STATE OF MINNESOTA FIFTEENTH MEETING

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES NINETY-THIRD SESSION

**ELECTIONS FINANCE AND POLICY MEETING MINUTES**

Representative Mike Freiberg, Chair of the Committee on Elections Finance and Policy, called the meeting to order at 10:30am on March 31, 2023, in Room 200 of the State Office Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

**Members Present:**

FREIBERG, Mike, Chair

GREENMAN, Emma, Vice Chair

TORKELSON, Paul, Republican Lead

AGBAJE, Esther

BAHNER, Kristin

BLISS, Matt

COULTER, Nathan

DAVIS, Ben

FREDERICK, Luke

PURSELL, Kristi

QUAM, Duane

STEPHENSON, Zack

**Excused:**

ALTENDORF, Pam

A quorum was present.

Representative Bahner moved that the minutes from March 22, 2023 be adopted. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Representative Bahner moved that the minutes from March 29, 2023 be adopted. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 1723 (Freiberg); A bill for an act relating to elections; appropriating money to the secretary of state; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 5.30, subdivision 2.

Testifying on 1723:

* Nicole Freeman, Government Relations, Secretary of State Minnesota
* Kirk Pederson, Government Relations, Hennepin County

Chair Freiberg moved that HF1723 be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Chair Freiberg moved the H1723DE1 amendment.

Vice Chair Greenman moved the H1723A2 amendment to the H1723DE1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED, THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Chair Freiberg moved the H1723A23 amendment to the H1723DE1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED, THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Pursell moved the H1723A4 amendment to the H1723DE1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED, THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Frederick moved the H1723A6 amendment to the H1723DE1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED, THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Vice Chair Greenman moved the H1723A10 amendment to the H1723DE1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED, THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Torkelson moved the H1723A9 amendment to the H1723DE1 amendment.

Representative Torkelson requested a roll call on the H1723A9 amendment.

AYES:

Minority Lead Torkelson

Davis

Quam

NAYS:

Chair Freiberg

Vice Chair Greenman

Agbaje

Bahner

Coulter

Frederick

Pursell

Stephenson

EXCUSED:

Altendorf

Bliss

There being 3 Ayes, 8 Nays, and 2 Excused, THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAILED, THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.

Chair Freiberg renewed the motion to adopt the H1723DE1 amendment, as amended. THE MOTION PREVAILED, THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Chair Freiberg renewed the motion that HF1723 be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, as amended.

Representative Torkelson requested a roll call on the motion to re-refer HF1723 to the Committee on Ways and Means, as amended.

AYES:

Chair Freiberg

Vice Chair Greenman

Agbaje

Bahner

Coulter

Frederick

Pursell

Stephenson

NAYS:

Minority Lead Torkelson

Davis

Quam

EXCUSED:

Altendorf

Bliss

There being 8 Ayes, 3 Nays, and 2 Excused, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:59 AM.

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 Representative Mike Freiberg, Chair

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 Mike Hermanson, Committee Legislative Assistant