

Human Services Finance and Policy Committee

**MINUTES**

Representative Joe Schomacker, Chair of the Human Services Finance and Policy Committee, called the meeting to order at 8:18AM on February 20, 2025, in Room 123 of the Capitol Building. A quorum was present.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

SCHOMACKER, Joe Chair  
GILLMAN, Dawn Vice Chair  
NOOR, Mohamud  
KEELER, Heather  
BACKER, Jeff  
CURRAN, Brion  
FISCHER, Peter  
FRANSON, Mary  
FREDERICK, Luke  
GANDER, Steve  
GORDON, Jimmy  
HICKS, Kim  
MOMANYI-HILTSLEY, Huldah  
JACOB, Steve  
KNUDSEN Krista  
MURPHY, Tom  
NORRIS, Matt

Non-voting member present:

VIRNIG, Bianca

A quorum was present.

Representative Fischer moved the minutes of Feb 19, 2025, be approved. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

**HF 1 (Anderson, P.E) —Office of the Inspector General established, powers provided, duties specified, fraud reporting tools required, grant oversight duties and powers transferred, executive Offices of Inspector General modified or repealed, and money appropriated.**

Chair Schomacker moved HF 1 be re-referred to the Education Finance Committee.

Chair Schomacker moved to adopt the DE2 amendment. **THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

**Testifiers:**

Devin Bruce, Minnesota Association of Professional Employees.

Kristy Graume, Director, Minnesota Association of Professional Employees.

Elyse Bailey, Director, Minnesota Department of Human Services.

Representative Frederick moved to adopt the A7 amendment. **THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.**

Representative Noor moved to adopt the A9 amendment.

Representative Noor requested a roll call vote. The result is as follows:

**AYES:**

NOOR, Mohamud  
KEELER, Heather  
CURRAN, Brion  
FISCHER, Peter  
FREDERICK, Luke  
HICKS, Kim  
MOMANYI-HILTSLEY, Huldah  
NORRIS, Matt

**NAYS:**

SCHOMACKER, Joe Chair  
GILLMAN, Dawn Vice Chair  
BACKER, Jeff  
FRANSON, Mary  
GANDER, Steve  
GORDON, Jimmy  
JACOB, Steve  
KNUDSEN, Krista  
MURPHY, Tom

On a vote of 8 AYES and 9 NAYS. **THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.**

Chair Schomacker renewed the motion that HF 1, as amended, be re-referred to the Education Finance Committee.

Representative Noor requested a roll call vote. The result is as follows:

**AYES:**

SCHOMACKER, Joe Chair  
GILLMAN, Dawn Vice Chair  
BACKER, Jeff  
FRANSON, Mary  
GANDER, Steve  
GORDON, Jimmy  
JACOB, Steve  
KNUDSEN, Krista  
MURPHY, Tom

**NAYS:**

NOOR, Mohamud  
KEELER, Heather  
CURRAN, Brion  
FISCHER, Peter  
FREDERICK, Luke  
HICKS, Kim  
MOMANYI-HILTSLEY, Huldah  
NORRIS, Matt

On a vote of 9 AYES and 8 NAYS. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

**HF 98 (Fischer) – Case management associate, mental health behavioral aide, and mental health rehabilitation worker supervision requirements modified; mental health residential program critical incident reporting requirements modified, and other mental health policies modified.**

Representative Fischer moved HF 98 before the committee.

Representative Gillman moved to adopt the A2 amendment. **THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

**Testifiers:**

Ellie Skelton, Executive Director, Touchstone Mental Health.

Ashley Kjos, CEO, Woodland Centers

Chair Schomacker laid over HF 98, as amended.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00AM.

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Representative Joe Schomacker, Chair

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Joseph Fruehauf, Committee Legislative Assistant