

Energy and Utilities Finance and Policy Committee
Thursday, February 20, 2020
1:00 PM, Room 1150, Minnesota Senate Bldg.

Minutes

Present: Senator David J. Osmek - Chair, Senator Andrew Mathews - Vice Chair, Senator D. Scott Dibble, Senator John A. Hoffman, Senator John Marty, Senator Eric R. Pratt, Senator Jason Rarick, Senator Julie A. Rosen, Senator David H. Senjem, Senator Erik Simonson

Absent: No Members Absent

Chair Osmek called the meeting into order at 1:07 PM A quorum was present

S.F. 1456: Senator Senjem: Clean Energy First Act; electric utilities to meet resource needs using clean energy resources requirement.

Senator Senjem presented SF 1456

Senator Senjem presented the A-38 Amendment

Senator Senjem moved to amend the A-38 Amendment

“delete line 1.3”

Motion prevailed on a voice vote

Senator Senjem moved that the A-38 Amendment be adopted as amended

Motion prevailed on a voice vote

Senator Senjem presented the A-47 Amendment

Senator Senjem moved that the A-47 Amendment be adopted

Motion prevailed on a voice vote

Senator Simonson presented the A-25 Amendment

Kelsey Johnson, Iron Mining Association testified

Mike Bull, Center for Energy and Environment testified

Joel Johnson, Boiler Makers testified

Kevin Pranis, LIUNA testified

Adam Seidel, American Conservative Energy Forum testified

Allen Gleckner, Fresh Energy testified

Jessica Tritsch, Sierra Club testified

Benjamin Stafford, Clean Energy Economy testified

Senator Simonson withdrew the A-25 Amendment

Senator Mathews presented the A-48 Amendment

Mike Bull, Center for Energy and Environment testified

Senator Mathews moved that the A-48 Amendment be adopted

Motion prevailed on a voice vote

Senator Rarick presented the A-46 Amendment

Senator Rarick moved that the A-46 Amendment be adopted

Motion prevailed on a voice vote

Senator Marty introduced the A-44 Amendment

Senator Marty moved that the A-44 Amendment be adopted

Senator Marty requested a roll call vote

The roll was called

Those voting in the affirmative: Dibble, Marty

Those voting in the negative: Osmek, Mathews, Pratt, Rarick, Rosen, Senjem, Simonson, Hoffman

There being 2 ayes and 8 nays the motion did not prevail

Senator Dibble introduced the A-29 Amendment

Senator Dibble moved that the A-29 Amendment be adopted

Motion prevailed on a voice vote

SF 1456 was laid on the table

The committee considered the appointment of Valarie Means to the Public Utility Commission

Senator Osmek moved that the appointment of Valarie Means to the Public Utility Commission be approved

Senator Osmek requested a roll call vote

The roll was called

Those voting in the affirmative: Dibble, Marty, Osmek, Mathews, Pratt, Rarick, Rosen, Senjem, Simonson, Hoffman

Those voting in the negative: None

There being 10 ayes and 0 nays the motion did prevail

SF 1456 was picked-up from the table for reconsideration

Senator Rosen presented the A-41 Amendment

Senator Rosen moved that the A-41 Amendment be adopted

Motion prevailed on a voice vote

Senator Hoffman presented the A-50 Amendment

Senator Hoffman withdrew the A-50 Amendment

Senator Marty presented the A-24 Amendment

Jim Pearson, Xcel Energy testified

Motion did not prevail by a voice vote

Senator Dibble called a division

By a show of hands the motion did not prevail

SF 1456 was laid over on the table as amended

**Consider confirmation of Valerie Means for the Public Utilities
Commission**

**Senator Osmek moved that Consider confirmation of Valerie Means for the Public Utilities
Commission, be recommended to pass. - MOTION PREVAILED.**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:38 PM

Senator David J. Osmek, Chair

Owen Neubauer, Legislative Assistant