

TRANSPORTATION FINANCE AND POLICY

MINUTES

Representative Koznick, Chair of the Transportation Finance and Policy Committee, called the meeting to order at 1:01PM on March 10th, 2025, in Room 123 of the Capitol Building. A quorum was present.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll:

Members present:

KOZNICK, Jon, Chair
MYERS, Andrew, Vice- Chair
ANDERSON, Patti
BERG, Kaela
FOGELMAN, Marj
GREENE, Julie
JONES, Katie
JOY, Jim
KRAFT, Larry
MURPHY, Tom
OLSON, Bjorn
REHM, Lucy
SENCER-MURA, Samantha
SKRABA, Roger
TABKE, Brad

Non-voting member present:

KOEGEL, Erin, Lead

Members excused:

Vice-Chair Myers moved to approve the minutes of March 5, 2025. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

Presentation by Minnesota Department of Transportation (MNDOT) on recently released report: Revenue Options for the Highway User Tax Distribution (HUTD) Funding Gap.

The following individuals testified:

Josh Knatterud-Hubinger, Chief Financial Officer (CFO), Minnesota Department of Transportation

HF1242 (Joy) Commercial transportation provided, commercial driver training assistance program established, and money appropriated.

Representative Joy moved HF1242 before the committee.

The following individuals testified on **HF1242**:

John Hausladen, President and Chief Executive Officer, Minnesota Trucking Association
Pat Benner, Legislative Representative, AFSCME Council 5

Chair Koznick laid over **HF1242**.

HF1167 (Anderson PE) Northern Lights Express passenger rail project expenditures prohibited.

Representative Anderson moved **HF1167** be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Representative Anderson moved to adopt the **1167A1** Amendment. **THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

The following individuals testified on **HF1167**:

Kal Randa, Resident, City of Duluth
Joel Mueller, Chairman, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen
Keith Nelson, Commissioner, St. Louis County
Annie Harala, Chair, St. Louis County Board
Colin Jones, Student, University of Minnesota Duluth
Rox Everingham, Resident, City of Minneapolis

Chair Koznick renewed the motion that **HF1167, as amended**, be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Representative Kraft requested a roll call vote.

The results were as follows:

AYES:

KOZNICK, Jon
MYERS, Andrew
ANDERSON, Patti
FOGELMAN, Marj
JOY, Jim
MURPHY, Tom
OLSON, Bjorn
SKRABA, Roger

NAYS:

BERG, Kaela
GREENE, Julie,
JONES, Katie
KRAFT, Larry
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On a vote of 8 AYES and 7 NAYS, **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

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Representative Jon Koznick, Chair



Cyndy Wallin, Committee Legislative Assistant