

State Government Finance and Policy Committee

MINUTES

Representative Nash, Co-Chair of the State Government Finance and Policy Committee, called the meeting to order at 8:15 AM, on March 18, 2025, in Room G23 of the Capitol Building. A quorum was 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
JONES, Katie
JOY, Jim
KOZNICK, Jon
KRAFT, Larry
QUAM, Duane
SEXTON, Thomas

Members excused:

HOWARD, Michael

Co-Chair Klevorn moved the minutes of March 13, 2025 be approved. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

HF1377 (P.H. Anderson) Public television grants provided, and money appropriated.

Co-Chair Nash moved HF1377 before the committee.

Testifiers:

Les Heen, Libby Law Office, Minnesota Public Television Association
Patty Mester, President, Minnesota Public Television Association

Co-Chair Nash laid over HF1377 for possible inclusion.

HF1458 (Van Binsbergen) Standards for required education and experience modified for certified public accountants, and reciprocity established for licensed public accountants.

Co-Chair Nash moved HF1458 be re-referred to the Way and Means Committee.

Co-Chair Nash moved the H1458A1 amendment. **THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Testifiers:

Boz Bostrom, CPA- Chair- MNCPA Board of Directors
Bob Cedergren, CPA- Partner at Wipfli
Cap O'Rourke, Executive Director, MN Small Cities
Julie Blaha, State Auditor
Stephanie Market, CPA Managing Partner, CliftonLarsonAllen

Co-Chair Nash renewed the motion to re-refer HF1458 to the Ways and Means Committee. **THE**

MOTION PREVAILED.

HF2063 (Schultz) Annual observance for 1st Minnesota Day established.

Co-Chair Nash laid over HF2063 before the committee.

Representative Nash moved the following oral amendment to HF2063: On P.1. L. 10, before the first period, insert “or injured” and P. 1, L. 17, delete “the Minnesota Historical Society’s” and insert “a” **THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE ORAL AMEDNMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Co-Chair Nash laid over HF2063 as amended for possible inclusion.

HF2164 (Schwartz) St. Peter designated as the honorary capital of Minnesota.

Co-Chair Nash moved HF2164 before the committee.

Testifiers:

Representative Bjorn Olson, Minnesota House of Representatives
Ed Lee, Executive Director, St. Peter Area Chamber of Commerce
Dustin Sharstrom, City Councilmember, City of St. Peter

Co-Chair Nash laid over HF2164 for possible inclusion.

HF927 (Nash) Legislative Commission on Housing Affordability eliminated.

Co-Chair Nash moved HF927 before the committee.

Co-Chair Nash laid over HF927 for possible inclusion.

HF1059 (Nash) Legislative COVID-19 Response Commission eliminated.

Co-Chair Nash moved HF1059 before the committee.

Co-Chair Nash laid over HF1059 for possible inclusion.

HF1910 (Klevorn) Vice-chair of Legislative Coordinating Commission provided to alternate between the senate and house of representatives every two years.

Co-Chair Nash moved HF1910 before the committee.

Co-Chair Nash laid over HF1910 for possible inclusion.

HF2232 (Klevorn) State contracts provisions changed.

Co-Chair Nash moved HF2232 before the committee.

Representative Klevorn moved the following oral amendment to HF2232: On P.1. after L. 5, insert “Section 1. **Contracts.** Section 16C.05, subd. 8, paragraph (a), clauses (2) and (5) do not apply to contracts entered into by the State Board of Investment related to an investment under this section.” **THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE ORAL AMEDNMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Testifiers:

Rachel Dougherty, Office of State Procurement, Department of Administration
John Mule, State Board of Investments

Co-Chair Nash laid over HF2232 as amended for possible inclusion.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:22 AM.

Representative Nash, Chair

