

**HUMAN SERVICES POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Representative Peter Fischer, Chair of the Committee on Human Services Policy called the meeting to order at 1:01 pm on Wednesday, March 6, 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.

Representative Curran moved to approve the minutes from March 4, 2024. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF4366 (Edelson) Civil commitment priority admission requirements modified, prisoner in a correctional facility specified to not be responsible for co-payments for mental health medications, county co-payment expense reimbursement allowed, and money appropriated.

Rep. Edelson moved to refer the bill to the Public Safety Finance and Policy

Rep. Edelson DE1 author's amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Rep. Edelson presented the bill, as amended.

Testifiers on HF 4366, as amended:

Jinny Palen, Executive Director, Minnesota Association of Community Mental Health Programs  
Ian Heath, Doctor, Hennepin Healthcare Psychiatry  
Tarryl Clark, Commissioner, Stearns County  
Danny Ackert, Director of State Government Relations, Minnesota Hospital Association  
Elliot Butay, Executive Director, NAMI Minnesota  
Kristy Graume, DHS

Rep. Edelson renewed the motion to refer HF 4366, as amended, to the Public Safety Finance and Policy Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Peer Recovery Services Presentation from Office of Addiction and Recovery & Department of Human Services

Presenters:

- Jeremy Drucker, Director of the Office of Addiction and Recovery, Minnesota Management and Budget Office
- Kristy Graume; Legislative Director for Behavioral Health, Housing, Deaf-Hard-of-Hearing and Disability Services; Minnesota Department of Human Services
- Kulani Moti, Inspector General, DHS

HF3397 (Edelson) Peer recovery support services and recovery peer requirements modified, tiered reimbursement rate structure for recovery peers development required, and money appropriated.

Rep. Edelson moved the DE2 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Rep. Edelson presented HF 3397, as amended.

Testifiers on HF 3397, as amended.

- Wendy Jones, Executive Director, Minnesota Alliance of Recovery Community Organizations
- Randy Anderson, Founder, Bold North Recovery
- Brandy Brink, Founder, Beyond Brink

Rep. Edelson renewed the motion to refer HF 3397, as amended, to the Human Services Finance Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF4548 (Frederick) Ombudsman for mental health and developmental disabilities provisions modified, and classification of recovery peers as independent contractors prohibited.

Vice Chair Frederick moved to refer HF 4548 to the Human Services Finance Committee.

Testifiers:

- Wendy Jones, Executive Director, Minnesota Alliance of Recovery Community Organizations
- Jordan Hansen, Chief Executive Officer, YourPath
- Randy Anderson, Founder, Bold North Recovery
- Brandy Brink, Founder Beyond Brink
- Beth Elstad, Governor's Advisory Council on Opioids, Substance Use, and Addiction

Vice Chair Frederick renewed the motion to refer HF 4548 to the Human Services Finance Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

The Committee was adjourned at 2:29 pm.

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Representative Peter Fischer, Chair

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Spencer Crose, Committee Legislative Assistant