

MINNESOTA STATE SENATE

Health & Human Services Finance & Policy Committee

Health and Human Services Committee
Wednesday, January 18th, 2023
8:30am Livestream YouTube

Minutes

Present: Senator Melissa H Wiklund - Chair, Senator Alice Mann - Vice Chair, Senator Paul Utke – Minority Lead, Senator Jim Abeler, Senator Liz Boldon, Senator John Hoffman, Senator Rob Kupec, Senator Bill Lieske, Senator Kelly Morrison

Absent: No Absent Members

Chair Wiklund called the meeting to order at 8:32 am on Wednesday, January 18th, 2023, in Room 1100 of the Minnesota Senate Building. A quorum was present.

AGENDA ITEM #1: SF 70 (MAYE-QUADE): Repealing certain abortion provisions.

The first bill up on the agenda was Senate File 70, authored by Senator Maye-Quade as follows:

S.F. 70 (Maye-Quade): Repealing certain abortion provisions.

Senator Maye-Quade offered the **A1 Authors Amendment**.

Senator Morrison moved the A1 Amendment.

Senator Maye-Quade explained the A1 Amendment

Senator Abeler asked Senator Maye Quade to explain Rule 9505.0235 is.

Senator Wiklund explained to Senator Abeler that it is tradition to adopt the authors amendment without detailed explanation.

Senator Maye- Quade provided an additional explanation of the A1 Amendment for Senator Abeler.

On a voice vote, **THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE A1 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Senator Maye-Quade provided opening remarks and explained Senate File 70, as amended, to the committee.

The following individuals testified on S.F. 70:

- Jess Braverman, Legal Director at Gender Justice, testified in support of S.F. 70
- Dr. Nicole Chaisson, Practicing Family Physician & Associate Medical Director at Planned Parenthood North Central States, testified in support of S.F. 70
- Emily Richter, private citizen, testified in support of S.F. 70.

Senator Utke raised a concern about individuals having 2 minutes to testify on the bill.

Chair Wiklund reiterated that public testimony for all individuals was limited to two minutes.

Continuation of testimony:

- Rachel Dick, private citizen, testified in support of S.F. 70.
- Laurie Casey, Executive Director at We Health, testified in support of S.F. 70.
- Amy Hagstrom Miller, President & CEO at Whole Women’s Health Alliance, testified in support of S.F. 70.
- Sherry Litz, private citizen, testified in opposition of S.F. 70.
- Tim Miller, Executive Director of PLAM Action, testified in opposition of S.F. 70.
- Susan Lopez, private citizen, testified in opposition of S.F. 70.
- Teresa Collett, professor at the University of St. Thomas School of Law, testified in opposition of S.F. 70.
- Hannah Stein, private citizen, testified in support of S.F. 70.
- Renee Carlson general counsel for True North Legal, testified in opposition of S.F. 70.
- Cathy Blaser, Co-Executive Director of MN Citizens Concerned For Life, testified in opposition of S.F. 70.

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- Rev. Kelly Clement, First Unitarian Society of Minneapolis, testified in support of S.F. 70.
- Ray Parker, a private citizen, testified in opposition of S.F. 70.
- Mary Amyot, a private citizen, testified in opposition of S.F. 70.
- Kit Ketchum, a private citizen, testified in support of S.F. 70.
- Marily Baker, a private citizen testified in opposition of S.F. 70.
- Rabbi Debra Rappaport, Co-Chair of MN Rabbinical Association, testified in support of S.F. 70.

Member question and discussion followed.

Senator Abeler and asked Senator Maye-Quade when does an un-born baby become a person.

Senator Maye-Quade answered Senator Abeler's question.

Senator Abeler spoke to S.F. 70.

Senator Utke asked a question about pre-natal care being offered to an un-born child.

Senator Utke asked a question about how many abortions are performed in Minnesota in a given year & the cost of those procedures.

Senator Maye-Quade answered Senator Utke's question.

Senator Utke spoke to S.F. 70.

Senator Abeler moved the A8 Amendment

Senator Abeler explained the A8 Amendment.

Senator Abeler requested a roll call vote and that the results be recorded in the journal. There being three hands raised (Senator Abeler, Senator Lieske, and Senator Utke) the results will be recorded in the journal.

Senator Maye-Quade clarified a claim that Senator Abeler made about viability.

Senator Abeler spoke to Senator Maye Quade's comments.

Senator Wiklund renewed the motion to vote on the A8 Amendment.

The results are as follows:

AYES: Senator Abeler, Senator Utke, Senator Lieske

NAYS: Chair Wiklund, Vice Chair Mann, Senator Boldon, Senator Hoffman, Senator Kupec, Senator Morrison

ABSENT:

On a vote of 3 AYES and 6 NAYS, **THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL AND THE A8 AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.**

Senator Abeler moved the A2 Amendment.

Senator Abeler explained the A2 Amendment.

Senator Abeler asked Senator Maye-Quade to explain what comfort care is.

Senator Maye-Quade provided an explanation to what comfort care is.

Senator Abeler spoke to Senator Maye-Quade's comments.

Senator Abeler requested a roll call vote and that the results be recorded in the journal. There being three hands raised (Senator Abeler, Senator Lieske, and Senator Utke) the results will be recorded in the journal.

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Senator Maye-Quade commented on the A2 Amendment.

Senator Mann spoke to the A2 Amendment.

Senator Abeler spoke to Senator Mann's comments and the A2 Amendment.

Senator Hoffman asked a question pertaining to the A2 Amendment.

