

# Minnesota State Senate

Human Services Committee  
Wednesday, February 26, 2025  
3:00 PM, 1200 Minnesota Senate Bldg.

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## Minutes

**Present:** Senator John A. Hoffman - **Chair**, Senator Omar Fateh - **Vice Chair**, Senator Jordan Rasmusson - **Ranking Minority Member**, Senator Jim Abeler, Senator Glenn H. Gruenhagen, Senator Erin K. Maye Quade, Senator Zaynab Mohamed, Senator Paul J. Utke, Senator Melissa H. Wiklund

**Absent:** No Members Absent

Senator John A. Hoffman called the meeting to order at 3:05pm. Senator Rasmusson took the gavel at 4:37pm. Senator Hoffman took the gavel at 4:42pm.

### Call to Order

The following individuals testified on the US Federal House Budget Resolution:

1. Elyse Bailey, Budget Director; Department of Human Services (DHS)

**S.F. 554: Senator Abeler: Community Care Hub Grant establishment and appropriation.**

Senator Abeler moved that the A-1 amendment be adopted to SF 0554. **MOTION ADOPTED**

The following individuals testified on S.F.0554:

1. Josh Berg, Board Member of Trellis and Juniper
2. Mark Cullen, Vice President of Strategy and Business Development; Trellis

Senator Abeler moved that S.F. 554, as amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

**S.F. 815: Senator Fateh: Community first services and supports requirements for support workers to qualify for enhanced rate modifications.**

Senator Fateh moved that the A-2 amendment be adopted to SF 0815 **MOTION ADOPTED**

The following individuals testified on S.F.0815:

1. Matthew Bergeron; First Provider Alliance
2. Idil Abdull, Advocate
3. Kristy Graume, Director of State Government Relations; DHS

Senator Fateh moved that S.F. 815, as amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

**S.F. 683: Senator Utke: Intellectual and developmental disabilities legislative commission establishment and appropriation.**

The following individuals testified on S.F.0683:

1. Jeanne Prittinen, A-Team
2. Sue Hankner, A-Team
3. Diane Kozlak, advocate
4. Myke Golben, advocate

Senator Utke moved that S.F. 683, be referred to the State and Local Government Committee without recommendation. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

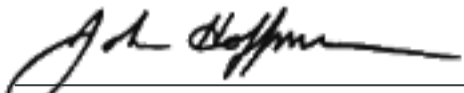
**S.F. 260: Senator Utke: Wellness in the Woods grant appropriation.**

The following individuals testified on S.F.0260:

- 1. Isaiah Frandsen, Director of Culture & Community Engagement; Wellness
- 2. Monica Yeadon, Director of Process Improvement and Communications & VPSN Director; Wellness in the Woods
- 3. Jode Freyholtz-London, Chief Executive Officer; Wellness in the Woods

Senator Mohamed moved that S.F. 260, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Finance Committee. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55pm.



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Senator John A. Hoffman, Chair



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Cassie Sohr, Legislative Assistant