

# Minnesota State Senate

Capital Investment Committee  
Thursday, March 7, 2024  
3:00 PM, 1100 Minnesota Senate Bldg.

## Minutes

**Present:** Senator Sandra L. Pappas - Chair, Senator Susan Pha Vice Chair, Senator D. Scott Dibble, Senator Karin Housley, Senator John R. Jasinski, Senator Carla J. Nelson, Senator Tou Xiong

**Absent:** Senator Nick A. Frentz, Senator Zaynab Mohamed, Senator Eric R. Pratt, Senator Jordan Rasmusson

Senator Sandra L. Pappas called the meeting to order at 3:03 PM.

**Governor's 2024 Capital Budget Recommendations Agency Overviews: Department of Corrections; Department of Public Safety; Department of Military Affairs; Department of Veterans Affairs.**

- a. Department of Corrections
  - i. Paul Schnell, Commissioner, DOC testified
  - ii. Karl Hunt, Capital Resource Director, DOC testified
- b. Department of Public Safety
  - i. Bob Jacobson, Commissioner, DPS testified
  - ii. Drew Evans, Superintendent, BCA testified
  - iii. Lt. Colonel Christina Bogojevic, DPS testified
- c. Department of Military Affairs
  - i. Benjamin Johnson, Interim Deputy Commissioner of Programs and Services, MDVA testified
- d. Department of Veterans Affairs
  - i. Donald Kerr, Executive Director, MDMA testified

**Office of the Ombuds for Corrections - Crumbling Conditions Create Crisis in Minnesota Prisons 2024 Report**

The following individuals testified on Office of the Ombuds for Corrections - Crumbling Conditions Create Crisis in Minnesota Prisons 2024 Report:

- a. Margaret Zadra, Ombudsperson for Corrections

The meeting was adjourned at 4:22 PM.

  
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Senator Sandra L. Pappas, Chair

  
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Fatima Acosta-Mendoza, Legislative Assistant