

HUMAN SERVICES FINANCE & POLICY MEETING MINUTES

Representative Mohamud Noor, Chair of the Human Services Finance and Policy Committee, called the meeting to order at 8:16AM on Thursday, April 3, 2025, in Room 123 of the Capitol Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

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

Members excused:

MOMANYI-HILTSLEY, Huldah

A quorum was present.

Representative Keeler moved the minutes of April 2, 2025, be approved. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 2115 (Schomacker) – Human Services Policy Bill.

Chair Noor moved to re-refer HF 2115 to the General Register.

Chair Schomacker moved the H2115DE2 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Chair Schomacker moved the H2115A2 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Chair Schomacker presented HF 2115, as amended.

Chair Schomacker renewed the motion HF 2115, as amended be re-referred to the General Registry. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 2276 (Kozlowski) – Minnesota Homeless Study funding provided, money transferred, report required, and money appropriated.

Chair Noor moved that HF 2276 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Human Services Finance and Policy committee omnibus bill.

Chair Noor moved the H2276A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Kozlowski presented HF 2276, as amended.

Testifiers:

- Michelle Decker Gerrard, Senior Director of the Minnesota Homeless Study, Wilder Research

Chair Noor moved that HF 2276, as amended, to be laid over, for possible inclusion in the Human Services Finance and Policy committee omnibus bill.

HF 1644 (Reyer) – Family supportive housing programs funding provided, and money appropriated.

Chair Noor moved that HF 1644 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Human Services Finance and Policy committee omnibus bill.

Chair Noor moved the H1644A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Reyer presented HF 1644, as amended.

Testifiers:

- Ben Helvick Anderson, Vice President of Policy and Organizing, Beacon Interfaith Housing Collaborative
- Alice Johnson, Resident, Family Support Housing Building (Zoom)

Chair Noor renewed the motion that HF 1644, as amended, be laid over for possible inclusion in the Human Services Finance and Policy committee omnibus bill.

HF 99 (Sencer-Mura) – Funding provided for housing with support for persons with serious mental illness, and money appropriated.

Noor moved that HF 99 to be laid over for possible inclusion in the Human Services Finance and Policy committee omnibus bill.

Representative Sencer-Mura presented HF 99.

Testifiers:

- Diana Harris, Director of Clinical Services, Coordinated Health and Housing, Guild
- Ellie Skelton, Executive Director, Touchstone Mental Health

Chair Noor renewed the motion that HF 99 be laid over, for possible inclusion in the Human Services Finance and Policy committee omnibus bill.

HF 2704 (Curran) – Housing Stabilization service application processing times modified, and housing support supplemental service rate modified.

Representative Curran moved that HF 2704 to be laid over for possible inclusion in the Human Services Finance and Policy committee omnibus bill.

Representative Curran moved the H2704A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Curran presented HF 2704, as amended.

Testifiers:

- Steve Horsfield, Executive Director, Simpson Housing Services
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Representative Curran renewed the motion HF 2704, as amended, to be laid over for possible inclusion in the Human Services Finance and Policy committee omnibus bill.

HF 2406 (Curran) – Abbreviated annual reassessments of people receiving disability waiver services

Representative Curran moved that HF 2406 to be laid over for possible inclusion in the Human Services Finance and Policy committee omnibus bill.

Representative Curran moved the H2406DE2. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Curran presented HF 2406, as amended.

Testifiers:

- Katy Molinare, Social Services Deputy Director, Ramsey County

Representative Curran renewed the motion HF 2406, as amended, to be laid over for possible inclusion in the Human Services Finance and Policy committee omnibus bill.

HF 1674 (Curran) – Funding increased for regional and local dementia grants, and money appropriated.

Representative Curran moved that HF 1674 to be laid over for possible inclusion in the Human Services Finance and Policy committee omnibus bill.

Representative Curran moved the H1674A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Curran presented HF 1674, as amended.

Testifiers:

- Robert Freeman, Vice-President for Public Policy, Alzheimer's Association MN-ND

Representative Curran renewed the motion HF 1674, as amended, to be laid over for possible inclusion in the Human Services Finance and Policy committee omnibus bill.

HF 2068 (Keeler) – Homeless Youth Act grant funding provided, and money appropriated.

Representative Keeler moved that HF 2068 to be laid over for possible inclusion in the Human Services Finance and Policy committee omnibus bill.

Chair Noor moved the H2068A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Chair Noor moved the H2068A2 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representatives Keeler presented HF 2068, as amended.

Representative Keeler renewed the motion HF 2068, as amended, to be laid over for possible inclusion in the Human Services Finance and Policy committee omnibus bill.

Testifiers:

- Zephyr Fahey, Youth Program Participant
- Jason Urbanczyk, Program fellow, Minnesota Coalition for the Homelessness (Zoom)
- Jess Mortensen, President and CEO, 360 communities
- Elise Bailey, Budget Director, Department of Human Services

Representative Keeler renewed the motion HF 2068, as amended, to be laid over for possible inclusion in the Human Services Finance and Policy committee omnibus bill.

HF 2707 (Keeler) – Sexually exploited youth safe harbor shelter and housing funding provided, and money appropriated

Representative Keeler moved that HF 2707 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Human Services Finance and Policy committee omnibus bill.

Representative Keeler moved the H2707DE1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Keeler presented HF 2707, as amended.

Testifiers:

- Kelly Reeves, Safe Harbor Supportive Services Manager, The Link
- Victoria Kladek, Youth Program Participant

Representative Keeler renewed the motion HF 2707, as amended, be laid over for possible inclusion in the Human Services Finance and Policy committee omnibus bill.

Representative Noor passed the gavel to Representative Keeler at 9:56am.

HF 1579 (Noor) – Housing support supplementary services rates provided for certain facilities.

Representative Keeler moved that HF 1579 be laid over for the possible inclusion in the Human Services Finance and Policy committee omnibus bill.

Chair Noor moved the H1579A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Noor presented HF 1579, as amended.

Testifiers:

- Kelly Matter, President and Chief Executive Officer, Avivo
- Brad Schumaker, Commissioner, Sherburne County

Chair Noor renewed the motion HF 1579 as amended, to be laid over for possible inclusion in the Human Services Finance and Policy committee omnibus bill.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:04AM.

Representative Mohamud Noor, Chair

Elijah Henderson, Committee Legislative Assistant