

Senate Committee

COMMITTEE MINUTES for STATE GOVERNMENT

Date: *February 14, 2024*

Location: *Room 116*

Convened: *4:35 PM*

Adjourned: *5:40 PM*

Attendance Roll Call:

Present: Senators Schultz-CH, Cournoyer-VC, Bisignano-RM, Boulton, Bousset, Brown, Celsi, Dawson, Driscoll, Giddens, Koelker, Kraayenbrink, McClintock, Salmon, Webster, Weiner, Westrich, Winckler

Absent:

Excused:

Opening

The meeting came to order at 4:35

Roll call was taken silently by the committee secretary.

Chairman Schultz stated 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 Senator Schultz announced bills for consideration:

[SF 2148](#) – Driscoll

[SSB 3145](#) and Amendment - Bousset

[SF 2052](#) and Amendment - Webster

[SSB 3118](#) - Bousset

[SF 2121](#) and Amendment - Webster

[SSB 3165](#) - Driscoll

[SSB 3172](#) and Amendment - Cournoyer

[SF 2268](#) - Webster

[SSB 3173](#) and Amendment - Bousset

[SF 2078](#) - Salmon

[SF 2311](#) - Bousset

[SSB 3144](#) – Schultz

[SSB 3161](#) and Amendment - Schultz

[BILL \(SF 2148\)](#)

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Driscoll for [SF 2148](#). Senator Driscoll 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 Driscoll for closing comments. Senator Driscoll provided closing comments and moved the bill. [SF 2148](#) passed unanimously on a short form voice vote and moves to the Calendar as a Committee Bill under Rule 40.

Vote was Taken at 4:42

[BILL \(SSB 3145\)](#)

[Amendment# 2289](#)

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Bousset for [SSB 3145](#). Senator Bousset states there is an amendment.

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Bousset for Amendment [SSB 3145](#).

Senator Bousset introduced the amendment and gave comments.

Chairman Schultz opened the floor to discussion.

Seeing none, Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Bousset for closing comments.

Senator Bousset provided closing comments and moved the amendment.

Amendment #2289 is adopted unanimously.

BILL AS AMENDED

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Boussetot for [SSB 3145](#) as amended. Senator Boussetot 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 Boussetot for closing comments. Senator Boussetot provided closing comments and moved the bill. [SSB 3145](#) as amended passed unanimously on a short form voice vote and moves to the Calendar as a Committee Bill under Rule 40.

Vote was taken at 4:44.

BILL (SF 2052)

Amendment #2855

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Webster for [SSB 2052](#). Senator Webster states there is an amendment.

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Webster for Amendment #2855.

Senator Webster introduced the amendment and gave comments.

Chairman Schultz opened the floor to discussion.

Seeing none, Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Webster for closing comments.

Senator Webster provided closing comments and moved the amendment. Amendment #2855 is adopted unanimously.

BILL AS AMENDED

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Webster for [SF 2052](#) as amended.

Senator Webster 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 Webster for closing comments.

Senator Webster provided closing comments and moved the bill.

[SF 2052](#) as amended passed unanimously on a short form voice vote and moves to the Calendar as a Committee Bill under Rule 40.

Vote was taken at 4:46

BILL (SSB 3118)

Amendment #2947

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Boussetot for [SSB 3118](#). Senator Boussetot states there is an amendment.

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Boussetot for Amendment #2947.

Senator Boussetot introduced the amendment and gave comments.

Chairman Schultz opened the floor to discussion.

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Winckler.

Seeing no further discussion, Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Boussetot for closing comments. Senator Boussetot provided closing comments and moved the amendment. Amendment #2947 is adopted unanimously.

BILL AS AMENDED

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Boussetot for [SSB 3118](#) as amended.

Senator Boussetot 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 Boussetot for closing comments.

Senator Boussetot provided closing comments and moved the bill.

[SSB 3118](#) as amended passed unanimously on a short form voice vote and moves to the Calendar as a Committee Bill under Rule 40

Vote was taken at 4:50.

BILL (SF 2121)

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Webster for [SF 2121](#). Senator Webster 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 Webster for closing comments. Senator Webster provided closing comments and moved the bill. [SF 2121](#) passed unanimously on a short form voice vote and moves to the Calendar as a Committee Bill under Rule 40.

Vote was taken at 4:52.

BILL (SSB 3165)

Amendment #2940

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Driscoll for [SSB 3165](#). Senator Driscoll states there is an amendment.

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Driscoll for Amendment #2940.

Senator Driscoll introduced the amendment and gave comments.

Chairman Schultz opened the floor to discussion.

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Boulton

Seeing no further discussion, Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Driscoll for closing comments. Senator Driscoll provided closing comments and moved the amendment. Amendment #2940 is adopted unanimously.

