Senate Committee

COMMITTEE MINUTES for STATE GOVERNMENT

Date: *March 29, 2023*

Location: *RM 116*

Convened: 11:50 AM

Adjourned: 12:15 PM

Attendance Roll Call:

Present: Senators Schultz-CH, Cournoyer-VC, Bisignano-RM, Boulton, Bousselot, Celsi, Dawson, Driscoll, Giddens, Jochum, Koelker, Kraayenbrink, Salmon, Webster, Weiner, Westrich

Absent:

Excused: Senators Brown, McClintock

The meeting came to order at 11:50 AM.

Roll call was taken silently by the committee secretary. Senators Brown and McClintock are excused.

Chairman Schultz states the minutes from the last meeting were distributed electronically. Chairman Schultz asked the committee members if there are any needed changes to the minutes. Seeing none, the minutes from the last meeting are approved as distributed.

Chairman Schultz states the Governor Appointments were distributed and highlighted approaching deadline.

Chairman Senator Schultz announced bills for consideration: <u>HF 332</u>, <u>HF 265</u>, <u>HF 656</u>, <u>HF 497</u>, <u>HF 635</u>, <u>HF 603</u>, and <u>HF 605</u>.

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Koelker for HF 332.

Senator Koelker introduced the bill, provided the subcommittee report, and gave opening comments on the bill. Chairman Schultz opened the floor to discussion. Seeing none, Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Koelker for closing comments. Senator Koelker moved the bill.

 $\frac{\text{HF 332}}{\text{Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Webster for }\frac{\text{HF 265}}{\text{HF 265}}$.

Senator Webster introduced the bill, provided the subcommittee report, and gave opening comments on the bill. Chairman Schultz opened the floor to discussion. Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Jochum who made comments.

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Celsi who asked Senator Webster to yield. Senator Webster agreed and answered Senator Celsi's question. Discussion ensued. Seeing no further discussion, Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Webster for closing comments. Senator Webster moved the bill.

<u>HF 265</u> passed 15-1 on a short form voice vote with Senator Cournoyer voting no. <u>HF 265</u> moves to the Calendar.

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Bousselot for HF 656.

Senator Bousselot introduced the bill, provided the subcommittee report, and gave opening comments on the bill. Chairman Schultz opened the floor to discussion. Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Boulton who made comments.

Seeing no further discussion, Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Bousselot for closing comments. Senator Bousselot provided closing comments and moved the bill. <u>HF 656</u> passed unanimously on a short form voice vote and moves to the Calendar. Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Salmon for <u>HF 497</u>.

Senator Salmon introduced the bill, provided the subcommittee report, and gave opening comments on the bill. Chairman Schultz opened the floor to discussion. Seeing none, Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Salmon for closing comments. Senator Salmon moved the bill. <u>HF 497</u> passed 15-1 on a short form voice vote with Senator Celsi voting no. <u>HF 497</u> moves to the calendar.

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Koelker for HF 635.

Senator Koelker introduced the bill, provided the subcommittee report, and gave opening comments on the bill. Chairman Schultz opened the floor to discussion. Seeing none, Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Koelker for closing comments. Senator Koelker provided closing comments and moved the bill.

<u>HF 635</u> passed unanimously on a short form voice vote and moves to the Calendar. Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Kraayenbrink for <u>HF 603</u>. Senator

Kraayenbrink introduced the bill and states there is an amendment.

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Kraayenbrink for Amendment 1426.

Senator Kraayenbrink introduced the amendment and gave comments.

Chairman Schultz opened the floor to discussion.

Seeing none, Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Kraayenbrink for closing comments. Senator Kraayenbrink provided closing comments and moved the amendment. Amendment 603.1426 passes unanimously on a short for voice vote. Amendment 603.1426 is adopted.

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Kraayenbrink for <u>HF 603</u> as amended. Senator Kraayenbrink provided comments on the amended bill. Chairman Schultz opened the floor to discussion.

Seeing none, Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Kraayenbrink for closing comments. Senator Kraayenbrink moved the bill.

<u>HF 603</u> as amended passed unanimously on a short form voice vote and moves to the Calendar.

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Webster for <u>HF 605</u>. Senator Webster introduced the bill, provided the subcommittee report and states there is an amendment.

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Webster for Amendment 1445.

Senator Webster introduced the amendment and gave comments.

Chairman Schultz opened the floor to discussion.

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Boulton who asked Senator Webster to yield. Senator Webster agreed and answered Senator Boulton's question. Discussion ensued. Seeing no further discussion, Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Webster for closing comments. Senator Webster moved the amendment. Amendment 605.1445 passes 10-6 on a short form voice vote with Senators Bisignano, Boulton, Celsi, Giddens, Jochum, and Weiner voting no. Amendment 605.1445 is adopted.

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Webster for HF 605 as amended.

Senator Webster gave comments on the bill. Chairman Schultz opened the floor to discussion.

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Jochum who made comments.

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Weiner who made comments.

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Bisignano who asked Senator Webster to yield. Senator Webster agreed and answered Senator Bisignano's question. Discussion ensued.

Seeing no further discussion, Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Webster for closing comments. Senator Webster provided closing comments and moved the bill. <u>HF 605</u> as amended passes 10-6 on a short form voice vote with Senators Bisignano, Boulton, Celsi, Giddens, Jochum, and Weiner voting no. <u>HF 605</u> as amended moves to the Calendar.

Senator Giddens motioned to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 12:17 PM. Gina Ten Pas, Committee Secretary