

**STATE GOVERNMENT FINANCE & ELECTIONS COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Representative Michael V. Nelson, Chair of the Committee, called the virtual State Government Finance & Elections Committee meeting to order at 8:31 AM, February 1, 2022 pursuant to House rule 10.01. The meeting was conducted over Zoom and broadcast via House Public Information Services.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

**Members Present:**

NELSON, Michael V. - Chair  
CARLSON, Andrew - Vice Chair  
NASH, Jim - Minority Lead  
DRAZKOWSKI, Steve  
ELKINS, Steve  
GREENMAN, Emma  
KLEVORN, Ginny  
KOZNICK, Jon  
MASIN, Sandra  
NEU BRINDLEY, Anne  
PELOWSKI, Gene  
QUAM, Duane

**Members Excused:**

BAHNER, Kristin

A quorum was present.

Representative Carlson moved that the minutes for May 7, 2021 be adopted. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Representative Carlson moved that the minutes for June 24, 2021 be adopted. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Pursuant to House Rule 4.20, the following bills were returned to the Committee on State Government Finance and Elections from the General Register. The committee will not take public testimony on these bills, as they were heard and debated during the 2021 legislative session. Only technical amendments may be offered for these bills. The committee will make procedural votes to move the bills out of committee and back to the General Register.

- HF152 (Jordan): Bill and Bonnie Daniels Firefighters Hall and Museum designated as state fire museum.
- HF325 (Masin): Political subdivision compensation limit repealed, and conforming change made.
- HF575 (Huot): Notary publics authorized to perform civil marriages.
- HF702 (Becker-Finn): Cities and towns allowed to require additional licensing for hotels.
- HF1350 (Bolden): Cities of the first class provided authority to impose ordinances on land or fee dedication on permit applications.
- HF1359 (Freiberg): Towns and political subdivision authorized to established inflow and infiltration prevention programs and make loans or grants to property owners.
- HF1863 (Long): Major political party permitted to file petition to prevent improper designation by candidates name on official ballot.

Chair Nelson moved HF152 be referred to the General Register.

Chair Nelson renewed the motion that HF152, be referred to the General Register.

The clerk noted the roll.

AYES

NELSON, Michael V. - Chair  
CARLSON, Andrew - Vice Chair  
NASH, Jim - Minority Lead  
DRAZKOWSKI, Steve  
ELKINS, Steve  
GREENMAN, Emma  
KLEVORN, Ginny  
KOZNICK, Jon  
MASIN, Sandra  
NEU BRINDLEY, Anne  
PELOWSKI, Gene  
QUAM, Duane

EXCUSED

BAHNER, Kristin

With a vote of 12 AYES, 0 NAYS, and 1 EXCUSED, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Representative Masin moved HF325 be referred to the General Register.

Representative Masin renewed the motion that HF325, be referred to the General Register.

The clerk noted the roll.

AYES

NELSON, Michael V. - Chair  
CARLSON, Andrew - Vice Chair  
ELKINS, Steve  
GREENMAN, Emma  
KLEVORN, Ginny  
MASIN, Sandra  
PELOWSKI, Gene

NAYS

NASH, Jim - Minority Lead  
DRAZKOWSKI, Steve  
KOZNICK, Jon  
NEU BRINDLEY, Anne  
QUAM, Duane

EXCUSED

BAHNER, Kristin

With a vote of 7 AYES, 5 NAYS, and 1 EXCUSED, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Chair Nelson moved HF575 be referred to the General Register.

Chair Nelson renewed the motion that HF575, be referred to the General Register.

The clerk noted the roll.

AYES

NELSON, Michael V. - Chair  
CARLSON, Andrew - Vice Chair  
NASH, Jim - Minority Lead  
DRAZKOWSKI, Steve  
ELKINS, Steve  
GREENMAN, Emma  
KLEVORN, Ginny  
MASIN, Sandra  
NEU BRINDLEY, Anne

PELOWSKI, Gene  
QUAM, Duane

NAYS  
KOZNICK, Jon

EXCUSED  
BAHNER, Kristin

With a vote of 11 AYES, 1 NAYS, and 1 EXCUSED, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Chair Nelson moved HF702 be referred to the General Register.

Chair Nelson renewed the motion that HF702, be referred to the General Register.

The clerk noted the roll.

