

Judiciary Finance and Civil Law Committee

**MINUTES**

Representative Scott, Chair of the Judiciary Finance and Civil Law Committee, called the meeting at 10:15 AM, on February 13th, 2025, in Room G3 of the Capitol Building. A quorum was present.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

SCOTT, Peggy, Chair  
HUDSON, Walter, Vice Chair  
BLISS, Matt  
CURRAN, Brion  
DURAN, Bidal  
ENGEN, Elliot  
FEIST, Sandra  
FINKE, Leigh  
FRAZIER, Cedrick  
MAHAMOUD, Anquam  
MOLLER, Kelly  
RARICK, Marion  
STIER, Terry

Non-Voting member present:

LIEBLING, Tina, Lead

Representative Mahmoud moved the minutes of February 11th, 2025, be approved. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

**HF 20 (Niska) Classification of certain data maintained by the attorney general clarified.**

Chair Scott moved that HF 20 be re-referred to the General Registry.

**Testifiers:**

Representative Niska, Minnesota House of Representatives, testified in favor of HF 20.

Don Gemberling, Minnesotans for Open Government, testified in favor of HF 20.

James Dickey, Senior Trial Counsel, Upper Midwest Law Center testified in favor of HF 20.

Rich Neumeister, Citizen advocate, testified in favor of HF 20.

Oliver Larson, Attorney General's office, testified in opposition of HF 20

Lead Liebling moved that HF 20 be re-referred to the Committee on State Government committee and requested a roll call. The result is as follows:

AYES

CURRAN, Brion  
FEIST, Sandra  
FINKE, Leigh  
FRAZIER, Cedrick  
MAHAMOUD, Anquam  
MOLLER, Kelly

NAYS

SCOTT, Peggy  
HUDSON, Walter  
BLISS, Matt  
DURAN, Bidal  
ENGEN, Elliot  
RARICK, Marion  
STIER, Terry

On a vote of 6 ayes and 7 nays, **THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL.**

Chair Scott renewed her motion that HF 20 be re-referred to the General Registry.

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

AYES

SCOTT, Peggy  
HUDSON, Walter  
BLISS, Matt  
DURAN, Bidal  
ENGEN, Elliot  
RARICK, Marion  
STIER, Terry

NAYS

CURRAN, Brion  
FEIST, Sandra  
FINKE, Leigh  
FRAZIER, Cedrick  
MAHAMOUD, Anquam  
MOLLER, Kelly

On a vote of 7 ayes and 6 nays **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

Taya Moxley-Goldsmith, Director, Data Practices Office, testified on behalf of The Minnesota Department of Administration about the workings and responsibilities of The Minnesota Department of Administration.

Vice Chair Hudson assumed the gavel at 11:38 AM.

Chair Scott re-assumed the gavel at 11:42 AM.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:57 AM.



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Representative Scott, Chair



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Liam Edgar, Committee Legislative Assistant