

Minnesota State Senate

Judiciary and Public Safety Committee
Wednesday, March 13, 2024
12:30 PM, G-15 Capitol

Minutes

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

Absent: No Members Absent

Senator Ron Latz called the meeting to order at 12:38 PM

S.F. 3997: Senator Cwodzinski: Provisions modification for sharing educational data designated as directory information.

The following individuals testified on S.F.3997:
Megan Arriola, Legislative Coordinator for the Minnesota Department of Education;

Senator Pappas moved that S.F. 3997, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Education Policy Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 3632: Senator Abeler: Anoka County authorization to build a jail and criminal justice center in a location outside the county seat.

The following individuals testified on S.F.3632:
Sam Scott, Anoka City Council Member;

Senator Limmer moved that S.F. 3632, be recommended to pass. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

Presentation by the Department of Public Safety

Presenters: Bob Jacobson, Commissioner, Department of Public Safety (DPS); Drew Evans, Superintendent, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension (DPS); Kate Weeks, Executive Director, Office of Justice Programs (DPS);

S.F. 4576: Senator Limmer: Legislative enactments miscellaneous technical corrections and removing redundant, conflicting, and superseded provisions.

The following individuals testified on S.F.4576:
Jeff Kase, Revisor of Statutes;

A-24 - Senator Limmer offered, adopted by voice vote.

Senator Limmer moved that S.F. 4576, as amended, be recommended to pass. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 4199: Senator Limmer: Requirements for the release of patient health records modification.

The following individuals testified on S.F.4199:

Rich Neumeister;

A-2 - Senator Limmer offered, adopted by voice vote.

Senator Limmer moved that S.F. 4199, as amended, be recommended to pass. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 4038: Senator Hauschild: Classifying certain forest industry data provision.

The following individuals testified on S.F.4038:

Jon Drimel, Forestry State Lands Manager, DNR; Rick Horton, Executive Vice President, Minnesota Forest Industries;

Senator Eichorn moved that S.F. 4038, be recommended to pass. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

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

The following individuals testified on S.F.2495:

Andrew Markquart, Managing Attorney, Great North Innocence Project;

A-2 - Senator Oumou Verbeten offered, adopted by voice vote.

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

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

The following individuals testified on S.F.2597:

Andrew Markquart, Managing Attorney, Great North Innocence Project;

2:24 PM Senator Latz passed the gavel to Senator Oumou Verbeten

A-1 - Senator Latz offered, adopted by voice vote.

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

S.F. 3709: Senator Latz: Aggravated first-degree witness tampering inclusion in certain definitions of violent crime and crimes against a person.

The following individuals testified on S.F.3709:

Nate Reitz, Executive Director, Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission;

2:36 PM Senator Oumou Verbeten passed the gavel to Senator Latz

Senator Latz moved that S.F. 3709, be recommended to pass. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 4544: Senator Pappas: Clients of civil legal services and volunteer attorneys authorization to proceed as forma pauperis.

The following individuals testified on S.F.4544:

Ron Elwood, Legal Aid;

A-2 - Senator Pappas offered, adopted by voice vote.

Senator Pappas moved that S.F. 4544, as amended, be recommended to pass. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 4403: Senator Seeberger: State Board of Legal Aid establishment.

The following individuals testified on S.F.4403:

Luke Grundman, Litigation Director at Mid-Minnesota Legal Aid; Rich Neumeister;

A-3 - Senator Seeberger offered, adopted by voice vote.

As amended, be laid over.

S.F. 3890: Senator Seeberger: Apprenticeship program policy and technical modifications.

The following individuals testified on S.F.3890:

Erin Larsen, Director of Apprenticeship Minnesota, Department of Labor and Industry;

Senator Pappas moved to reconsider the vote to pass SF 4544, motion prevailed

Senator Pappas moved the following oral amendment:

Page 1, line 29 delete "prepayment" insert "payment"

Senator Pappas moved SF 4544 as amended be recommended to pass, motion prevailed.

Senator Seeberger moved that S.F. 3890, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Labor Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 2915: Senator Westlin: Minnesota Consumer Data Privacy Act.

Not heard.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:46 PM



Senator Ron Latz, Chair



Zach Cullen, Legislative Assistant