

Judiciary and Public Safety Committee

Monday, March 18, 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 12:46 PM

Presentation by the Department of Corrections

Presenter: Paul Schnell, Department of Corrections Commissioner;

S.F. 4093: Senator Oumou Verbeten: Victim notice and input provision in end-of-confinement review process.

The following individuals testified on S.F.4093: Paul Schnell, Department of Corrections Commissioner; Abby Honold; Oral Amendment: 6.23 before the period insert "and provide sufficient time for the input to be considered in the end-of-confinement determination." Senator Oumou Verbeten moved, passed by voice.

Senator Oumou Verbeten moved that S.F. 4093, as amended, be recommended to pass. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 4483: Senator Oumou Verbeten: Misclassification of employees prohibition.

The following individuals testified on S.F.4483: Nicole Blissenbach, Department of Labor and Industry Commissioner; John Boesche, Associated Builders and Contractors of MN/ND; Laura Ziegler, Associated General Contractors of Minnesota; Peter Coyle, Housing First MN; Burt Johnson, North Central States Regional Council of Carpenters; A-24 Senator Oumou Verbeten offered, adopted by voice. A-22 Senator Oumou Verbeten offered, adopted by voice. A-25 Senator Kreun

offered, not adopted by voice. A-26 Senator Kreun offered, not adopted by voice.

Be laid over.

S.F. 3866: Senator Morrison: Immunity provision for individuals assisting another to seek medical assistance for a drug-related overdose.

The following individuals testified on S.F.3866: Colleen Ronnei, Change the Outcome; A-2 Senator Westlin offered, adopted by voice.

Senator Westlin moved that S.F. 3866, as amended, be recommended to pass. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 4269: Senator Oumou Verbeten: Postsecondary education institutions incarcerated and postprison persons provisions modifications.

Not heard.

S.F. 4735: Senator Oumou Verbeten: Private student loan servicers and lenders regulation.

Not heard.

S.F. 4363: Senator Oumou Verbeten: Limit establishment on the length of probation for certain attempted crimes.

Not heard.

S.F. 3663: Senator Oumou Verbeten: Controlled substance laws modifications.

Not heard.

S.F. 3670: Senator Oumou Verbeten: Controlled substances and illegal cannabis tax repeal and other technical changes provision.

Not heard.

S.F. 4006: Senator Latz: Data sharing with prosecutor modification for petition for sentence adjustment.

Not heard.

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

Not heard.

S.F. 1786: Senator Carlson: Appointment, licensing, and compensation provision of railroad peace officers.

Not heard.

S.F. 4753: Senator Carlson: Criminal justice agencies definition modification.

Not heard.

S.F. 4960: Senator Latz: State correctional facilities security audit group membership and meetings modification.

Not heard.

Agenda items not completed will be scheduled for a future hearing

Senator Latz recessed at 2:54 PM

Senator Latz called the meeting to order at 6:21 PM

S.F. 2003: Senator Klein: Disclosures requirements and certain conduct prohibitions relating to ticket sales.

A-15 Senator Seeberger offered, adopted by voice. Howe moved oral amendment: 5.12 delete "a" and insert "an alleged" Senator Westlin moved that SF 2003 as amended by recommended to pass, adopted by voice. 9:47 PM Senator Seeberger moved to reconsider the vote to pass SF 2003 as amended to the Senate floor, adopted by voice.

Senator Seeberger moved that S.F. 2003, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the Finance Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 3571: Senator Fateh: Tenants remedies provision related to new construction delays.

The following individuals testified on S.F.3571: Shana Tomenes, University of Minnesota Student Legal Services; A-4 Senator Pappas moved, adopted by voice.

As amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

S.F. 3496: Senator Maye Quade: Compensation for minors appearing in internet content creation provision.

