

HUMAN SERVICES FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Representative Schultz, Chair of the Committee, called the meeting to order at 10:30 am on March 25, 2022, remotely via Zoom and broadcast via House Public Information Services.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

SCHULTZ, Jennifer (Chair)
BAHNER, Kristin (Vice-Chair)
ALBRIGHT, Tony (Lead)
BOLDON, Liz
BURKEL, John
FISCHER, Peter
FREDERICK, Luke
HANSON, Jessica
KIEL, Debra
LIEBLING, Tina
MOLLER, Kelly
NOOR, Mohamud
NOVOTNY, Paul
PIERSON, Nels
PINTO, Dave
RASMUSSEN, Jordan
ROBBINS, Kristin
SANDELL, Steve
SCHOMACKER, Joe

A quorum was present.

Lead Albright moved that the minutes from March 24, 2022, be adopted. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

HF3529 (Wolgamott) Mental health data exchange authorized among law enforcement mental health units, social services, and health care providers for necessary service coordination.

Testifiers:

- Nikki Niles, Dodge-Fillmore-Olmsted (DFO) Community Corrections Director

- Tarryl Clark, Stearns County Commissioner
- Jodi Gertken, CentraCare

Chair Schultz laid HF3529 over for possible inclusion in the Human Services Finance and Policy Omnibus bill.

HF3840 (Edelson) Home care services medical assistance rates increased.

Testifiers:

- Kathy Messerli , Executive Director, Minnesota Home Care Association
- Cameo Zehnder, Chief Administrative Officer, Pediatric Home Service
- Jason Bennett, Parent advocate

Chair Schultz laid HF3840 over for possible inclusion in the Human Services Finance and Policy Omnibus bill.

HF3729 (Edelson) Nursing facility payment rates modified, elderly waiver rates modified, customized living services provided under disability waivers payment rates modified, and money appropriated.

Chair Schultz moved the A1 Amendment. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Testifiers:

- Patti Cullen, President, CEO, Care Providers of Minnesota
- Austin Blilie, Regional Vice President-Upper Midwest, Mission Health Communities
- Benjamin Thomas, Executive Director, Rakhma

Kari Thurlow, President, CEO, LeadingAge Minnesota

Chair Schultz laid HF3729 over, as amended, for possible inclusion in the Human Services Finance and Policy Omnibus bill.

Chair Schultz handed the gavel to Vice Chair Bahner.

HF4527 (Schultz) Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and Minnesota food assistance program; revisor of statutes instructed to renumber related statutes.

Vice Chair Bahner laid HF4527 over for possible inclusion in the Human Services Finance and Policy Omnibus bill.

HF4447 (Schultz) Human services; frontline workforce strategies to retain, revitalize, and recruit provided; systemic critical incident review team established; ICF/DD operating payment rates increased; CFSS payment rates modified;

various other provisions modified including disability and elder waiver, mental health, SNAP employment, and income tax purposes; and money appropriated.

Testifiers:

- Elyse Bailey, Budget Director, DHS
- Maren Hulden, Legal Aid
- Jean Bender, Parent and advocate
- Kirsten Anderson, Aspire MN

Vice Chair Bahner laid HF4447 over for possible inclusion in the Human Services Finance and Policy Omnibus bill.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 am.

Representative Jennifer Schultz, Chair

Lyndsey Hanson,
Committee Legislative Assistant