

MINNESOTA STATE SENATE

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

Health & Human Services Committee
Thursday, April 18th, 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, April 18th, 2024, in Room 1100 of the Minnesota Senate Building. A quorum was present.

AGENDA ITEM #1: Senate File 4699 (Wiklund): Medication repository program requirements modification

The first item on the agenda was Senate File 4699, authored by Senator Wiklund as follows:

Senate File 4699 (Wiklund): Medication repository program requirements modification

Senator Wiklund provided opening remarks and explained Senate File 4699 to the committee.

Dennis Albrecht, Senate Fiscal Analyst, provided the committee with a walk through of the spreadsheet.

The following individuals testified on Senate File 4699:

- Robert Haider, Legislative Director with TakeAction MN, testified in support of Senate File 4699.
- Patrick Harrington, Executive Director of Housing Matters, testified in opposition to Senate File 4699.
- Sue Nathe, Executive Director of Minnesota Health Information Association Management Association, testified in opposition to Senate File 4699.
- Jay Belsito, Organizer with Gender Justice, testified in support to Senate File 4699.
- Buck Humphrey, Minnesota Pharmacy Alliance, testified in support of Senate File 4699.
- John Hoeschen, Owner of St. Paul Corner Drug, testified on Senate File 4699.
- Matt Toburen, Executive Director of the Aliveness Project, testified in support of Senate File 4699.
- Michelle Benson, Health Plan Partnership of Minnesota, testified in opposition to Senate File 4699.
- Dr. Katie Guthrie, Faith Leader with Isaiah Minnesota, testified in support of Senate File 4699.
- Lorna Schmidt, Vice President of Public Policy with Catholic Charities Twin Cities, testified on Senate File 4699.
- Dan Endreson, Minnesota Council of Health Plans, testified in opposition to Senate File 4699.
- Marwah Asif, State Chair for Students United, testified in support of Senate File 4699.
- Anh Kremer, Chief Strategy and Development Officer with Nystrom and Associates, testified on Senate File 4699.
- Zach Rodvold, Director of Public Affairs with Second Harvest Heartland, testified on Senate File 4699.
- Sue Abderholden, Executive Director of NAMI Minnesota, testified on Senate File 4699.
- Rebecca Delahunt, Director of Public Policy with Minnesota Family Council and Institute, testified in opposition to Senate File 4699.
- Peter Woitock, Government Relations with Hunger Solutions, testified on Senate File 4699.
- Dr. Ashish Gupta, Pediatric Stem Cell Transplant Physician at the University of Minnesota, testified in support of Senate File 4699.
- Erica Barnes, Executive Director of the Minnesota Rare Disease Advisory Council, testified in support of Senate File 4699.

- Stacy Hennen, Director of Western Prairie Human Services & advocated with Minnesota Association of County Social Services Administrators, testified on Senate File 4699.
- Sue Illg, Democrats for and Informed Approach to Gender, testified in opposition to Senate File 4699.
- Eric Immler, Inpatient Mental Health Worker, testified on Senate File 4699.
- Matthew Bergeron, on behalf of the Minnesota Rural Addiction Treatment Programs, testified on Senate File 4699.
- Cindy VanDerPol, on behalf of the Minnesota Farmers Union, testified in support of Senate File 4699.
- Abby Loesch, on behalf of the Minnesota Business Partnership, testified in opposition to Senate File 4699.
- Gail Larson, on behalf of the SEIU Healthcare MN & IA, testified on Senate File 4699.
- Sara Lopez, on behalf of Unidos Minnesota, testified in support of Senate File 4699.
- Ben Baglio, on behalf of the Minnesota Nurses Association, testified on Senate File 4699.
- Mary Krinkie, Vice President of Government Relations with Minnesota Hospital Association, testified on Senate File 4699.
- Jess Boland, Critical Care Doctor at Mercy Hospital, testified on Senate File 4699.
- Dawn Anderson, Physician at Mercy and Unity Hospital, testified on Senate File 4699.
- Jill Holmes, Registered Nurse at Unity Hospital, testified on Senate File 4699.
- Annie Jakacki, Regional Coordinator for the Doctors Council, testified on Senate File 4699.

