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Senator Wiklund from the Committee on Health and Human Services, to which was referred

S.F. No. 406: A bill for an act relating to health; establishing a right for a pregnant
patient to have a designated support person present while receiving health care; amending
Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 144.651, by adding a subdivision.

- 1.6 Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:
- 1.7 Page 1, line 8, after "(a)" insert "Subject to paragraph (c) of this subdivision, "
- 1.8 Page 1, line 13, delete "<u>necessary</u>" and insert "<u>chosen by the patient</u>"
- 1.9 Page 1, after line 15, insert:
- 1.10 "(c) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), a facility may restrict or prohibit the presence of
- 1.11 <u>one or more designated support persons, on the facility premises or in certain locations</u>
- 1.12 within the facility, if the facility determines that such restriction or prohibition is necessary
- 1.13 to meet the appropriate standard of care for medical practice, is in the best interests of the
- 1.14 patient's care or patient's safety, or is otherwise necessary to maintain a safe environment
- 1.15 for patients, guests, clinicians, and other staff of the facility. Any restriction or prohibition
- 1.16 of a designated support person by the facility is subject to the facility's written internal
- 1.17 grievance procedure required under subdivision 20."
- 1.18 And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

Meline H. Witchmel

(Committee Chair)

February 9, 2023.....

(Date of Committee recommendation)

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