The following individuals testified on S.F.3496: Joel Carlson, Minnesota Association of Justice; Senator Carlson moved an oral amendment to the A-9 Delete lines 1.7 to 1.23 of the A9 Delete line 2.17 of the A9 adopted by voice. Senator Carlson moved an oral amendment to the A-9 Line 1.28 of the A-9: delete "satisfying the criteria" and insert "or a person who was a minor at the time of the alleged violation" Line 1.29 of the A-9, delete "described in subdivision 1" adopted by voice. Senator Seeberger moved an oral amendment to the A-9 Delete lines 2.3 and 2.5 of the A9 On line 2.2 of the A9, delete the semi colon Make any necessary technical changes adopted by voice.

Senator Carlson moved the A-9, adopted by voice.

Senator Carlson moved that S.F. 3496, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the Labor Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 3553: Senator Boldon: Landlord and tenant provision modifications and summons and complaint service modifications.

The following individuals testified on S.F.3553: Ron Elwood, Legal Aid; Senator Westlin moves the A-2, adopted by voice.

As amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

S.F. 2448: Senator Boldon: Tenants provision with a right to repair violations in a residential rental unit.

The following individuals testified on S.F.2448: Jennifer Spadine, Owner and Operator of Guardian Property Management; Cecil Smith, President of Minnesota Multi Housing Association; Senator Westlin offered the following oral amendment to the A-5: Page 1, line 4 before the colon insert “tenant may contract and pay for repairs in” Page 1, line 5 delete “tenant may contract and pay for repairs” adopted by voice. A-5 moved by Senator Westlin, adopted by voice.

Be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

S.F. 3748: Senator Gustafson: Landlord eviction action against a tenant who terminates a lease based on their status as a crime victim prohibition and eviction records expungement modifications.

The following individuals testified on S.F.3748: Ron Elwood, Legal Aid; Cecil Smith, President of Minnesota Multi Housing Association; A-2 Senator Pappas moved, adopted by voice. Howe moved the following oral amendment: Page 6, after line 4 insert a new section: “Effective date. Except for section 3, this act is effective the day following final enactment.” Senator Kreun requested a 12.10 Journal Entry Roll Call to pass SF 3748 as amended, three hands were present (Limmer, Howe, Kreun). Roll call - 10 ayes, 0 nays (Ayes – Limmer, Eichorn, Howe, Kreun, Latz, Oumou Verbeten, Carlson, Pappas, Seeberger, Westlin) - motion prevailed.

Senator Oumou Verbeten moved that S.F. 3748, as amended, be recommended to pass. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 3769: Senator Putnam: Landlord acceptance of tenant's individual taxpayer identification number in lieu of Social Security number requirement.

The following individuals testified on S.F.3769: Irma Marquez-Trapero, LatinoLEAD; Annahi Sanchez;

Be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

S.F. 3979: Senator Pha: Tenants right to contact emergency services clarification provision.

The following individuals testified on S.F.3979: Sue Abderholden, NAMI; A-1 Senator Westlin moved, adopted by voice. Senator Latz passed the gavel to Senator Oumou Verbeten 9:03 PM Senator Oumou Verbeten passed the gavel to Senator Latz 9:24 PM

As amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

S.F. 4465: Senator Xiong: Right to counsel in evictions clarification.

The following individuals testified on S.F.4465: Melissa Taphorn, Washington County CDA; A-2 Senator Oumou Verbeten, adopted by voice.

As amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

S.F. 3807: Senator Kupec: Landlords requirement to test for radon and provide disclosures.

The following individuals testified on S.F.3807: Cecil Smith, President of Minnesota Multi Housing Association; A-3 Senator Pappas moved, adopted by voice.

As amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

S.F. 4015: Senator Mohamed: Minnesota Fair Chance Access to Housing Act establishment and imposing penalties.

