

# Minnesota State Senate

Human Services Reform Finance and Policy Committee

Tuesday, March 1, 2022

1:00 PMLivestream YouTube

## Minutes

**Present:** Senator Jim Abeler - Chair, Senator Michelle R. Benson Vice Chair, Senator Omar Fateh, Senator John A. Hoffman, Senator Karin Housley, Senator Erin P. Murphy, Senator Carla J. Nelson, Senator Paul J. Utke, Senator Melissa H. Wiklund

**Absent:** No Members Absent

Senator Jim Abeler called the meeting to order at 1:01pm.

**Cardinal of Minnesota CEO Michelle Priggen update on closure of 10 group homes in Rochester area announced last week.**

**Testifier:**

Michelle Priggen, CEO, Cardinal of Minnesota

### Committee Discussion

Discussion only.

**Update from Department of Human Services Commissioner Jodi Harpstead on group home closures.**

**Testifiers:**

Jodi Harpstead, Commissioner, Department of Human Services

Michelle Priggen, CEO, Cardinal of Minnesota

### Committee Discussion

Discussion only.

**S.F. 3470: Senator Senjem: Trauma-informed services priority additions; sexual exploitation and trafficking study authorization; sexually exploited youth appropriation.**

Senator Nelson moved the bill before the committee.

Senator David Senjem presented the bill.

**Testifiers:**

Beth Holger, The Link

Holly Brannick, Rochester Youth Services

**Committee Discussion**

Senator Nelson moved that S.F. 3470, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Health and Human Services Finance and Policy Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

**S.F. 3408: Senator Utke: Task force on Subminimum Wages membership and duties modification.**

Senator Utke moved the bill and presented SF3408 before the committee.

Senator Utke moved to adopt the A-1 amendment

Motion passed and the A-1 amendment was adopted on a voice vote.

**Testifiers:**

Noah McCourt, Minnesota Disability Justice Network

Maren Hulden, Legal Services Advocacy Project

Kristy Graume, Department of Human Services

**Committee Discussion**

Senator Utke moved that S.F. 3408, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the State Government Finance and Policy and Elections Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

**S.F. 3010: Senator Nelson: Behavioral health home provider payments modification.**

Senator Nelson moved the bill, SF3010, before the committee

**Testifiers:**

Julie Plante, Registered Nurse Manager, Vail Place

**Committee Discussion**

Senator Nelson moved that S.F. 3010, as discussed, laid over.

**S.F. 3115: Senator Rarick: Directing the commissioner to make recommendations for paperwork reduction relating to child protection cases.**

Senator Housley moved the bill, SF3115, before the committee.

Senator Rarrick presented the bill, SF3115.

Testifiers:

Beth Jarvis, Child Protection Supervisor, Pine County

Jennifer Sommerfeld, Department of Human Services

Committee Discussion

Housley moved to adopt the A22-0330 Amendment and prevailed on a voice vote.

Senator Housley moved that S.F. 3115, as amended, be laid over.

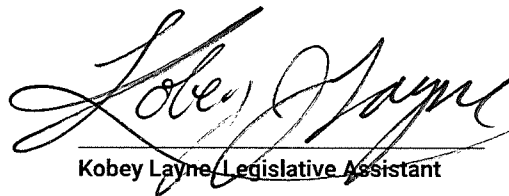
**S.F. 3165: Senator Hoffman: Human service provisions in community supports modification.**

Not heard.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:42pm.



Senator Jim Abeler, Chair



Kobey Layne, Legislative Assistant