

Human Services Finance and Policy Committee

MINUTES

Representative Knudsen assumed the gavel and called the meeting to order at 8:18AM on March 25, 2025, in Room 123 of the Capitol Building. A quorum was present.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

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

Members excused:

GANDER, Steve

A quorum was present.

Chair Schomacker moved the minutes of March 20, 2025, be approved. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

HF 2196 (Fischer) – Mental health terminology updated.

Representative Fischer moved HF 2196 before the committee.

Representative Fischer moved to adopt the A1 amendment. **THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Testifiers:

Sue Aberholden, Executive Director, NAMI

Representative Knudsen laid over HF 2196.

Dr. KyleeAnn Stevens, Executive Medical Director of Direct Care and Treatment presented “Priority Admissions to State-Operated Treatment Programs.”

HF 2586 (Frederick) – Cost of care exemption for committed persons and 48-hour rule for admissions extended, Priority Admission Review Panel established, creation of Direct Care and Treatment admissions dashboard and a limited exemption for admissions from hospital settings required, and report required.

Representative Frederick moved HF 2586 before the committee.

Testifiers:

Sue Aberholden, Executive Director, NAMI
Danny Ackert, Director of State Government Relations, Minnesota Hospital Association (MHA)
Jin Lee Palen, Executive Director, Minnesota Association of Community Mental Health Programs
Angela Youngerberg, Human Services Director, Blue Earth County

Representative Knudsen laid over HF 2586.

HF 2187 (Frederick) – Crisis services criteria availability modified for community-based program locations, 48-hour admission requirement removed, and conforming and technical changes made to effectuate creation of Direct Care and Treatment agency.

Representative Frederick moved HF 2187 before the committee.

Representative Frederick moved to adopt the A2 amendment.

Representative Frederick moved to adopt the A2 amendment. **THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Representative Frederick moved the following oral amendment to the A2 amendment: on P. 13 L. 34 delete “2026” and insert “2027”. **THE ORAL AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Representative Knudsen laid over HF 2187 as amended.

HF 2037 (Frederick) – Department of Direct Care and Treatment established, commissioner established to oversee department, and direct care and treatment executive board repealed.

Representative Frederick moved HF 2037 before the committee.

Representative Frederick moved the DE1 amendment. **THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Representative Knudsen laid over HF 2037 as amended.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:56AM.

Representative Joe Schomacker, Chair

Joseph Fruehauf, Committee Legislative Assistant