

PUBLIC SAFETY FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Representative Kelly Moller, Chair of the Public Safety Finance and Policy Committee, called the meeting to order at 10:30 AM on March 16, 2023, in Room 200 of the State Office Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members Present:

MOLLER, Kelly, Chair
FEIST, Sandra, Vice Chair
NOVOTNY, Paul, GOP Lead
BECKER-FINN, Jamie
CURRAN, Brion
ENGEN, Elliot
FRAZIER, Cedrick
GROSSELL, Matt
HOLLINS, Athena
HUDSON, Walter
HUOT, John
MUELLER, Patricia
PINTO, Dave
TABKE, Brad
WITTE, Jeff

Members Excused

A quorum was present.

Representative Curran moved that the minutes from March 15, 2023, be approved. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 1278 (Pelowski) Disaster assistance contingency account funding provided, and money appropriated.

Chair Moller moved that HF 1278 be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Rep. Pelowski presented HF 1278.

Testifiers on HF 1278:

- Kevin Reed, Interim Director, Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division of Minnesota Department of Public Safety

Chair Moller renewed the motion that HF 1278 be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 2023 (Long) Clean Slate Act established, automatic expungement process provided for offenders, waiting periods modified for expungements that require petition, offenses that are eligible for expungement amended, records received and retained by Bureau of Criminal Apprehension modified, creation of database required, data classified, and money appropriated.

Chair Moller moved that HF 2023 be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Chair Moller moved the H2023A6 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Chair Moller moved the H2023A7 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Rep. Becker-Finn moved the H2023A8 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Rep. Long presented HF 2023, as amended.

Testifiers on HF 2023, as amended:

- Amber Jochem
- Chas Anderson, Lobbyist, Justice Action Network
- Grace Waltz, Vice President of Public Policy, Minneapolis Regional Chamber
- Robert Small, Executive Director, Minnesota County Attorneys Association

Chair Moller changed the original motion to re-refer HF 2023 to the Committee on Ways and Means to a motion to lay over HF 2023, as amended. The bill was laid over.

The Minnesota Department of Public Safety gave a budget presentation.

HF 2678 (Kraft) Fire safety account fee assessed to homeowner insurance policies modified.

Chair Moller moved to lay over HF 2678.

Chair Moller moved the H2678A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Rep. Kraft presented HF 2678, as amended.

Testifiers on HF 2678, as amended:

- Andre Slama, Chief, City of Edina Fire Department
- Zack Lindberg, Volunteer firefighter, Isanti Fire Department
- Jim Smith, State Fire Marshall, Minnesota Department of Public Safety

Chair Moller moved to lay over HF 2678, as amended. The bill was laid over.

HF 1617 (Becker-Finn) Grand Portage Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Tribal emergency management coordinator establishment funding provided, and money appropriated.

Chair Moller moved to lay over HF 1617.

Rep. Becker-Finn moved the H1617A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Rep. Becker-Finn presented HF 1617, as amended.

Testifiers on HF 1617, as amended:

- Robert Deschampe, Chairman, Grand Portage Band Minnesota Chippewa Tribe

Chair Moller renewed the motion to lay over HF 1617, as amended. The bill was laid over.

HF 1322 (Tabke) Metropolitan Council authorized to issue administrative citations for transit fare evasion, Metropolitan Council required to implement transit safety measures, civil penalties imposed, technical and clarifying changes made, and report required.

Rep. Tabke moved that HF 1322 be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Rep. Tabke moved the H1322A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Rep. Tabke presented HF 1322, as amended.

Testifiers on HF 1322, as amended:

- Muhammad Abdul-Ahad, Executive Director, Teaching Our Urban Community Hope Outreach (T.O.U.C.H Outreach)

Rep. Tabke renewed the motion that HF 1322, as amended, be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 41 (Feist) Bureau of Criminal Apprehension superintendent required to prepare and annual report on Fusion Center activities, and money appropriated.

Chair Moller moved to lay over HF 41.

Rep. Feist presented HF 41.

Testifiers on HF 41:

- None

Chair Moller renewed the motion to lay over HF 41. The bill was laid over.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:28 PM.

Representative Kelly Moller, Chair

Farhin Sayeed, Committee Legislative Assistant