

**STATE GOVERNMENT FINANCE & ELECTIONS COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Representative Michael V. Nelson, Chair of the Committee, called the virtual State Government Finance & Elections Committee meeting to order at 10:31 AM, February 14, 2022 pursuant to House rule 10.01. The meeting was conducted over Zoom and broadcast via House Public Information Services.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

**Members Present:**

NELSON, Michael V. - Chair  
CARLSON, Andrew - Vice Chair  
NASH, Jim - Minority Lead  
BAHNER, Kristin  
DRAZKOWSKI, Steve  
ELKINS, Steve  
GREENMAN, Emma  
KLEVORN, Ginny  
KOZNICK, Jon  
MASIN, Sandra  
PELOWSKI, Gene  
QUAM, Duane

**Members Abstained:**

NEU BRINDLEY, Anne

A quorum was present.

Representative Klevorn moved that the minutes for February 10, 2022, be adopted. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Vice Chair Carlson assumed the gavel at 10:34 am.

Chair Nelson moved that HF3091 be referred to the General Registry.

The following testified on HF3091:

Commissioner Alice Roberts-Davis, Minnesota Department of Administration  
Wayne Waslaski, Director, Minnesota Department of Administration Real Estate and Construction Services  
Julie Bayerl, Legislative Director, Minnesota Department of Administration

Representative Quam moved Amendment H3091A1. THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL. THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.

Representative Nash moved Amendment H3091A2 and called for a Roll Call Vote.

The clerk noted the roll.

**AYES**

NASH, Jim - Minority Lead  
DRAZKOWSKI, Steve  
KOZNICK, Jon  
NEU BRINDLEY, Anne  
PELOWSKI, Gene  
QUAM, Duane

**NAYS**

NELSON, Michael V. - Chair

CARLSON, Andrew - Vice Chair  
BAHNER, Kristin  
ELKINS, Steve  
GREENMAN, Emma  
KLEVORN, Ginny  
MASIN, Sandra  
PELOWSKI, Gene

With a vote of 5 AYES and 8 NAYS, THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL. THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.

Representative Koznick moved Amendment H3091A3. THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL. THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.

Chair Nelson offered an oral amendment to HF3091:

Page 9, line 2, reinstate the stricken "Mediation" and insert a semicolon.

THE ORAL AMENDMENT WAS INCORPORATED.

Chair Nelson presented HF3091, as amended, Department of Administration provisions changed.

Chair Nelson renewed the motion that HF3091, be referred to the General Registry.

The clerk noted the roll.

AYES

NELSON, Michael V. - Chair  
CARLSON, Andrew - Vice Chair  
BAHNER, Kristin  
ELKINS, Steve  
GREENMAN, Emma  
KLEVORN, Ginny  
MASIN, Sandra  
PELOWSKI, Gene

NAYS

NASH, Jim - Minority Lead  
DRAZKOWSKI, Steve  
KOZNICK, Jon  
NEU BRINDLEY, Anne  
QUAM, Duane

With a vote of 8 AYES and 5 NAYS, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Chair Nelson assumed the gavel at 11:02 am.

Chair Nelson moved that HF3021 be referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

Representative Wolgamott presented HF3021, individuals at least 16 year of age permitted to preregister to vote, and postsecondary student voter registration provisions modified.

The following testified on HF3021:

Secretary of State Steve Simon

Chair Nelson renewed the motion that HF3021, be referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

The clerk noted the roll.

AYES

NELSON, Michael V. - Chair

CARLSON, Andrew - Vice Chair  
BAHNER, Kristin  
ELKINS, Steve  
GREENMAN, Emma  
KLEVORN, Ginny  
MASIN, Sandra  
PELOWSKI, Gene

NAYS  
NASH, Jim - Minority Lead  
DRAZKOWSKI, Steve  
KOZNICK, Jon  
NEU BRINDLEY, Anne  
QUAM, Duane

With a vote of 8 AYES and 5 NAYS, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Presentation on the Governor's supplemental budget requests from the following:

Testifying:

Kent Whitworth, Executive Director, Minnesota Historical Society  
David Kelliher, Director of Government Relations, Minnesota Historical Society  
Doreen Johnson, Executive Director, Board of Accountancy  
Kevin Lindsey, Chief Executive Director, Minnesota Humanities Center

Update on 2023 SEGIP-MMB PBM reverse auction.

Testifying:

Lorna Smith, Enterprise Director, MMB  
Pat Arseneault, Labor Chair of the JLM Reverse Auction Committee, IFO

The committee recessed at 11:56 PM.

