

Minutes: Senate State Affairs

Wednesday, January 22, 2025 10:00 AM

Roll Call

Present: Sen. Beal, Sen. Deibert, Sen. Jensen (Kevin), Sen. Karr, Sen. Larson, Sen. Peterson (Sue), Sen. Pischke, Sen. Perry, and Sen. Mehlhaff

The meeting was called to order by Senator Mehlhaff

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FRIDAY, JANUARY 17TH

Moved by: Perry
Second by: Jensen (Kevin)
Action: Prevailed by voice vote

SB 9 : make public the calendars and appointment logs of certain public officials.

Presented by: Senator Michael Rohl (Handout(s) 1)
Proponents: Justin G. Smith, South Dakota NewsMedia Association, Brookings
Ryan Howlett, Self, Harrisburg
Jessica Breeman, Self, Sioux Falls
Rick Weible, Self, Elkton
Opponents: Major Jason Ketterling, Department of Public Safety
Brock L. Greenfield, School and Public Lands

MOTION: AMEND SB 9

9C

On page 1, line 1, of the Introduced bill, delete " certain" and insert " statewide"
On page 5, line 6, of the Introduced bill, after "for " delete "the following:"
On page 5, line 7, of the Introduced bill, delete "(1) A " and insert "a "
On page 5, line 7, of the Introduced bill, after "12-27-1" delete "; and"
On page 5, line 8, of the Introduced bill, after "and" delete "(2) The head of a department, as defined in § 1-32-1"

Moved by: Pischke
Second by: Peterson (Sue)
Action: Prevailed by voice vote

MOTION: DEFER SB 9 TO THE 41ST LEGISLATIVE DAY

Moved by: Karr
Second by: Perry
Action: Prevailed by Majority Members Elect (7-2-0-0)

Voting Yes: Deibert, Jensen (Kevin), Karr, Peterson (Sue), Pischke, Perry, and Mehlhaff

Voting No: Beal and Larson

SB 10 : shorten the time before records of a Governor or a lieutenant governor are opened to the public.

Presented by: Senator Michael Rohl

Proponents: Justin G. Smith, South Dakota NewsMedia Association, Brookings

MOTION: DO PASS SB 10

Moved by: Pischke

Second by: Larson

Action: Prevailed by Majority Members Elect (9-0-0-0)

Voting Yes: Beal, Deibert, Jensen (Kevin), Karr, Larson, Peterson (Sue), Pischke, Perry, and Mehlhaff

SB 11 : limit the amount of money that a political committee may accept from an inactive candidate campaign committee.

Presented by: Senator Michael Rohl

Opponents: Rachel Soulek, Secretary of State

MOTION: AMEND SB 11

11A

On page 1, line 6, of the Introduced bill, after "concert" insert " that is "

On page 1, line 7, of the Introduced bill, after "constitution" insert " as an auxiliary organization"

On page 1, line 8, of the Introduced bill, delete " that" and insert " if the association or group"

On page 2, line 27, of the Introduced bill, after "services" delete " or property"

On page 3, line 18, of the Introduced bill, delete " an" and insert " the"

On page 3, line 26, of the Introduced bill, delete " any group of persons other than a candidate, public office holder, or political committee" and insert " except for a candidate, public office holder, or political committee, any:

(1) Organized or unorganized association; business corporation; limited liability company; nonprofit corporation; limited liability partnership; limited liability limited partnership; limited partnership; partnership; cooperative; trust, except for a trust account representing or containing only a contributor's personal funds; a business trust; association; club; labor union; or collective bargaining organization;

(2) Local, state, or national organization to which a labor organization pays membership or per capita fees, based upon its affiliation and membership;

(3) Trade or professional association that receives its funds from membership dues or service fees, whether organized inside or outside of the state;

(4) Other entity of any kind, except a natural person that is, has been, or could be recognized by law; or

(5) Group of persons, acting in concert, that is not a political committee under this chapter"

On page 9, line 1, of the Introduced bill, delete " an entity" and insert " a political committee"

On page 9, line 1, of the Introduced bill, delete " below" and insert " in this section"

On page 10, line 8, of the Introduced bill, delete " an entity" and insert " a political committee"

Moved by: Pischke
Second by: Deibert
Action: Prevailed by voice vote

MOTION: DO PASS SB 11 AS AMENDED

Moved by: Deibert
Second by: Karr
Action: Prevailed by Majority Members Elect (7-2-0-0)

Voting Yes: Beal, Deibert, Jensen (Kevin), Karr, Larson, Peterson (Sue), and Mehlhaff

Voting No: Pischke and Perry

SB 12 : limit the amount of money that may be loaned to a candidate or political committee.

Presented by: Senator Michael Rohl

MOTION: DO PASS SB 12

Moved by: Deibert
Second by: Larson
Action: Was not acted on.

MOTION: SUBSTITUTE MOTION: DEFER SB 12 TO THE 41ST LEGISLATIVE DAY

Moved by: Perry
Second by: Jensen (Kevin)
Action: Failed by Majority Members Elect (3-6-0-0)

Voting Yes: Jensen (Kevin), Pischke, and Perry

Voting No: Beal, Deibert, Karr, Larson, Peterson (Sue), and Mehlhaff

Revert to previous motion

MOTION: DO PASS SB 12

Moved by: Deibert
Second by: Larson
Action: Prevailed by Majority Members Elect (6-3-0-0)

Voting Yes: Beal, Deibert, Karr, Larson, Peterson (Sue), and Mehlhaff

Voting No: Jensen (Kevin), Pischke, and Perry

SB 17 : clarify when a political committee must file certain campaign finance disclosure statements.

Presented by: Senator Michael Rohl
Opponents: Rachel Soulek, Secretary of State

MOTION: DO PASS SB 17

Moved by: Perry
Second by: Deibert
Action: Prevailed by Majority Members Elect (9-0-0-0)

Voting Yes: Beal, Deibert, Jensen (Kevin), Karr, Larson, Peterson (Sue), Pischke, Perry,
and Mehlhaff

MOTION: ADJOURN

Moved by: Jensen (Kevin)
Second by: Pischke
Action: Prevailed by voice vote

Doug Mortenson, Committee Secretary

/s/ JIM MEHLHAFF
Jim Mehlhaff, Chair