

**ELECTIONS FINANCE AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

Representative Quam, Co-Chair of the Elections Finance and Government Operations Committee, called the meeting to order at 1:00PM on February 23, 2026, in Room G23 of the State Capitol Building. A quorum was present.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

QUAM, Duane, Co-Chair
FREIBERG, Mike, Co-Chair
ALTENDORF, Pam, Co-Vice Chair
LEE, Liz, Co-Vice Chair
ACOMB, Patty
COULTER, Nathan
DAVIS, Ben
GORDON, Jimmy
GREENMAN, Emma
McDONALD, Joe
ROACH, Drew
VIRNIG, Bianca

A quorum was present.

Representative Davis moved the minutes of February 18, 2026, be approved. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

HF 1667 (Schomacker) Water and sewer systems added to the definition of municipality, and maximum tort liability for certain water and sewer districts set.

Rep. Altendorf moved HF 1667 before the committee.

Rep. Altendorf moved to adopt the A1 amendment. **THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Co-Vice Chair Altendorf moved to re-refer HF 1667 as amended to the Judiciary Finance and Civil Law Committee. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

Testifiers:

Dominic Jones, Manager, Red Rock Rural Water System
Craig Johnson, Intergovernmental Relations, League of Minnesota Cities

HF 2526 (Duran) Exceptions to prohibition against gifts to local officials expanded.

Rep. Roach moved HF 2526 before the committee.

Co-Chair Freiberg moved to adopt the A1 amendment.

Testifiers:

Chris Tetrault, President, Hometown Hero Outdoors
Dave Titus, Executive Director, Minnesota Police and Peace Officers Association

Co-Chair Quam laid over HF 2526.

Co-Vice Chair Altendorf assumed the gavel at 2:00pm.

HF 68 (Quam) Retention elections for persons appointed to certain county officers required.

Co-Chair Quam moved HF 68 before the committee.

Co-Vice Chair Altendorf laid over HF 68.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:12PM.



Representative Duane Quam, Co-Chair



Joseph Fruehauf, Committee Legislative Assistant