

2009 SENATE GOVERNMENT AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

SCR 4026

## 2009 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Bill/Resolution No.4026

Senate Government and Veterans Affairs Committee

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Hearing Date: 02/26/09

Recorder Job Number: 9812

Committee Clerk Signature

*Katie Oweel*

Minutes:

The hearing on SCR4026 was called to order by Chairman Dever.

**Tony Clark:** Public Service Commissioner. It my honor to represent the Northern Lights Council Board of Directors, which I have had the pleasure of serving on; I worked with the chairman to draft this particular resolution honoring their 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Rather than have me talk about the program we have brought in people that are in the program right now and thought that they might better express what Scouting means to them.

**Thomas Clark:** My name is Thomas Clark I am a cub scout in Pack 180, Bismarck. I hope you will vote yes and help North Dakota say Happy Birthday to the Boy Scouts. Cub Scouts is fun because you help out other people, go hiking, do crafts, wear spiffy uniforms. At summer camp I got to fish, swim, and shoot BB guns. In Cub Scouts you have ranks; right now I am a Wolf Scout. Again, please vote yes and help us celebrate our 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday, thank you. I would be happy to answer any question you have.

**Ryan Ziegler:** Eagle Scout. Scouting has played a crucial role in my family. It has shown us how to be men. On behalf of the Boy Scouts of my troop please vote a do pass.

**Senator Oehlke:** Where did you get your world scout badge?

**Ryan Ziegler:** They were always on my uniform I got it.

**Senator Dever:** What is the most fun thing that you have done in Scouting?

**Ryan Ziegler:** Last week we had council banquet and I got to talk in front of higher officials like doctors, lawyers, Senators and Representatives.

**Senator Dever:** Have you been to Ely?

**Ryan Ziegler:** Yes.

**Senator Horne:** The capitol ground planning commission is having a camp on the grounds, are you going to be part of that?

**Ryan Ziegler:** Yes.

**Senator Nelson:** What did you do for your eagle project?

**Ryan Ziegler:** I created tree rows at McLane Bottoms.

Senator Dever closed the public hearing on SCR4026. A motion for a do pass was made by Senator Nelson with a second by Senator Cook. There was no discussion, roll was taken and the measure passed 5-0 with Senator Oehlke carrying it to the floor.

Date:  
Roll Call Vote #:

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Oehlke  
carries

2009 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES  
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 4026

Senate Government and Veteran's Affairs Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number \_\_\_\_\_

Action Taken Do Pass

Motion Made By S Nelson Seconded By Cook

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Dick Dever			Dwight Cook		
Dave Oehlke	X		Carolyn Nelson	X	
Robert M. Horne	X				

Total Yes 5 No 0

Absent \_\_\_\_\_

Floor Assignment \_\_\_\_\_

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)**  
February 26, 2009 1:50 p.m.

**Module No: SR-35-3669**  
**Carrier: Oehlke**  
**Insert LC: . Title: .**

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**SCR 4026: Government and Veterans Affairs Committee (Sen. Dever, Chairman)**  
recommends **DO PASS** (5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING).  
SCR 4026 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

2009 HOUSE GOVERNMENT AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

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## 2009 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Bill/Resolution No. 4026

House Government and Veterans Affairs Committee

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Hearing Date: March 13, 2009

Recorder Job Number: 10903

Committee Clerk Signature

*R. Mae Kuehn*

Minutes:

**Senator Dever, Sponsor:** Boy Scouts of America was founded in 1910. They will be celebrating their centennial. This resolution is to honor the Boy Scouts.

**Commissioner Tony Clark:** Next year the Boy Scouts will be celebrating their 100<sup>th</sup>

Anniversary. As a member of the Executive Committee for the Northern Lights Council, it is my honor to speak in favor of the resolution. I will turn it over to my son, Thomas Clark.

**Thomas Clark, Cub Scout in Pack 180, Bismarck: (Written testimony attached #1)**

**Chairman Grande:** Are you going to be camping out on the Capitol Grounds?

**Thomas Clark:** I don't know.

**Representative Meier:** What are your goals in scouting?

**Thomas Clark:** Arrow of Light. My highest goal is an eagle.

**Ryan Ziegler, Eagle Scout from Troop 11, Bismarck: (Written testimony attached #2)**

**Representative Kasper:** Are you in high school?

**Ryan Ziegler:** I am in college.

**Representative Kasper:** Where do you attend?

**Ryan Ziegler:** I am going to Bismarck State.

**Representative Kasper:** What are your goals?

**Ryan Ziegler:** In scouting I've accomplished my goal of obtaining my Eagle. Another exciting goal is I'm going to the National Jamboree. For a lifetime goal for a career, either a firefighter or something related to scouting.

**Representative Kasper:** In your class in high school, how many were in scouting?

**Ryan Ziegler:** In my senior class of 90 students, 6 of us became Eagle Scouts.

**Representative Kasper:** Where is Camp Wilderness?

**Ryan Ziegler:** Camp Wilderness is about a half hour drive from Park Rapids, Minnesota.

**Representative Froseth:** Boy Scouts do have problems maintaining active leaders.

**Ryan Ziegler:** That is why I became a leader to share my knowledge.

**Representative Meier:** Ryan was one of my Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts and I saw him through to Eagle Scout. I am very proud of him. How many merit badges did you earn?

