

SENATE HEALTH & FAMILY SECURITY COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 2005
12:00 P.M.
ROOM 15 CAPITOL

Members present:

Lourey, Chair
Berglin
Fischbach
Foley
Higgins
Kelley
Kiscaden
LeClair
Moua
Nienow
Wergin

Sen. Lourey convened the meeting at 12:15.

Sen. Rest presented S. F. 1005, adopted persons records access and post-adoption services expansion.

Sen. Kelley moved the A-4 amendment. Motion prevailed.

Testifying in support of S. F. 1005, as amended, were:

12:19 Gretchen Traylor, Adoptee
12:23 Sandy Sperrazza, Birthmother, Concerned United Birthparents
12:30 Robert O'Connor MSW, LGSW, Adoptee
12:35 Mary Martin Mason, Adoptee, Minnesota Adoption Support and Preservation
12:41 Joan Sanaker, Birthmother
12:46 Robert DeNardo, MAW, LICSW, Adoptive Father

Testifying in opposition to S. F. 1005, as amended, were:

12:55 Connie Roller, Catholic Charities
1:05 Jennifer Cleary, Adoptee, Lutheran Social Services
1:07 Linda Kuhlmann, Social Worker, Children's Home Society
1:17 Lori Collins, Birthmother, Adoptee

Sen. Fischbach took the gavel.

1:20 Richard Smith, Director of Adoption Programs, Lutheran Social Services

Sen. Lourey took the gavel.

1:24 Lee Allen, Grandson of Adopted Person, Adopted Person, Adoptive Parent
Director of Communication and Policy, National Council for Adoption

1:32 Discussion

2:02 Recess for the committee members to participate in the prayer service for the Red Lake Community tragedy.

Respectfully submitted by,

Senator Becky Lourey, Chair

Pat Wallner, Legislative Assistant

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Continued at 6:00 pm. mtg.

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- ⑪ Richard Smith, Lutheran Social Services
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III. S.F. 65-Berglin: Health care cost containment provisions; electronic medical record system; health professionals loan forgiveness and medical assistance, general assistance medical care and MinnesotaCare programs provisions modifications.

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