

**ELECTIONS FINANCE AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE  
MINUTES**

Representative Quam, Co-Chair of the Elections Finance and Government Operations Committee, called the meeting to order at 1:00PM on February 23, 2026, in Room G23 of the State Capitol Building. A quorum was present.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

QUAM, Duane, Co-Chair  
FREIBERG, Mike, Co-Chair  
ALTENDORF, Pam, Co-Vice Chair  
LEE, Liz, Co-Vice Chair  
ACOMB, Patty  
COULTER, Nathan  
DAVIS, Ben  
GORDON, Jimmy  
GREENMAN, Emma  
McDONALD, Joe  
ROACH, Drew  
VIRNIG, Bianca

A quorum was present.

Representative Davis moved the minutes of February 18, 2026, be approved. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

**HF 1667 (Schomacker) Water and sewer systems added to the definition of municipality, and maximum tort liability for certain water and sewer districts set.**

Rep. Altendorf moved HF 1667 before the committee.

Rep. Altendorf moved to adopt the A1 amendment. **THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Co-Vice Chair Altendorf moved to re-refer HF 1667 as amended to the Judiciary Finance and Civil Law Committee. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

**Testifiers:**

Dominic Jones, Manager, Red Rock Rural Water System  
Craig Johnson, Intergovernmental Relations, League of Minnesota Cities

**HF 2526 (Duran) Exceptions to prohibition against gifts to local officials expanded.**

Rep. Roach moved HF 2526 before the committee.

Co-Chair Freiberg moved to adopt the A1 amendment.

**Testifiers:**

Chris Tetrault, President, Hometown Hero Outdoors  
Dave Titus, Executive Director, Minnesota Police and Peace Officers Association

Co-Chair Quam laid over HF 2526.

Co-Vice Chair Altendorf assumed the gavel at 2:00pm.

**HF 68 (Quam) Retention elections for persons appointed to certain county officers required.**

Co-Chair Quam moved HF 68 before the committee.

Co-Vice Chair Altendorf laid over HF 68.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:12PM.

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Representative Duane Quam, Co-Chair

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Joseph Fruehauf, Committee Legislative Assistant