**Ryan Ziegler:** 46

**Representative Meier:** What was your favorite experience?

**Ryan Ziegler:** Basketry.

**Jack Holden, Eagle Scout, Troop 2:** I've also worked at Camp Wilderness. I also teach basketry. I serve on the Council Executive Board as the only youth member. I went to the National Order of the Arrow Convention in East Lansing, Michigan two years ago. I've never seen 8,000 better people get together. I've made friends for a lifetime.

**Representative Winrich:** Of the insignias on your uniform, which one indicates that you are an Eagle Scout?

**Jack Holden:** Middle one.

**Representative Karls:** I've heard that the Bismarck School system is denying access to scout groups.



**Jack Holden:** We are working on it. A lot of principals have very strong feelings. It is just like the military going in and recruiting. I think it is a failure on the school system's part. I was recruited because of a school event.

**Representative Froseth:** To earn an Eagle status, do you have to put in so many hours for a community project?

**Jack Holden:** Generally it is over 100 hours. My project was at the Tom O'Leary Golf Course. There's a Rotary Club arboretum, with a sign, with a trail. It was cool working with the Rotary Club.

**Representative Meier:** What are your plans this summer?

**Jack Holden:** I'll be working at Camp Wilderness. I'm the Assistant Scout Master which means I do management with the staff. I will go to the National Order of the Arrow Conference in Indiana.

**Corey Ralstad, Professional Executive Director:** In the elementary students we serve about 30% of the possible boys. We see a drop off in the older boys. We did meet with the school board. They want to figure out a policy that doesn't just apply to us but any youth organization.

**Representative Meier:** Can you tell about the event that will be hosted on our Capitol grounds in 2010?

**Corey Ralstad:** That is our 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. Scouts will be coming from all over the state of ND, Minnesota, South Dakota, and Montana. This event will be open to everyone. They are predicting anywhere from 1500 to 3000 scouts. It will be tents all over. We will also have displays at the Heritage Center.

**Opposition:** None

**Chairman Grande:** Closed the hearing.

**Representative Nathe: Moved Do Pass.**

**Representative Dahl: Seconded.**

A Roll Call vote was taken. **Yes: 13, No: 0, Absent: 0.**

**Representative Nathe will carry the bill.**

**Chairman Grande:** This will be on the consent calendar.

Date: 3/13/19

Roll Call Vote #: 1

2009 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES  
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SR 4026

House Government and Veterans Affairs Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number \_\_\_\_\_

Action Taken  Do Pass  Do Not Pass  Amended

Motion Made By Nathe Seconded By Dahl

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman Grande	✓		Rep. Amerman	✓	
Vice Chairman Boehning	✓		Rep. Conklin	✓	
Rep. Dahl	✓		Rep. Schneider	✓	
Rep. Froseth	✓		Rep. Winrich	✓	
Rep. Karls	✓		Rep. Wolf	✓	
Rep. Kasper	✓				
Rep. Meier	✓				
Rep. Nathe	✓				

Total (Yes) 13 No 0

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Rep. Nathe

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**SCR 4026: Government and Veterans Affairs Committee (Rep. Grande, Chairman)** recommends **DO PASS** and **BE PLACED ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR** (13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SCR 4026 was placed on the Tenth order on the calendar.

2009 TESTIMONY

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Attachment #1

Madam Chairman and Representatives, my name is Thomas Clark. I am a Cub Scout in Pack 180, Bismarck.

I hope you will vote yes and help North Dakota say Happy Birthday to the Boy Scouts.

Cub Scouts is really, really fun and here is why.

It is fun because you help out other people.

You get to go hiking.

You get to do crafts.

You get to wear spiffy uniforms.

I really liked summer camp.

I got to fish, swim, shoot BB guns, and a bow and arrow but I was horrible at that.

You have ranks in Cub Scouts.

Right now I am a Wolf Scout.

Again, please vote yes and help us celebrate our 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Thank you.

I would be happy to answer any questions you have for me.

Thomas Clark

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Attachment  
#2

Chairman and Representatives of the Committee, my name is Ryan Ziegler I am an Eagle Scout from Troop 11 of Bismarck North Dakota Sponsored by Elks lodge 1199, Vigil honor member of the Order of the Arrow Scouting's National Honor Society and a Lodge officer of the Pa-Hin Lodge # 27. I am here to talk to you today about the scouting program. Scouting has been making a difference for nearly 100 years. Scouting has taught boys how to be men and someday to be leaders, businessmen, congressmen, politicians, and even better citizens for our communities our state and our nation. Some of the things that scouting has given me are: the opportunity to speak in front of Scouters at our Annual Banquet, Scouting helped me to get my first job at Camp Wilderness, I was given the opportunity to serve on a youth leadership training course and received the opportunity to attend a National Leadership course at Philmont Scout Ranch. Some of the fun and exciting activities I have done because of scouting include: taking a 10 day canoe trip to the Boundary Waters, doing the opening flag ceremony for the World Curling Championships held here in Bismarck, Doing the opening flag ceremony at a Twins game my first year in scouting, the list goes on and on. On behalf of the thousands scouts of the Northern Lights Council, We urge you to give a "yes" vote in support of scouting in North Dakota. Thank you for your time. I am open to any questions you may have.