Senator Wiklund renewed the motion to vote on the A2 Amendment.

The results are as follows:

AYES: Senator Abeler, Senator Utke, Senator Lieske

NAYS: Chair Wiklund, Vice Chair Mann, Senator Boldon, Senator Hoffman, Senator Kupec, Senator Morrison

ABSENT:

On a vote of 3 AYES and 6 NAYS, **THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL AND THE A2 AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.**

Senator Abeler moved the A7 Amendment.

Senator Abeler explained the A7 Amendment.

Senator Abeler requested a roll call vote and that the results be recorded in the journal. There being three hands raised (Senator Abeler, Senator Lieske, and Senator Utke) the results will be recorded in the journal.

Senator Maye-Quade spoke to the A7 Amendment.

Senator Wiklund renewed the motion to vote on the A7 Amendment.

The results are as follows:

AYES: Senator Abeler, Senator Utke, Senator Lieske

NAYS: Chair Wiklund, Vice Chair Mann, Senator Boldon, Senator Hoffman, Senator Kupec, Senator Morrison

ABSENT:

On a vote of 3 AYES and 6 NAYS, **THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL AND THE A7 AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.**

Senator Abeler moved the A9 Amendment.

Senator Abeler explained the A9 Amendment.

Senator Abeler requested a roll call vote and that the results be recorded in the journal. There being three hands raised (Senator Abeler, Senator Lieske, and Senator Utke) the results will be recorded in the journal.

Senator Maye-Quade spoke to the A9 Amendment.

Senator Mann spoke to the A9 Amendment.

Senator Morrison spoke to the A9 Amendment.

Senator Wiklund renewed the motion to vote on the A9 Amendment.

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The results are as follows:

AYES: Senator Abeler, Senator Utke, Senator Lieske

NAYS: Chair Wiklund, Vice Chair Mann, Senator Boldon, Senator Hoffman, Senator Kupec, Senator Morrison

ABSENT:

On a vote of 3 AYES and 6 NAYS, **THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL AND THE A9 AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.**

Senator Lieske moved the A5 Amendment.

Senator Lieske explained the A5 Amendment.

Senator Maye-Quade spoke to the A5 Amendment.

Senator Utke requested a roll call vote and that the results be recorded in the journal. There being three hands raised (Senator Abeler, Senator Lieske, and Senator Utke) the results will be recorded in the journal.

Senator Abeler spoke to the A5 Amendment and asked a question about the status of the S.F. 70 Fiscal Note.

Senator Wiklund renewed the motion to vote on the A5 Amendment.

The results are as follows:

AYES: Senator Abeler, Senator Utke, Senator Lieske

NAYS: Chair Wiklund, Vice Chair Mann, Senator Boldon, Senator Hoffman, Senator Kupec, Senator Morrison

ABSENT:

On a vote of 3 AYES and 6 NAYS, **THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL AND THE A5 AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.**

Senator Utke moved the A3 Amendment.

Senator Utke explained the A3 Amendment.

Senator Utke requested a roll call vote and that the results be recorded in the journal. There being three hands raised (Senator Abeler, Senator Lieske, and Senator Utke) the results will be recorded in the journal.

Senator Maye-Quade spoke to the A3 Amendment.

Senator Utke spoke to the A3 Amendment.

Senator Utke spoke the A3 Amendment and Senator Utke's comments.

Senator Wiklund renewed the motion to vote on the A3 Amendment.

The results are as follows:

AYES: Senator Abeler, Senator Utke, Senator Lieske

NAYS: Chair Wiklund, Vice Chair Mann, Senator Boldon, Senator Hoffman, Senator Kupec, Senator Morrison

ABSENT:

On a vote of 3 AYES and 6 NAYS, **THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL AND THE A3 AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.**

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Senator Utke moved the A4 Amendment.

Senator Utke explained the A4 Amendment.

Senator Utke requested a roll call vote and that the results be recorded in the journal. There being three hands raised (Senator Abeler, Senator Lieske, and Senator Utke) the results will be recorded in the journal.

Senator Maye-Quade spoke to the A4 Amendment.

Senator Utke spoke to Senator Maye-Quade's comments.

Senator Wiklund renewed the motion to vote on the A4 Amendment.

The results are as follows:

AYES: Senator Abeler, Senator Utke, Senator Lieske

NAYS: Chair Wiklund, Vice Chair Mann, Senator Boldon, Senator Hoffman, Senator Kupec, Senator Morrison

ABSENT:

On a vote of 3 AYES and 6 NAYS, **THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL AND THE A4 AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.**

Senator Abeler spoke to S.F. 70.

Senator Maye-Quade provided closing comment on S.F. 70.

Senator Utke requested a roll call vote and that the results be recorded in the journal. There being three hands raised (Senator Abeler, Senator Lieske, and Senator Utke) the results will be recorded in the journal.

Senator Morrison moved that Senate File 70, as amended, be recommended to pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

The results are as follows:

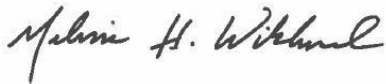
AYES: Chair Wiklund, Vice Chair Mann, Senator Boldon, Senator Hoffman, Senator Kupec, Senator Morrison

NAYS: Senator Abeler, Senator Utke, Senator Lieske

ABSENT:

On a vote of 6 AYES and 3 NAYS, **THE MOTION PREVAILED AND SENATE FILE 70, AS AMENDED, WAS PASSED AND REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND PUBLIC SAFETY.**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:47am



Senator Melissa H. Wiklund



Hailey Ryan, Legislative Assistant