

COMMERCE FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Representative Zack Stephenson, Chair of the Commerce Finance and Policy Committee, called the virtual meeting to order at 3:00 PM on March 9, 2021 pursuant to House rule 10.01. The meeting was broadcast via Zoom and House Public Information Services.

Members present:

STEPHENSON, Zack, Chair
KOTYZA-WITTHUHN, Carlie, Vice Chair
O'DRISCOLL, Tim, GOP Lead
BAHR, Cal
CARLSON, Andrew
DAVNIE, Jim
ELKINS, Steve
HALEY, Barb
KOEDEL, Erin
LEE, Fue
LILLIE, Leon
LISLEGARD, Dave
LUCERO, Eric
OLSON, Liz
PFARR, Brian
RASMUSSEN, Jordan
RICHARDSON, Ruth
THEIS, Tama

A quorum was present.

Representative Kotyza-Witthuhn moved to approve the minutes from the committee meeting on March 3, 2021. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF1200 (Richardson); Paid family, pregnancy, bonding, and applicant's serious medical condition benefits provided; employment leaves regulated and required; data classified; rulemaking authorized; and money appropriated.

Representative Richardson moved HF1200 be recommended to be re-referred to the Human Services Finance and Policy Committee.

Representative Richardson moved the H1200A1 (Richardson) amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

The following testified on HF1200:

Deb Fitzpatrick, Children's Defense Fund
Toni Mangskau, family caregiver
Kate Davenport, Eureka Recycling
Julie Noren, Light Dark Landscaping
Jessica Peterson White, Content Bookstore

Public testimony:

Lauryn Schothorst, MN Chamber of Commerce
Jill Larson, MN Business Partnership
Kim Lewis, MN School Board Association
Corey Anderson, MN Association of Health Underwriters and National Association of Life Underwriters

Representative Richardson renewed the motion that HF1200, as amended, be recommended to be re-referred to the Human Service Finance and Policy Committee. The clerk took the roll.

AYES

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With 11 AYES and 7 NAYS, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF1589 (Richardson); Catalytic converter sale to scrap metal dealers regulated, and criminal penalties provided.

Representative Richardson moved HF1589 be laid over pending further consideration.

The following testified on HF1589:

Geoff Ditterner, SEIU
Kurt Hallstrom, Sr. Commander Eastern District, City of Saint Paul Police Department

Public testimony:

Jeremy Estenson, Institute of Scrap Metal Recycling Industries.

The bill was laid over pending further consideration.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 PM.

Representative Zack Stephenson, Chair

Simon Brown,
Committee Legislative Assistant