

MINNESOTA STATE SENATE

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

Health & Human Services Committee
Thursday, March 21st, 2024
8:30 am 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, Senator
Kelly Morrison

Absent:

Chair Wiklund called the meeting to order at 8:32 am on Thursday, March 21st, 2024, in Room 1100 of the Minnesota Senate Building. A quorum was present.

AGENDA ITEM #1: Senate File 3511 (MANN): Health plans requirement to cover prenatal, maternity, and postnatal care

The first item on the agenda was Senate File 3511, authored by Senator Mann as follows:

Senate File 3511 (Mann): Health plans requirement to cover prenatal, maternity, and postnatal care.

Senator Mann provided opening remarks and explained Senate File 3511 to the committee.

The following individuals testified on Senate File 3511:

- o Eileen Crespo, MD President of the Minnesota Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics, testified in support of Senate File 3511.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Chair Wiklund laid over Senate File 3511 for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

AGENDA ITEM #2: Senate File 3543 (MARTY): Health maintenance organizations requirement to be nonprofit corporations organized under chapter 317A

The second item on the agenda was Senate File 3543, authored by Senator Marty follows:

Senate File 3543 (Marty): Health maintenance organizations requirement to be nonprofit corporations organized under chapter 317A

Senator Marty provided opening remarks and explained Senate File 3543 to the committee.

Senator Mann moved the A1 Amendment.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE A1 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

The following individuals testified on Senate File 3543:

- o Michelle Benson, representing the Health Plan Partnership of Minnesota, testified in opposition to Senate File 3543.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Marty provided closing comments on Senate File 3543.

Chair Wiklund laid over Senate File 3543, as amended, for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

AGENDA ITEM #3: Senate File 4524 (DIBBLE): Medical cannabis registry program qualifying medical condition definition modification provision

The third item on the agenda was Senate File 4524 authored by Senator Dibble as follows:

Senate File 4524 (Dibble): Medical cannabis registry program qualifying medical condition definition modification provision

Senator Mann moved the A1 Amendment.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE A1 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Senator Dibble provided opening remarks and explained Senate File 4524, as amended, to the committee.

The following individuals testified on Senate File 4524:

- Timothy Casey, Pharmacist with RISE Medical Cannabis Dispensary, testified in support of Senate File 4524.
- Chris Elvrum, Assistant Director at the Office of Cannabis Management, testified on Senate File 4524.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Dibble provided closing comments on Senate File 4524.

Chair Wiklund laid over Senate File 4524, as amended, for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

AGENDA ITEM #4: Senate File 2320 (DIBBLE): Pharmacists authorization to prescribe, dispense and administer drugs to prevent the acquisition of human immunodeficiency virus

The fourth item on the agenda was Senate File 2320, authored by Senator Dibble as follows:

Senate File 2320 (Dibble): Pharmacists authorization to prescribe, dispense and administer drugs to prevent the acquisition of human immunodeficiency virus

Senator Mann moved the A1 Amendment.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE A1 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Senator Dibble provided opening remarks and explained Senate File 2320, as amended, to the committee.

The following individuals testified on Senate File 2320:

- Dyaln Boyer, Director of Development at The Aliveness Project, testified in support of Senate File 2320.
- Jamie Swanson, HIV Specialty Pharmacist, testified in support of Senate File 2320.
- Emma Sherman, Sexual Health Educator with Indigenous Peoples Task Force, testified in support of Senate File 2320.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Dibble provided closing comments for Senate File 2320.

Chair Wiklund laid over Senate File 2320, as amended, for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

AGENDA ITEM #5: Senate File 3926 (HOFFMAN): Requiring health insurance plans to cover intermittent catheters

The fifth item on the agenda was Senate File 3926, authored by Senator Hoffman as follows:

Senate File 3926 (Hoffman): Requiring health insurance plans to cover intermittent catheters

Senator Hoffman moved the A2 Amendment.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE A2 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Senator Hoffman provided opening remarks and explained Senate File 3926, as amended, to the committee.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Chair Wiklund laid over Senate File 3926, as amended, for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

AGENDA ITEM #6: Senate File 2342 (HOFFMAN): Acupuncture and herbal medicine practice provisions modifications

The sixth item on the agenda was Senate File 2342, authored by Senator Hoffman as follows:

Senate File 2342 (Hoffman): Acupuncture and herbal medicine practice provisions modifications

Senator Hoffman moved the A3 Amendment.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE A3 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Senator Hoffman provided opening remarks and explained Senate File 2342, as amended, to the committee.

The following individuals testified on Senate File 2342:

- Dr. Nick Dougherty, practicing licensed acupuncturist, and legislative chair for the Minnesota Acupuncture Association, testified in support of Senate File 2342.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Hoffman provided closing comments for Senate File 2342.

Chair Wiklund laid over Senate File 2342, as amended, for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

AGENDA ITEM #7 Senate File 4864 ((HOFFMAN): Language removal from Minnesota Statutes concerning expired human services reports to the legislature

The seventh item on the agenda was Senate File 4864, authored by Senator Hoffman as follows:

Senate File 4864 (Hoffman): Language removal from Minnesota Statutes concerning expired human services reports to the legislature

Senator Hoffman provide opening remarks and explained Senate File 4864 to the committee.

The following individuals testified on Senate File 4864:

- Matt Burdick, Director of State Government Relations, Minnesota Department of Human Services, testified on Senate File 4864,

Member questions and discussion followed.

Chair Wiklund moved the A1 Amendment.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE A1 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Senator Hoffman provided closing comments for Senate File 2342.

Chair Wiklund laid over Senate File 2342, as amended, for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

Chair Wiklund passed the gavel to Senator Mann who resumed the role of Chair.

AGENDA ITEM #8 Senate File 4946 (WIKLUND): Graduate medical education costs supplemental payments establishment

The eighth item on the agenda was Senate File 4946, authored by Senator Wiklund as follows:

Senate File 4946 (WIKLUND): Graduate medical education costs supplemental payments establishment

Senator Wiklund provide opening remarks and explained Senate File 4946 to the committee.

Senator Wiklund moved the A1 Amendment.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE A1 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

The following individuals testified on Senate File 4946:

- Dr. Kelly Frisch, practicing primary care physician and Board Chair of Metro Minnesota Council on Graduate Medical Education, testified in support of Senate File 4946.
- Dr. Rachel Salz, current Chief Resident of Internal Medicine at Hennepin Healthcare, testified in support of Senate File 4946.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Chair Mann laid over Senate File 4946, as amended, for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

AGENDA ITEM #9 Senate File 4912 (WIKLUND): University of Minnesota academic health system appropriation

The ninth item on the agenda was Senate File 4912, authored by Senator Wiklund as follows:

Senate File 4912 (WIKLUND): University of Minnesota academic health system appropriation

Senator Wiklund provide opening remarks and explained Senate File 4912 to the committee.

Senator Wiklund moved the A2 Amendment.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE A2 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

The following individuals testified on Senate File 4946:

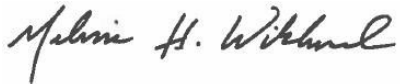
- Dr. Jakub Tolar, Dean of Medical School at the University of Minnesota, testified in support of Senate File 4912.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Chair Wiklund provided closing comments on Senate File 4912.

Chair Mann laid over Senate File 4912, as amended, for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

Chair Mann adjourned the meeting at 10:26am.



Senator Melissa H. Wiklund



Hailey Ryan, Legislative Assistant