

## Minutes for State and Local Government Operations

**Monday, March 21, 2005**

**Start Time 12:20 p.m.**

**Chair, Senator Linda Higgins**

**Present Members:** Sen. Wiger, Sen. Dibble, Sen. Senjem, Sen. Robling, Sen. Wergin, Sen. Fischbach, Sen. Marko, Sen. Solon, Sen. Wiger, Sen. Day, Sen. Tomassoni, Sen. Kubly and Sen. Johnson

**Absent Member:** Sen. Higgins (excused)

**SF317 Senator Kleis:** Gambling; legalizing the game of Texas hold'em under certain conditions

Phil Gordon, Co-Host, Celebrity Poker Showdown testified in favor of the bill.

Sen. Vickerman moves the A-9 amendment.

Motion adopted on a voice vote.

Sen. Vickerman moves the A-6 amendment

Motion adopted on a voice vote.

Sen. Vickerman moves the A-8 amendment

Sen. Vickerman withdrew his motion.

Sen. Robling moves oral amendment to the A-9 amendment

Page 1, line 13, after permit, insert " and may not exceed \$200.00."

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Sen. Vickerman moves bill as amended to pass and be re-referred to the committee on Crime and Prevention.

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

**SF708 Senator Debbie Johnson:** State government; classifying certain investment-related data of the State Board of Investment

Sen. Johnson moves an Authors A-1 amendment

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Sen. Johnson moves bill as amended to pass and be re-referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

**SF 1115 Sen. Fischbach:** Requiring plumbers to be licensed; establishing inspection requirements for new plumbing installations

Bob Winder, President, Vogt Heating and Air Conditioning testified in favor of the bill.

Sen. Fischbach moves motion to pass the bill the floor.

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

**SF 1267 Senator Rest:** Hennepin Park; modifying regional park district provisions

Sen. Rest moves an Authors A-2 amendment

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Sen. Solon moves motion to pass as amended to the floor.

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

**SF362 Senator Murphy:** Military; creating a program that provides interest-free loans to certain members of the Minnesota National Guard or other military reserve units  
Mike Hatch, Minnesota Attorney General testified in favor of the bill.

Lori Ohman testified in favor of the bill.

Sherman Patterson, Retired Army testified in favor of the bill.

Sen. Marko moves motion to pass the bill and re-referred to the committee on Finance.

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

**SF658 Senator Betzold:** Military affairs; proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution by adding a section to Article XI; creating a military trust fund

Tom Haugo, Army Reserve Ambassador for Minnesota testified in favor of the bill.

Sen. Marko moves motion to pass the bill and to be re-referred to the committee on Finance.

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

**SF659 Senator Betzold:** Military affairs; creating a military assistance trust fund and specifying uses of the fund; authorizing rulemaking

Senator Betzold moves motion to pass the bill and to be re-referred to the committee on Finance.

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

**SF984 Senator Lourey:** Human Services programs and services modifications for persons with disabilities

Sen. Vickerman moves motion to lay the bill on the table until March 23, 2005 committee meeting.

Motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Adjourned at 2:21 pm

# State and Local Government Operations

Chair: Senator Linda Higgins

March 21, 2005  
12:00 – 2:30 p.m.  
Room 318

## Agenda

- 1 S.F. 317-Kleis: Gambling; legalizing the game of Texas hold'em under certain conditions

Phil Gordon, Co-Host, Celebrity Poker Showdown

- 4- S.F. 1267-Rest: Hennepin Park; modifying regional park district provisions

- 5- S.F. 362-Murphy: Military; creating a program that provides interest-free loans to certain members of the Minnesota National Guard or other military reserve units

Mike Hatch, Attorney General  
Sherman Patterson, Retired, Army  
Lori Ohman

- 6- S.F. 658-Betzold: Military affairs; proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution by adding a section to Article XI; creating a military trust fund

Tom Haugo, Army Reserve Ambassador for Minnesota

- 7- S.F. 659-Betzold: Military affairs; creating a military assistance trust fund and specifying uses of the fund; authorizing rulemaking

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- 8- S.F. 984-Lourey: Human services programs and services modifications for persons with disabilities

- 2- S.F. 708-Johnson, D.J.: State government; classifying certain investment-related data of the State Board of Investment

- 3- S.F. 1115-Fischbach: Requiring plumbers to be licensed; establishing inspection requirements for new plumbing installations

Bob Winder, President, Vogt Heating and Air Conditioning

## Senate Committee Meeting Log

Committee Name: State and Local Government Operations  
 Date: March 21, 2005 Day: Monday Start Time: 12:15

### Agenda

Bill # (or Topic)	SF 317
Author	Klais
Short Descriptor	Legalizing the game of Texas Hold'em <del>the</del> under certain conditions.
Action(s)	Recommended to pass + referred to Crime Prevention.
Bill # (or Topic)	SF 708
Author	Hanson, P.J. <sup>related</sup>
Short Descriptor	Classifying certain investment data of the State Board of Investments
Action(s)	Recommended to pass + referred to <del>General Orders</del> Judiciary.
Bill # (or Topic)	SF 1115
Author	Fischbach
Short Descriptor	Requiring plumbers to be licensed; establishing inspection requirements for new plumbing installations.
Action(s)	Recommended to pass + referred to <del>Finance</del> General Orders
Bill # (or Topic)	SF 1267
Author	Rest
Short Descriptor	Hennepin Park; modifying regional park district provisions
Action(s)	Recommended to pass + referred to General Orders