

Veterans and Military Affairs Division

MINUTES

Representative Bliss, Co-Chair of the Veterans and Military Affairs Division, called the meeting to order at 8:15 AM, on April 9, 2025, in Room G23 of the Capitol Building. A quorum was present.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

BLISS, Matt, Co-Chair
XIONG, Jay, Co-Chair
OLSON, Bjorn, Vice Co-Chair
HEMMINGSEN-JAEGER, Amanda, Vice Co-Chair
BENNETT, Peggy
CLARDY, Mary Frances
DAVIS, Ben
DURAN, Bidal
FEIST, Sandra
HILL, Josiah
REHRAUER, Kari
REPINSKI, Aaron

Representative Feist moved the minutes of April 2, 2025 be approved. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF2444 (Bliss/Xiong) Veterans and military affairs finance bill.

Co-Chair Bliss moved HF2444 be re-referred to the Ways and Means Committee.

Co-Chair Xiong moved the H2444DE2 amendment.

Co-Chair Bliss moved the H2444A2 amendment to the H2444DE2. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Co-Chair Xiong moved the H2444A4 amendment to the H2444DE2 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Co-Chair Xiong renewed the motion that H2444DE2 amendment, as amended, be adopted. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Testifiers:

Lieutenant colonel Eric Athman, Director of Operations, Minnesota Department of Military Affairs
Commissioner Brad Lindsay, Minnesota Department of Military Affairs
Kristy Janigo, American Legion Legislative Chair, Minnesota Association of Country Veterans Service Officers Legislative Chair
Neil Loidolt, CEO and President of Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans

Co-Chair Bliss renewed the motion that HF2444, as amended, be re-referred to the Ways and Means Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 AM.



Representative Bliss, Co-Chair



Alli Winter, Committee Legislative Assistant