

Minnesota State Senate

Judiciary and Public Safety Committee
Friday, April 4, 2025
9:00 AM or At the Call of the Chair, 1200 Minnesota Senate Bldg.

Minutes

Present: 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: Senator Ron Latz - **Chair**

Senator Clare Oumou Verbeten called the meeting to order at 9:16 AM

Documents and testimony information: the deadline has elapsed for all bills. No additional documents or requests submitted after 4 p.m. on Thursday, April 3 can be accommodated. Documents and testimony must be only on provisions of the bills related to the Judiciary and Public Safety Committee's jurisdiction. Documents and testimony previously provided in another hearing, or outside the scope of the committee will not be accepted. Instructions below.

Committee amendments and discussion will be limited to provisions within the committees jurisdiction

S.F. 2981: Senator Cwodzinski: Office of Inspector General within the Department of Education provisions modifications.

The following individuals testified on S.F.2981:
Adosh Unni, Director of Government Relations, MN Department of Education; Rich Neumeister; Maren Hulden, General Counsel, MN Department of Education;

Senator Carlson moved the following oral amendment to the A-2

Page 1, line 1 delete "the scs2981 A-1 amendment to"
Page 1, line 3 delete "delete lines 3 to 20 and" and insert "after line 12"

adopted by voice

A-2 Senator Carlson moved, adopted by voice.

Senator Howe moved the following oral amendment to SF 2981

Page 3, line 17 delete "under, and may use the process"
Page 3, line 18 delete "outlined in, section 14.389,"

adopted by voice.

As amended, be laid over.

S.F. 2457: Senator Klein: Insurance provisions modification.

The following individuals testified on S.F.2457:

Sam Smith, Government Affairs Director, MN Dept. of Commerce;

Senator Seeberger moved that S.F. 2457, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Commerce and Consumer Protection Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 2794: Senator Klein: Certain loans and contract for deed maximum interest rate modification provision, group capital calculations for insurers establishments, Insurers completion of NAIC liquidity stress test requirement provision, and insurers filing group capital calculations and results from the NAIC liquidity stress test requirement provision, and insurers securing a deposit or bond requirement provision.

The following individuals testified on S.F.2794:

Sam Smith, Government Affairs Director, MN Dept. of Commerce

Senator Seeberger moved that S.F. 2794, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Commerce and Consumer Protection Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 1035: Senator Port: Provisions modification related to campus sexual misconduct.

The following individuals testified on S.F.1035:

Melissa Watschke, Title IX Training Administrator, Office of Higher Education;

A-6 Senator Carlson moved

Senator Kreun moved the following oral amendment to the A-6 and SF1035 concurrently:

In the A-6, delete line 1.12

In the underlying bill, page 5 line 29 after "apply" insert ", at a minimum,"

adopted by voice.

A-6 as amended adopted by voice.

Senator Kreun moved the following oral amendment:

Page 4, line 5 delete ", who may be an attorney,"

adopted by voice.

Senator Kreun moved the following oral amendment:

Page 5, line 3 delete the colon.

Page 5, line 4 delete "(i)" and "; or" and insert a period.

Page 5, line 5 delete "(ii)" and the semicolon and insert "may ask questions of any party or witness."

adopted by voice.

Senator Clark moved that S.F. 1035, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the Higher Education Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 1962: Senator Pappas: Due-on-sale clauses limitation in some instances provision and private right of action provision.

The following individuals testified on S.F.1962:

Ron Elwood, Legal Aid;

A-1 Senator Pappas moved, adopted by voice.

Senator Pappas moved that S.F. 1962, as amended, be recommended to pass. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 2499: Senator Mohamed: Emergency medical services overdose data modification.

The following individuals testified on S.F.2499:

Jennifer Blanchard, Deputy, Office of Addiction and Recovery; Dylan Ferguson, Director, Office of Emergency Medical Services;

A-1 Senator Pappas moved, adopted by voice.

Senator Pappas moved that S.F. 2499, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the Health and Human Services Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 2735: Senator Seeberger: Abandoned boats removal and disposal requirement provision.

The following individuals testified on S.F.2735:

Colonel Rodmen Smith, Division of Enforcement, Department of Natural Resources;

Senator Seeberger moved that S.F. 2735, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Environment, Climate, and Legacy Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 1578: Senator Seeberger: Outdated fire safety measures pre-dating the statewide fire code repealer.

The following individuals testified on S.F.1578:

State Fire Marshal Dan Krier;

Be laid over.

S.F. 2689: Senator Johnson Stewart: Modifying provisions governing Medicaid fraud addition.

