

Energy Finance and Policy Committee

MINUTES

Representative Swedzinski, Chair of the Energy Finance and Policy Committee, called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM, on February 25, 2025, in Room 123 of the Capitol Building. A quorum was present.

Representative Mekeland moved the minutes of February 20, 2025 be approved. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

SWEDZINSKI, Chris, Chair
MURPHY, Tom, Vice Chair
ACOMB, Patty, Lead
ANDERSON, Paul
BAKER, Dave
CARROLL, Ned
FRAZIER, Cedrick
HOLLINS, Athena
IGO, Spencer
JONES, Katie
KRAFT, Larry
MAHAMOUD, Anquam
MEKELAND, Shane
SEXTON, Thomas
WIENER, Mike

Non-voting member present:

TABKE, Brad

H249 (Igo) Carbon-free definition amended.

Representative Igo moved HF249 be referred to the General Register.

Representative Igo moved to adopt the A1 authors amendment. **THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

The following individuals testified on HF249:
Ray Higgins, Minnesota Timber Producers Association
Tom McCabe, McCabe Forest Products
Rod Enberg, Enberg Logging
Rick Horton, Minnesota Forest Industries
Sarah Mooradian, CURE

Representative Igo renews the motion that HF249 as Amended be referred to the General Register. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

HF1311 (Mekeland) Procedures governing cost recovery for public utility electric generation and transmission assets modified.

Representative Mekeland moved HF1311 be referred to the General Register.

The following individuals testified on HF1311:
Isaac Orr, Always On Energy Research
Sam Smith, Department of Commerce

Veda Kanitz, DFL Environmental Caucus
Sarah Montalbano, Center of the American Experiment

Representative Mekeland amended the motion that HF1311 be referred to the Ways and Means Committee **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

Representative Mekeland renews the motion that HF1311 be referred to the Ways and Means Committee.

Representative Acomb requested a roll call vote. The result is as follows:

AYES:

SWEDZINSKI, Chris, Chair
MURPHY, Tom, Vice Chair
ANDERSON, Paul
BAKER, Dave
IGO, Spencer
MEKELAND, Shane
SEXTON, Thomas
WIENER, Mike

NAYS:

ACOMB, Patty, Lead
CARROLL, Ned
FRAZIER, Cedrick
HOLLINS, Athena
JONES, Katie
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On a vote of 8 Ayes and 7 Nays **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:21 PM.

Representative Chris Swedzinski, Chair

Sharon Goblisch, Committee Legislative Assistant