

Minnesota State Senate

Judiciary and Public Safety Committee

Friday, March 17, 2023

9:00 AM Livestream YouTube

Minutes

Present: Senator Ron Latz - Chair, Senator Clare Oumou Verbeten Vice Chair, Senator Jim Carlson, Senator Justin D. Eichorn, Senator Michael E. Kreun, Senator Warren Limmer, Senator Sandra L. Pappas, Senator Judy Seeberger, Senator Bonnie S. Westlin

Absent: Senator Jeff R. Howe

Senator Ron Latz called the meeting to order at 9:10a Pappas takes gavel at 9:59a Latz takes gavel at 10:07a Oumou Verbeten takes gavel at 12:04p Latz takes gavel at 12:05p Recess at 12:45p Resume at 1:20p Pappas takes gavel at 1:45p Oumou Verbeten takes gavel at 1:53p Latz takes gavel at 2:30p Oumou Verbeten takes gavel at 4:30p Latz takes gavel at 5:27p Oumou Verbeten takes gavel at 5:40p

Requests to testify must be submitted by Thursday, March 16 at 2 p.m.

Testimony is at the discretion of the chair and will be limited to the committee's jurisdiction over each bill. Testimony on SF73 which has been previously provided in a committee hearing will not be taken. Requests made after the deadline are at the discretion of the chair and will be considered only if testimony time is not already filled for the bill.

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Documents must be received by Thursday, March 16 at 2 p.m. to be disseminated to committee members and staff and meet the following requirements:

1 page, PDF. Word documents will not be accepted.

File names must include the bill number, chief author's name, and a pro or con.

If the letter is submitted on behalf of an organization, that must be disclosed in the file's name as well.

Documents which are not received by the deadline, or that do not meet the requirements above, may not be included. Any individual or organization that wishes to provide a written statement the day of committee must bring 30 copies for members and staff. Requests for Senate staff to duplicate documents may not be prioritized over other committee work the day of the hearing.

Email nicole.kaplan@senate.mn as well as the chief author's office staff to

provide your document in advance

S.F. 1003: Senator Coleman: Certain utility requirements modification.

Testifiers: Logan O'Grady (Minnesota Solar Energy Industries Association); Bobby King (Solar United Neighbors)

Senator Oumou Verbeten moved that S.F. 1003, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Energy, Utilities, Environment, and Climate Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 1549: Senator Champion: Prevention services, intervention services, and barrier reduction services appropriation relating to youth involved or at risk of becoming involved in the criminal or juvenile justice system.

Testifiers: Kate Weeks (Exec Director, Office of Justice Programs MN Dept of Public Safety); Jeffrey Lunde (Commissioner, Hennepin County District 1); Latonya Reeves (Chair, MN Civilian Public Safety Commission (virtual)); Miki Frost (Executive Director, 8218 Truce Center); Malaika Akom

A-2 as amended – Oumou Verbeten moves – adopted by voice

A-1 adopted to A-2

Oral amendment – Kreun moves – adopted by voice

line 2.3 delete “, and other community organizations”, before “nonprofits” insert “and”

line 2.21-2.22 delete “, and other community organizations”, before “nonprofits” insert “and”

line 3.6-3.7 – delete “, and other community organizations”, before “nonprofits” insert “and”

Senator Westlin moved that S.F. 1549, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the State and Local Government and Veterans Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

H.F. 55: Senator Champion: Office for missing and murdered Black women and girls establishment.

Testifiers: Dr. Verna Price (Founder, Girls Taking Action; Co-Founder, The Power of People Leadership Institute); Lakeisha Lee (Co-Founder, Brittany Clardy Foundation), Suwana Kirkland (Director, Dakota County Community Corrections); Kate Weeks (Executive Director, Office of Justice Programs, MN Dept of Public Safety)

Oral amendment – Kreun moves – passes by voice

Line 4.32 before “office” insert “Commissioner in consultation with the”

Line 5.10 before “office” insert “Commissioner in consultation with the”

Line 5.19 delete “may”, insert “shall”

Oral amendment – Kreun moves – Kreun withdraws

Line 4.32 before “community based organizations” insert “non-profit”

Senator Oumou Verbeten moved that H.F. 55, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the State and Local Government and Veterans Committee. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

S.F. 73: Senator Port: Cannabis provisions modification.

Testifiers: Dana Gotz (Deputy Superintendent of MN Justice Information Services); David Bernstein; Matt Ehling (MNCOGI); Leili Fatehi (MN Is Ready Coalition); Patrick Hynes (Messerli Kramer on behalf of MN Homeowners Association); Jeff Potts (Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association)

A119 as amended – Oumou Verbeten moves – adopted by voice

A122 (amendment to A119) – Oumou Verbeten moves, adopted by voice

A124 (amendment to A119) – Oumou Verbeten moves – withdrawn

A112 – Oumou Verbeten moves as amended (in committee book, see annotated A112 amendment) – adopted by voice

A124 (amendment to A119)– Oumou Verbeten moves as amended – adopted by voice

A124 oral amendment: line 1.21 after “person”, insert “who is prohibited from possessing a firearm or ammunition based on a prior adjudication or conviction for a cannabis-related offense who receives”

Line 1.22 before the period, insert “if the person is otherwise eligible to possess the item”

A114 – Limmer moves, adopted by voice

A106 – Oumou Verbeten moves, adopted by voice

A115 – Westlin moves, adopted by voice

A117 – Oumou Verbeten moves as amended, adopted by voice

Oumou Verbeten accepts amendment to amendment: page 31, line 8 delete “or cannabis products”

Senator Oumou Verbeten moved that S.F. 73, as amended and referred to the Rules and Administration Committee without recommendation. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 2251: Senator Kunesh: Law enforcement modification of Mille Lacs Band of Chippewa Indians.

