

**ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES
FINANCE AND POLICY MINUTES**

Representative Rick Hansen, Chair of the Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy Committee, called the meeting to order at 3:00 P.M. on March 5, 2024, in Room 10 of the State Office Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members Present:

HANSEN, Rick (Chair)
JORDAN, Sydney (Vice Chair)
HEINTZEMAN, Josh (GOP Lead)
BLISS, Matt
BRAND, Jeff
BURKEL, John
EDELSON, Heather
FINKE, Leigh
FISCHER, Peter
GILLMAN, Dawn
JACOB, Steven
LEE, Fue
LISLEGARD, Dave
PURSELL, Kristi
SKRABA, Roger
VANG, Samantha

A quorum was present.

Representative Pursell moved to approve the minutes for the regular February 28, 2024 meeting. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Representative Brand moved to approve the minutes for the first Joint Capital Investment and Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy hearing on February 28, 2024. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Representative Jacob moved to approve the minutes from October 23, 2023. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF3416 (Bierman); Environment; rulemaking relating to solid waste disposal facilities required.

Chair Hansen moved that HF3416 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy Committee omnibus bill.

Representative Bierman presented HF3416.

Testifying on the bill:

- Tom Johnson, Government Relations Director, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
- Brian Martinson, Environment and Natural Resources Policy Analyst, Association of Minnesota Counties; Government Relations Staff Member, Solid Waste Administrators Association.

Chair Hansen renewed the motion that HF3416 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy Committee omnibus bill. The bill was laid over.

HF3617 (Finke); Use of critical habitat private sector matching account modified, reports required, and money appropriated.

Representative Finke moved that HF3617 be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Representative Finke presented HF3617.

Testifying on the bill:

- Melissa Kuskie, Deputy Director, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Ecological and Water Resources Division
- Pat Rivers, Deputy Director, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Division of Fish and Wildlife

Representative Finke renewed the motion that HF3617 be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF3376 (Greenman); Digital image use as proof of possession of game and fish licenses allowed.

Chair Hansen moved that HF3376 be re-referred to the General Register.

Chair Hansen moved to adopt the A3 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Greenman presented HF3376, as amended.

Chair Hansen renewed the motion that HF3376, as amended, be re-referred to the General Register. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF3461 (Finke); Forest industry data classified.

Representative Finke moved that HF3461 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy Committee omnibus bill.

Representative Finke presented HF3461.

Testifying on the bill:

- Jon Drimel, Forest Operations and Management Section Manager, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Division of Forestry

Representative Finke renewed the motion that HF3461 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy Committee omnibus bill. The bill was laid over.

HF4015 (Jordan); Native rough fish provided, conforming changes made for aquatic farm licenses and taking and possessing fish, and rulemaking authorized.

Representative Jordan moved that HF4015 be re-referred to the General Register.

Representative Jordan moved to adopt the A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Jordan presented HF4015, as amended.

Testifying on the bill:

- Shannon Fisher, Fisheries Populations Monitoring and Regulations Manager, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources
- Tyler Winter, Founding Member, Native Fish for Tomorrow; Member, Izaak Walton League of America

Representative Jordan renewed the motion that HF4015, as amended, be re-referred to the General Register. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Representative Jordan assumed the gavel at 3:58 P.M.

HF3791 (Hansen, R.); New electronic license system provided, and conforming changes made.

Chair Hansen moved that HF3791 be re-referred to the General Register.

Chair Hansen presented HF3791.

Testifying on the bill:

- Dave Olfelt, Director, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Division of Fish and Wildlife

Chair Hansen renewed the motion that HF3791 be re-referred to the General Register. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:12 P.M.

Representative Rick Hansen, Chair

Sam O'Neill, Committee Legislative Assistant