The following individuals testified on S.F.2689:

Nick Wanka, Director, Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, Attorney General's Office; John Keller, Deputy Attorney General, Attorney General's Office;

A-1 Senator Westlin moved, adopted by voice.

11:42 AM Senator Oumou Verbeten called a recess.

Senator Westlin moved that S.F. 2689, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the State and Local Government Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 2966: Senator Kunesh: Definition of governmental agency expansion in the emergency and public safety communications chapter of law.

The following individuals testified on S.F.2966:

Megan Gallagher, Director of Public Affairs, Department of Public Safety;

11:51 AM Senator Oumou Verbeten called the committee back to order.

Be laid over.

H.F. 688: Senator Westlin: Service dog provisions modification in housing accommodations for persons with disabilities.

The following individuals testified on H.F.0688:

Jeff Johnson & Bueller (dog), Can Do Canines;

1:14 PM Senator Oumou Verbeten called the committee back to order.

Senator Westlin moved that H.F. 688, be recommended to pass. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 3018: Senator Oumou Verbeten: Court procedure for a change of sex to vital records clarification.

The following individuals testified on S.F.3018:

Peter Fischer, Minnesota State Representative, Minnesota House of Representatives; Dr. Celeste Noether;

1:27 PM Senator Oumou Verbeten passed the gavel to Senator Pappas.

A-1 Senator Oumou Verbeten moved, adopted by voice.

As amended, be laid over.

S.F. 3007: Senator Hoffman: Conditions in which a missing person may be considered to be endangered specification and Public and Local Alert Advisory Board establishment.

The following individuals testified on S.F.3007:

Maren Christenson Hofer, Executive Director; Multicultural Autism Action Network; Inam Alhammouri, Government Affairs Coordinator, CAIR-MN;

Senator Oumou Verbeten moved the following oral amendment:

Delete sections 2 and 3

adopted by voice.

As amended, be laid over.

S.F. 2371: Senator Dibble: Medical cannabis provisions modification.

The following individuals testified on S.F.2371:

Eric Taubel, Interim Director, Office of Cannabis Management;

2:11 PM Senator Pappas passed the gavel to Senator Oumou Verbeten.

Senator Seeberger moved that S.F. 2371, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Commerce and Consumer Protection Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 1024: Senator Wiklund: MNsure premium subsidy program establishment, providing a sunset for the Minnesota premium security plan, and appropriation.

Senator Clark moved the following oral amendment:

Delete lines 4.7 through 4.14

adopted by voice.

Senator Pappas moved that S.F. 1024, as amended, recommended to pass and re-referred to the Health and Human Services Committee. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 2706: Senator Wiklund: 2024 children, youth, and families recodification follow-up and technical changes.

Aly Hoffman Litchy, Health and Human Services Counsel, presented a walkthrough of the bill.

A-1 Senator Carlson moved, adopted by voice.

Senator Carlson moved that S.F. 2706, as amended, be recommended to pass. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 2776: Senator Westlin: Department of Human services policy bill sections on background studies, Department of Corrections reconsiderations, kickback crimes, and appeals division worker protections.

The following individuals testified on S.F.2776:
Ariana Didion, Director of Legislation and External Affairs at the Office of Inspector General, Department of Human Services; Kristy Graume, Department of Human Services;

Senator Kreun moved the following oral amendment:

Page 7, delete section 8

Senator Kreun withdrew his oral amendment.

A-2 Senator Westlin moved, adopted by voice.

As amended, be laid over.

S.F. 1750: Senator Lucero: Common interest communities provisions modifications.

The following individuals testified on S.F.1750:
Ron Elwood, Legal Aid; Patrick Hynes, Messerli Kramer; Joel Carlson, Greenstein Sellers; Matt Greenstein, Attorney, Greenstein Sellers, PLLC; Sarah Baso, Board Treasurer, Brayburn Villas Association; Broc Coen, President First Service;

A-12 Senator Carlson moved with the following oral amendment incorporated:

Page 12, line 22 delete "levy"

adopted by voice.

A-9 Senator Carlson moved, adopted by voice.

A-6 Senator Kreun moved, adopted by voice.

Senator Pappas moved that S.F. 1750, as amended, be recommended to pass. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

Time Blocks To the extent practicable, these time blocks will be followed. However, the committee may take up any bill on the agenda at any time, and may hear bills in a different order than listed within the time frames.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:46 PM

Senator Clare Oumou Verbeten, Vice Chair

Zach Cullen, Legislative Assistant