BILL AS AMENDED

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Driscoll for [SSB 3165](#) as amended.

Senator Driscoll 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 Driscoll for closing comments.

Senator Driscoll provided closing comments and moved the bill.

[SSB 3165](#) as amended passed unanimously on a short form voice vote and moves to the Calendar as a Committee Bill under Rule 40.

Vote was taken at 4:55.

BILL (SSB 3172)

Amendment #2915

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Cournoyer for [SSB 3172](#). Senator Cournoyer states there is an amendment.

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Cournoyer for Amendment #2915.

Senator Cournoyer introduced the amendment and gave comments.

Chairman Schultz opened the floor to discussion.

Seeing none, Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Cournoyer for closing comments.

Senator Cournoyer provided closing comments and moved the amendment.

Amendment #2915 is adopted unanimously.

BILL AS AMENDED

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Cournoyer for [SSB 3172](#) as amended.

Senator Cournoyer 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 Weiner.

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Celsi.

Seeing no further discussion, Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Cournoyer for closing comments. Senator Cournoyer provided closing comments and moved the bill.

[SSB 3172](#) as amended passed with 12 Yea and 6 Nay on a short form voice vote and moves to the Calendar as a Committee Bill under Rule 40.

Vote was taken at 5:02.

BILL (SF 2268)

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Webster for [SF 2268](#). Senator Webster 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 Webster for closing comments. Senator Webster provided closing comments and moved the bill. [SF 2268](#) passed with 16 Yea and 2 Nay votes on a short form voice vote and moves to the Calendar as a Committee Bill under Rule 40.

Vote was taken at 5:04.

BILL (SSB 3173)

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Bousselot for [SSB 3173](#). Senator Bousselot 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 Bousselot for closing comments. Senator Bousselot provided closing comments and moved the bill. [SSB 3173](#) passed with 12 Yea and 6 Nay votes on a short form voice vote and moves to the Calendar as a Committee Bill under Rule 40.

Vote was taken at 5:06.

BILL (SF 2078)

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Salmon for [SF 2078](#). Senator Salmon 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 Weiner. Seeing no further discussion, Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Salmon for closing comments. Senator Salmon provided closing comments and moved the bill. [SF 2078](#) passed with 12 Yea and 6 Nay votes on a short form voice vote and moves to the Calendar as a Committee Bill under Rule 40.

Vote was taken at 5:09

[BILL \(SF 2311\)](#)

Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Boussetot for [SF 2311](#). Senator Boussetot 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 Bisignano. Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Weiner, seeing no further discussion, Chairman Schultz recognized Senator Boussetot for closing comments. Senator Boussetot provided closing comments and moved the bill. [SF 2311](#) passed with 11 Yea and 7 Nay votes on a short form voice vote and moves to the Calendar as a Committee Bill under Rule 40.

Vote was taken at 5:18.

Chairman relinquished the Chair to Vice Chair Cournoyer.

[BILL \(SSB 3144\)](#)

Vice Chair Cournoyer recognized Senator Schultz for [SSB 3144](#). Senator Schultz introduced the bill, provided the subcommittee report, and gave opening comments on the bill. Vice Chair Cournoyer opened the floor to discussion. Vice Chair Cournoyer recognized Senator Winckler who asked Senator Schultz to Yield. Senator Schultz Yielded to Senator Winckler. Vice Chair Cournoyer recognized Senator Bisignano. Vice Chair Cournoyer Recognized Senator Webster, seeing no further comments, Vice Chair Cournoyer recognized Senator Schultz for closing comments. Senator Schultz provided closing comments and moved the bill. [SSB 3144](#) passed with 12 Yea and 6 Nay votes on a short form voice vote and moves to the Calendar as a Committee Bill under Rule 40.

Vote was taken at 5:31

[BILL \(SSB 3144\)](#)

Vice Chair Cournoyer recognized Senator Schultz for [SSB 3144](#). Senator Schultz introduced the bill, provided the subcommittee report, and gave opening comments on the bill. Vice Chair Cournoyer opened the floor to discussion. Vice Chair Cournoyer recognized Senator Winckler who asked Senator Schultz to Yield. Senator Schultz Yielded to Senator Winckler. Vice Chair Cournoyer recognized Senator Bisignano. Vice Chair Cournoyer Recognized Senator Webster, seeing no further comments, Vice Chair Cournoyer recognized Senator Schultz for closing comments. Senator Schultz provided closing comments and moved the bill. [SSB 3144](#) passed with 12 Yea and 6 Nay votes on a short form voice vote and moves to the Calendar as a Committee Bill under Rule 40.

Vote was taken at 5:40.

Vice Chair Cournoyer relinquished the Chair to Senator Schultz.

Senator Webster motioned to adjourn

Meeting adjourned to 5:41

Senator Jason Schultz

Gavin Walters, Committee Secretary