AYES  
NELSON, Michael V. - Chair  
CARLSON, Andrew - Vice Chair  
NASH, Jim - Minority Lead  
ELKINS, Steve  
GREENMAN, Emma  
KLEVORN, Ginny  
MASIN, Sandra  
NEU BRINDLEY, Anne  
PELOWSKI, Gene

NAYS  
DRAZKOWSKI, Steve  
KOZNICK, Jon  
QUAM, Duane

EXCUSED  
BAHNER, Kristin

With a vote of 9 AYES, 3 NAYS, and 1 EXCUSED, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Chair Nelson moved HF1350 be referred to the General Register.

Chair Nelson moved Amendment H1350A15. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Chair Nelson renewed the motion that HF1350, as amended, be referred to the General Register.

The clerk noted the roll.

AYES  
NELSON, Michael V. - Chair  
CARLSON, Andrew - Vice Chair  
ELKINS, Steve  
GREENMAN, Emma  
KLEVORN, Ginny  
MASIN, Sandra  
PELOWSKI, Gene

NAYS  
NASH, Jim - Minority Lead  
DRAZKOWSKI, Steve  
KOZNICK, Jon  
NEU BRINDLEY, Anne  
QUAM, Duane

EXCUSED  
BAHNER, Kristin

With a vote of 7 AYES, 5 NAYS, and 1 EXCUSED, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Chair Nelson moved HF1359 be referred to the General Register.

Chair Nelson renewed the motion that HF1359, be referred to the General Register.

The clerk noted the roll.

AYES  
NELSON, Michael V. - Chair  
CARLSON, Andrew - Vice Chair  
ELKINS, Steve  
GREENMAN, Emma  
KLEVORN, Ginny  
MASIN, Sandra  
PELOWSKI, Gene

NAYS  
NASH, Jim - Minority Lead  
DRAZKOWSKI, Steve  
KOZNICK, Jon  
NEU BRINDLEY, Anne  
QUAM, Duane

EXCUSED  
BAHNER, Kristin

With a vote of 7 AYES, 5 NAYS, and 1 EXCUSED, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Chair Nelson moved HF1863 be referred to the General Register.

Chair Nelson renewed the motion that HF1863, be referred to the General Register.

The clerk noted the roll.

AYES  
NELSON, Michael V. - Chair  
CARLSON, Andrew - Vice Chair  
ELKINS, Steve  
GREENMAN, Emma  
KLEVORN, Ginny  
MASIN, Sandra  
NEU BRINDLEY, Anne  
PELOWSKI, Gene

NAYS  
NASH, Jim - Minority Lead  
DRAZKOWSKI, Steve  
KOZNICK, Jon  
QUAM, Duane

EXCUSED  
BAHNER, Kristin

With a vote of 8 AYES, 4 NAYS, and 1 EXCUSED, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Chair Nelson moved HF2577 to be referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

The following testified on HF2577:

Clark Goldenrod, Deputy Director, Minnesota Budget Project

Eric Harris Bernstein, Policy Director, We Make Minnesota

Ahna Minge, State Budget Director, Minnesota Management and Budget (MMB)

Chair Nelson renewed the motion that HF2577, be referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

The clerk noted the roll.

AYES

NELSON, Michael V. - Chair

CARLSON, Andrew - Vice Chair

ELKINS, Steve

GREENMAN, Emma

KLEVORN, Ginny

MASIN, Sandra

PELOWSKI, Gene

NAYS

NASH, Jim - Minority Lead

DRAZKOWSKI, Steve

KOZNICK, Jon

NEU BRINDLEY, Anne

QUAM, Duane

EXCUSED

BAHNER, Kristin

With a vote of 7 AYES, 5 NAYS, and 1 EXCUSED, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Chair Nelson moved HF2545 to be referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

Chair Nelson moved Amendment H2545A1. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

The following testified on HF2545, as amended:

The Honorable Samantha Vang, State Representative

Michelle Weber, Executive Director, Legislative Coordinating Commission (LCC)

Chair Nelson renewed the motion that HF2545, as amended, be referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

The clerk noted the roll.

AYES

NELSON, Michael V. - Chair

CARLSON, Andrew - Vice Chair

ELKINS, Steve

GREENMAN, Emma

KLEVORN, Ginny

MASIN, Sandra

PELOWSKI, Gene

NAYS

NASH, Jim - Minority Lead

DRAZKOWSKI, Steve

KOZNICK, Jon

NEU BRINDLEY, Anne

ABSTAINED

QUAM, Duane

EXCUSED  
BAHNER, Kristin

With a vote of 7 AYES, 4 NAYS, and 2 EXCUSED, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 AM.

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Representative Michael Nelson, Chair

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Benjamin Brinks, Committee Legislative Assistant