Testifiers: Caleb Dog Eagle (Solicitor General, Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe); James West (Chief of Police/Mille Lacs Band Tribal PD); Jon Priem (Police Chief/Prairie Island Indian Community); Michael Laroque

A-1 – Oumou Verbeten offers, adopted by voice

Senator Oumou Verbeten moved that S.F. 2251, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the State and Local Government and

Veterans Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 1332: Senator Latz: Civil remedies for consumer protection violations authorization.

Testifiers: Prentiss Cox (UMN Law Professor)

A-1 – Latz offers, adopted by voice

Senator Latz moved that S.F. 1332, as amended, be recommended to pass. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 1504: Senator Pappas: Department of Corrections\ work release program expansion appropriation.

Testifiers: David Boehnke (Home for Good Coalition); Ta'Mara Hill (Home for Good Coalition)

Be laid over.

S.F. 682: Senator Limmer: Criminal penalty provision for substantial bodily harm caused by response for fictitious emergency.

Oral amendment: Limmer moves 2.3 – 2.10 stricken – adopted by voice

Senator Limmer moved that S.F. 682, as amended, be recommended to pass. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 1596: Senator Seeberger: Ombudsperson for Corrections removal only for just cause authorization.

Testifiers: Margaret Zadra (Ombudsperson for Corrections)

Senator Seeberger moved that S.F. 1596, be recommended to pass. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 1334: Senator Oumou Verbeten: Corrections provisions modifications.

Testifiers: Paul Schnell (Commissioner, Dept of Corrections)

A-2 – Oumou Verbeten moves – adopted by voice

Senator Oumou Verbeten moved that S.F. 1334, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the State and Local Government and Veterans Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 2495: Senator Oumou Verbeten: Admission prohibition in judicial proceedings of certain custodial statements.

Testifiers: Andrew Marquart (Great North Innocence Project); Mark Fallon

Senator Oumou Verbeten moved that S.F. 2495, be recommended to pass. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 1384: Senator McEwen: Occupational Safety and Health Act citation data classification.

Testifiers: Josiah Moore (Legislative Coordinator, Department of Labor and Industry)

***laid on the table pending further information

Be laid over.

S.F. 1417: Senator McEwen: Minimum crew size requirement for certain rail carriers.

Testifiers: Thomas Fuller (Attorney, Hunegs, LeNeave, and Kvas); Raymond Atkins (Partner, Sidley Austin LLP/Union Pacific Railroad)

A-3 amendment was discussed but not offered, nor adopted

As amended, be recommended to pass.

S.F. 1335: Senator Dibble: Policy changes related to State Patrol duties, including school bus inspections, commercial vehicle inspections, and rearview mirror requirements.

Testifiers: Jon Olsen (MSP Captain)

Be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Transportation Committee.

S.F. 658: Senator Dibble: Procedure provision to resolve disputes between public utilities and customers.

Testifiers: Ron Elwood (Legal Aid)

Be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Energy, Utilities, Environment, and Climate Committee.

S.F. 2597: Senator Latz: Standard for a petition for postconviction relief based on newly discovered evidence modification.

Testifiers: Andrew Marquart (Great North Innocence Project)

Senator Latz moved that S.F. 2597, be recommended to pass. - MOTION PREVAILED.

S.F. 1279: Senator Maye Quade: Provision modifications governing adult adoptee access to their own original birth records and other adoption-related information.

***Carlson presents on behalf of Maye Quade

Testifiers: Gregory Luce (Attorney, Adoptee Rights Law Center); Penelope Needham (Minnesota Coalition for Adoption Reform); Jacqueline Steele (Concerned United Birthparents)

A-2 – Carlson moves, adopted by voice

As amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the Health and Human Services Committee.

S.F. 1351: Senator Pappas: Indeterminate Sentence Release Board establishment.

A-2 – Pappas moves, adopted by voice

Testifiers: Paul Schnell (Commissioner, Dept of Corrections)

Senator Pappas moved that S.F. 1351, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the State and Local Government and Veterans Committee. - MOTION PREVAILED.

S.F. 2734: Senator Latz: Expanded use of tracking devices during stolen vehicle investigations authorization.

Testifiers: Rich Neumeister

A-1 – Latz moves, adopted by voice

Senator Latz moved that S.F. 2734, as amended, be recommended to pass. - MOTION PREVAILED.

S.F. 1191: Senator Westlin: Election administration provisions modifications.

Testifiers: Nicole Freeman (MN Secretary of State's Office)

A-20 – Westlin moves, adopted by voice

Senator Westlin moved that S.F. 1191, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Elections Committee. - MOTION PREVAILED.

S.F. 1449: Senator Westlin: Community supervision agents inclusion as public officers for line of duty death benefits authorization.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50p (Oumou Verbeten adjourns)



Senator Ron Latz, Chair



Diana Rico, Legislative Assistant