

MINNESOTA STATE SENATE

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

Health & Human Services Committee
Thursday, February 22nd, 2024
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,
Absent: Senator Kelly Morrison

Chair Wiklund called the meeting to order at 8:35 am on Thursday, February 22nd, 2024, in Room 1100 of the Minnesota Senate Building. A quorum was present.

AGENDA ITEM #1: Senate File 1522 (KUPEC): Veterinary technicians, the practice of veterinary technology and unlicensed veterinary employees regulation

The first item on the agenda was Senate File 1522, authored by Senator Kupec as follows:

Senate File 1522 (Kupec): Veterinary technicians, the practice of veterinary technology and unlicensed veterinary employees regulation

Senator Kupec provided opening remarks and explained Senate File 1522 to the committee.

The following individuals testified on Senate File 1522:

- Kim Horne, Credentials Committee Chair for the Minnesota Association of Veterinary Technicians, testified in support of Senate File 1522.
- Al Bailey, practicing equine veterinary and Chair of the Minnesota Veterinary Medical Association's Veterinary Technician Committee, testified in support of Senate File 1522.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Kupec provided closing comments for Senate File 1522.

Chair Wiklund laid over Senate File 1522 for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

AGENDA ITEM #2: Senate File 1773 (KUPEC): University of Minnesota employees veterinary medicine licensure modification

The second item on the agenda was Senate File 1773, authored by Senator Kupec as follows:

Senate File 1773 (Kupec): University of Minnesota employees veterinary medicine licensure modification

Senator Kupec provided opening remarks and explained Senate File 1773 to the committee.

The following individuals testified on Senate File 1773:

- Dr. Michale Henson, practicing veterinarian & professor with the College of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Minnesota, testified in support of Senate File 1773.

Senator Kupec provided closing comments for Senate File 1773

Chair Wiklund laid over Senate File 1773 for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

AGENDA ITEM #3: Senate File 3546 (PAPPAS): Licensed traditional midwife authority to obtain, possess, and administer certain drugs, supplies, and devices

The third item on the agenda was Senate File 3546, authored by Senator Pappas as follows:

Senate File 3546 (Pappas): Licensed traditional midwife authority to obtain, possess, and administer certain drugs, supplies, and devices

Senator Pappas provided opening remarks and explained Senate File 3546 to the committee.

The following individuals testified on Senate File 3546:

- Rebecca Polston, licensed midwife, President of the Minnesota Chapter of the National Association of Certified Professional Midwives, and owner of Roots Community Birth Center, testified in support of Senate File 3546.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Pappas provided final comments on Senate File 3546.

Chair Wiklund moved the Senate File 3546 be recommended to pass and be referred to the floor.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND SENATE FILE 3546 WAS PASSED AND SENT TO THE FLOOR.

AGENDA ITEM #4: Senate File 3691 (HOFFMAN): Social worker provisional licensure modifications and recodifying

The fourth item on the agenda was Senate File 3691, authored by Senator Hoffman as follows:

Senate File 3691 (Hoffman): Social worker provisional licensure modifications and recodifying.

Senator Hoffman provided opening remarks and explained Senate File 3691 to the committee.

The following individuals testified on Senate File 3691:

- Kate Goodman, Chair of the Minnesota Board of Social Work, testified in support of Senate File 3691.
- Youa Yang, Executive Director of the Minnesota Board of Social Work, testified in support of Senate File 3691.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Hoffman provided closing comments for Senate File 3691.

Senator Hoffman moved that Senate File 3691 be recommended to pass and be re-referred to the Committee on State and Local Government and Veterans.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND SENATE FILE 3691 WAS PASSED AND RE-REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND VETERANS.

AGENDA ITEM #5: Senate File 3880 (MOHAMED): Provisional licensure sections movement and modification

The fifth item on the agenda was Senate File 3880, authored by Senator Mohamed as follows:

Senate File 3880 (Mohamed): Provisional licensure sections movement and modification

Senator Mohamed provided opening remarks and explained Senate File 3880 to the committee.

The following individuals testified on Senate File 3880:

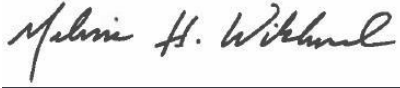
- Jenny Arneson, practicing social worker and legislative consultant for the National Association of Social Work Minnesota Chapter, testified in support of Senate File 3880.
- Antonio Gonzales Ogas, licensed graduate social worker and Clinical Director of PsyFi TMS, testified in support of Senate File 3880.
- Nicole Helland, clinical social worker and social work manager at Children's Minnesota, testified in support of Senate File 3880.
- Kao Nou Moua, Assistant Professor of Social Work at Augsburg University testified in support of Senate File 3880.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Mohamed provided closing comments on Senate File 3880.

Chair Wiklund laid over Senate File 3880 for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

Chair Wiklund adjourned the meeting at 9:56am.

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Senator Melissa H. Wiklund

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Hailey Ryan".

Hailey Ryan, Legislative Assistant