

Finance Committee
April 4th, 2006
9:00 a.m. Room 123
Chair, Senator Richard J. Cohen

Present:

Dick Cohen, Chair
Linda Berglin
Satveer Chaudhary, Vice Chair
Michelle Fischbach
Dennis Frederickson
Chris Gerlach
John Hottinger
Bob Kierlin
Sheila Kiscaden
Keith Langseth
Cal Larson
Jim Metzen
Steve Murphy
Tom Neuville
Sean Nienow
Gen Olson
Sandy Pappas
Pat Pariseau
Dallas Sams
LeRoy Stumpf
Chuck Wiger

Absent:

Steve Dille
Jane Ranum

Agenda

Senator Cohen called the meeting to order at 9:18 a.m. A quorum was present.

SF 3384 was removed from the agenda.

First Item:

- SF 930 (Kubly)
- Senator Berglin moved adoption of the division report. Motion carried.
- Senator Kubly testified on the bill.
- The following testified or answered questions on SF 930:
Lance Holtlusen, Northstar Gambling Alliance
Don Feeny, Minnesota Lottery
Matt Massman, Fiscal Analyst
- Senator Berglin moved SF 930.
- Senator Frederickson moved oral amendment. Motion carried.
- Senator Berglin's motion to pass SF 930 carried.

Second Item:

- SF 2883 (Sparks)
- Senator Hottinger moved adoption of the division report. Motion carried.
- Senator Sparks testified on bill.
- Senator Larson moved the bill.
- Senator Fischbach moved the A-1 amendment.

- The following gave testimony on the A-1 amendment:
Beth Mork, Minnesota Liscensed Family Child Care
Association Director.
Jerry Kerber, Department of Human Services Licensing Division
- A-1 amendment carried.
- The following testified or answered questions on the bill:
Matt Massman, Fiscal Analyst
- Senator Frederickson moved oral amendment. Motion carried.
- Senator Larson's motion that the bill pass was carried.

Third Item:

- SF 2634 (Scheid)
- Senator Metzen moved adoption of the division report. Motion carried.
- Senator Scheid testified on the bill.
- The following gave testimony or answered questions on the bill:
Greg Hubinger, Director of Legislative Coordinating Commission.
- Senator Pappas moved that the bill be passed. Motion carried.

Fourth Item:

- SF 2670 (Skoe)
- Senator Berglin moved the adoption of the division report. Motion carried.
- Senator Pappas moved the A-2 amendment. Motion carried.
- The following gave testimony or answered questions on SF 2670:
Matt Massman, Fiscal Analyst.
- Senator Pappas moved that SF 2670 as amended pass and be re-referred to taxes.
Motion carried.

Fifth Item:

- SF 3087 (Hottinger)
- Senator Hottinger moved the division report. Motion carried.
- Senator Hottinger moved an oral change to the division report. Motion carried.
- Senator Hottinger testified on the bill.
- Senator Hottinger moved SF 3087 as amended to pass. Motion carried.

Sixth Item:

- SF 3615 (Hottinger)
- Senator Hottinger moved the division report. Motion carried.
- Senator Hottinger testified on the bill.
- The following gave testimony or answered questions:
Cherie Kotilinek, Department of Human Services, Childcare Assistance Manager.
- Senator Hottinger moved SF 3615. Motion carried.

Seventh Item:

- SF 1459 (Betzold) Senator Betzold testified on the bill.
- Senator Berglin moved adoption of the division report. Motion carried.
- Senator Sams moved the A-2 amendment. Motion carried.
- The following gave testimony or answered questions on SF 1459:
Jan Alswager, Education Minnesota.
Lee Johansen, Education Minnesota
Matt Massman, Fiscal Analyst
Scott Croonquist, Association of Metropolitan School Districts Executive
Director
Grace Schwab, Minnesota School Board Association
Sam Walseth, Minnesota Service Cooperatives
Charlie Kyte, Executive Director of Minnesota Association of School
Administrators

- Senator Chaudhary moved passage of SF 1459. Motion carried.

Eighth Item:

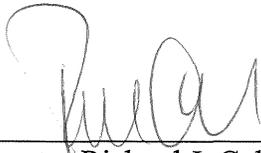
- SF 2697 (Stumpf) Senator Stumpf testified on the bill.
- Senator Pappas moved adoption of the division report. Motion carried.
- Stumpf moved that SF 2697 pass and be re-referred to taxes. Motion carried.

Ninth Item:

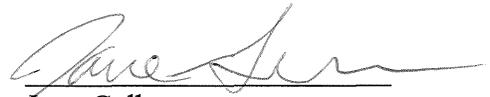
- SF 3450 (Murphy) Senator Murphy testified on the bill.
- The following gave testimony or answered questions on the bill:
Matt Massman, Fiscal Analyst
Arlene McCarthy, Metropolitan Council and Metropolitan Transit Services
- Senator Murphy moves oral amendment. Motion carried.
- Senator Murphy moves passage as amended. Motion carried.

Senator Cohen adjourned the meeting at 11:27 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Senator Richard J. Cohen
Finance Committee Chair



Jane Gelbmann
Finance Committee Secretary

Senate Finance Committee

Chair: Richard J. Cohen

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SF 3384 (Pogemiller) Early childhood learning preparedness and enrichment allowance establishment.

SF 2883 (Sparks) Child care licensing provisions modification.

SF 3087 (Hottinger) Child passenger restraint systems use requirement for family and group family child care.

SF 3615 (Hottinger) Child care assistance provider parent fees provisions modification.

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SF 2697 (Stumpf) Hallock economic development grant appropriation.

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