

**HOUSE ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES FINANCE AND POLICY
COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Representative Peter Fischer, Co-Chair of the Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy Committee, called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM on Thursday, April 9, 2026, in Room G3 of the Capitol Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll. Members present:

FISCHER, Peter, DFL Co-Chair
HEINTZEMAN, Josh, GOP Co-Chair
PURSELL, Kristi, DFL Co-Vice Chair
BURKEL, John, GOP Co-Vice Chair
FALCONER, Alex
FINKE, Leigh
GILLMAN, Dawn
GOTTFRIED, David
HANSEN, Rick
JACOB, Steven
JORDAN, Sydney
NELSON, Nathan
SCHULTZ, Isaac
WARWAS, Cal

A quorum was present.

Co-Chair Heintzeman moved that the minutes from March 26, 2026 be approved. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF4740 (Hansen) – Financial assurance required for feedlot permits, inventories and reports required, and money appropriated.

Representative Hansen moved that HF4740 be laid over for possible inclusion in a future bill.

Representative Hansen presented HF4740.

Testifying:

- Ariel Kagan, Minnesota Farmers Union
- Lucas Sjostrom, Minnesota Milk Producers Association
- Maddie Hokanson, Minnesota Pork Producers Association
- Bob Schiefelbein, Minnesota Farm Bureau Federation
- Tom Johnson, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
- Dana Vanderbosch, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

HF4740 was laid over.

HF3940 (Pursell) – Rulemaking to require environmental impact statement for large animal projects required.

Representative Pursell moved that HF3940 be laid over for possible inclusion in a future bill.

Representative Pursell moved the A1 amendment to HF3940. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Pursell presented HF3940 as amended.

Testifying:

- Laura Schreiber, Land Stewardship Project
- Anne Schwagerl, Minnesota Farmers Union
- Darin Broton, Minnesota AgriGrowth Council
- Lucas Sjostrom, Minnesota Milk Producers Association

- Hunter Pederson, Minnesota Farm Bureau Federation
- Dana Vanderbosch, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
- Catherine Neuschler, Minnesota Environmental Quality Board
- Tom Johnson, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

HF3940, as amended, was laid over.

Presentation on Governor’s Supplemental Budget Recommendations.

Presenting:

- John Frawley, Minnesota Zoo
- LisaBeth Barajas, Metropolitan Council
- Colonel Rodmen Smith, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources
- Tom Johnson, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

The meeting adjourned at 2:44 PM.

Representative Peter Fischer, Chair

Robin Mercer-Taylor, Committee Legislative Assistant