitol.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members Present:

ACOMB, Patty, DFL Co-Chair
SWEDZINSKI, Chris, GOP Co-Chair
KRAFT, Larry, DFL Co-Vice Chair
MURPHY, Tom, GOP Co-Vice Chair
ANDERSON, Paul
BAKER, Dave
BUCK, Shelley
CARROLL, Ned
HOLLINS, Athena
IGO, Spencer
JONES, Katie
LUGER-NIKOLAI, Meg
MAHAMOUD, Anquam
MEKELAND, Shane
SEXTON, Thomas
WIENER, Mike

A quorum was present.

Chair Acomb moved that the minutes from April 9, 2026 be approved. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF4560 (Acomb) Technical and clarifying changes to statutes related to Public Utilities Commission made

Chair Acomb moved that HF4560 be laid over.

Chair Acomb presented HF4560.

Testifiers on HF4560:

- Mike Bull, Deputy Executive Secretary, Public Utilities Commission

Chair Acomb renewed their motion that HF4560 be laid over.

The bill is laid over

HF4559 (Acomb) Commissioner of commerce's ability to enter into energy research partnerships or compacts expanded, energy security planning provided, and various energy related grant programs extended and modified.

Chair Acomb moved that HF4559 be laid over

Chair Acomb moved the A2 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Chair Acomb presented HF4559 as amended.

Testifiers on HF4559 as amended:

- Lissa Pawlisch, Assistant Commissioner, Division of Energy Resources, Minnesota Department of Commerce

Chair Acomb renewed their motion that HF4559, as amended, be laid over.

The bill is laid over.

HF4374 (Acomb) Use of certain money provided to the Minnesota Climate Innovation Finance Authority Clarified.

Chair Acomb moved that HF4374 be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Chair Swedzinski called for a roll call.

Chair Acomb moved the A1 amendment.

The clerk took the roll:

AYES

ACOMB, Patty (DFL Chair)
KRAFT, Larry (DFL Vice-Chair)
BUCK, Shelley
CARROL, Ned
HOLLINS, Athena
JONES, Katie
LUGER-NIKOLAI, Meg
MAHAMOUD, Anquam

NAYES

SWEDZINKSI, Chris (GOP Chair)
MURPHY, Tom (GOP Vice-Chair)
ANDERSON, Paul
BAKER, Dave
IGO, Spencer
MEKELAND, Shane
SEXTON, Thomas
WIENER, Mike

There being 8 AYES and 8 NAYES, THE MOTION DOES NOT PREVAIL. THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.

Chair Acomb moved that HF4374 be laid over

The bill was laid over

Chair Acomb assumed the gavel at 1:37 P.M.

HF2317 (Kraft) Wastewater treatment facility heat capture pilot program funding provided and money appropriated.

Representative Kraft moved that HF2317 be laid over.

Representative Kraft moved the A4 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Kraft presented HF2317 as amended.

Testifiers on HF2317 as amended:

- Luke Gaalswyk, President and CEO, Ever-Green Energy

Representative Kraft renewed their motion that HF2317 as amended be laid over.

The bill is laid over

HF3179 (Jones) Certain buildings required to meet energy performance standards, reports required, and money appropriated.

Representative Jones moved that HF3179 be laid over.

Representative Jones moved the A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Jones presented HF3179 as amended.

Testifiers on HF3179 as amended:

- Marshall Duer-Balkind, Director, Institute for Market Transformation
- Will Nissen, Director of Policy, Center for Energy and the Environment

Representative Jones renewed their motion that HF3179 as amended be laid over.

The bill is laid over.

Co-Chair Kraft assumed the gavel at 2:06 P.M.

HF4880 (Acomb) Solar Energy Protection Act established relating to the sale of solar energy systems

Chair Acomb moved that HF4880 be laid over.

Chair Acomb moved the A2 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Chair Acomb presented HF4880 as amended.

Testifiers on HF4880 as amended:

- Sarah Whebbe, Director of Policy and Regulatory Affairs, MnSEIA.
- Lissa Pawlisch, Assistant Commissioner, Division of Energy Resources, Commerce
- Bart Jackson, SunRun
- Kent Sulem, Director of Government Relations and Senior Counsel, MMUA

Chair Acomb renewed their motion that HF4880 as amended be laid over.

The bill is laid over.

HF2862 (Acomb) Data Center permitting and environmental review.

Chair Acomb moved that HF2862 be laid over.

Chair Acomb moved the DE1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Chair Acomb presented HF2862 as amended.

Testifiers on HF2862 as amended:

- Amelia Vohs, MCEA
- Sarah Mooradian, Government Relations & Policy Director, CURE
- Cathy Johnson, Chair, Coalition for Responsible Data Center Development
- **Jim Pearson, Xcel Energy**
- Dan McConnell, President, MN Building and Construction Trades Council

Chair Acomb renewed their motion that HF2862 as amended be laid over.

The bill is laid over

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 P.M.



Representative Patty Acomb, DFL Chair



Representative Chris Swedzinski, GOP Chair



Representative Larry Kraft, DFL Vice Chair



Representative Tom Murphy, GOP Vice Chair



Representative Paul Anderson



Representative Dave Baker



Representative Shelley Buck



Representative Ned Carroll



Representative Athena Hollins



Representative Spencer Igo



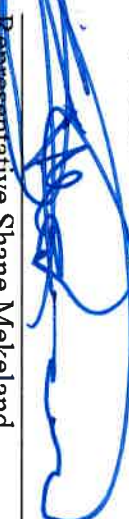
Representative Katie Jones



Representative Meg Luger-Nikolai



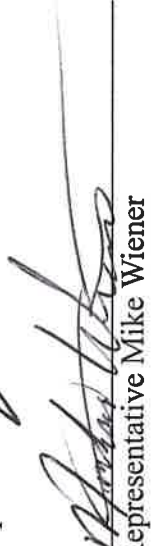
Representative Anquam Mahamoud



Representative Shane Mekeland



Representative Thomas Sexton



Representative Mike Wiener



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