

HUMAN SERVICES FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Representative Mohamud Noor, Chair of the Committee on Human Services Finance, called the meeting to order at 1:02 PM on February 16, 2023 in Room 200 of the State Office Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Present:

MOHAMUD, Noor (Chair)
BAHNER, Kristin (Vice Chair)
BAKER, Dave
CLARDY, Mary Frances
FISCHER, Peter
FRANSON, Mary
GILLMAN, Dawn
HICKS, Kim
KEELER, Heather
KOTYZA-WITTHUHN, Carlie
PRYOR, Laurie
QUAM, Duane
REYER, Liz
ZELEZNIKAR, Natalie

Excused:

NEU BRINDLEY, Anne (Republican Lead)

A quorum was present.

Vice Chair Bahner moved that the minutes of February 14, 2023, be adopted. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 584 (Edelson); Medical assistance reimbursement rates increased for home care services.

Chair Noor moved that HF 584 be laid over for possible inclusion in a future Human Services Finance omnibus bill.

Testifying on HF 584:

- Kathy Messerli – Executive Director, Minnesota Home Care Association
- Cameo Zehnder – Chief Administrative Officer, Pediatric Home Service

Chair Noor renewed the motion that HF 584 be laid over for possible inclusion in a future Human Services Finance omnibus bill. The bill was laid over.

HF 2 (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.

Chair Noor moved that HF 2 be re-referred to the Commerce Finance and Policy Committee.

Testifying on HF 2:

- Debra Fitzpatrick – Policy and Research Director, Children's Defense Fund Minnesota
- Tikki Brown – Assistant Commissioner for Children and Family Services, Department of Human Services (DHS)
- Kevin Brown – Small Business Owner, Smart Set Printing Minneapolis
- Dr. Nadia Macabee-Ryaboy – American Academy of Pediatrics, Minnesota Chapter
- Jan Thronson – Retired Law Enforcement Officer
- Stephanie Stoessel – Former Caregiver
- Phil Griffin – Lobbyist and Consultant, Ewald Consulting

- Jim Kachmarzinski – Business Owner, Drywall Services of Rochester Inc.
- Casey McGregor – Former Business Owner
- Reverend Corinne Freedman Ellis – Minister
- Elena Niehoff
- Margaret Citta – High School Counselor, Two Rivers High School, West St. Paul

Representative Baker moved to table HF 2.

The clerk took the roll:

AYES

BAKER, Dave

FRANSON, Mary

GILLMAN, Dawn

QUAM, Duane

ZELEZNIKAR, Natalie

NAYS

MOHAMUD, Noor (Chair)

BAHNER, Kristin (Vice Chair)

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EXCUSED

NEU BRINDLEY, Anne

There being 5 ayes, 9 nays, and 1 excused, THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL.

Chair Noor renewed the motion that HF 2 be re-referred to the Commerce Finance and Policy Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:32 PM.

Representative Mohamud Noor, Chair

Sebastian Gonzalez-Navarro, Committee Legislative Assistant