

# Minnesota State Senate

Health and Human Services Finance and Policy Committee

Monday, February 28, 2022

1:00 PMLivestream YouTube

## Minutes

Present: Senator Paul J. Utke - Chair, Senator Rich Draheim - Vice Chair, Senator Jim Abeler, Senator Michelle R. Benson, Senator Chris A. Eaton, Senator Matt D. Klein, Senator Mark W. Koran, Senator Carla J. Nelson, Senator Melissa H. Wiklund

Absent: No Members Absent

Senator Paul J. Utke called the meeting to order at 1:04 PM

**S.F. 2704: Senator Bakk: Hospital construction or modification moratorium exceptions authorization for certain critical access hospitals.**

Senator Bakk presents SF 2704

### Testifiers:

- Kimber Wraaastad, Administrator and CEO of Cook County North Shore Hospital and Care Center
- Jamie Kavanaugh, Institute for Justice

### Discussion

Senator Benson moves an oral amendment, **MOTION ADOPTED**

Senator Benson moved that S.F. 2704, as amended, be recommended to pass. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

**MN Department of Health presentation on the Hospital Moratorium Law**

Minnesota Department of Health presents Minnesota's Hospital Moratorium Law

### Testifiers:

- Stefan Gildemeister, State Health Economist and Director, Health Economics Program
- Matt Dean, Heartland Institute

### Discussion

S.F. XXXX: Senator Draheim: Informational only, member discussion.

Senator Draheim presents his bill as an information only presentation.

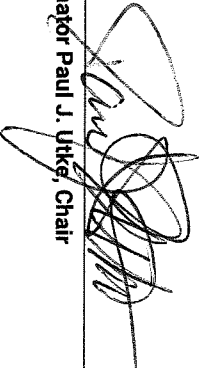
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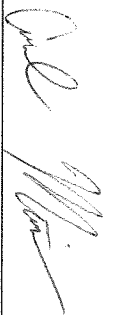
- Sue Abderholden, NAMI

Discussion

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The meeting was adjourned at 2:43 PM

  
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Senator Paul J. Utke, Chair

  
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Carl Martins, Legislative Assistant