

Taxes Committee

**MINUTES**

Representative Davids, Chair of the Taxes Committee, called the meeting to order at 10:15 AM on February 12, 2025, in Room 120 of the State Capitol Building. A quorum was present.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

DAVIDS, Greg Chair  
JOY, Jim Vice Chair  
GOMEZ, Aisha  
ANDERSON, Patti  
ELKINS, Steve  
FREIBERG, Mike  
HANSON, Jessica  
HARDER, Bobbie  
HER, Kaohly  
HUOT, John  
JOHNSON, Wayne  
LEE, Liz  
ROACH, Drew  
ROBBINS, Kristin  
SCHWARTZ, Erica  
SMITH, Andy  
STEPHENSON, Zach  
SWEDZINSKI, Chris  
WARWAS, Cal  
WEINER, Mike  
WITTE, Jeff  
YOUAKIM, Cheryl

Non-Voting member present:

NORRIS, Matt

Members Excused: KOZLOWSKI, Liish

Members Absent:

Representative Joy moved the minutes from February 11, 2025 be approved. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

**HF179 (Wiener) Browerville Public Schools; refundable sales and tax exemption for construction materials provided.**

Representative Wiener moved to adopt the A1 Amendment. **THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Testifying:

Scott Vedraaten, Superintendent, Browerville Public Schools

Representative Davids laid over HF179 as amended for possible inclusion in the Tax Omnibus Bill.

**HFXXX (Harder) Watertown sales tax exemption for construction materials authorization.**

\*Informational only. The House bill will be introduced Thursday, February 12, 2025

Testifying:

Mike Walters, Mayor, Watertown, Minnesota

**HF174 (Davids) Taxation of certain cooperative association property modified.**

Testifying:

Jenny Glumack, Director of Government Relations, Minnesota Rural Electric Association  
Joanna Bayers, Legislative Director, Minnesota Department of Revenue

Representative Davids laid over HF174 for possible inclusion in the Tax Omnibus Bill.

**HF100 (Repinski) Individual income tax provisions modified, and unlimited Social Security subtraction allowed.**

Representative Repinski moved to adopt the following oral amendment:

1.1 ..... moves to amend H.F. No. 100 as follows:

1.2 Page 2, line 21, before "The" insert "(a)"

1.3 Page 2, after line 21, insert:

1.4 "(b) For the purposes of this section, "Social Security benefits" has the meaning given 1.5 in section 86(d)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code."

**THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Testifying:

Arline Datu, Seniors for the Future  
Eric Bernstein, Coalition Director, We Make Minnesota  
Nan Madden, Budget Project Director, Minnesota Coalition of Nonprofits  
Cathleen Cotter, St. Resident, Retired

Representative Davids moved that HF100 as amended be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and requested a roll call vote: The results were as follows:

AYES:

DAVIDS, Greg  
JOY, Jim  
ANDERSON, Patti  
HARDER, Bobbie  
JOHNSON, Wayne  
ROACH, Drew  
ROBBINS, Kristen  
SCHWARTZ, Erica  
SWEDZINSKI, Chris  
WARWAS, Cal  
WIENER, Mike  
WITTE, Jeff

NAYS:

GOMEZ, Aisha  
ELKINS, Steve  
FREIBERG, Mike

HANSON, Jessica  
HER, Kaohly  
HUOT, John  
LEE, Liz  
SMITH, Andy  
STEPHENSON, Zack  
YOUAKIM. Cheryl

On a vote of 12 Ayes and 10 Nays, **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 PM.

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Representative Greg Davids, Chair

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Jennifer H. Goblirsch Committee Legislative Assistant