

Minnesota State Senate

Human Services Committee

Monday, February 27, 2023

3:00 PM, Room 1200, Minnesota Senate Bldg.

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Minutes

Present: Senator John A. Hoffman - Chair, Senator Omar Fateh - Vice Chair, Senator Jim Abeler, Senator Alice Mann, Senator Andrew Mathews, Senator Erin K. Maye Quade, Senator Nicole L. Mitchell, Senator Jordan Rasmusson, Senator Paul J. Utke, Senator Melissa H. Wiklund

Absent: No Members Absent

Senator John A. Hoffman called the meeting to order at 3:00pm.

S.F. 1969: Senator Housley: Assisted living facilities and services provisions modification.

Senator Hausley introduces SF 1969: Assisted living facilities and services provisions modification

Wanted to introduce A1 amendment, but could not since Committee does not have a quorum at this time

Testifiers

Toby Pearson, Care Providers of MN, on behalf of LTC Imperative

Erin Huppert, LeadingAge MN, on behalf of LTC Imperative

Hausley introduces the A1 amendment

Senator Fateh introduces the A3 amendment

Both adopted

Testifiers

Krystal Braund, Prairie Senior Cottages

Darshae Underwood (via Zoom), Caring Heart Home Healthcare

Senator Fateh introduces A4 amendment, and asks Matthew Bergeron to explain

Diane Rydrych, Assistant Commissioner for the Health Systems Bureau

Adopted

Senator Hoffman moved that S.F. 1969, as amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

S.F. 1640: Senator Morrison: PACE program funding mechanism establishment.

Senator Morrison introduces SF 1640: PACE program funding mechanism establishment

Testifiers

Wayne Olson, Presbyterian Homes

Dr. Joe Gaugler (via Zoom), Professor & endowed Robert L. Kane Chair, Long-Term Care & Aging, University of MN School of Public Health

Senator Hoffman moved that S.F. 1640, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

S.F. 780: Senator Hoffman: Nursing facility payment rates, elderly waiver rates, customized living services payment rates provided under certain disability waivers, home-delivered meals payment rates under the disability waivers modifications; appropriating money.

Senator Hoffman introduces SF 780: Nursing facility payment rates, elderly waiver rates, customized living services payment rates provided under certain disability waivers, home-delivered meals payment rates under the disability waivers modifications; appropriating money

Testifiers

Patti Cullen, Care Providers of MN, on behalf of LTC Imperative

Senator Hoffman introduces A1 amendment - adopted

Testifiers

Mary Eileen Sorenson (via Zoom), resident of Westwood Ridge, W. St. Paul

Amanda Johnson, Lifespark

Kari Thurlow, LeadingAge MN, on behalf of LTC Imperative

Senator Hoffman moved that S.F. 780, as amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

S.F. 1615: Senator Gustafson: Mental health services eligibility and rates modification.

Senator Gustafson introduces SF 1615: Mental health services eligibility and rates modification

Senator Fateh introduces A2 amendment - adopted

Testifiers

Julie Bluhm, CEO, Guild Services

Michelle Murray, CEO, Nexus Family Healing

Larry Pajari, CEO, Northwood Children's Services

Senator Hoffman moved that S.F. 1615, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the Health and Human Services Committee.

S.F. 925: Senator Boldon: Medical assistance reimbursement for parents and spouses providing services under consumer-directed community supports and community first services and supports establishment.

Senator Liz Boldon introduces SF 925: Medical assistance reimbursement for parents and spouses providing services under consumer-directed community supports and community first services and supports establishment

Senator Fateh moves the A1 amendment - adopted

Testifier

Sarah Kasner, family member

Kristy Graume, Legislative Director (Disability Services) with DHS: explains further what happens with federal emergency deadline

approaching mid-May

Senator Hoffman moved that S.F. 925, as amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:03pm.



Senator John A. Hoffman, Chair



David Zak, Legislative Assistant