

TRANSPORTATION FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Representative Frank Hornstein, Chair of the Transportation Finance and Policy Committee, called the virtual meeting to order at 1:00pm on March 16, 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:

HORNSTEIN, Frank, Chair
KOEGL, Erin, Vice-Chair
PETERSBURG, John, Lead
BAHR, Cal
BERNARDY, Connie
EKLINS, Steve
FREDERICK, Luke
HAUSMAN, Alice
HEINRICH, John
KOZNICK, Jon
MASIN, Sandra
MURPHY, Mary
NELSON, Michael
OLSON, Bjorn
RICHARDSON, Ruth
TORKEKELSON, Paul
WEST, Nolan

A quorum was present.

Rep. Petersburg moved to adopt the minutes from the March 12 meeting. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 2172 (Wolgamott) School bus stop-signal arm violation fines required to be deposited into the school bus stop-signal arm camera grant account, commissioner of public safety required to make grants, and money appropriated.

Chair Hornstein moved that HF 2172 be referred to the Judiciary Finance and Civil Law Committee.

Chair Hornstein moved that the A21-0086 amendment be adopted. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Rep. Wolgamott gave an overview of HF 2172, as amended.

Public Testimony on HF 2172, as amended

Jean Souliere, CEO of BusPatrol

Chair Hornstein renewed the motion that HF 2172, as amended, be referred to the Judiciary Finance and Civil Law Committee. The results were as follows:

AYES:

HORNSTEIN, Frank
KOEGL, Erin
PETERSBURG, John
BERNARDY, Connie
EKLINS, Steve
FREDERICK, Luke
HAUSMAN, Alice
HEINRICH, John
MASIN, Sandra

MURPHY, Mary
NELSON, Michael
OLSON, Bjorn
RICHARDSON, Ruth
TORSELSON, Paul

NAYS:

BAHR, Cal
KOZNICK, Jon
WEST, Nolan

There being 14 AYES and 3 NAYS, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 1204 (Wolgamott) Minnesota 100 Club special plates established, and money appropriated.

Chair Hornstein moved that HF 1204 be referred to the Ways and Means Committee.

Chair Hornstein moved that the H1204A1 amendment be adopted. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Rep. Wolgamott gave an overview of HF 1204, as amended.

Public Testimony on HF 1204, as amended

Dan Retka, Assistant Chief, Spring Lake Park/Blaine/Mounds View Fire
Arik Matson, Patrol Officer, Waseca

Chair Hornstein renewed the motion to refer HF 1204, as amended, to the Ways and Means Committee.
The results were as follows:

AYES:

HORNSTEIN, Frank
KOEGL, Erin
PETERSBURG, John
BERNARDY, Connie
EKLINS, Steve
FREDERICK, Luke
HAUSMAN, Alice
HEINRICH, John
KOZNICK, Jon
MURPHY, Mary
NELSON, Michael
OLSON, Bjorn
RICHARDSON, Ruth
TORSELSON, Paul
WEST, Nolan

NAYS:

BAHR, Cal

There being 15 AYES and 1 NAY, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 586 (Murphy) Volunteer drivers receiving funding from public transit participation program clarified as not for hire.

Rep. Murphy moved that HF 586 be referred to the General Register.

Rep. Murphy gave an overview of HF 586.

Public Testimony on HF 586

John Dukich, MnDOT

Rep. Murphy renewed the motion that HF 586 be referred to the General Register. The results were as follows:

AYES:

HORNSTEIN, Frank
KOEGL, Erin
PETERSBURG, John
BAHR, Cal
BERNARDY, Connie
FREDERICK, Luke
HAUSMAN, Alice
HEINRICH, John
KOZNICK, Jon
MURPHY, Mary
NELSON, Michael
OLSON, Bjorn
RICHARDSON, Ruth
TORKELSON, Paul
WEST, Nolan

NAYS:

None.

There being 15 AYES and 0 NAYS, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 1232 (Petersburg) Motorcycle endorsement fees increased.

Chair Hornstein moved that HF 1232 be laid over for possible inclusion in a finance bill.

Chair Hornstein moved that the H1232DE1 amendment be adopted. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Rep. Petersburg gave an overview of HF 1232, as amended.

