

MINNESOTA STATE SENATE

Health & Human Services Finance & Policy Committee

Health and Human Services Committee
Wednesday, February 8th, 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 Members Absent

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

AGENDA ITEM #1: SF 23 - Conversion therapy prohibition establishment.

The first bill up on the agenda was S.F. 23, authored by Senator Dibble as follows:

S.F. 23 (DIBBLE): Conversion therapy prohibition establishment

Senator Dibble offered the **A1 Authors Amendment**.

Senator Boldon moved the A1 Amendment.

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

Senator Dibble provided opening remarks and explained Senate File 23, as amended, to the committee.

The following testified on SF 23:

- Seal Dwyer, Licensed Family and Marriage Therapist, testified in support of SF 23
- Kat Rohn, Executive Director of OutFront Minnesota, testified in support of SF 23.
- Kristy Graume, Department of Human Services, testified in support of SF 23.
- Jay Aaron White, Twin Cities Pastor, testified in opposition of SF 23.
- Dr. David Kirby, Doctor of Psychology, testified in opposition of SF 23.
- Tanner Mobley, Trevor Project, testified in support of SF 23.
- Renee Carlson, General Counsel for True North Legal, testified in opposition of SF 23.
- Matthew Shurka, National Center for Lesbian Rights & cofounder of Born Perfect campaign, testified in support of SF 23.
- Joseph Pernosil, private citizen, testified in opposition of SF 23.
- Pastor Nate Oyloe, Twin Cities Pastor, testified in opposition of SF 23.
- Dr. Marge Charmoli, licensed psychologist & member of MN Psychological Association, testified in support of SF 23.
- Pastor Luca Jo Groppoli, Twin Cities Pastor, testified in opposition of SF 23.
- Dr. Mike Lynn, psychologist at Children's MN Gender Health Program, testified in support of SF 23.
- Hunter Cantrell, former State Representative, testified in support of SF 23.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Hoffman spoke to & asked a question about S.F. 23. He referenced Minnesota Statue 626. 5572 subdivision 21 and was asking about vulnerable adults.

Senator Dibble answered Senator Hoffman's questions about S.F. 23.

Kristy Graume, Department of Human Services, came to the testifier table to assist in answering questions about S.F. 23.

Senator Hoffman spoke to and asked additional questions about S.F. 23.

Dr. Mike Lynn came to the testifies table to assist in answering Senator Hoffman's questions about S.F. 73.

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Senator Abeler spoke to and asked questions about SF 23.

Senator Dibble answered Senator Abeler's questions about SF 23.

Senator Utke spoke to and asked questions about SF 23.

Senator Dibble answered questions Senator Utke's questions about SF 23.

Senator Mann spoke to SF 23.

Senator Lieske asked questions about SF 23.

Senator Dibble answered Senator Lieske's questions.

Senator Morrison spoke to SF 23.

Senator Utke asked a question about SF 23.

Senator Dibble answered questions Senator Utke's questions about SF 23.

Senator Dibble gave final comments on SF 23.

Senator Boldon moved that Senate File 23, as amended, be recommended to pass and be re-referred to Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

On a voice vote, **THE MOTION PREVAILED AND SENATE FILE 23, AS AMENDED, WAS RECOMMENDED TO PASS AND REFERRED COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION.**

AGENDA ITEM #2: Presentation/Overview From MN Department of Health on the Health Effects Caused by Lead Exposure.

The second item up on the agenda was a presentation from the Minnesota Department of Health on the health impacts caused by lead.

The following individuals gave a presentation on the health impacts from lead exposure:

- Assistant Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Health, Daniel Huff.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Utke asked questions about the MDH presentation.

Assistant Commissioner Huff answered Senator Utke's question.

Senator Abeler spoke to the presentation.

Senator Hoffman spoke to the presentation.

Assistant Commissioner Huff responded to Senator Hoffman's comments.

AGENDA ITEM #3: SF 162 (MORRISON): Elevated blood lead concentration level decrease from ten micrograms of lead to 3.5 micrograms

The third item up on the agenda was S.F. 162, authored by Senator Morrison as follows:

S.F. 162 (MORRISON): Elevated blood lead concentration level decrease from ten micrograms of lead to 3.5 micrograms

Senator Morrison provided opening remarks and explained Senate File 162 to the committee.

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The following individuals testified to SF 162:

- Dr. Zeke McKinney, Occupational and Environmental medicine physician with Health Partners and affiliate professor at the University of Minnesota, testified in support of SF 162.

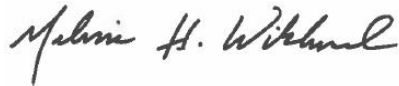
Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Utke asked questions about SF 162 and lead exposure.

Dr. Zeke McKinney answered Senator Utke's questions about lead exposure.

Chair Mann moved that Senate File 162 be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:16am



Senator Melissa H. Wiklund



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