

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 Monday, March 11, 2024 in room 200 of the State Office Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members Present:

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

A quorum was present.

Vice Chair Frederick moved to approve the minutes from March 6, 2024. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 4480 (Noor) Increased Transparency in Related Party Transactions for Nursing Homes

Rep. Noor moved to refer HF 4480 to the General Register.

Rep. Noor explained the bill.

Testifiers:

- Val Cooke, Division Director of Nursing Facility Rates & Policy, Minnesota Department of Human Services
- Kristine Sundberg, Executive Director, Elder Voice Advocates

Rep. Noor renewed the motion to refer HF 4480 to the General Register. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 4073 (Hanson, J.) Remote worker training and development services permitted for community first services and supports.

Rep. Hanson moves to refer HF 4073 to Human Services Finance Committee.

Rep. Hanson moves the A2 Author's Amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Rep. Hanson presented the bill, as amended.

Rep. Hanson renewed the motion, as amended, HF 4073 to the Human Services Finance Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 3954 (Frederick) Sober home requirements modified.

Rep. Frederick moved that HF 3954 be laid over for possible inclusion.

Rep. Frederick moved the A2 author's amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Rep. Frederick presented the bill, as amended.

- Edward Krumpotich, Policy Lead, Minnesota Harm Reduction Collaborative
- Wendy Jones, Executive Director, Minnesota Alliance of Recovery Community Organizations
- Dr. Ryan Kelly, Internal Medicine and Pediatrics Physician, Department of Family Medicine and community Health Clinic
- Randy Anderson, Founder, Bold North Recovery
- Will Lycan, Executive Director, Minnesota Association of Sober Homes

- Chris Edrington, St Paul Sober Living
- Erik Smedtstedt, St Paul Spirit House

Rep. Baker moved the A1 Amendment. THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL. The amendment was not adopted.

Rep. Frederick renewed the motion to lay over the bill, as amended. THE BILL WAS LAID OVER FOR POSSIBLE INCLUSION.

HF4149 (Frederick) Education requirements for licensure modified, accrediting body definition modified, behavioral health licensing and eligibility modified, and paperwork reduction report date modified.

Vice Chair Frederick moved to refer HF 4149 the Human Service Finance Committee.

Vice Chair Frederick moved the A1 Author's Amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Testifiers on HF 4149, as amended:

- Brian Zirbes, Executive Director, Minnesota Association of Resources for Recovery and Chemical Health
- Anderson Saint Georges, Chief Executive Officer, Daystar Recovery Center & Board Member, Minnesota Association of Resources for Recovery and Chemical Health
- Lance Egley, Board Member and Paperwork Reduction Lead, Minnesota Association of Resources for Recovery and Chemical Health [Virtual]

Vice Chair Frederick renewed the motion to refer HF 4149, as amended, to the Human Services Finance Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF4190 (Baker) Client supports expanded, substance use disorder licensing requirements modified, reporting system created, behavioral health reimbursement modified, and reports required.

Rep. Baker moved HF 4190 to be referred to the Human Services Finance Committee.

Rep. Baker moved the A1 Author's Amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Testifiers on HF 4190, as amended:

- Brian Zirbes, Executive Director, Minnesota Association of Resources for Recovery and Chemical Health
- Tim Walsh, Chief Executive Officer, Northstar Regional Health
- Gina Evans, Legislative Affairs, Minnesota Adult & Teen Challenge
- R. John Sutherland, Vice President of Addiction Services, Nystrom & Associates

Rep. Baker renewed the motion to refer the bill, as amended, to the Human Services Finance Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 4308 (Kiel) Long-term care options counseling governing provisions modified.

Lead Kiel moved to refer HF 4308 to the General Register.

Lead Kiel moved the A1 Author Amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Lead Kiel presented the bill, as amended.

Testifiers:

- Maureen Schneider, Interim Chair, Minnesota Board on Aging [Virtual]

Lead Kiel renewed the motion to move HF 4308 to the General Register. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:25pm

Representative Peter Fischer, Chair

Spencer Crose, Committee Legislative Assistant