

SUBCOMMITTEE ON MINNESOTA WATER POLICY

AUGUST 25, 2022

10:00 AM

Co-Chairs:

Sen. Chris Eaton (presiding): Rep. John Poston

Jim Stark, Director

Subcommittee Support: Carol Bisbee

AGENDA

- 1. Call to order/approval of subcommittee minutes- July 21**
- 2. Presentation: Jason Moeckel (DNR)-NE metro groundwater**
- 3. Jeff Forester, MN Lakes and Rivers: Lake issues and legislative suggestions**
- 4. Scott Sparlin: Coalition for a clean MN River: MN River Congress recap – water storage**
- 5. Presentation/Testifier: Mike Hirst, Lake of the Woods SWCD: Keep Lakes Clean Initiative**
- 6. Legislative update, progress and plans, Jim Stark**
- 7. Adjourn**

PRESENTATION 1

JASON MOECKEL (DNR)

▪ NE METRO GROUNDWATER PROGRESS

PRESENTATION 2

JEFF FORESTER: MN LAKES AND RIVERS:

- **LAKE ISSUES**
- **LEGISLATIVE SUGGESTIONS**

PRESENTATION 3

SCOTT SPARLIN: COALITION FOR A CLEAN MN RIVER

- **MINNESOTA RIVER CONGRESS RECAP,
WATER STORAGE**

PRESENTATION 4

**MIKE HIRST, LAKE OF THE WOODS
SWCD**

- **KEEP LAKES CLEAN INITIATIVE**

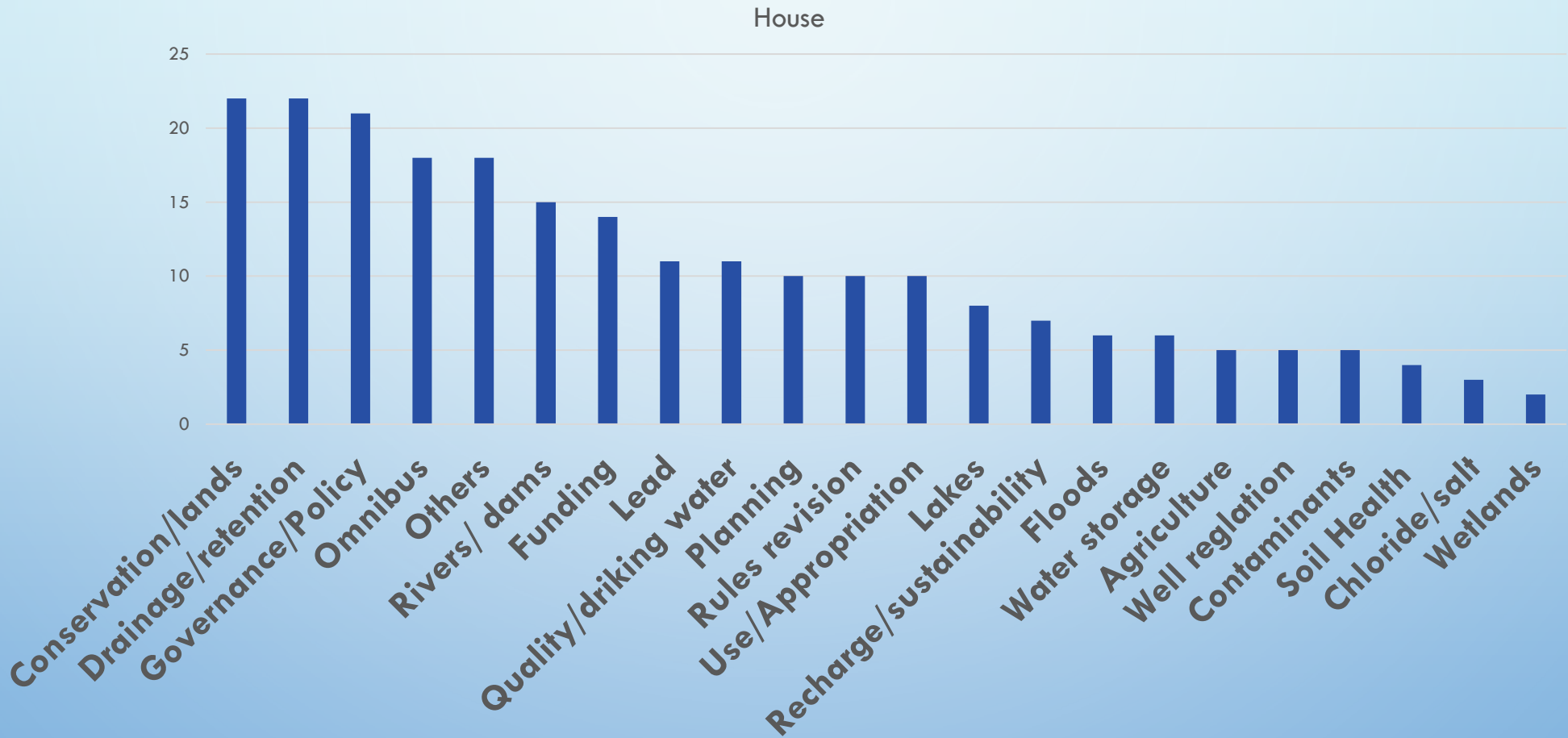
UPDATE

- **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE, PROGRESS AND PLANS, JIM STARK**

