

SENATE HEALTH & FAMILY SECURITY COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 2006
12:00 P.M.
ROOM 15 CAPITOL

Members present:

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

Members excused:

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12:12 Sen. Lourey convened the hearing.

12:13 Sen. Larson presented S. F. 2521, Fergus Falls hospital construction moratorium exception.

Testifying in support of S. F. 2521 were:

12:14 Kent Mattson, Lake Region Healthcare Corporation General Counsel
12:20 Angelo Griego, Chief Nursing Executive

Discussion followed

12:28 Sen. Higgins moved S. F. 2521 be recommended to pass and be re-referred to Finance.

Motion prevailed.

12:35 Sen. Sams presented S. F. 2630, Cass County hospital construction moratorium exception.

Testifying in support of S. F. 2630 were:

12:37 Jim Demgen, Chairman, Cass County Board
12:40 Bob Yochum, Cass County Administrator
12:50 Rep. Larry Howes, MN House of Representatives 4B

12:55 Sen. Kelley moved S. F. 2630 be recommended to pass and be referred to the Floor.

Motion prevailed.

12:56 Sen. Solon presented S. F. 2582, Waivered services allotments overspending allowances.

Sen. Kelley moved the A-2 amendment. Motion prevailed.

Testifying in support of S. F. 2582, as amended, were:

12:58 Ann Busche, Director of Public Health and Human Services, St. Louis County
1:04 Tom Boyd, Director of Social Services, Fillmore County

Sen. Higgins moved S. F. 2582, as amended, be recommended to pass and re-referred to Finance.

Motion prevailed.

1:05 Sen. Lourey presented S. F. 2080, Long term care task force recommendations.

1:06 Sen. Lourey moved the A-4 amendment. Motion prevailed.

Testifying in support of S. F. 2080, as amended, were:

1:07 Mike Weber, MN Leadership Council on Aging

1:10 Malcolm Mitchell, MN Leadership Council on Aging

Speaking on the A-5 amendment was:

1:21 Rina McMannus

1:25 Sen. Lourey moved the A-5 amendment. Motion prevailed.

1:26 Sen. Lourey moved S. F. 2080, as amended, be recommended to pass and be re-referred to Finance.

Motion prevailed.

1:28 Sen. Berglin presented S. F. 3064, Medical assistance coverage for medicare part D eligible individuals.

1:29 Sen. Berglin moved the A-1 amendment. Motion prevailed.

Testifying in support of S. F. 3064, as amended, were:

1:34 Stephanie Stricklin, St. Paul

1:35 Lori Kieffer

1:41 Greg Marita, Legal Aid Society, Minneapolis

1:45 Mike Runholt, Marshall

1:49 Cliff Poetz, Minneapolis

1:55 Sen. Berglin moved S. F. 3064, as amended, be recommended to pass and be re-referred to Finance.

Motion prevailed.

1:56 Sen. Berglin presented S. F. 2888, Assisted living services requirements establishment; licensing and regulation provisions and modifications; uniform consumer information guide.

Testifying in support of S. F. 2888 were:

1:58 Iris Freeman, Alzheimer's Association

2:02 Jon Lips, Care Providers of Minnesota

Discussion followed.

2:15 Jon Lips continues his testimony

2:20 Sen. Berglin moved the A-1 amendment.

Sen. Berglin moved a technical amendment to the A-1 amendment.

Line 1.12 capitalize "c" in community, capitalize "a" in alternatives, capitalize "d" in disabled, capitalize "i" in individuals.

Line 1.12 after Individuals insert "(CADI)"

Line 1.13 capitalize "t" in traumatic, capitalize "b" in brain, capitalize "i" in injury.

Line 1.13 after Injury insert "(TBI)"

Line 1.15 delete "community alternatives for disable individuals" and insert "CADI"

Line 1.16 delete "traumatic brain injury" and insert "TBI"

Motion prevailed.

2:25 Testifying in opposition to S. F. 2888, as amended, was:

2:25 Janice Carr, *Garden Cottage*, Stewartville

2:40 Sen. Kiscaden moved an oral amendment:

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Motion failed.

2:45 Sen. Berglin moved S. F. 2888, as amended, be recommended to pass and re-referred to Finance.

Motion prevailed.

2:45 Sen. Lourey adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted by,

Senator Becky Lourey, Chair



Pat Wallner, Legislative Assistant

Health and Family Security Committee

Chair, Sen. Becky Lourey

Noon – 2:30 PM, March 16, 2006

Room 15, Capitol

I. Call to Order

II. ① S.F. 2521-Larson: Fergus Falls hospital construction moratorium exception

- passed to Finance*
- ② Kent Mattson, Lake Region Healthcare Corporation General Counsel
 - ③ Angelo Griego, Chief Nursing Executive

III. ④ S.F. 2630-Sams: Cass county hospital construction moratorium exception

- passed to the floor*
- ⑤ Jim Demgen, Chairman, Cass County Board
 - ⑥ Bob Yochum, Cass County Administrator
 - ⑦ Rep. Howes

IV. ⑧ S.F. 2582-Solon: Waivered services allotments overspending allowances

- passed as amended to Finance*
- ⑨ Ann Busche, Director of Public Health and Human Services, St. Louis Co
 - ⑩ Tom Boyd, Director of Social Services, Fillmore County

V. ⑮ S.F. 3064-Berglin: Medical assistance coverage for medicare part D eligible individuals.

- passed as amended to Finance*
- ⑯ Stephanie Stricklin, St. Paul
 - ⑰ Ken Moritz, Chair, Policy Committee, Board of Aging
 - ⑱ Greg Marita, Legal Aid Society, Minneapolis
 - ⑲ Mike Runholt, Marshall
 - ⑳ Cliff Poetz, Minneapolis
 - ㉑ Lori Kieffer

VI. ⑳ S.F. 2888-Berglin: Assisted living services requirements establishment; licensing and regulation provisions and modifications; uniform consumer information guide

- passed as amended to Finance*
- ㉒ Iris Freeman, Alzheimer's Association
 - ㉓ Jon Lips, Care Providers of Minnesota
 - Lois McCarron, AARP
 - Karen Anderson, Alzheimer's Association
 - ㉔ Janice Carr

VII. ㉑ S.F. 2080-Lourey: Long term care task force recommendations implementation

- passed as amended to Finance*
- ㉒ Malcolm Mitchell, MN Leadership Council on Aging
 - ㉓ Mike Weber, MN Leadership Council on Aging
 - ㉔ Rina McMannus

VIII. Adjournment