Chair Wiklund recesses the committee at 10:44am

Chair Mann reconvened the committee at 6:04pm.

Nolan Hudalla & Aly Hoffman Litchy, Senate Counsel, presented a high-level overview of Senate File 4699 to the committee.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Mann moved the A2 Amendment.

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

Dennis Albrecht, Senate Fiscal Analyst, provided an overview of the A35 Amendment.

Member questions and discussion followed.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE A35 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Senator Wiklund moved and explained the A40 Amendment.

Nolan Hudalla & Aly Hoffman Litchy, Senate Counsel, provided an overview of A40 Amendment to the committee.

Member questions and discussion followed.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE A40 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Senator Wiklund moved the A24-0308 Amendment.

Aly Hoffman Litchy, Senate Counsel, provided an overview of A24-3008 Amendment to the committee.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE A24-0308 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Senator Wiklund moved the A39 Amendment.

Aly Hoffman Litchy, Senate Counsel, provided an overview of A39 Amendment to the committee.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE A39 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Senator Hoffman moved the A3 Amendment.

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

Senator Hoffman moved the A7 Amendment.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE A7 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Senator Hoffman moved the A14 Amendment.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE A14 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Senator Kupec moved and explained the A28 Amendment.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE A28 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Senator Kupec moved the A27 Amendment.

Member questions and discussion followed.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE A27 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Senator Abeler moved the A8 Amendment.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE A8 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Senator Abeler moved the A9 Amendment.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE A9 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Senator Abeler moved the A10.

Ari Didion, Legislative Director with the Minnesota Department of Human Services Office of Inspector General, testified on the A10 Amendment.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Abeler withdrew the A10 Amendment.

Senator Lieske moved the A25 Amendment.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Lieske withdrew the A25 Amendment.

Senator Boldon moved the A6 Amendment.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE A6 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Senator Boldon moved the A41 Amendment.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE A41 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Senator Boldon moved the A19 Amendment.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE A19 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Senator Boldon moved the A11 Amendment.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Boldon withdrew the A11 Amendment.

Senator Mann moved the A16 Amendment.

Member questions and discussion followed.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE A16 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Chair Mann recessed the committee at 7:26pm

Chair Mann reconvened the committee at 7:41 pm

Senator Lieske moved the A26 Amendment.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Lieske withdrew the A26 Amendment.

Senator Lieske moved the A17 Amendment.

Member questions and discussion followed.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION FAILED AND THE A17 AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.

Senator Utke moved the A20 Amendment.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE A20 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Senator Abeler moved the A18 Amendment.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Abeler withdrew the A18 Amendment.

Senator Abeler moved the A21 Amendment.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Abeler withdrew the A21 Amendment.

Senator Abeler moved the A29 Amendment.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Abeler withdrew the A29 Amendment.

Senator Abeler moved the A30 Amendment.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Abeler withdrew the A30 Amendment

Senator Abeler moved the A34 Amendment.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Dan Pollock, State Government Relations with Lockridge Grindal Nauen, testified on the A34 Amendment.

Lisa Thimjon, Director of Government Relations for the Minnesota Department of Health, testified on the A34 Amendment.

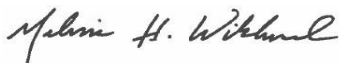
On a voice vote, THE MOTION FAILED AND THE A34 AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.

Member questions and discussion followed.

Senator Wiklund moved that Senate File 469, as amended, be recommended to pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Finance.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND SENATE FILE 4699, AS AMENDED, WAS PASSED AND REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Chair Mann adjourned the meeting at 8:52pm.



Senator Melissa H. Wiklund



Hailey Ryan, Legislative Assistant

