

JUDICIARY FINANCE AND CIVIL LAW MINUTES

Representative Jamie Becker-Finn, Chair of the Committee on Judiciary Finance and Civil Law, called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM on March 21, 2023 in Room 5 of the State Office Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

BECKER-FINN, Jamie, Chair
FRAZIER, Cedrick, Vice Chair
SCOTT, Peggy, Minority Lead
CARROLL, Ned
CURRAN, Brion
FINKE, Leigh
FREDERICK, Luke
GROSSELL, Matt
JOHNSON, Brian
MOLLER, Kelly
NISKA, Harry
WIENS, Mark

Members excused:

FEIST, Sandra

A quorum was present.

Representative Niska moved that the minutes of March 16, 2023, be adopted. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 1873 (Kozlowski) Enforcement authority modified for appropriating water.

Chair Becker-Finn moved that HF 1873 be recommended to be re-referred to the Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy Committee.

Representative Kozlowski presented HF 1873.

Testifying on HF 1873:

- Katie Smith, Director of the Ecological and Water Resources Division, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources
- Doug Carnival, Lobbyist, Irrigators Association of Minnesota
- Anna Bregier, Vice President, Irrigators Association of Minnesota

Chair Becker-Finn renewed the motion that HF 1873 be recommended to be re-referred to the Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 2269 (Kraft) Owners of certain buildings required to enter energy use data into benchmarking tool, public disclosure of energy use data required, grants provided, and money appropriated.

Chair Becker-Finn moved that HF 2269 be recommended to be re-referred to the Climate and Energy Finance and Policy Committee.

Representative Kraft presented HF 2269.

Chair Becker-Finn renewed the motion that HF 2269 as amended be recommended to be re-referred to the Climate and Energy Finance and Policy Committee.

Representative Scott requested a roll call on HF 2269

The clerk took the roll on HF 2269.

AYES

Becker-Finn

Carroll

Curran

Finke

Frederick

Moller

NAYS

Scott

Grossell

Johnson

Niska

Wiens

With 6 ayes and 5 nays, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 2369 (Hassan) Transportation network company driver protections established.

Chair Becker-Finn moved that HF 2369 be recommended to be re-referred to the Labor and Industry Finance and Policy Committee.

Chair Becker-Finn moved the H2369DE2 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Hassan presented HF 2369 as amended.

Testifying on HF 2369 as amended:

- Steven Cooper, Attorney, The Cooper Law Firm
- Gaari Mohamad Abdi
- Joel Carlson, Lobbyist, Uber Technologies
- Andrew Carlson, Lobbyist, Lyft

Chair Becker-Finn renewed the motion that HF 2369 as amended be recommended to be re-referred to the Labor and Industry Finance and Policy Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 1750 (Huot) Data practices changes made, Office of Collaboration and Dispute Resolution established, Office of Enterprise Sustainability established, expired report on state government use of eligible contractors removed, and historic properties and fair campaign practice provisions modified.

Chair Becker-Finn moved that HF 1750 be recommended to be re-referred to the State and Local Government Finance and Policy Committee.

Chair Becker-Finn moved the H1750A3 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Huot presented HF 1750 as amended.

Testifying on HF 1750 as amended:

- Taya Moxley-Goldsmith, Director of the Data Practices Office, Minnesota Department of Administration

Chair Becker-Finn renewed the motion that HF 1750 as amended be recommended to be re-referred to the State and Local Government Finance and Policy Committee. MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 2788 (Agbaje) Board of Pardons provisions modified, Clemency Review Commission established, report required, rulemaking authorized, and money appropriated.

Chair Becker-Finn moved that HF 2788 be recommended to be re-referred to the Public Safety Finance and Policy Committee.

Chair Becker-Finn moved the H2788A2 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Agbaje presented HF 2788 as amended.

Testifying on HF 2788 as amended:

- Mark Osler, Professor, University of St. Thomas School of Law
- Tim Morin

Chair Becker-Finn renewed the motion that HF 2788 as amended be recommended to be re-referred to the Public Safety Finance and Policy Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 1580 (Becker-Finn) Onetime market adjustment provided to district court law clerks' starting salary to align with competitive corridor, and money appropriated.

Chair Becker-Finn moved HF 1580 before the Judiciary Finance and Civil Law Committee.

Chair Becker-Finn moved to reconsider adoption of the H1580DE1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Chair Becker-Finn withdrew the H1580DE1 amendment.

Chair Becker-Finn moved the H1580DE2 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Chair Becker-Finn presented HF 1580 as amended.

Testifying on HF 1580 as amended:

- Mary Moriarty, Hennepin County Attorney, Hennepin County Attorney's Office
- Edward Reynoso, Director of Political and Legislative Affairs, Teamsters Local 320

Chair Becker-Finn laid over HF 1580 as amended.

HF 2611 (Frazier) State Board of Public Defense membership increased.

Vice Chair Frazier moved that HF 2611 be recommended to be placed on the General Register.

Vice Chair Frazier presented HF 2611.

Testifying on HF 2611:

- Elizer Darris, Co-Executive Director, Minnesota Freedom Fund
- Chris Lynch, Assistant Public Defender, 10th Judicial District
- Kevin Kajer, Chief Administrator, Minnesota Board of Public Defense
- Molly Jannetta, Chair, Minnesota Board of Public Defense
- Daniel Le, Board Member, Minnesota Board of Public Defense

Vice Chair Frazier renewed the motion that HF 2611 be recommended to be placed on the General Register. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 635 (Greenman) Election official intimidation prohibited, interference with performance of duty of election administration by election official prohibited, tampering with or unauthorized

access to types of election systems and equipment prohibited, penalties provided, and money appropriated.

Chair Becker-Finn moved that HF 635 be recommended to be re-referred to the Ways and Means Committee.

Representative Greenman presented HF 635.

Chair Becker-Finn renewed the motion that HF 635 be recommended to be re-referred to the Ways and Means Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:18 PM.

Representative Jamie Becker-Finn, Chair

Ella Schultz, Committee Legislative Assistant