

**CLIMATE AND ENERGY FINANCE AND POLICY MINUTES**

Representative Jamie Long, Chair of the Committee on Climate and Energy Finance and Policy, called the virtual meeting to order at 10:30 AM on January 28th, 2021 pursuant to House rule 10.01. The meeting was broadcast via Zoom and House Public Information Services.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

**Members present:**

Long, Jamie, Chair  
Acomb, Patty, Vice Chair  
Swedzinski, Chris, Republican Lead  
Bierman, Robert  
Boe, Greg  
Christensen, Shelly  
Franson, Mary  
Gruenhagen, Glenn  
Hollins, Athena  
Hornstein, Frank  
Igo, Spencer  
Lee, Fue  
Lippert, Todd  
Lislegard, Dave  
Mekeland, Shane  
Munson, Jeremy  
Stephenson, Zack

A quorum was present.

Representative Acomb assumed the gavel at 10:40 AM.

Representative Long moved that HF 278 be laid over for possible inclusion.

Representative Long presented HF 278, A bill for an act relating to energy; modifying electric utility renewable energy standard obligations; modifying Public Utility Commission authority to issue site permits for electric generation facilities; amending Minnesota Statutes 2020, sections 216B.1691, subdivisions 1, 2a, 2b, 2d, 2e, 2f, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, by adding a subdivision; 216E.03, subdivision 10; 216F.04; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 216B.1691, subdivision 2.

Testifying on HF 278:

- Joe Hoppe, Otter Tail Power Company

- Halley Norman, TakeAction Minneapolis
- Elisah VandenBussche, Chemical Engineering PhD Candidate, UMN-TC
- Commissioner Victoria Reinhardt, Ramsey County

Representative Hornstein moved the H0278A13 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Hornstein moved the H0278A19 amendment.

Representative Stephenson offered an oral amendment to the H0278A19 amendment as follows: Page 1, line 12, after “day” insert “or more.” THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE ORAL AMENDMENT WAS INCORPORATED.

Representative Hornstein renewed his motion to adopt the H0278A19 amendment, as amended.

Representative Swedzinski requested a roll call on the H0278A19 amendment, as amended.

AYES:

Long  
Acomb  
Bierman  
Christensen  
Hollins  
Hornstein  
Lee  
Lippert  
Stephenson

NAYS:

Swedzinski  
Boe  
Franson  
Gruenhagen  
Igo  
Mekeland  
Munson

ABSTAINED:

Lislegard

There being 9 ayes, 7 nays, and 1 abstention, THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Hornstein withdrew the H0278A20 amendment.

Representative Swedzinski moved the H0278A5 amendment

Representative Swedzinski requested a roll call on the H0278A5 amendment

AYES:

Swedzinski  
Boe  
Franson  
Gruenhagen  
Igo  
Mekeland  
Munson

NAYS:

Long  
Acomb  
Bierman  
Christensen  
Hollins  
Hornstein  
Lee  
Lippert  
Lislegard  
Stephenson

There being 7 ayes and 10 nays, THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL. THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.

Representative Swedzinski moved the H0278A3 amendment. THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL. THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.

Representative Boe moved the H0278A4 amendment

Representative Mekeland requested a roll call on the H0178A4

AYES:

Swedzinski  
Boe  
Franson  
Gruenhagen  
Igo  
Mekeland  
Munson

NAYS:

Long  
Acomb  
Bierman  
Christensen  
Hollins  
Hornstein  
Lee  
Lippert  
Lislegard  
Stephenson

There being 7 ayes and 10 nays, THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL. THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED

Representative Mekeland moved the H0278A6 amendment

Representative Franson requested a roll call on the H0278A6 amendment

AYES:

Swedzinski  
Boe  
Franson  
Gruenhagen  
Igo  
Lislegard  
Mekeland  
Munson

NAYS:

Long  
Acomb  
Bierman  
Christensen  
Hollins  
Hornstein  
Lee  
Lippert  
Stephenson

There being 8 ayes and 9 nays, THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL. THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED

Representative Swedzinski moved to table HF 278

Representative Swedzinski requested a roll call on the motion to table HF 278

AYES:

Swedzinski  
Boe  
Franson  
Gruenhagen  
Igo  
Lislegard  
Mekeland  
Munson

NAYS:

Long  
Acomb  
Bierman  
Christensen  
Hollins  
Hornstein  
Lee  
Lippert  
Lislegard  
Stephenson

There being 7 ayes and 10 nays, THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:01 PM.

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Representative Jamie Long, Chair

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Mike Hermanson, Committee Legislative Assistant