The committee reconvened at 4:30 PM.

Chair Nelson moved that HF2900 be referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Representative Frazier presented HF2900, COVID-19 frontline worker payments authorized, and money appropriated.

The following testified on HF2900:

Commissioner Roslyn Robertson, Department of Labor and Industry  
Mary Turner, MNA  
Stacie Armstrong, UFCW 663  
Rodney Ryks, UFCW 663  
Genna Deprey, SEIU Local 284  
Becca Davey, UFCW 663  
Leslie Powell, SEIU Local 26  
Brianna Bernini, SEIU Healthcare Minnesota  
Estela Tirado, CTUL  
Berenice Juarez, Fe y Justicia / Unidos MN  
Maria Hernandez on behalf of Irma Vazquez, Unidos Minnesota  
Taylor Shevey on behalf of Marbella Herrera Villanueva, CTUL  
Alyssa Ingle, Kids Count on US / Faith in Minnesota

Representative Koznick moved Amendment H2900A2 and called for a Roll Call Vote.

The clerk noted the roll.

AYES

NASH, Jim - Minority Lead  
DRAZKOWSKI, Steve

KOZNICK, Jon  
NEU BRINDLEY, Anne  
QUAM, Duane

NAYS

NELSON, Michael V. - Chair  
CARLSON, Andrew - Vice Chair  
BAHNER, Kristin  
ELKINS, Steve  
GREENMAN, Emma  
KLEVORN, Ginny  
MASIN, Sandra  
PELOWSKI, Gene

With a vote of 5 AYES and 8 NAYS, THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL. THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.

Representative Koznick moved Amendment H2900A3 and called for a Roll Call Vote.

The clerk noted the roll.

AYES

NASH, Jim - Minority Lead  
DRAZKOWSKI, Steve  
KOZNICK, Jon  
NEU BRINDLEY, Anne  
QUAM, Duane

NAYS

NELSON, Michael V. - Chair  
CARLSON, Andrew - Vice Chair  
BAHNER, Kristin  
ELKINS, Steve  
GREENMAN, Emma  
KLEVORN, Ginny  
MASIN, Sandra  
PELOWSKI, Gene

With a vote of 5 AYES and 8 NAYS, THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL. THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.

Representative Nash moved that HF2900 be laid on the table.

The clerk noted the roll.

AYES

NASH, Jim - Minority Lead  
DRAZKOWSKI, Steve  
KOZNICK, Jon  
NEU BRINDLEY, Anne  
QUAM, Duane

NAYS

NELSON, Michael V. - Chair  
CARLSON, Andrew - Vice Chair  
BAHNER, Kristin  
ELKINS, Steve  
GREENMAN, Emma  
KLEVORN, Ginny  
MASIN, Sandra

ABSTAINED  
PELOWSKI, Gene

With a vote of 5 AYES, 7 NAYS, and 1 ABSTAINED THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL.

Chair Nelson renewed the motion that HF2900, be referred to the Committee on Taxes.

The clerk noted the roll.

AYES  
NELSON, Michael V. - Chair  
CARLSON, Andrew - Vice Chair  
BAHNER, Kristin  
ELKINS, Steve  
GREENMAN, Emma  
KLEVORN, Ginny  
MASIN, Sandra  
PELOWSKI, Gene

NAYS  
NASH, Jim - Minority Lead  
DRAZKOWSKI, Steve  
KOZNICK, Jon  
NEU BRINDLEY, Anne  
QUAM, Duane

With a vote of 8 AYES and 5 NAYS, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Chair Nelson moved that HF3024 be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Chair Nelson moved that HF3024 be taken off the table.

Representative Boldon presented HF3024, Eligible voters authorized to automatically receive absentee ballot prior to each election.

Chair Nelson moved Amendment H3024A1. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Chair Nelson renewed the motion that HF3024, as amended, be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The clerk noted the roll.

AYES  
NELSON, Michael V. - Chair  
CARLSON, Andrew - Vice Chair  
BAHNER, Kristin  
ELKINS, Steve  
GREENMAN, Emma  
KLEVORN, Ginny  
MASIN, Sandra  
PELOWSKI, Gene

NAYS  
NASH, Jim - Minority Lead  
DRAZKOWSKI, Steve  
KOZNICK, Jon  
NEU BRINDLEY, Anne  
QUAM, Duane

With a vote of 8 AYES and 5 NAYS, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:58 PM.

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Representative Michael Nelson, Chair

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Benjamin Brinks, Committee Legislative Assistant