

LOCAL GOVERNMENT DIVISION MINUTES

Representative Sandra Masin, Chair of the Division on Local Government, called the virtual meeting to order at 8:30 AM on March 17th, 2021 pursuant to House rule 10.01. The meeting was broadcast via Zoom and House Public Information Services.

Members present:

Masin, Sandra, Chair  
Elkins, Steve, Vice Chair  
Quam, Duane, Republican Lead  
Berg, Kaela  
Boldon, Liz  
Huot, John  
Mekeland, Shane  
Olson, Bjorn  
Youakim, Cheryl

A quorum was present.

Lead Quam moved that the minutes from March 10th, 2021 be adopted. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Vice Chair Elkins presented HF 89 a bill for an act relating to elections; providing for ranked-choice voting in elections for federal and state offices; authorizing jurisdictions to adopt ranked-choice voting for local offices; establishing procedures for adoption, implementation, and use of ranked-choice voting; allowing municipalities to use electronic voting systems with a reallocation feature; authorizing rulemaking; amending Minnesota Statutes 2020, sections 204B.27, by adding subdivisions; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 206; proposing coding for new law as Minnesota Statutes, chapter 204E.

Testifying on HF 89:

- Kyle Bailey, Representative, Maine Legislature
- Stan Lockhart, Utah Republican Party
- Jen Bouchard, Hopkins School Board Chair
- Kissy Coakley, Minnetonka Council Member
- Evan Brown, Red Wing City Council Member
- Brooke Carlson, Rochester Council President
- Zaylore Stout, Attorney
- Jeanne Massey, FairVote MN Executive Director
- Aaron Grossman, Supervisor of Election Administration, City of Minneapolis

Chair Masin laid over HF 89 for future consideration.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:34 AM.

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Representative Sandra Masin, Chair

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Josh Kilgard, Committee Legislative Assistant