

Ways and Means Committee

MINUTES

Representative Torkelson, Chair of the Ways and Means Committee, called the meeting to order at 1:00PM on April 29th, 2026, in Room 120 of the Capitol. A quorum was present.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

TORKELSON, Paul, GOP Chair
FRAZIER, Cedrick, DFL Chair
SCOTT, Peggy, GOP Vice Chair
AGBAJE, Esther, DFL Vice Chair
ACOMB, Patty
BACKER, Jeff
BAKER, Dave
BIERMAN, Robert
GOMEZ, Aisha
HEINTZEMAN, Josh
IGO, Spencer
KLEVORN, Ginny
KOEDEL, Erin
KOTYZA-WITTHUHN, Carlie
KOZNICK, Jon
KRESHA, Ron
LILLIE, Leon
MOLLER, Kelly
NASH, Jim
NOOR, Mohamud
NOVOTNY, Paul
OLSON, Bjorn
PINTO, Dave
SCHOMACKER, Joe
SWEDZINSKI, Chris
VANG, Samantha
WEST, Nolan
YOUAKIM, Cheryl

Vice-Chair Scott moved the minutes of April 27th, 2026, be approved. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

HF4466 (Bierman)– Health-related licensing boards, the Department of Health, directed payments, and medical assistance federal conformity provisions modified; allowable disclosures expanded to commissioner of human services; work or community engagement requirements established; fees established; and money appropriated. HF4466 is the Health Supplemental Finance Bill.

Chair Torkelson moved that HF4466 be placed on the General Register.

Chair Torkelson moved the HF4466A8 amendment. **THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Stefan Gildemeister, Director of Health Economics Program, Minnesota Department of Health, testified.

Representative Kotyza-Witthuhn moved the HF4466A9 amendment and requested a roll call vote. The results were as follows:

AYES:

FRAZIER, Cedrick, DFL Chair
ACOMB, Patty
BIERMAN, Robert
KLEVORN, Ginny
KOEDEL, Erin
KOTYZA-WITTHUHN, Carlie
LILLIE, Leon
MOLLER, Kelly
NOOR, Mohamud
PINTO, Dave
VANG, Samantha
YOUAKIM, Cheryl

NAYS:

TORKELSON, Paul, GOP Chair
SCOTT, Peggy, GOP Vice Chair
BACKER, Jeff
BAKER, Dave
HEINTZEMAN, Josh
IGO, Spencer
KOZNICK, Jon
KRESHA, Ron
NASH, Jim
NOVOTNY, Paul
OLSON, Bjorn
SCHOMACKER, Joe
SWEDZINSKI, Chris
WEST, Nolan

ABSENT:

AGBAJE, Esther, DFL Vice Chair
GOMEZ, Aisha

On a vote of 12 ayes and 14 nays, **THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL.**

Chair Scott moved the HF4466A11 amendment.

Chair Scott withdrew the HF4466A11 amendment.

Chair Torkelson renewed the motion that HF4466, as amended, be placed on the General Register. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

SF476 (Norris) – Human services policy bill.

Chair Torkelson moved SF476 before committee and laid it over.

HF729 (Noor) – Human services; various provisions modified relating to Direct Care and Treatment, the Department of Health, health care, medical assistance provider enrollment, aging and disability services, behavioral health, homelessness, housing, and maltreatment of vulnerable adults; housing stabilization supports provisions removed; rulemaking required; release of initial Optum reports required; Optum prohibited from disseminating private data; reports required; and money appropriated.

Chair Torkelson moved HF729 before the committee.

Chair Torkelson moved the HF729A15 amendment.

Representative Noor moved the following oral amendment to the HF729A15 amendment: On P.6, L.20, strike “2027” and insert “2028”. **THE ORAL AMENDMENT WAS INCORPORATED.**

Chair Torkelson renewed the motion to adopt the HF729A15 amendment, as amended. **THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

HF729, as amended, was laid over.

Chair Torkelson moved that SF476 be placed on the General Register.

