Legislative Commission on Data Practices

Minutes

Tuesday, December 1, 2015 Basement, State Office Building 9:30 AM

<u>Members Present:</u> Sen. Kent, Chair Rep. Scott, Vice Chair Sen. Dibble Rep. Lesch Rep. Lucero Sen. Newman

Member Excused: Sen. Limmer Rep. Simonson

Call to Order

Sen. Kent called the meeting of the Legislative Commission on Data Practices to order at 9:40 AM in the Basement Hearing Room of the State Office Building.

A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes

Rep. Scott moved approval of the November 4, 2015 meeting minutes. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Update on Body Camera Legislation from 2015 session

Kathy Pontious, Senate Counsel, presented an overview of SF 498, which dealt with the classification of data collected by police body cameras.

Testimony on law enforcement use of body cameras

Chief Eric Gieske, Burnsville Police, and Chief Paul Schnell, Maplewood Police, presented an overview on body worn cameras speaking to benefits and challenges, the results of the Minnesota Chief of Police Association 2015 member survey on body-worn cameras, and the law enforcement coalitions guiding principles on body-worn cameras.

The following people provided testimony on the use of body cameras: Commander Axel Henry, St. Paul Police Department Joseph Olson, Professor Emeritus, Hamline University Law School Matt Ehling, Minnesota Coalition on Government Information Ben Feist, Legislative Director, ACLU Safia Khan, Minnesota Battered Women's Coalition Mark Anfinson, Minnesota Newspaper Association Dianne Binns, Community Activist Anne Finn, League of Minnesota Cities

Topic selection for future meetings

Sen. Kent briefly walked through the member topic selection survey results.

Discussion on ex officio members

Sen. Kent explained two individuals had been in contact regarding possibly serving on the Commission.

The meeting adjourned at 12:51 PM.