The following individuals testified on S.F.4015: John Bae, Director of Vera Institute of Justice; Moncies Franco, Minnesota Second Chance Coalition; Jana Kooren, Minnesota Freedom Fund; Kahlee Griffey, Until We Are All Free; Abdirahman Warsame, Generation Hope Minnesota; Angie French, Mid Continent Management Corporation; Cecil Smith, President of Minnesota Multi Housing Association; 10:06 PM Senator Latz passed the gavel to Senator Oumou Verbeten. 10:33 PM Senator Oumou Verbeten passed the gavel to Senator Latz.

Be laid over.

S.F. 3201: Senator Mohamed: Tenants right to organize and penalties for retaliation for tenant organizing authorization.

The following individuals testified on S.F.3201: Margaret Kaplan, President of the Housing Justice League; Cecil Smith, President of Minnesota Multi Housing Association; A-2 Senator Oumou Verbeten moved, adopted by voice. Senator Kreun moves the following oral amendment: 2.21 delete "noncommercial" and insert "tenant organization" adopted by voice.

As amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

S.F. 3587: Senator Mohamed: Landlord disclosure that an assistance animal is not subject to a pet fee requirement provision.

A-1 Senator Pappas moved, adopted by voice.

As amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

S.F. 3489: Senator Mohamed: Contract for deed requirements between investor sellers and purchasers of real property modification; recording provisions modifications; disclosures requirement; right to cancel and civil remedies authorization.

The following individuals testified on S.F.3489: Ron Elwood, Legal Aid; A-3 Senator Westlin moved, adopted by voice vote. Westlin moves oral amendment Page 21, line 15 after "deed" insert "under Minnesota Statutes section 559.21"

As amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

S.F. 3492: Senator Mohamed: Residential housing tenant and landlord provisions modifications.

The following individuals testified on S.F.3492: Larry McDonough, HOME line; Cecil Smith, President of Minnesota Multi Housing Association; Angela Garin, Care Providers of Minnesota; Erin Huppert, Leading Age Minnesota; A-2 Senator Pappas moved, adopted by voice. Rule to stay late 7 to 3 vote Committee voted to continue past midnight in order to finish hearing SF 3492, and to hear SF 4292 and SF 4015, or until 1:00 AM. 7 ayes, 3 abstain (Ayes – Limmer, Kreun, Latz, Oumou Verbeten, Carlson, Seeberger, Westlin; Abstain - Howe, Eichorn, Pappas) vote passed. Senator Kreun moved the following oral amendment: Page 8, line 20 delete "plaintiff's" and insert "landlord's" adopted by voice vote. Senator Kreun moved the following oral amendment: Page 8, line 22 delete "protesting, demonstrating," Page 8, after line 23 insert "(6) protecting or

demonstrating on issues related to tenants' rights;" and renumber the remaining clauses adopted by voice vote. Senator Kreun moved the following oral amendment: Page 10, line 7 delete "shall" and insert "may" and following "If" insert "so ordered and" adopted by voice vote.

As amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

S.F. 4292: Senator Westlin: Minnesota Human Rights Act modification.

The following individuals testified on S.F.4292: Rebecca Lucero, Department of Human Rights Commissioner; Jason Adkins, Minnesota Catholic Conference; Reverend Fred Hinz, Lutheran Church; Yusuf Abdulle, Islamic Association of North America; Renee Carlson, True North Legal; A-5 Senator Westlin moved, adopted by voice. A-1 Senator Limmer moved, not adopted by voice Senator Kreun requested a roll call. Senator Limmer requested the roll call be recorded in the Journal pursuant to rule 12.10, three hands were present (Limmer, Eichorn, Kreun). Roll call - 3 ayes, 5 nays, 2 Absent (Ayes – Limmer, Eichorn, Kreun; Nays – Latz, Oumou Verbeten, Carlson, Seeberger, Westlin; Absent – Howe, Pappas) - motion failed.

As amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.


S.F. 4736: Senator Oumou Verbeten: Eviction records effective date modification.

Not heard.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:04 AM



Senator Ron Latz, Chair



Zach Cullen, Legislative Assistant