SENATE HEALTH & FAMILY SECURITY COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 2005
12:30 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 12:08 p.m.

Sen. Solon presented S. F. 22, prescription drug bulk purchasing programs.

12:11 p.m. Sen. Higgins moved the A1 amendment.

Motion prevailed.

Present to answer questions was:

   Mike Vanselow, Attorney General's Office

Testifying in opposition to S. F. 22, as amended, were:

   Tim Gallagher, Practicing Pharmacist, Austin, MN
   Bob Vanasek, PhRMA

12:30 p.m. Sen. Higgins moved S. F. 22, as amended, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Finance Committee.

Motion prevailed.

Sen. Solon presented S. F. 23, wholesale drug manufacturers pharmaceutical pricing criteria reporting requirements.

Present to answer questions was:

   Mike Vanselow, Attorney General's Office

Testifying in opposition to S. F. 23 were:

   Linda Carroll-Shern, PhRMA
   Kerry Bundy, Litigation Partner, Faegre and Benson

12:58 p.m. Sen. Higgins moved S. F. 23 be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Finance Committee.

Motion prevailed.

1:02 p.m. Sen. Solon presented S. F. 227, cancer drug repository program.

Testifying in support of S. F. 227 was:

Matt Flory, Cancer Society

Discussion followed.

1:18 p.m. Sen. Higgins moved to lay S. F. 227 on the table.

Motion prevailed.

1:19 p.m. Sen. LeClair presented S. F. 99, savings accounts federal income tax standards conformity.

Testifying in support of S. F. 99 were:

Beth Hartwig, Minnesota Business Partnership
Carolyn Jones, MN Chamber of Commerce
Daniel Schmidt, CEO of Mercury Office Supply
Alicia Gordon, employee of Mercury Office Supply
Bruce Abbe, Communicating for Agriculture and the Self-Employed
Phil Stalboerger, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota Senate
Stephen Parente, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Healthcare Management, U of M
Mike Hickey, Nat'l Federation of Independent Business – MN

2:35 p.m. Sen. LeClair moved S. F. 99 be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Tax Committee.

Motion prevailed.

Sen. Lourey adjourned the meeting at 2:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

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Senator Becky Lourey, Chair   Pat Wallner, Legislative Assistant

Senate Committee Meeting Log

Committee Name: __HEALTH & FAMILY SECURITY__

Date: __1/20/05__   Day: __THURS.__   Start Time: __12:08__

Agenda

Bill # (or Topic)	SF 22
Author	SOLON
Short Descriptor	PRESCRIPTION DRUG BULK PURCHASING PROGRAMS
Action(s)	A1 amendment goes forward
	Moved by Sen. Higgins to be moved to Finance – All say yes!

Bill # (or Topic)	SF 23
Author	SOLON
Short Descriptor	WHOLESALE DRUG MANUFACTURERS PHARMACEUTICAL PRICING
	CRITERIA REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.
Action(s)	Sen. Higgins moves SF 23 to be passed + moved to Finance – YES!

Bill # (or Topic)	SF 227
Author	SOLON
Short Descriptor	CANCER DRUG REPOSITORY PROGRAM
Action(s)	moved on
	Sen. Higgins made motion. + SF 227 has been
	laid on table

Bill # (or Topic)	SF 99
Author	LeCLAIR
Short Descriptor	SAVINGS ACCOUNTS FEDERAL INCOME TAX STANDARDS
	CONFORMITY.
Action(s)	Sen. LeClair reccomends SF to be passed +
	refer to Tax Committee

Health and Family Security Committee
Chair, Sen. Becky Lourey
Noon – 2:30 PM, January 20, 2005
Room 15, Capitol

I. Call to Order

II. S.F. 22-Solon: Prescription drug bulk purchasing programs. *passed as amended to Finance*

 Mike Vanselow, Attorney General's office
 Dr. Tim Gallagher, Pharmacist, Austin
 Bob Vanasek and ~~Linda Carroll-Shern~~, PhRMA

III. S.F. 23-Solon: Wholesale drug manufacturers pharmaceutical pricing criteria reporting requirements. *passed as ~~amended~~ to Finance*

 Mike Vanselow Attorney General's office
 ~~Bob Vanasek~~ and Linda Carroll-Shern, PhRMA
 Kerry Bundy, Faegre and Benson

IV. S.F. 227-Solon: Cancer drug repository program. *Laid on the table*

 Matt Flory, Cancer Society
 Dr. Tim Gallagher, Pharmacist, Austin

V. S.F. 99-LeClair: savings accounts federal income tax standards conformity. *passed to Taxes*

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 (2) Carolyn Jones, Minnesota Chamber of Commerce (4) *Alicia Gordon, employee*
 (3) Daniel Schmidt, CEO of Mercury Office Supply
 (5) Bruce Abbe, Communicating for Agriculture and the Self-Employed
 (6) Phil Stalboerger, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota
 (7) Stephen Parente, Assistant Professor, Dept of Healthcare Management, UofM
 (8) *Mike Hickey, Mn. Small Business*

VI. Adjournment.

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