

SENATE HEALTH & FAMILY SECURITY COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 2006
12:00 P.M.
ROOM 15 CAPITOL

Members present:

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

Members excused:

Moua

12:14 Sen. Lourey convened the meeting.

Sen. Yvonne Prettner-Solon has been temporarily appointed to Health & Human Services Committee to fill Sen. Moua's absence.

12:14 Sen. Pappas presented S. F. 2679, Ramsey County child care pilot project for teen parents.

Testifying in support of S. F. 2679 were:

12:16 Toni Carter, Ramsey County Commissioner

Further testifiers in support of S. F. 2679 were:

12:19 Shannon Kennedy, Ramsey County

12:21 Victoria Stein, student/parent

12:23 Discussion followed.

12:30 Sen. Foley moved S. F. 2679 be recommended to pass and re-referred to Finance.

Motion prevailed.

12:31 Sen. Sparks presented S. F. 2883, Child care licensing provisions modification.

Testifying in support of S. F. 2883 was:

12:32 Kathy Stutzman, Parenting Resource Center, Austin, MN

12:40 Sen. Wergin moved S. F. 2883 be recommended to pass and be re-referred to Finance.

Motion prevailed.

12:41 Sen. Hottinger presented S. F. 2833, Human services background studies variance or set aside notification exception.

Testifying in opposition to S. F. 2833 was:

12:45 Rich Neumeister, Citizen

12:47 Discussion followed.

12:50 Sen. Berglin moved S. F. 2833 be recommended to pass and sent to the Floor.

Motion prevailed.

Sen. Hottinger presented S. F. 2997; Child care assistance provider reimbursement rate additional category and absent days.

12:52 Sen. Berglin moved the A-1 amendment. Motion prevailed.

12:53 Sen. Berglin moved S. F. 2997, as amended, be recommended to pass and re-referred to Finance.

Motion prevailed.

12:54 Sen. Hottinger presented S. F. 3087, Child passenger restrain systems use requirement for family and group family child care, child care centers and child foster care modification.

12:55 Sen. Berglin moved an author's amendment, the A-1 amendment. Motion prevailed.

12:56 Sen. Berglin moved S. F. 3087, as amended, be recommended to pass and re-referred to Finance.

Motion prevailed.

1:00 Sen. Berglin presented S. F. 3013, Human services background studies disqualification provision modification.

Testifying in support of S. F. 3013 were:

1:04 Dan Ward, Executive Director, Metro Hope Ministries

1:11 Scott Reinke, Former Aftercare Coordinator, Metro Hope Ministries

1:19 Sen. Berglin moved an author's amendment, the A-1 amendment. Motion prevailed.

Continuing testifying on S. F. 3013, as amended was:

1:20 Jonathan Logren, African American Family Services

1:27 Discussion followed.

Coming to the table to participate in the discussion was:

1:34 Jerry Kerber, DHS, Director, Licensing Division

1:52 Sen. Berglin moved an oral amendment to the A-1 amendment:

Page 1, Line 7 delete "family" and "for children"

Motion prevailed.

Further testifying on S. F. 3013, as amended was:

2:00 Lorraine Holmes,

2:05 Sen. Berglin moved an oral amendment to the A-1 amendment:

After Line 10 insert "This bill is effective the day following final enactment."

Motion prevailed.

2:10 Sen. Berglin moved S. F. 3013, as amended, be recommended to pass and referred to the Floor.

Motion prevailed.

2:11 Sen. Berglin presented S. F. 3085, Mental health pilot projects for unsheltered individuals.

Testifying on S. F. 3085 were:

2:12 Patrick Wood, People Incorporated

2:14 Joan White, People Incorporated

2:15 Sen. Berglin moved S. F. 3085 to be recommended to pass and re-referred to Finance.

Motion prevailed.

Sen. Foley took the gavel.

2:17 Sen. Lourey presented S. F. 2741, Runaway and Homeless Youth Act.

Testifying on S. F. 2741 were:

2:18 Richard Hooks Wayman, MN Youth Service Association

2:19 Susan Phillips, Lutheran Social Services

2:20 Yeshi Bethea, Lutheran Social Services

2:23 Brandon Raasch, Freeport West

2:29 Sen. Lourey moved an author's amendment, A-3 amendment.

Motion prevailed.

Coming to the table to testify was:

2:30 Laura LeCroix, Youth Community Connections

2:31 Sen. Lourey moved S. F. 2741, as amended, be recommended to pass and be re-referred to Finance.

Sen. Kelley requested Sen. Lourey reconsider her motion and have S. F. 2741, as amended, be re-referred to Education.

2:34 Sen. Lourey agreed to the request and re-referred S. F. 2741, as amended, be recommended to pass and re-referred to Education.

Motion prevailed.

2:35 Sen. Foley 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 21, 2006
Room 15, Capitol

I. Call to Order

II. ① S.F. 2679-Pappas: Ramsey county child care pilot project for teen parents

② Toni Carter, Ramsey County Commissioner

③ Shannon Kennedy, Ramsey County

④ Victoria Stein, student parent

III. ⑤ S.F. 2883-Sparks: Child care licensing provisions modification

⑥ Kathy Stutzman

IV. ⑦ S.F. 2833-Hottinger: Human services background studies variance or set aside notification exception

⑧ Rick Neumeister

V. ⑨ S.F. 2997-Hottinger: Child care assistance provider reimbursement rate additional category and absent days

Chad Dunkley, Minnesota Child Care Association
Lynn Spainhower, Catherwood Home Child Care

VI. ⑩ S.F. 3087-Hottinger: Child passenger restrain systems use requirement for family and group family child care, child care centers and child foster care modification

Chad Dunkley, Minnesota Child Care Association

VII. ⑪ S.F. 3013-Berglin: Human services background studies disqualification provision modification

⑬ Scott Reinke, Former Aftercare Coordinator, Metro Hope Ministries
Dan Skolte, Former R.N.

⑫ Dan Ward, Executive Director, Metro Hope Ministries

⑭ Jonathan Lotgren } African American Family Services
Lissa Jones }

VIII. ⑮ S.F. 3085-Berglin: Mental health pilot projects for unsheltered individuals

⑯ Patrick Wood, Policy Advocate

⑰ Joan White.

IX. ⑱ S.F. 2741-Lourey: Runaway and Homeless Youth Act

⑲ Richard Hooks Wayman, MN Youth Services Assn

⑳ Susan Phillips, Lutheran Social Services, Homeless Youth Programs Director

㉑ Yeshi Bethea, Lutheran Social Services, Program Recipient

㉒ Brandon Raasch, Freeport West

㉓ Laura LeCroix, Youth Community Connections

X. Adjournment.