STATE OF MINNESOTA EIGHTH MEETING

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES NINETY-THIRD SESSION

HEALTH FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE

**MINUTES**

Representative Liebling, Chair of the Committee, called the meeting to order at 10:34 A.M. on January 31, 2023 in Room 5 of the State Office Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

LIEBLING, Tina, Chair

BIERMAN, Robert, Vice-Chair

SCHOMACKER, Joe, Lead Republican

ACOMB, Patty

BACKER, Jeff

BAHNER, Kristin

CARROLL, Ned

ELKINS, Steve

FISCHER, Peter

HEMMINGSEN-JAEGER, Amanda

HER, Kaohly Vang

KIEL, Debra

MURPHY, Tom

NADEAU, Danny

NEU BRINDLEY, Anne

PERRYMAN, Bernie

QUAM, Duane

REYER, Liz

SMITH, Andy

Members excused:

A quorum was present.

Vice Chair Bierman moved that the minutes of January 26, 2023 be approved. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

**HF293 (Elkins)** Medical and dental practices required to make available to the public their current standard charges, and commissioner of health authorized to establish a price comparison tool for items and services offered by medical and dental practices.

Representative Elkins moved that HF293 be recommended to be re-referred to the Committee on Commerce Finance and Policy.

Representative Elkins presented his bill.

Testifying:

1. Professor Jean M. Abraham, Division Head, Health Policy and Management, University of Minnesota
2. Professor Stephen T. Parente, Minnesota Insurance Industry Chair of Health Finance, Carlson School of Management, University of Minnesota
3. Peter Nelson, Senior Policy Fellow, Center of the American Experiment

Representative Elkins renewed his motion that HF293 be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Committee on Commerce Finance and Policy. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

**HF294 (Elkins)** Manufacturers required to report and maintain prescription drug prices, filing of health plan prescription drug formularies required, health care coverage provisions modified, prescription benefit tool requirements established, and prescription drug benefit transparency and disclosure required.

Representative Elkins moved that HF294 be recommended to be re-referred to the Committee on Commerce Finance and Policy.

Representative Elkins moved the H0294A1 Amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Elkins presented his bill as amended.

Testifying:

1. Dr. Alex Vosooney, President, Minnesota Academy of Family Physicians
2. Bentley Graves, Policy Director, Health Care and Transportation Policy, Minnesota Chamber of Commerce
3. Kristina M. Moorhead, Deputy Vice President, State Policy, PhRMA
4. Joe Sellwood, Lobbyist, Association for Accessible Medicines
5. Peter Nelson, Senior Policy Fellow, Center of the American Experiement

Randall Chun, Legislative Analyst, House Research and Stefan Gildemeister, State Health Economist and Director, Health Economics Program, Minnesota Department of Health (MDH), responded to member questions.

Representative Elkins renewed his motion that HF294, as amended, be recommended to be re-referred to the Committee on Commerce Finance and Policy.

Representative Bahner requested a roll call vote. The results were as follows:

**AYE**

LIEBLING, Tina

BIERMAN, Robert

ACOMB, Patty

BAHNER, Kristin

CARROLL, Ned

ELKINS, Steve

FISCHER, Peter

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**NAY**

SCHOMACKER, Joe

BACKER, Jeff

KIEL, Debra

MURPHY, Tom

NEU BRINDLEY, Anne

PERRYMAN, Bernie

QUAM, Duane

**EXCUSED**

HER, Kaohly Vang

**ABSTAIN**

On a vote of 11 AYES and 7 NAYS THE MOTION PREVAILED and HF294, as amended, is re-referred to the Committee on Commerce Finance and Policy.

**HF926 (Elkins)** Payments made to health care providers disclosure required, all-payer claims data provision changed, and transparency of health care payments report required.

Representative Elkins moved that HF926 be recommended to be re-referred to the Committee on Commerce Finance and Policy.

Representative Elkins moved the H0926A1 Amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Elkins presented his bill as amended.

Stefan Gildemeister, State Health Economist and Director, Health Economics Program, MDH, presented a short overview of the MDH All Payer Claims Database.

Testifying:

1. Dr. Alex Vosooney, President, Minnesota Academy of Family Physicians

Representative Elkins renewed his motion that HF926, as amended, be recommended to be re-referred to the Committee on Commerce Finance and Policy. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:54 A.M.

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Representative Tina Liebling, Chair

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Krysta Niedernhöfer, Committee Legislative Assistant