

**HUMAN SERVICES POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Representative Peter Fischer, Chair of the Committee on Human Services Policy, called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM on February 27, 2023, in Room 200 of the State Office Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

**Members Present:**

FISCHER, Peter  
FREDERICK, Luke  
KIEL, Debra  
BACKER, Jeff  
BAKER, Dave  
CURRAN, Brion  
EDELSON, Heather  
ENGEN, Elliot  
FINKE, Leigh  
HANSON, Jessica  
HICKS, Kim  
NOOR, Mohamud  
NOVOTNY, Paul

Representative Engen moved to approve the minutes from February 20, 2023. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 1627 (Edelson) Access to substance use disorder treatment services governing policies modified, eligibility for home and community-based services workforce development grant modified, and workforce development grant money excluded from income for certain purposes.

Representative Edelson moved that HF 1627 be recommended to pass and re-referred to the General Register.

Representative Edelson moved the H1627A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Edelson presented HF 1627 as amended.

Testifying on HF 1627 as amended:

- Kristy Graume, Director of Legislative & External Affairs of Behavioral Health, Housing, Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing, and Disability Services, Minnesota Department of Human Services

Representative Edelson renewed the motion that HF 1627 as amended be recommended to pass and re-referred to the General Register. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 1821 (Frederick) Information collected in long-term care surveys modified.

Representative Frederick moved that HF 1821 be recommended to pass and re-referred to the General Register.

Representative Frederick presented HF 1821.

Testifying on HF 1821:

- Nicole Stockert, Director of Legislative and External Affairs of Aging and Adult Protection Services, Minnesota Department of Human Services

Representative Frederick renewed the motion that HF 1821 be recommended to pass and re-referred to the General Register. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 1683 (Bierman) Mental health services eligibility and rates modified.

Chair Fischer moved that HF 1683 be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Human Services Finance Committee.

Chair Fischer moved the H1683A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Bierman presented HF 1683 as amended.

Testifying on HF 1683 as amended:

- Julie Bluhm, CEO, Guild Services
- Michelle Murray, CEO, Nexus Family Healing

Chair Fischer renewed the motion that HF 1683 as amended be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Human Services Finance Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 1512 (Hanson, J.) Remote supervision of personal care assistance services permitted.

Representative Hanson moved that HF 1512 be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Human Services Finance Committee.

Representative Hanson moved the H1512DE1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Hanson presented HF 1512 as amended.

Testifying on HF 1512 as amended:

- Noel Dohmeier, Registered Nurse Qualified Professional, Best Care

Representative Hanson renewed the motion that HF 1512 as amended be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Human Services Finance Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 1384 (Hicks) Notice of medical assistance program required for employed persons with disabilities, and medical assistance eligibility requirements modified for employed persons with disabilities.

Representative Hicks moved that HF 1384 be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Human Services Finance Committee.

Representative Hicks moved the H1384DE1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Hicks presented HF 1384 as amended.

Testifying on HF 1384 as amended:

- Rob Wudlick, Disability Advocate, Medical Assistance for Employed Persons with Disabilities (MA-EPD) Recipient
- Jillian Nelson, Community Resource and Policy Advocate, Autism Society; MA-EPD Recipient
- Brittanie Wilson, Disability Advocate, MA-EPD Recipient
- Mark Hughes, Disability Advocate

Representative Hicks renewed the motion that HF 1384 as amended be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Human Services Finance Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 1466 (McDonald) Grant funding provided to maintain and promote self-advocacy services and supports for persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities, and money appropriated.

Representative Kiel moved that HF 1466 be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Human Services Finance Committee.

Representative McDonald presented HF 1466.

Testifying on HF 1466:

- Mary Kay Kennedy, Executive Director, Advocating Change Together (ACT)
- Shaunte Martin, Board Member, ACT
- Cynthia Gayles, Board Member, ACT
- Mark Hughes Disability Advocate
- Jillian Nelson, Community Resource and Policy Advocate, Autism Society

Representative Kiel renewed the motion that HF 1466 be recommended to pass and rereferred to the Human Services Finance Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Meeting adjourned at 2:36 PM.

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Representative Peter Fischer, Chair

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Jared Margolis, Committee Legislative Assistant