

PUBLIC SAFETY FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Representative Paul Novotny, Chair of the Public Safety Finance and Policy Committee, called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM on March 11, 2026, in Room 120 of the State Capitol Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

NOVOTNY, Paul, Co-Chair
MOLLER, Kelly, Co-Chair
WITTE, Jeff, Vice Chair
FEIST, Sandra, Vice Chair
BERG, Kaela
BLISS, Matt
CURRAN, Brion
DURAN JR, Bidal
GREENMAN, Emma
HARDER, Bobbie
HOLLINS, Athena
HUDSON, Walter
JOHNSON, Pete
PINTO, Dave
REHM, Lucy
REPINSKI, Aaron
SCHWARTZ, Erica
STIER, Terry
TABKE, Brad

Members Excused:

ENGEN, Elliott

A quorum was present.

Representative Moller moved to approve the minutes of March 10, 2026. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

HF 3489 (Bennett) Field trip policy established, reporting to licensing boards required, and criminal offense of grooming established.

Chair Novotny moved HF 3489 before the committee with the recommendation it be re-referred to the Committee on Children and Families Policy and Finance.

Chair Novotny moved the HF 3489 A3 amendment. **THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Chair Bennett presented HF 3489, as amended.

Testifiers:

- Hannah LoPresto
- Chad Clausen, Detective, Eagan Police Department

Chair Novotny renewed his motion that HF3489, as amended, be re-referred to the Committee on Children and Families Policy and Finance. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

HF 3990 (Novotny) Provisions for employment or occupation due to conviction of a crime changed.

Representative Witte assumed the gavel at 3:21 p.m.

Representative Novotny moved HF 3990 before the committee with the recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the General Register.

Representative Novotny moved the HF 3990 A1 amendment. **THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Representative Novotny presented HF 3990, as amended.

Testifier:

- Blake Chaffee, Deputy Commissioner, Minnesota Management Budget

Representative Novotny moved that HF 3990, as amended, be re-referred to the State Government Finance. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

Chair Novotny assumed the gavel at 3:29 p.m.

HF 3826 (Witte) Definition of identity modified for purposes of identity theft crime, authority of financial crimes and fraud section of Bureau of Criminal Apprehension expanded, changes to administrative subpoenas made, and statutes of limitation altered.

Vice Chair Witte moved HF 3826 before the committee with the recommendation it be re-referred to the Committee on State Government Finance.

Vice Chair Witte moved HF 3826, as amended, before the committee. **THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Vice Chair Witte presented HF 3826, as amended.

Testifiers:

- Tony Ofsted, Special Agent in Charge, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension Financial Crimes and Fraud Section

Vice Chair Witte renewed his motion that HF 3826 DE1 be re-referred to the Committee on State Government Finance. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

HF 3827 (Duran) Grants from the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension to local law enforcement clarified as reimbursements, law related to recording of crimes updated, process for determining how certain criminal records are ineligible for sealing established, and court required to provide order for protection for access by law enforcement.

Representative Duran moved HF 3827 before the committee with the recommendation it be re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary Finance and Civil Law.

Representative Duran presented HF 3827 before the committee.

Testifiers:

- Dana Gotz, Deputy Superintendent, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension

Representative Duran renewed his motion that HF 3827 be re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary Finance and Civil Law. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

HF 3822 (Hudson) Penalty for misconduct of public officer or employee enhanced.

Representative Hudson moved HF 3822 before the committee with the recommendation it be re-referred to the Committee on State Government Finance.

Representative Hudson presented HF 3822.

Chair Moller moved the HF 3822 A1 amendment before the committee.

Chair Moller withdrew the HF 3822 A1 amendment.

Testifiers:

- Devin Bruce, Director of Legislative and Political Affairs, Minnesota Association of Professional Employees (MAPE).

Representative Hudson renewed his motion to re-refer HF 3822 to the Committee on State Government Finance and Representative Stier requested a roll call vote. The results were as follows:

AYES

NOVOTNY, Paul
Witte, Jeff
BLISS, Matt
DURAN, Bidal
HARDER, Bobbie
HUDSON, Walter
REPINSKI, Aaron
SCHWARTZ, Erica
STIER, Terry

NAYS

MOLLER, Kelly
FEIST, Sandra
BERG, Kaela
CURRAN, Brion
GREENMAN, Emma
HOLLINS, Athena
JOHNSON, Pete
PINTO, Dave
REHM, Lucy
TABKE, Brad

ABSENT

ENGEN, Elliott

On a vote of 9 AYES and 10 NAYS, **THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL.**

HF 3825 (Repinski) Judge required to inquire whether victim has been notified of plea and sentencing hearings, victim protected from identification in prosecutor's petition for sentence adjustment, victim notification of defendant eligibility for automatic expungement expanded, and other crime victim provisions modified.

Representative Repinski moved HF 3825 before the committee with a recommendation it be re-referred to the Judiciary Finance and Civil Law Committee.

Representative Repinski presented HF 3825.

Testifiers:

- Kim Babine, Executive Director, Department of Public Safety Office of Justice Programs Division

Representative Repinski renewed his motion that HF 3825 is re-referred to the Judiciary Finance and Civil Law Committee. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

The meeting adjourned at 4:37 p.m.



Representative Paul Novotny, Co-Chair



Mary McNamara, Committee Legislative Assistant