

Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy Committee

MINUTES

Representative Josh Heintzeman, Chair of the Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy Committee, called the meeting to order at 1:02 PM, on March 24, 2026, in Room G3 of the Capitol Building.

Members present:

HEINTZEMAN, Josh, GOP Chair
FISCHER, Peter, DFL Chair
BURKEL, John, GOP Vice Chair
PURSELL, Kristi, DFL Vice Chair
FALCONER, Alex
FINKE, Leigh
GILLMAN, Dawn
GOTTFRIED, David
HANSEN, Rick
JACOB, Steven
JORDAN, Sydney
NELSON, Nathan
WARWAS, Cal
SCHULTZ, Isaac

A quorum was present.

Vice Chair Burkel moved the minutes of March 17, 2025, be approved. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

Vice Chair Burkel moved the minutes of March 12, 2025, be approved. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

HF 4253 (Bliss) Rule amendments on boat storage structures in public waters required.

Chair Heintzeman moved that HF 4253 be laid over for possible inclusion in a future bill.

Chair Heintzeman moved the H4253DE1 amendment. **THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

The following individual testified on HF 4253 as amended:

Jason Moeckel, Assistant Division Director of Ecological and Water Resources, Department of Natural Resources.

Chair Heintzeman renewed the motion that HF 4253 be laid over for possible inclusion in a future bill.

Chair Heintzeman laid over HF 4253.

HF 4019 (Schultz) Mt. Simon-Hinckley aquifer appropriation permits eligibility criteria expanded.

Representative Schultz moved that HF 4019 be placed on the General Register.

Representative Schultz moved the H4019DE4 amendment. **THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Representative Schultz moved the H4019A1 amendment.

Representative Schultz moved to incorporate the oral amendment to the H4019A1 amendment: Line 1.6, delete “installation of” and insert “a water permit has been granted”. Line 1.7, delete “a new well”. **THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE ORAL AMENDMENT WAS INCORPORATED.**

Representative Schultz renewed the motion to adopt the H4019A1 amendment, as amended. **THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

The following individuals testified on HF 4019 as amended:

Jason Moeckel, Assistant Division Director of Ecological and Water Resources, Department of Natural Resources.

Caroline Griffith, Director of the Water Program, Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy.

Jim Berg.

Representative Schultz renewed the motion that HF 4019, as amended, be placed on the General Register. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

Vice Chair Burkel assumed the gavel at 1:28 PM.

HF 4257 (Heintzeman) Date by which manufacturers are required to submit information about products containing intentionally added PFAS modified, and use of PFAS in products as currently unavoidable uses clarified.

Chair Heintzeman moved that HF 4257 be laid over for possible inclusion in a future bill.

Chair Heintzeman moved the H4257A1 amendment. **THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

The following individuals testified on HF 4257 as amended:

Tom Johnson, Director of Government Relations and External Affairs, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency.

Martha Marrapese, General Council, Complex Products Manufacturers Coalition.

Heidi Adelsman, Nurse, Alliance of Nurses for a Healthy Environment.

Andrew Morley, Director, Environmental Policy, Minnesota Chamber of Commerce, National Association of Manufacturers.

Amanda Duerr, Director of Government Affairs, Minnesota Auto Dealers Association.

Avonna Starck, State Director, Clean Water Action.

Malika Butler, Director of State Affairs, Alliance for Automotive Innovation.

Tony Kwilas, Consumer Technology Association.

Chair Heintzeman renewed the motion that HF 4257, as amended, be laid over for possible inclusion in a future bill.

Vice Chair Burkel laid over HF 4257.

HF 4149 (Heintzeman) Soil and water conservation provisions modified.

Chair Heintzeman moved that HF 4149 be placed on the General Register.

Chair Heintzeman moved the H4149A1 amendment.

The following individual testified and provided a walkthrough of the H4149A1 amendment:

John Jaschke, Executive Director, Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources.

The following individuals testified on HF 4149:

Sheila Vanney, Assistant Director, Minnesota Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts.

Ed Arneson, Commissioner, Lake of the Woods County (via Zoom).

Chair Heintzeman withdrew the H4149A1 amendment.

Chair Heintzeman renewed the motion that HF 4149 be placed on the General Register. **THE**

MOTION PREVAILED.

Chair Heintzeman assumed the gavel at 2:30 PM.

HF 3236 (Burkel) Requirements for water appropriations permits modified.

Vice Chair Burkel moved that HF 3236 be laid over for possible inclusion in a future bill.

Vice Chair Burkel moved the H3236DE1 amendment. **THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

The following individuals testified on HF 3236 as amended:

Jason Moeckel, Assistant Division Director of Ecological and Water Resources, Department of Natural Resources.

Darin Broton, Executive Director, AgriGrowth.

Jake Wildman, President, Irrigators Association of Minnesota.

Vice Chair Burkel renewed the motion that HF 3236, as amended, be laid over for possible inclusion in a future bill.

Chair Heintzeman laid over HF 3236.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 PM.

Representative Josh Heintzeman, Chair

Shaelong Yang, Committee Legislative Assistant