

MINNESOTA STATE SENATE

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

Health & Human Services Committee
Wednesday, April 2nd, 2025
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 Lindsey Port

Absent: Senator Mark Koran

Chair Wiklund called the meeting to order at 8:32 am on Wednesday, April 2nd, 2025, in Room 1100 of the Minnesota Senate Building. A quorum was present.

AGENDA ITEM #1: Senate File 2477 (Klein): Commissioner of health authority over insurance holding company systems modification; health insurance, Medicare supplement benefits and prescription drugs provisions modifications

The first item on the agenda was Senate File 2477, authored by Senator Klein as follows:

Senate File 2477 (Klein): Commissioner of health authority over insurance holding company systems modification; health insurance, Medicare supplement benefits and prescription drugs provisions modifications

The following individuals testified on Senate File 2477:

- Ashley Setala, Health Policy Director in the Insurance Division at the Minnesota Department of Commerce, provided an overview on Senate File 2477.
- Lisa Thimjon, Director of Government Relations for the Minnesota Department of Health, provided an overview of Senate File 2477.

Senator Klein explained the A9 Amendment.

Senator Mann moved the A9 Amendment.

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

Committee members' questions and discussion on the underlying bill followed.

Senator Mann moved that Senate File 2477, as amended, be recommended to pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND SENATE FILE 2477, AS AMENDED, WAS PASSED AND REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION.

AGENDA ITEM #2: House File 1346 (Draheim): Maltreatment of minors mandatory reporters training requirements modification

The second item on the agenda was House File 1346, authored by Senator Draheim as follows:

House File 1346 (Draheim): Maltreatment of minors mandatory reporters training requirements modification

Senator Draheim provided opening remarks and explained House File 1346 to the committee.

The following individuals testified on House File 1346:

- Lisa Hollensteiner, Board Chair of Safe Passage for Children, testified in support of House File 1346.

Committee members' questions and discussion followed.

Senator Draheim provided closing comments on House File 1346.

Senator Abeler moved that House File 1346 be recommended to pass and be placed on general orders.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND HOUSE FILE 1346 WAS PASSED AND SENT TO GENERAL ORDERS.

AGENDA ITEM #3: House File 129 (Utke): Director of child sex trafficking prevention requirement to submit a program evaluation each odd-numbered year to the legislature

The third item on the agenda was House File 129, authored by Senator Utke as follows:

House File 129 (Utke): Director of child sex trafficking prevention requirement to submit a program evaluation each odd-numbered year to the legislature

Senator Utke provided opening remarks and explained House File 129 to the committee.

Senator Utke provided closing comments on House File 129, as amended.

Senator Utke moved that House File 129 be recommended to pass and be placed on general orders.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND HOUSE FILE 129 WAS PASSED AND SENT TO GENERAL ORDERS.

AGENDA ITEM #4: Senate File 2743 (Utke): Audio-only telehealth medical assistance extension provision

The fourth item on the agenda was Senate File 2743, authored by Senator Utke as follows:

Senate File 2743 (Utke): Audio-only telehealth medical assistance extension provision

Senator Utke provided opening remarks and explained Senate File 2743 to the committee.

The following individuals testified on Senate File 2743:

- Sue Abderholden, Executive Director of the National Alliance on Mental Illness Minnesota, testified in support of Senate File 2743.

Committee members' questions and discussion followed.

Senator Mann moved and explained the A1 Amendment.

Committee members' questions and discussion on the A1 Amendment followed.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE A1 AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Senator Utke provided closing comments on Senate File 2743, as amended.

Chair Wiklund laid over Senate File 2743, as amended, for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

AGENDA ITEM #5: Senate File 1497 (Utke): Reimbursement rates increase for long-term ambulatory electrocardiogram monitoring services provided by diagnostic testing facilities

The fifth item on the agenda was Senate File 1497, authored by Senator Utke as follows:

Senate File 1497 (Utke): Reimbursement rates increase for long-term ambulatory electrocardiogram monitoring services provided by diagnostic testing facilities

Senator Utke provided opening remarks and explained Senate File 1497 to the committee.

The following individuals testified on Senate File 1497:

- Elizabeth Stoll, Director of State Government Affairs with Baxter Healthcare, testified in support of Senate File 1497.

Senator Utke provided closing comments on Senate File 1497.

Chair Wklund laid over Senate File 1497 for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

AGENDA ITEM #6: Senate File 595 (Lieske): MinnesotaCare and medical assistance programs chiropractic services coverage modification provision

The sixth item on the agenda was Senate File 595, authored by Senator Lieske as follows:

Senate File 595 (Lieske): MinnesotaCare and medical assistance programs chiropractic services coverage modification provision

Senator Lieske provided opening remarks and explained Senate File 595 to the committee.

The following individuals testified on Senate File 595:

- Dr. Richard Printon, Practicing Doctor of Chiropractic & Division Director of Integrative Health with Hennepin Healthcare, testified in support of Senate File 595.

Committee members' questions and discussion followed.

Diogo Reis, Health Improvement and Benefit Design Division Manager at the Minnesota Department of Human Services, assisted Senator Lieske with answering members' questions about Senate File 595.

Senator Lieske provided closing comments on Senate File 595.

Chair Wklund laid over Senate File 595 for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

AGENDA ITEM #7: Senate File 2037 (Baldon): Minnesota Rare Disease Advisory Council appropriation

The seventh item on the agenda was Senate File 2037, authored by Senator Baldon as follows:

Senate File 2037 (Baldon): Minnesota Rare Disease Advisory Council appropriation

Senator Baldon provided opening remarks and explained Senate File 2037 to the committee.

The following individuals testified on Senate File 2037:

- Erica Barnes, Executive Director of Minnesota Rare Disease Advisory Council, testified in support of Senate File 2037.

Committee members' questions and discussion followed.

Senator Boldon provided closing comments on Senate File 2037.

Chair Wiklund laid over Senate File 2037 for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

AGENDA ITEM #8: Senate File 2530 (Hauschild): Orderly and environmentally responsible development of the states gas resources facilitation provision and appropriation

The eighth item on the agenda was Senate File 2530, authored by Senator Hauschild as follows:

Senate File 2530 (Hauschild): Orderly and environmentally responsible development of the states gas resources facilitation provision and appropriation

Senator Hauschild provided opening remarks and explained Senate File 2530 to the committee.

The following individuals testified on Senate File 2530:

- Michael Sturdy, General Manager of Operations for Pulsar Helium Inc, testified in support of Senate File 2530.

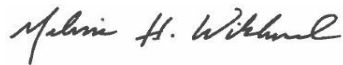
Committee members' questions and discussion followed.

Senator Hauschild provided closing comment on Senate File 2530.

Senator Kupec moved that Senate File 2530 be recommended to pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Taxes.

On a voice vote, THE MOTION PREVAILED AND SENATE FILE 2530 WAS PASSED A REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON TAXES.

Chair Wiklund adjourned the meeting at 9:48am



Senator Melissa H. Wiklund



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