# Senate Judiciary Committee Tuesday, March 22, 2005 12:00 p.m. - Room 112 Capitol

#### In Attendance

Senator Betzold

Senator Chaudhary

Senator Hann

Senator Limmer

Senator Marty

Senator Neuville

Senator Ortman

Senator Rest

Senator Skoglund

Senator Betzold called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m. A quorum was present.

Remarks by the chair regarding recess for the memorial

Senator Foley presented SF 778: DWI vehicle forfeiture, driver's license revocation and chemical use assessment procedures modification

#### Witness

• Tammi Frederickson, Coon Rapids City Attorney and member of the DWI Task Force (support)

Senator Marty MOVED SF 778 be recommended to pass- ADOPTED

Senator Scheid presented SF 1287: Regulating causes of action arising out of construction defects in residential housing.

#### Witnesses:

 Pam Perri Weaver, Executive Vice President, Builders Association of Minnesota (support)

Amendments are handed out to committee members (A10- A19 no A17)

Testimony on Section 1 of the bill

- Scott Andresen, attorney (oppose)
- Jocelyn Knowles, Builder's Association of Minnesota (support)
- Nancey Emerson, Townhome owner (oppose)
- David Hammargren, attorney (oppose)
- Jack Rossbach, home inspector (oppose)
- Julie Doherty, attorney (oppose)
- Jan Donahue, home owner (oppose)

Senator Skoglund MOVED A9 amendment-

Senator Skoglund **MOVED** oral amendment to the A9-Page 1, line 30: After "includes" insert "but is not limited to"

#### **ADOPTED**

Testimony on Section 2 of the bill

- Scott Andresen, attorney (oppose)
- Jan Donahue, home owner (oppose)
- Julie Doherty, attorney (oppose)
- Joel Carlson, Minnesota Trial Lawyers Association (oppose)

The bill is laid over

Senator Ranum presented SF 1143: Domestic Abuse No Contact Order Handout #1, #2

Senator Skoglund **MOVED** A2 amendment as an author's amendment- **ADOPTED** Handout # 3, #4

#### Witness

• Jeanne Schlay, Ramsey County Attorney (support)

Senator Marty MOVED oral amendment to the A2 amendment-

Page 1, line 5: Delete "VIOLATION OF A"

#### **ADOPTED**

Senator Marty **MOVED** SF 1143 as amended be recommended to pass and be re-referred to the committee on Crime Prevention- **ADOPTED** 

The committee is in recess at 1:56 p.m.

Senator Betzold reconvened the committee at 6:43p.m.

Senator Moua presented SF 1603: Railroad worker injuries

Senator Hann MOVED A2 amendment- ADOPTED

Senator Hann **MOVED** SF 1603 as amended be recommended to pass and be re-referred to the committee on Jobs, Energy and Community Development- **ADOPTED** 

The committee briefly recessed 6:49p.m.

The committee reconvened at 6:51p.m.

The A24 amendment to SF 1287 was handed out

Senator Ortman **MOVED** A24 with the following oral amendment:

Page 1, line 25: Change the second "of" to "or"

Page 6, line 5: Change "Sec. 7" to "Sec. 6"

## ADOPTED

#### Witnesses

- Scott Andresen (oppose)
- Jocelyn Knowle, Builder's Association of Minnesota (support)

Senator Neuville **MOVED** A21 as modified to fit into the A24 amendment:

Page 1, line 3: Change "Page 5" to "Page 4" and change "line 5" to "line 16"

Page 1, line 4: Delete "(d)" and insert "Subd. 11"

#### **ADOPTED**

Senator Limmer MOVED oral amendment to A24

Page 2, line 10: After "mail" insert "or provide actual notice"

Page 2, line 11: Delete "written"

## **ADOPTED**

Senator Ortman MOVED oral amendment to A24:

Page 4, line 19: After "not" insert "substantially"

#### ADOPTED

Senator Chaudhary MOVED oral amendment to A24:

Page 6, line 7: After "from" insert "dwellings substantially completed or home

improvements substantially completed"

Page 6, line 7: Delete "contracts entered into"

Division- 5-4 motion is **ADOPTED** 

Senator Neuville MOVED oral amendment to A24:

Page 2, line 11: After "defect" and before the period, insert "and include the results of any tests already completed on the dwelling"

Page 2, line 27: Before the "," insert "after providing the notice required by subdivision

#### **ADOPTED**

Senator Marty MOVED oral amendment to A24:

Page 4, line 27: After "limitations" insert "or statute of repose"

#### **ADOPTED**

Senator Ortman **MOVED** to reconsider the Limmer oral amendment on Page 2, lines 10-11-**NOT ADOPTED** 

#### Witnesses

- Nancy Johnson, home owner (oppose)
- David Hammargren, attorney (oppose)

The bill is laid over at the request of the author

Senator Rest presented SF 1010: Prohibiting prejudgement garnishment in certain circumstances

Senator Rest MOVED A2 amendment as an author's amendment- ADOPTED

### Witnesses:

- Christian Walker, Consumer enforcement division of the Attorney General's office (support)
- Galen Robinson, Legal Aid Society of Minneapolis (support)
- Kathy Eveslage, Southern Minnesota Regional Legal Services (support)
- Lisa Haster, Co-chair, Hennepin County Bar Association Debtor Creditor Committee (oppose)
- Joe Witt, Minnesota Banker's Association- President (has concerns)
- Erik Vakula, Legal assistant (has concerns)

Senator Rest **MOVED** SF 1010 as amended be recommended to pass and be re-referred to the committee on Finance- **ADOPTED** 

The committee adjourned at 9:37p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Senator Don Betzold, Chair Senate Judiciary Committee

Rebecca Olson, Legislative Assistant

Senate Judiciary Committee

## Senate Judiciary Committee March 22, 2005 12:00 Room 112 Agenda

- ① SF 778 (Foley) DWI vehicle forfeiture, drivers license revocation and chemical use assessment procedures modifications.

  Tammi Frederickson, Coon Rapids City Attorney and MN DWI Task Force
- ③ SF 1143 (Ranum) Expanding the applicability of the domestic abuse no contact order. Susan Gaertner, Ramsey County Attorney
- SF 1010 (Rest) Creditors prejudgment garnishment provision.
  Christian Walker, Minnesota Attorney General's Office
  Galen Robinson, Legal Aid Society of Minneapolis
  Kathy Eveslage, Southern Minnesota Regional Legal Services
  Lisa Haster, Cochair Hennepin County Bar Ass. Debtor Creditor Committee
  Joe Witt of the Mn Bankers Association
  Erik L. Vakula

NOTHERD SF 567 (Ourada) requiring the filing of a summons and complaint before the issuance of a garnishment summons.

- SF 1287 (Scheid) A bill for an act relating to real property; regulating causes of action arising out of construction defects in residential housing.
  Pam P. Weaver, Builders Association
  Doug Haugen MAJ, FA
  Jan Donahue Homeowner
  Fred Jacoberger, Attorney
  Scott Andresen, Attorney
  Paul Ellringer, Industrial hygienist
- SF 1603 (Moua) Railroad companies injured workers treatment obstruction prohibition Philip Qualy, United Trans. Union

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Short Descriptor	DWI vehicle forfeiture procedures modifications
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Author	Scheid
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SF 1010

Rest

Prohibiting prejudgement garnishments in certain circumstances

Amended, pass & re-refer to Finance