

Minnesota State Senate

Human Services Committee
Wednesday, March 13, 2024
3:00 PM, 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 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 3:09pm. Senator Mitchell took the gavel at 4:33pm.

Call To Order

S.F. 4197: Senator Maye Quade: Medical assistance for employed persons with disabilities modification.

The following individuals testified on S.F.4197:

1. Rob Wudlick: Treasurer, GUSU2Cure Paralysis
2. Brittanie Hernandez-Wilson: The Arc MN
3. Jillian Nelson: Community Resource and Policy Advocate; Autism Society of Minnesota

Senator Maye Quade moved an oral amendment to the SF 4197.

Page 2, line 31 strike "at the"

Page 2, line 32 strike "enrollee's" and delete "12-month" and strike "income review or"

MOTION ADOPTED

Senator Maye Quade moved that S.F. 4197, as amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

S.F. 3459: Senator Boldon: Substance abuse disorder treatment requirements modifications.

Senator Hoffman moved that the A1 amendment be adopted. **MOTION ADOPTED.**

The following individuals testified on S.F.3459:

1. Alison Gill: Vice President, legal & Policy; American Atheists
2. Steven Kind: Minnesota Outreach Coordinator; SMART Recovery
3. John Capesius: Facilitator; SMART Recovery
4. Juneal Colburn: Qualified Rehabilitation Consultant; SMART Recovery
5. Munira Mohamed: Policy Associate; ACLU MN

Senator Abeler moved that SF 3459 as amended be referred to the committee on Judiciary and Public Safety without recommendation. **MOTION FAILED.**

Senator Mathews requested a roll call vote for the passage of S.F. 3459, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the Judiciary and Public Safety

6/4 (Ayes: Hoffman, Fateh, Mann, Maye Quade, Mitchell, Wiklund; Nays: Abeler, Mathews, Rasmusson, Utke)

MOTION PREVAILED

Senator Maye Quade moved that S.F. 3459, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the Judiciary and Public Safety Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 4726: Senator Hoffman: Direct Care and Treatment agency establishment.

The following individuals testified on S.F.4726:

1. Commissioner Jodi Harpstead: Minnesota Department of Human Services
2. Dan Storkamp: Services Director; Direct Care and Treatment
3. Deb Sjostrom: Director; Otter Tail County Human Services
4. Dale Klitzke; Department of Human Services

Senator Rasmusson moved that the A2 amendment be adopted.

Senator Hoffman requested a division vote for the motion to adopt the A2 amendment.

5 yays and 5 nays

MOTION FAILED

Senator Rasmusson moved that the A4 amendment be adopted.

Senator Mitchell requested a roll call vote for the adoption of the A4 amendment.

4/6 (Ayes: Abeler, Mathews, Rasmusson, Utke; Nays: Hoffman, Fateh, Mann, Maye Quade, Mitchell, Wiklund)

MOTION FAILED

Senator Hoffman moved that S.F. 4726, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the State and Local Government and Veterans Committee. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

S.F. 4864: Senator Hoffman: Language removal from Minnesota Statutes concerning expired human services reports to the legislature.

The following individuals testified on S.F.4864:

1. Matt Burdick: Director of State Government Relations; Minnesota Department of Human Services

Senator Hoffman moved that S.F. 4864, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Health and Human Services Committee. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

S.F. 4398: Senator Hoffman: Bloodborne pathogen testing application expansion to nonsecure direct care treatment programming; priority admissions task force member name modification.

The following individuals testified on S.F.4398:

1. Carrie Briones: Legislative Director; Direct Care and Treatment

Senator Hoffman moved that S.F. 4398, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

S.F. 4580: Senator Hoffman: Increasing nursing facility transparency in related-organizations transactions provisions.

Senator Hoffman moved that the A2 amendment be adopted. **MOTION ADOPTED.**

The following individuals testified on S.F.4580:

1. Valerie Cooke: Division Director, Nursing Facility Rates & Policy; Minnesota Department of Human Services
2. Misti Okerlund: Board Member; Elder Voice Advocates

Senator Hoffman moved that S.F. 4580, as amended, be recommended to pass. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

S.F. 4399: Senator Hoffman: Minimum wage protections for people with disabilities establishment; person care assistance and community first services and supports remote reassessment requirements modification; technology in informed choice for disability waiver services prioritization; form usage for community-based waived services clarification; Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Services Act language modification.

Senator Hoffman moved that the A2 amendment be adopted. **MOTION ADOPTED.**

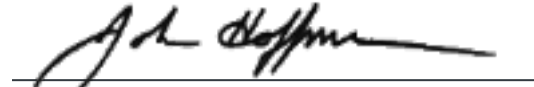
Senator Utke moved that the A1 be adopted. **MOTION ADOPTED.**

The following individuals testified on S.F.4399:

1. Kristy Graume: Director of Legislative and External Affairs, Behavioral Health, Housing, Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing, and Disability Services; Minnesota Department of Human Services

Senator Hoffman moved that S.F. 4399, as amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45pm.



Senator John A. Hoffman, Chair



Cassie Sohr, Legislative Assistant