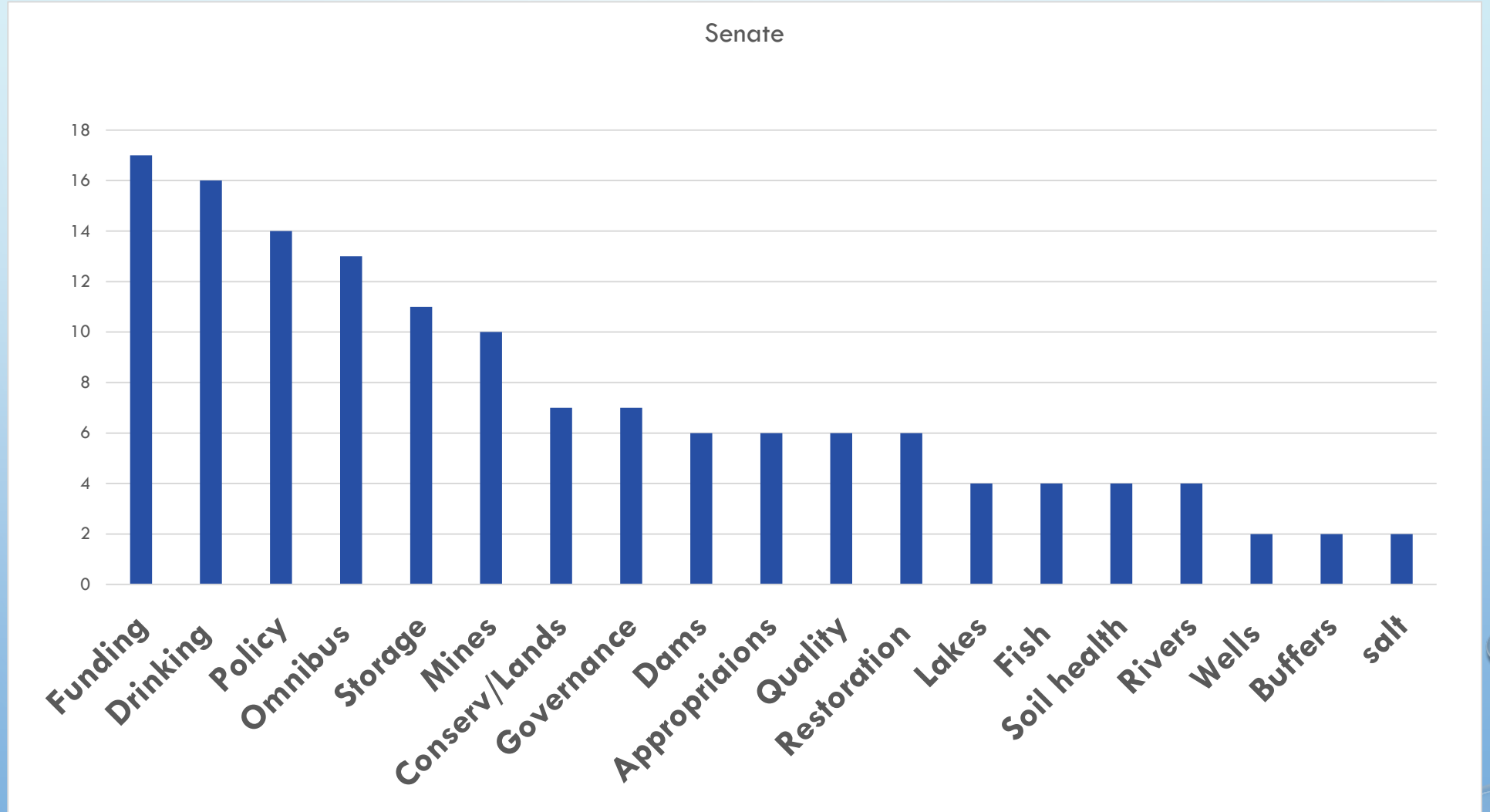
SUBCOMMITTEE BILL THIS SESSION

- **B1: Sustainable Water**
- **B15: Watershed District Funding**
- **B3: Improving Water and Agriculture: Precision Ag**
- **B5: Voluntary private well testing:**
- **B7: Water safety plans for cities– a pilot**
- **B8: Soil-health action plan including research, implementation, and outreach**
- **B6: Identifying vulnerable aquifers– coordinated monitoring**
- **B9: Water Commission and the Wastewater Advisory Council**
- **B10: Complete land preservation goals for the Upper Mississippi**
- **B11: Ensure drinking water free from lead**
- **B4: Riparian buffer tax credit**
- **B12: Encourage groundwater recharge where needed**
- **B 13: Keeping water on the land, water retention**

WATER BILLS-HOUSE



WATER BILLS-SENATE



PROPOSED SUBCOMMITTEE AGENDA FOR NEXT SESSION

Focus on the following:

- **Subcommittee bills from this session**
- **Selected bills from the most important categories of bills introduced this session (for example: private well safety water)**
- **New issues that have been brought forward**

PROCESS FOR NEXT SESSION

Stakeholder meetings and surveys to prioritize bills:

- **Groundwater Issues, September 7 @ 2 pm**
- **Lakes and Rivers Issues**
- **Water Quality-Drinking Water**



THANKS

Adjourn

