

ENERGY FINANCE AND POLICY MINUTES

Representative Acomb, Co-Chair of the Committee on Energy Finance and Policy, called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM on Tuesday March 25, 2025 in Room 123 of the State Capitol.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

ACOMB, Patty, Co-Chair
SWEDZINSKI, Chris, Co-Chair
KRAFT, Larry, Co-Vice Chair
MURPHY, Tom, Co-Vice Chair
ANDERSON, Paul
BAKER, Dave
CARROLL, Ned
FRAZIER, Cedric
HOLLINS, Athena
IGO, Spencer
JONES, Katie
MAHAMOUD, Anquam
MEKELAND, Shane
SEXTON, Thomas
TABKE, Brad
WIENER, Mike

A quorum was present.

Representative Swedzinski moved that the minutes from March 20, 2025 be approved. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 2498 (Hemmingsen-Jaeger) Geothermal heat exchange system rebate program established, and money appropriated.

Representative Hemmingsen-Jaeger moved HF 2498 before the committee.

Representative Hemmingsen-Jaeger moved the A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Hemmingsen-Jaeger moved that HF 2498, as amended, be laid over.

Representative Hemmingsen-Jaeger presented HF 2498 as amended.

Testifying on HF 2498 as amended:

- Aurora Vautrin, Legislative Director 100%
- Willy Miley, Regulatory Director, Darcy Solutions

Representative Hemmingsen-Jaeger renewed the motion that HF 2498, as amended, be laid over. HF 2498 was laid over.

HF 2366 (Wolgamott) Green Hydrogen Project funding provided, and money appropriated.

Representative Hollins moved HF 2366 before the committee.

Representative Hollins moved that HF 2366 be laid over.

Representative Hollins presented HF 2366.

Testifying on HF 2366:

- Tracy Hodel
- Dr. Margaret Cherne-Hendrick, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Fresh Energy

Representative Hollins renewed the motion that HF 2366 be laid over. HF 2366 was laid over.

HF 2423 (Tabke) Emerald ash borer-infested tree disposal funding provided, and money appropriated.

Representative Tabke moved HF 2423 before the committee.

Representative Tabke moved the DE1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS AOPTED.

Representative Tabke presented HF 2423, as amended.

Testifying on HF 2423 as amended:

- Stacy Cook, Vice President for Corporate Sustainability, Rahr Sustainability

Representative Tabke renewed the motion that HF 2423, as amended, be laid over. HF 2423 was laid over.

HF 771 (Kraft) Supplemental energy assistance funding provided, annual report required, and money appropriated.

Representative Kraft moved HF 771 before the committee.

Representative Kraft moved the DE2 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Kraft presented HF 771, as amended.

Testifying on HF 771 as amended:

- Annie Levenson-Falk, Executive Director, Citizen's Utility Board
- Tricia Elite, Government Affairs Representative, Minnesota Rural Electrical Energy Association
- Amanda Mackie, Executive Director, Minnesota Valley Action Council
- Kent Sulem, Director of Government Relations, Minnesota Municipal Utilities Association
- Michael Schmitz, Minnesota Department of Commerce, Energy Assistance Program

Representative Kraft renewed the motion that HF 771, as amended, be laid over. HF 771 was laid over.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 PM

Representative Patty Acomb, Co-Chair

Declan McGuire, Committee Legislative Assistant