Tax Expenditure Review Commission DRAFT Meeting Minutes

December 4, 2024 Remote Meeting via Zoom

Chair Ann H. Rest called the meeting of the Tax Expenditure Review Commission (TERC) to order at 1:00 PM.

Members Present:

Sen. Ann H. Rest (Chair)

Rep. Esther Agbaje (Vice-Chair)

Rep. Greg Davids

Sen. Steve Drazkowski

Rep. Jim Joy

Sen. Matt Klein

Commissioner Paul Marquart

Sen. Bill Weber

A quorum was present.

Members Excused:

Rep. Steve Elkins

Review and Approval of September 18, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Rep. Agbaje noted that first sentence under the "Future Meetings" heading on page 2 of the draft minutes currently reads, "...in order to facilitate approval of the 2022 TERC report," but should read, "...in order to facilitate approval of the 2024 TERC report" and made a motion that the draft minutes be amended to reflect the correct date. There were no objections and the meeting minutes from September 18, 2024, were approved as amended.

Presentation by the Department of Revenue, Director of Tax Research, Eric Willette

Eric Willette, Tax Research Director with the MN Department of Revenue, presented information on the Fiscal Years 2024-2027 Tax Expenditure Budget Report to the Commission. Commission questions and discussion followed.

Presentation and Overview by the Legislative Budget Office

Kristi Schroedl, Deputy Director with the Legislative Budget Office, and Jordan Peoples, Program Evaluator with the Legislative Budget Office, provided the Commission with an overview of the TERC 2024 Annual Legislative Report.

Rep. Agbaje moved to adopt the draft 2024 TERC Annual Report as presented to the Commission for consideration on December 4, 2024, by the Legislative Budget Office, subject to technical and conforming changes adopted by the Chair and Vice Chair received by December 9, 2024, in accordance with Minnesota Statute 3.8855.

A roll call vote was taken.

AYE: NAY: EXCUSED:

Sen. Rest (Chair)

Rep. Elkins

Rep. Agbaje (Vice-Chair)

Rep. Davids

Sen. Drazkowski

Rep. Joy

Sen. Klein

Commissioner Marquart

Sen. Weber

There being 8 AYES, 0 NAYS, and 1 EXCUSED, the **Motion Prevailed**, the draft 2024 Tax Expenditure Review Commission Annual Report was adopted.

Proposed TERC Language Changes

Chair Rest provided the Commission with an overview of proposed technical changes to the TERC governing statute, Minnesota Statute 3.8855. Commission questions and discussion followed.

Future Meetings

Chair Rest noted that the Commission's next meeting would likely take place in January or February 2025, depending on when the appointments are made for the 2025-2026 biennium. Legislative Budget Office Director Christian Larson was instructed to reach out to the Commissioner of Revenue's Office to schedule an initial meeting, per statute, once all appointments have been made.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:57 PM.