

STATE OF MINNESOTA TWELFTH MEETING  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES NINETY-SECOND SESSION

Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy

MINUTES

Representative Hansen, Chair of the Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy Committee, called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M. on February 18th, 2021, pursuant to House rule 10.01. The meeting was conducted over Zoom and broadcast via House Public Information Services, Facebook Live, and YouTube live streaming.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

HANSEN, Rick (Chair)  
WAZLAWIK, Ami (Vice Chair)  
HEINTZEMAN, Josh (Lead)  
ACOMB, Patty  
AKLAND, Susan  
BACKER, Jeff  
BECKER-FINN, Jamie  
ECKLUND, Rob  
FISCHER, Peter  
GREEN, Steve  
IGO, Spencer  
JORDAN, Sydney  
KEELER, Heather  
LEE, Fue  
LIPPERT, Todd  
LUECK, Dale  
MORRISON, Kelly  
NELSON, Nathan  
THEIS, Tama

Chair Hansen called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M. A quorum was present.

Rep. Heintzeman moved that the minutes from February 16th, 2021 be approved. MOTION PREVAILED.

HF634 (BECKER-FINN) Outdoor heritage fund money appropriated..

Rep. Becker-Finn moved that HF634 be recommended to be re-referred to the Legacy Finance Committee.

Rep. Becker-Finn moved H0634A1 to amend HF634, the MOTION PREVAILED and amendment was adopted.

Rep. Becker-Finn presented the bill, as amended.

Rep. Becker-Finn renewed her motion that HF634, as amended, be recommended to be re-referred to the Legacy Finance Committee and a roll was taken:

AYES:

HANSEN, Rick (Chair)  
WAZLAWIK, Ami (Vice Chair)  
HEINTZEMAN, Josh (Lead)  
ACOMB, Patty  
AKLAND, Susan  
BECKER-FINN, Jamie  
ECKLUND, Rob  
FISCHER, Peter  
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LUECK, Dale  
MORRISON, Kelly  
NELSON, Nathan  
THEIS, Tama

Nays:

BACKER, Jeff  
GREEN, Steve

By a vote of 17 Ayes and 2 Nays the MOTION PREVAILED.

Testifiers:

Mark Johnson, Executive Director Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council

HF76 (BECKER-FINN) Outdoor recreation grant account established, and money appropriated.

Rep. Becker-Finn moved that HF76 be laid over for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill

Rep. Becker-Finn moved H0076A1 to amend HF76, the MOTION PREVAILED and the amendment was adopted

Rep. Becker-Finn renewed the motion that HF76, as amended, be laid over for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill, and the bill was laid over.

Testifiers:

Jeff Ledermann, Department of Natural Resources

Hannah Geressu

Vince Patton, All Nations South High School

Rich Courtemanche, Land Commissioner, Aitkin County Land Development

Matt Young, MN Association for Environmental Education

Sarah Milligan-Tofner, Children and Nature Network

HF45 (ECKLUND) All-terrain vehicle trail funding provided, all-terrain vehicle trail construction appropriation availability extended, and money appropriated.

Rep. Ecklund moved that HF45 be laid over for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

Rep. Ecklund presented the bill.

Rep. Ecklund renewed the motion that HF45 be laid over for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill, and the bill was laid over.

Testifiers:

Nick Wognum, President Prospector Loop Alliance

Ron Potter, President of the MN ATV Association

Dan Wilm, private citizen

HF191 (KOZNICK) Byllesby Dam infrastructure construction funding provided, and money appropriated.

Rep. Hansen moved that HF191 be re-referred to the Climate and Energy Finance and Policy Committee without recommendation.

Rep. Koznick presented the bill.

Rep. Hansen renewed the motion that HF191 be re-referred to the Climate and Energy Finance and Policy Committee without recommendation and a roll was taken:

AYES:

HANSEN, Rick (Chair)

WAZLAWIK, Ami (Vice Chair)  
HEINTZEMAN, Josh (Lead)  
ACOMB, Patty  
AKLAND, Susan  
BACKER, Jeff  
BECKER-FINN, Jamie  
ECKLUND, Rob  
FISCHER, Peter  
GREEN, Steve  
IGO, Spencer  
JORDAN, Sydney  
KEELER, Heather  
LEE, Fue  
LIPPERT, Todd  
LUECK, Dale  
MORRISON, Kelly  
NELSON, Nathan  
THEIS, Tama

By a vote of 19 Ayes and 0 Nays the MOTION PREVAILED.

Testifiers:

Mike Slavik, Commissioner Dakota County  
Josh Peterson, Senior Water Resources Engineer Dakota County  
Bob Meier, Assistant Commissioner DNR

Rep. Hansen adjourned the meeting at 2:31 P.M.

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Rick Hansen  
Chair of Environment Finance and Policy

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Adam Kopel  
Committee Legislative Assistant