Chair Torkelson moved to amend SF476 by deleting everything after the enacting clause and inserting the language from HF729, as amended.

Chair Torkelson renewed the motion that SF476, as amended, be placed on the General Register. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

The committee recessed at 2:08PM.

The committee reconvened at 7:37PM

SF856 (Norris) - Office of the Inspector General created, advisory committee created, conforming and technical changes made, interagency agreements provided, reports required, and money appropriated.

Chair Torkelson moved that SF856 be placed on the General Register.

Representative Klevorn moved the S0856A14 amendment.

Representative Klevorn moved to divide the S0856A14 amendment between lines 1.4 and 1.5.

Representative Klevorn moved to adopt lines 1.5-1.9 of the S0856A14 amendment and requested a roll call vote. The results were as follows:

AYES:

FRAZIER, Cedrick
AGBAJE, Esther
ACOMB, Patty
BIERMAN, Robert
GOMEZ, Aisha
KLEVORN, Ginny
KOEGL, Erin
KOTYZA-WITTHUHN, Carlie
LILLIE, Leon
MOLLER, Kelly
NOOR, Mohamud
PINTO, Dave
VANG, Samantha
YOUAKIM, Cheryl

NAYS:

TORKELSON, Paul
SCOTT, Peggy
BACKER, Jeff
BAKER, Dave
HEINTZEMAN, Josh
IGO, Spencer
KOZNICK, Jon
KRESHA, Ron
NASH, Jim
NOVOTNY, Paul
OLSON, Bjorn
SCHOMACKER, Joe
SWEDZINSKI, Chris
WEST, Nolan

On a vote of 14 AYES and 14 NAYS, **THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.**

Representative Klevorn moved the S0856A15 amendment. **THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.**

Representative Klevorn moved the S0856A17 amendment and requested a roll call vote. The results were as follows:

AYES:

FRAZIER, Cedrick
AGBAJE, Esther
ACOMB, Patty
BIERMAN, Robert
GOMEZ, Aisha
KLEVORN, Ginny
KOEDEL, Erin
KOTYZA-WITTHUHN, Carlie
LILLIE, Leon
MOLLER, Kelly
NOOR, Mohamud
PINTO, Dave
VANG, Samantha
YOUAKIM, Cheryl

NAYS:

TORKELSON, Paul
SCOTT, Peggy
BACKER, Jeff
BAKER, Dave
HEINTZEMAN, Josh
IGO, Spencer
KOZNICK, Jon
KRESHA, Ron
NASH, Jim
NOVOTNY, Paul
OLSON, Bjorn
SCHOMACKER, Joe
SWEDZINSKI, Chris
WEST, Nolan

On a vote of 14 AYES and 14 NAYS, **THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.**

Representative Klevorn moved the S0856A25 amendment and requested a roll call vote. The results were as follows:

AYES:

FRAZIER, Cedrick
AGBAJE, Esther
ACOMB, Patty
BIERMAN, Robert
GOMEZ, Aisha
KLEVORN, Ginny
KOEDEL, Erin
KOTYZA-WITTHUHN, Carlie
LILLIE, Leon
MOLLER, Kelly
NOOR, Mohamud
PINTO, Dave
VANG, Samantha
YOUAKIM, Cheryl

NAYS:

TORKELSON, Paul
SCOTT, Peggy
BACKER, Jeff
BAKER, Dave
HEINTZEMAN, Josh
IGO, Spencer
KOZNICK, Jon
KRESHA, Ron

NASH, Jim
NOVOTNY, Paul
OLSON, Bjorn
SCHOMACKER, Joe
SWEDZINSKI, Chris
WEST, Nolan

On a vote of 14 AYES and 14 NAYS, THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.

Chair Torkelson moved the S0856A36 amendment. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Chair Torkelson renewed the motion that SF856, as amended, be placed on the General Register.
THE MOTION PREVAILED.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05PM.



Representative Torkelson, Chair



Allie Spellman, Committee Legislative Assistant

