

# MINNESOTA STATE SENATE

## Health & Human Services Finance & Policy Committee

Health and Human Services Committee  
Wednesday, March 1st, 2023  
8:30am Livestream YouTube

### Minutes

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**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

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Chair Wiklund called the meeting to order at 8:39am on Wednesday, March 1st, 2023, in Room 1100 of the Minnesota Senate Building. A quorum was present.

**AGENDA ITEM #1: SF 395 (CHAMPION): Disqualification prohibition of individuals subject to human services background studies with expunged criminal records**

The first bill up on the agenda was S.F. 395, authored by Senator Champion as follows:

S.F. 395 (Champion): Disqualification prohibition of individuals subject to human services background studies with expunged criminal records

Senator Champion provided opening comments and explained Senate File 395 to the committee.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Mann moved that Senate File 395 be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

**On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND SENATE FILE 395 WAS PASSED AND REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND PUBLIC SAFETY.**

**AGENDA ITEM #2: SF 1164 (CHAMPION): Health and human services background study consideration of juvenile court records; disqualification periods modification; set aside for disqualification based on conduct or convictions in an individuals court record allowance.**

The second bill up on the agenda was S.F. 1164, authored by Senator Champion as follows:

S.F. 1164 (Champion): Health and human services background study consideration of juvenile court records; disqualification periods modification; set aside for disqualification based on conduct or convictions in an individuals court record allowance.

Senator Champion provided opening comments and explained Senate File 1164 to the committee.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Mann moved that Senate File 1164 be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

**On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND SENATE FILE 1164 WAS PASSED AND REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND PUBLIC SAFETY.**

**AGENDA ITEM #3: SF 2123 (CHAMPION): Sale or offer for sale prohibition of flavored products.**

The third bill up on the agenda was S.F. 2123, authored by Senator Champion as follows:

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S.F. 2123 (Champion): Sale or offer for sale prohibition of flavored products.

Senator Champion provided opening comments and explained Senate File 2123 to the committee.

**The following individuals testified on S.F. 2123:**

- Sylvia Amos, Director of Programs at Stairstep Foundation, testified in support of S.F. 2123.
- Dr. Brian Erkkila, Director of Regulatory Science, Swedish Match, testified in opposition of S.F. 2123.
- Joe O'Connor, Holiday Station & MN Retailers Association, testified in opposition of S.F. 2123.
- Frank Orton, Orton Oil Company, testified in opposition of S.F. 2123.
- Bethlehem Yewhalawork, Program Manager of the Health Policy and Advocacy Department at Northpoint Health and wellness, testified in support of S.F. 2123.
- Nick Phelps, Owner of OHM Vapor, testified in opposition of S.F. 2123.
- Brian President of Turning Leaf, testified in opposition of S.F. 2123.
- Pat McKone, Senior Director of Public Policy American Lung Association, testified in support of S.F. 2123.
- Emily Myatt, Government Relations Director, American Cancer Society, testified in support of S.F. 2123.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Morrison moved that Senate File 2123 be recommended to pass and be re-referred to the Committee on State and Local Government and Veterans Committee.

On a voice vote, **THE MOTION PREVAILED AND SENATE FILE 2123 WAS PASSED AND REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND VETERANS.**

**AGENDA ITEM #4: SF 302 (MANN): Disclosure of certain payments made to health care providers requirement; all-payer claims data provision modification; transparency of health care payments report requirement.**

The fourth bill up on the agenda was S.F. 302, authored by Senator Mann as follows:

S.F. 302 (Mann): Disclosure of certain payments made to health care providers requirement; all-payer claims data provision modification; transparency of health care payments report requirement.

Senator Mann provided opening comments and explained Senate File 302 to the committee.

Senator Mann moved the A1 Authors Amendment.

Senator Mann explained the A1 Authors Amendment.

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

**The following individuals testified on S.F. 302:**

- Dr. Deb Dittberner, Minnesota Academy of Family Physicians, testified in support of S.F. 302.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Mann moved that Senate File 302, as amended, be recommended to pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

**On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND SENATE FILE 302, AS AMENDED WAS PASSED AND REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND PUBLIC SAFETY.**

**AGENDA ITEM #5: SF 328 (MANN): Manufacturers requirement to report and maintain prescription drug prices.**

The fifth bill up on the agenda was S.F. 328, authored by Senator Mann as follows:

S.F. 328 (Mann): Manufacturers requirement to report and maintain prescription drug prices.

Senator Mann provided opening comments and explained Senate File 328 to the committee.

Senator Mann moved the A1 Authors Amendment.

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Senator Mann explained the A1 Authors Amendment.

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

Senator Mann moved to amend Senate File 328 as follows:

Page 14 Line 13 delete "Year" and insert "Quarter."

On a voice vote, **THE ORAL AMENDMENT TO SENATE FILE 328 WAS ADOPTED.**

**The following individuals testified on S.F. 328:**

- Dr. Deb Dittberner, Minnesota Academy of Family Physicians & MN Medical Association, testified in support of S.F. 328.
- Kristina Moorhead, Deputy Vice President of State Policy with PhRMA, testified on S.F. 328.
- Michelle Mack, Senior Director of State Affairs Pharmaceutical Care Management Association, testified in opposition of S.F. 328.
- Bentley Grave, Minnesota Chamber of Commerce, testified in opposition of S.F. 328.
- Joe Sellwood, Association for Accessible Medicines testified in opposition of S.F. 328.
- Chad Hope, Pharmacy Program Manager at DHS, testified on S.F. 328

Senator Mann offered additional comments on S.F. 328.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Mann moved that Senate File 328, as amended, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

**On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND SENATE FILE 328, AS AMENDED, WAS PASSED AND REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION.**

**AGENDA ITEM #6: SF 537 (HOFFMAN):** Manufacturers permission to distribute medical cannabis to Tribal medical cannabis program patients.

The sixth item up on the agenda was S.F. 537, authored by Senator Hoffman as follows:

S.F. 537 (Hoffman): Manufacturers permission to distribute medical cannabis to Tribal medical cannabis program patients.

Senator Hoffman provided opening comments and explained Senate File 537 to the committee.

**The following individuals testified on S.F. 537:**

- Former Representative Bill Haas, White Earth Nation, testified in support of S.F. 537.

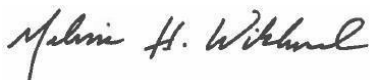
Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Hoffman moved that Senate File 537 be recommended to pass and be re-referred to the committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

On a voice vote, **SENATE FILE 537 WAS PASSED AND REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND PUBLIC SAFETY.**

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Chair Wiklund adjourned the meeting at 10:45am



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Senator Melissa H. Wiklund



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Hailey Ryan, Legislative Assistant