Public Testimony on HF 1232, as amended

Frank Ernst, A.B.A.T.E

Chair Hornstein laid over HF 1232, as amended.

HF 1675 (Huot) Agriculture special license plates established, and money appropriated.

Chair Hornstein moved that HF 1675 be referred to the Ways and Means Committee.

Chair Hornstein moved that the H1675A1 amendment be adopted. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Public Testimony on HF 1675, as amended

Val Arsvold, Executive Director, Minnesota FFA Foundation
Laney Swiers, State Sentinel, Minnesota FFA

Chair Hornstein recessed the meeting at 2:30pm.

Chair Hornstein reconvened the meeting at 5:00pm.

Chair Hornstein renewed the motion that HF 1675, as amended be referred to the Ways and Means Committee. The results were as follows:

AYES:

HORNSTEIN, Frank
KOEGL, Erin
PETERSBURG, John

BAHR, Cal
BERNARDY, Connie
EKLINS, Steve
FREDERICK, Luke
HAUSMAN, Alice
HEINRICH, John
KOZNICK, Jon
MASIN, Sandra
NELSON, Michael
OLSON, Bjorn
RICHARDSON, Ruth
TORKEKELSON, Paul
WEST, Nolan

NAYS:

None.

There being 16 AYES and 0 NAYS, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Vice-Chair Koegel assumed the gavel at 5:09pm.

HF 964 (Hornstein) Motor vehicle title fee transfers, mileage disclosures, driver's license photograph variances, deputy registrar fees, and vehicle registration tax due date policies changed.

Rep. Hornstein moved that HF 964 be referred to the General Register.

Rep. Hornstein gave an overview of HF 964.

Rep. Hornstein moved that the H0964A1 amendment be adopted. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Rep. Hornstein renewed the motion that HF 964, as amended, be referred to the General Register. The results were as follows:

AYES:

HORNSTEIN, Frank
KOEKEL, Erin
PETERSBURG, John
BAHR, Cal
BERNARDY, Connie
EKLINS, Steve
FREDERICK, Luke
HAUSMAN, Alice
HEINRICH, John
KOZNICK, Jon
MASIN, Sandra
NELSON, Michael
OLSON, Bjorn
RICHARDSON, Ruth
TORKEKELSON, Paul
WEST, Nolan

NAYS:

None.

There being 16 AYES and 0 NAYS, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Rep. Hornstein assumed the gavel at 5:21pm.

HF 1620 (Lippert) Motor vehicle rental tax revenue allocation amended.

Chair Hornstein moved that HF 1620 be laid over for possible inclusion in a finance bill.

Chair Hornstein moved that the H1620A1 amendment be adopted. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Rep. Lippert gave an overview of HF 1620, as amended.

Public Testimony on HF 1620, as amended

Cap O'Rourke, Executive Director, Minnesota Association of Small Cities
Brian Heck, City of Montgomery
Steve Fenske, General Counsel, Minnesota Association of Townships
Margaret Donahoe, Executive Director, Minnesota Transportation Alliance

Chair Hornstein laid over HF 1620, as amended.

HF 1147 (Olson) Small city assistance program funding provided, and money appropriated.

Rep. Olson moved that HF 1147 be laid over for possible inclusion in a finance bill.

Rep. Olson moved that the H1147A1 amendment be adopted. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Rep. Olson gave an overview of HF 1147, as amended.

Public Testimony on HF 1147, as amended

Cap O'Rourke, Executive Director, Minnesota Association of Small Cities

Chair Hornstein laid over HF 1147.

HF 1148 (Olson) Town road and bridges funded, and money appropriated.

Rep. Olson moved that HF 1148 be laid over for possible inclusion in a finance bill.

Rep. Olson moved that the H1148A21 amendment be adopted. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Rep. Olson gave an overview of HF 1148, as amended.

Public Testimony on HF 1148, as amended

Steve Fenske, General Counsel, Minnesota Association of Townships

Chair Hornstein laid over HF 1148.

Chair Hornstein adjourned the meeting at 6:20pm.

Representative Frank Hornstein, Chair

Dan Dodge, Committee Legislative Assistant