

# Minnesota State Senate

Judiciary and Public Safety Committee  
Wednesday, March 19, 2025  
12:30 PM, G-15 Capitol

## Minutes

**Present:** Senator Ron Latz - **Chair**, Senator Clare Oumou Verbeten - **Vice Chair**, Senator Warren Limmer - **Ranking Minority Member**, Senator Bruce D. Anderson, Senator Jim Carlson, Senator Doron Clark, Senator Jeff R. Howe, Senator Michael E. Kreun, Senator Sandra L. Pappas, Senator Judy Seeberger, Senator Bonnie S. Westlin, Senator Torrey N. Westrom

**Absent:** No Members Absent

Senator Ron Latz called the meeting to order at 12:35 PM

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**S.F. 971:** Senator Mann: Immunity from criminal liability for health care providers when providing health treatment and services establishment.

Senator Pappas appeared virtually via zoom.

The following individuals testified on S.F.0971:  
Adam Karlen, Chief Nursing Officer, M Health Fairview Southdale Hospital; Robert Small, Executive Director, Minnesota County Attorneys Association;

Be laid over.

**S.F. 1409:** Senator Mann: Marriage record provisions modification.

The following individuals testified on S.F.1409:  
Wendy Levitt, Minnesota Association of County Officers; Barbara Olson, Minnesota Association of County Officers/Hennepin County;

Be laid over.

**H.F. 129:** Senator Utke: Director of child sex trafficking prevention requirement to submit a program evaluation each odd-numbered year to the legislature.

Senator Kreun moved that H.F. 129, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Health and Human Services Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

**H.F. 286: Senator Howe: Criminal background checks under certain circumstances by local units of government authorization.**

The following individuals testified on H.F.0286:

Tony Reznicek, Police Chief, City of Waite Park, via zoom; Dave Bentrud, Retired Police Chief, City of Waite Park, via zoom;

Senator Limmer moved that H.F. 286 be recommended to pass and re-referred to the State and Local Government committee.

Senator Limmer withdrew his motion.

Senator Howe moved that H.F. 286, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the State and Local Government Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

**S.F. 1653: Senator Limmer: Permit to carry holders providing notification of a change of legal name requirement provision.**

The following individuals testified on S.F.1653:

Sheriff Jason Kamerud, Carver County, Minnesota Sheriffs' Association;

Be laid over.

**S.F. 1734: Senator Klein: Minnesota Business Filing Fraud Prevention Act.**

The following individuals testified on S.F.1734:

Lauren Bethke, Deputy General Counsel, Minnesota Secretary of State;

Senator Seeberger moved the A2, with the A1 language incorporated, adopted by voice.

Senator Kreun moved the following oral amendment:

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Page 6, delete lines 3 to 5.

adopted by voice.

Senator Anderson moved that S.F. 1734, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the State and Local Government Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

**S.F. 1836: Senator Johnson Stewart: Authority limitation to issue certain citations to pedestrians.**

The following individuals testified on S.F.1836:

Michael Wojcik, Bicycle Alliance;

Senator Clark moved that S.F. 1836, be recommended to pass. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

**S.F. 1627: Senator Kunesh: American Indian cultural programming services modification provision.**

The following individuals testified on S.F.1627:

Paul Schnell, Commissioner, Department of Corrections;

Be laid over.

**S.F. 942: Senator Kunesh: School attendance reporting requirement to a local welfare agency and appropriation.**

The following individuals testified on S.F.0942:

Michelle Miller, Social Services Manager, Wright County, via zoom; Dr. Vera Ndumbe, Program Manager, Olmsted County;

A-4 Senator Westlin moved, adopted by voice.

Senator Oumou Verbeten moved that S.F. 942, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the Education Policy Committee. **-MOTION PREVAILED.**

**S.F. 1719: Senator Latz: Task Force on Mandatory Minimum Sentences creation.**

The following individuals testified on S.F.1719:

Jill Brisbois, MACDL; Lindsay Siolka, Chief Public Defender, First Judicial District;

2:50 PM Senator Latz passed the gavel to Senator Seeberger.

Senator Latz moved the A2, with the A3 incorporated, adopted by voice.

Senator Latz moved that S.F. 1719, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the State and Local Government Committee. **-MOTION PREVAILED.**

**Agenda items may be heard in a different order than listed**

**If the committee is unable to complete the agenda, remaining bills will will be heard at a subsequent hearing**

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**The meeting was adjourned at 2:59 PM**

  
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**Senator Ron Latz, Chair**  
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**Zach Cullen, Legislative Assistant**