

PROPERTY TAX DIVISION

MINUTES

Chair Youakim, Chair of the Property Tax Division, called the remote meeting to order at 3:00 P.M. on March 16, 2022, pursuant to House Rule 10.01. The meeting is being broadcast via Zoom and House Public Information Services.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members Present:

YOUAKIM, Cheryl (Chair)
GOMEZ, Aisha (Vice-Chair)
HERTAUS, Jerry (GOP-Lead)
ANDERSON, Paul
BECKER-FINN, Jamie
FISCHER, Peter
GREEN, Steve
HASSAN, Hodan
HER, Kaohly
MARQUART, Paul
PELOWSKI, Gene
TORKELSON, Paul

Members Excused:

MORTENSEN, Erik

A quorum was present.

Representative Marquart moved the approval of the March 9, 2022 minutes. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 3224 (Huot) Education; long-term facility maintenance revenue increase, local optional revenue increased, enhanced debt service equalization aid provided for consolidating school districts, school district property taxes reduced, school formula equalization aid increased, and money appropriated.

Representative Marquart moved that HF 3224 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

Representative Huot presented the bill.

Public Testimony:

Tim Strom, House Research
Mark Stotts, Director of Finance and Operations, ISD 196
Paul Bertrang, Superintendent of New Ulm School District
Ann Marie Foucault, Superintendent, St. Michael's-Albertville School District
Seth Putz, Building/Grounds, Health/Safety Supervisor, Lake of the Woods Public Schools
Dena Hagen, Executive Director, Northern Lights Education District
Brad Lundell, School for Equity in Education (SEE)

Chair Youakim lays over HF 3224 for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

HF 3906 (Keeler) School property taxes reduced, and local optional revenue equalizing factor increased.

Chair Youakim moved that HF 3906 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

Representative Keeler presented the bill.

Public Testimony:

Tim Strom, House Research

Chair Youakim lays over HF 3906 for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

HF 3725 (Huot) Additional property tax refund modification.

Representative Fischer moved that HF 3725 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

Representative Huot presented the bill.

Chair Youakim lays over HF 3725 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

Vice-Chair Gomez assumed the gavel at 3:49 P.M.

HF 3518 (Youakim) Property tax refunds; co-pays and thresholds reduced, and homestead credit refund maximum increased.

Chair Youakim moved that HF 3518 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

Chair Youakim moved the A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. The A1 amendment was adopted.

Chair Youakim presented the bill, as amended.

Public Testimony:

Nan Madden, Director, Minnesota Budget Project

Jonathan Marchand, Program Coordinator, United Community Action Partnership

Paul Eger, Minnesota Realtors

Eric Bernstein, We Make Minnesota

Vice-Chair Gomez lays over HF 3518, as amended for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

Chair Youakim assumed the gavel at 4:05 P.M.

HF 3866 (Bahner) Maximum refunds increased and eligibility for refunds expanded, and senior claimants and claimants with disabilities exemption amount expanded.

Representative Marquart moved that HF 3866 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

Chair Youakim moved the A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. The A1 amendment was adopted.

Representative Bahner presented the bill, as amended.

Chair Youakim lays over HF 3866, as amended for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

HF 3629 (Morrison) Homestead market value exclusion modified.

Representative Marquart moved that HF 3629 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

Representative Morrison presented the bill.

Chair Youakim lays over HF 3629 for possible inclusion in the Property Tax Division Report.

The committee adjourned at 4:19 P.M.

Representative Cheryl Youakim, Chair

Eric Petersen, Committee Legislative Assistant