

STATE OF MINNESOTA
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
AGRICULTURE FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES

THIRTY-FIRST MEETING
NINETY-SECOND SESSION

Representative Mike Sundin, Chair of the Agriculture Finance and Policy Committee, called the virtual meeting to order at 1:00 P.M. on Monday, February 21, 2022, pursuant to House rule 10.01. The meeting was broadcast via Zoom and House Public Information Services.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll. A quorum was present.

Members present:

SUNDIN, Mike, CHAIR
VANG, Samantha, Vice Chair
ANDERSON, Paul, Minority Lead
BURKEL, John
ECKLUND, Rob
HANSEN, Rick
HANSON, Jessica
KLEVORN, Ginny
LIPPERT, Todd
LUECK, Dale
MILLER, Tim
NELSON, Nathan
THOMPSON, John

Rep. Thompson moved to approve adoption of the minutes of the previous meeting. The motion prevailed. The minutes from the February 16, 2022 meeting were adopted.

HF 2996 (Vang) Industrial hemp extract food additives authorized.

Rep. Vang moved that HF 2996 be recommended to be referred to the Committee on State Government Finance.

Testifying:

John Dugas, Superior Molecular
Andrea Vaubel, Deputy Commissioner, MDA

Rep. Vang renewed her motion that HF 2996 be recommended to be referred to the Committee on State Government Finance.

AYES:

SUNDIN
VANG
ANDERSON
BURKEL
ECKLUND

HANSEN, R.
HANSON, J.
KLEVORN
LIPPERT
LUECK
MILLER
NELSON
THOMPSON

There being 13 ayes and 0 nays, the motion prevailed, and HF 2996 was referred to the Committee on State Government Finance.

HF 3104 (Lislegard) County agricultural society sales tax exemption expanded to include sales prior to county fair, and county agricultural society tax saving transfer to fairground owner requirement removed.

Chair Sundin moved that HF 3104 be recommended to be referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Rep. Lislegard introduced HF 3104.

Testifying:

Andrew Duerr, MN Federation of County Fairs
Tiffany Gustin, MN Federation of County Fairs

AYES:
SUNDIN
ANDERSON
BURKEL
ECKLUND,
HANSEN, R.
KLEVORN
LIPPERT
LUECK
MILLER
NELSON
THOMPSON

Excused:
VANG
HANSON, J.

There being 11 ayes and 0 nays, the motion prevailed, and HF 3104 was referred to the Committee on Taxes.

HF 3217 (Klevorn) Protecting data about individuals connected to farming or agriculture who

seek mental or behavioral health assistance or who contact the Minnesota Farm and Rural Helpline.

Rep. Klevorn moved that HF 3217 be recommended to be referred to the Committee on Judiciary Finance and Civil Law.

Rep. Klevorn moved the amendment coded H3217A1. The motion prevailed and the A1 amendment was adopted.

Rep. Anderson moved the amendment coded H3217A2. The motion prevailed and A2 amendment was adopted.

Testifying:

Meg Moynihan, MDA's Senior Advisor, Strategy & Innovation

Chris McNulty, Deputy Counsel, MDA

Rep. Klevorn renewed her motion that HF 3217, as amended, be recommended to be referred to the Committee on Judiciary Finance and Civil Law.

AYES:

SUNDIN

ANDERSON

BURKEL

ECKLUND,

HANSEN, R.

KLEVORN

LIPPERT

LUECK

MILLER

NELSON

THOMPSON

Excused:

VANG

HANSON, J.

There being 11 ayes and 0 nays, the motion prevailed, and HF 3217, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Judiciary Finance and Civil Law.

HF 2969 (P. Anderson) Grain buyer license requirements modified.

Rep. Anderson moved HF 2969.

Rep. Anderson moved the amendment coded H2969A1. The motion prevailed and the A1 amendment was adopted.

Testifying:

Greg Ries, Vermillion Elevator Incorporated

Laura Lemke, Executive Director, Minnesota Grain and Feed Association

Nick Milanowski, MDA

Chair Sundin laid over HF 2969, as amended, for possible inclusion in the omnibus Agriculture bill.

Chair Sundin adjourned the meeting at 2:06 P.M.

Representative Mike Sundin, Chair

Kyle Smith, Committee Legislative Assistant