

# Minnesota State Senate

Labor Committee  
Tuesday, March 19, 2024  
12:30 PM, 1100 Minnesota Senate Bldg.

## Minutes

**Present:** Senator Jennifer A. McEwen - Chair, Senator Grant Hauschild - Vice Chair, Senator Gene Dornink, Senator Glenn H. Gruenhagen, Senator Robert J. Kupec, Senator Bill Lieske, Senator John Marty, Senator Clare Oumou Verbeten, Senator Sandra L. Pappas, Senator Nathan Wesenberg

**Absent:** No Members Absent

Senator Jennifer A. McEwen called the meeting to order at 12:42pm.

**S.F. 4019: Senator Mohamed: Minimum wages increase provision.**

Senator Zaynab Mohamed presented Senate File 4019.

Senator John Marty moved the A-1 amendment.  
The A-1 amendment was adopted along a voice vote.

John Reynolds, State Director for the National Federation of Independent Businesses testified in opposition to SF4019, as amended.

The following individuals testified in favor of SF4019, as amended:

- Rod Adams, New Justice Project
- David Perdomo, COPAL Minnesota
  - Translation services provided by Carolina Perdomo
- Faith Mobly, UFCW Local 663
- Dorimar Cabrera, New Justice Project
- Yashea Williams, New Justice Project
- Bree Richardson, SEIU Member, New Justice Project
- Saru Jarayaman, One Fair Wage
- Lydia Caldwell, New Justice Project
- Sharmarke Hussien, Take Action Minnesota

Member discussion.

SF4019, as amended, is laid over for potential inclusion in the omnibus.

*Gavel is passed to Senator Rob Kupec at 1:44pm*

Senator McEwen moved that S.F. 4019, as amended, be laid over.. - MOTION ADOPTED.

**S.F. 4745: Senator McEwen: Workers\' compensation hearing provisions modifications.**

Senator Jen McEwen presented Senate File 4745.

**Discussion.**

Senator McEwen moved that S.F. 4745, as amended, be recommended to pass and be re-referred to the Senate Finance Committee.

The motion is adopted along a voice vote.

*The gavel is passed to Chair McEwen at 11:49am.*

Senator McEwen moved that S.F. 4745, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the Finance Committee. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

**S.F. 3947: Senator Mohamed: Minimum wage provisions modifications.**

Senator Mohamed presented Senate File 3947.

Senator McEwen moved the A-1 amendment.

The amendment is adopted along a voice vote.

Josiah Moore, Legislative Coordinator for the Minnesota Department of Labor & Industry offered testimony and walked through the bill.

**Discussion.**

Senator Bill Lieske offered the A-2 amendment.

Brad Lehto, Secretary-Treasurer for the Minnesota AFL-CIO offered testimony in opposition to the A-2.

Senator Lieske renewed his motion and moved to adopt the A-2 amendment to SF3947.

The A-2 amendment fails along a voice vote.

SF3947, as amended, is laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus.

Senator McEwen moved that S.F. 3947, as amended, be laid over.. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

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The meeting was adjourned at 2:11pm.



Senator Jennifer A. McEwen, Chair



Jack Fischer, Legislative Assistant