

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES BUDGET DIVISION

MINUTES

Senator Linda Berglin, Chair of the Health and Human Services Budget Division, called the twenty-first meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 6, 2005, in Room 123 of the State Capitol, St. Paul Minnesota.

The secretary noted the roll.

Members Present:

Berglin, Chair
Solon, Vice Chair
Foley
Higgins
Koering
LeClair
Lourey
Rosen

A quorum was present.

The first item on the agenda was an informational presentation regarding the new Maple Grove Hospital Facility. The following persons gave the overview:

1. Scott Leitz, Director, Health Economics Program, MN Department of Health.
2. Julie Sonyor, Acting Director, Health Economics, MN Department of Health.

The first bill on the agenda was S.F. 1926, authored and explained by Senator Murphy, as follows:

S.F. 1926 (MURPHY): A bill for an act relating to taxation; increasing the tax on alcoholic beverages; dedicating the proceeds of the increase to provide grants to counties to provide probation supervision and treatment services for certain offenders.

Senator Higgins moved to amend S.F. 1926 as follows:

Page 8, line 29, after "maintenance" insert "of"

Page 8, line 35, delete "alcohol or controlled substances" and after "offenders" insert "whose offenses involved alcohol or controlled substances"

The **MOTION PREVAILED** and the amendment was adopted.

Senator Solon assumed the chair at 10:30 a.m.

The following persons testified regarding S.F. 1926:

1. Therese McCoy, Scott County.
2. Roxanne Bartsch, Wabasha County.

Senator Berglin returned to the chair at 10:40 a.m.

3. Nathan Caneff.
4. Claudia Brewington, Metropolitan Inter-county Association.

Senator Higgins moved to amend S.F. 1926 as follows:

Page 13, delete section 17

The **MOTION PREVAILED** and the amendment was adopted.

Senator Higgins moved that S.F. 1926, as amended, be recommended to pass to the Finance Committee. The **MOTION PREVAILED**.

The second bill up for consideration was S.F. 606, authored and explained by Senator Marty, as follows:

S.F. 606 (MARTY): A bill for an act relating to crime prevention; providing for an aggressive initiative against impaired driving and chemical dependency; increasing the tax on alcoholic beverages to fund this initiative; eliminating obsolete language and making technical corrections; appropriating money.

The following person testified in favor of S.F. 606:

Bob Melson, Executive Director, Dakota County Receiving Center, Inc.,
1294 E. 18th St., Building 2, Hastings, MN 55033.

Senator Higgins moved to amend S.F. 606 as follows:

Page 21, delete section 30

The **MOTION PREVAILED** and the amendment was adopted.

Senator Higgins moved that S.F. 606, as amended, be recommended to pass to the Finance Committee. The **MOTION PREVAILED**.

Senator Solon assumed the chair at 11:00 a.m.

The third bill up for consideration was S.F. 2054, authored and explained by Senator Berglin, as follows:

S.F. 2054 (BERGLIN): A bill for an act relating to human services; changing the chemical dependency allocation.

Senator Berglin moved to amend S.F. 2054 as follows:

(See Attachment "A" – SCS2054A-1)

The **MOTION PREVAILED** and the amendment was adopted.

The following person testified in favor of S.F. 2054:

1. Cindy Rupp, Washington County.
2. Don Allen, Department of Human Services.

Senator Berglin moved that S.F. 2054, as amended, be recommended to pass to the Finance Committee. The **MOTION PREVAILED.**

Senator Berglin returned to the chair at 11:30 a.m.

The fourth and final bill up for consideration was S.F. 1349, authored and explained by Senator LeClair, as follows:

S.F. 1349 (LE CLAIR): A bill for an act relating to human services; changing the chemical dependency allocation.

Senator LeClair moved that S.F. 1349 be tabled. The **MOTION PREVAILED.**

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.



Senator Linda Berglin
Chair



Rochelle M. Polansky
Legislative Assistant

Health and Human Services Budget Division

Senator Linda Berglin, Chair

Wednesday, April 6, 2005 – 9:00 a.m.

Room 123 State Capitol

A G E N D A

- I. Call to Order.

- II. Informational Presentation Regarding Maple Grove Facility:

Scott Leitz, Director, Health Economics Program, MN
Department of Health.

- III. **S.F. 1926 (Murphy): Tax Alcohol for Probation and Treatment of Offenders.**
 - A. Author's Presentation.

Testimony:
 - 1. Claudia Brewington, Metropolitan Inter-County Association.
 - 2. Roxanne Bartsch, Wabasha County.
 - 3. Therese McCoy, Scott County.
 - B. Amendment(s).
 - C. Division Action.

- IV. **S.F. 606 (Marty): DWI and Chemical Dependency Prevention.**
 - A. Author's Presentation.

Testimony:
 - 1. Bob Nelson, Dakota County DeTox, Inc.
 - B. Amendment(s).
 - C. Division Action.

V. S.F. 2054 (Berglin): Chemical Dependency.

A. Author's Presentation.

Testimony:

1. Cindy Rupp, Washington County

B. Amendment(s).

C. Division Action.

VI. S.F. 1349 (LeClair): Change Chemical Dependency Allocation.

A. Author's Presentation.

B. Amendment(s).

C. Division Action.

VII. S.F. 836 (Fischbach): Hospital and Clinic Grant Programs, Eliminate Community Health Center Program.

A. Author's Presentation.

Testimony:

Mark Schoenbaum, Department of Health.

B. Amendment(s).

C. Division Action.

VIII. Adjournment.

NEXT MEETINGS:

Tuesday, April 12, 2005

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Chair: Sen. Linda Berglin
9 a.m. – 123 Capitol
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