

HEALTH FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Representative Robert Bierman, Chair of the Health Finance and Policy Committee, called the meeting to order at 1:01 P.M. on Wednesday, April 15, 2026, in Room 120 of the State Capitol Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members Present:

BIERMAN, Robert (DFL Chair)
BACKER, Jeff (GOP Chair)
REYER, Liz (DFL Vice Chair)
NADEAU, Danny (GOP Vice Chair)
BAHNER, Kristin
CARROLL, Ned
DIPPEL, Tom
ELKINS, Steve
FRANSON, Mary
GILLMAN, Dawn
LEE, Xp
HUOT, John
KEELER, Heather
KNUDSEN, Krista
LIEBLING, Tina
MAHAMOUD, Anquam
PERRYMAN, Bernie
PURSELL, Kristi
REPINSKI, Aaron
SCHOMACKER, Joe
VAN BINSBERGEN, Scott
ZELEZNIKAR, Natalie

A quorum was present.

Representative Carroll moved to approve the minutes of April 13, 2026. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF4401 (Reyer); Medical assistance reimbursement rates for dental services and critical access dental providers modified.

Representative Reyer moved that HF4401 be laid over for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

Representative Reyer moved to adopt the DE3 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Reyer presented HF4401, as amended.

Testifier:

- Dan Murphy, Minnesota Dental Association

Representative Reyer renewed the motion that HF4401, as amended, be laid over for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

HF4466 (Bierman); Health; reporting requirement eliminated.

Chair Bierman moved that HF4466 be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Non-partisan staff provided a walkthrough of the H4466DE1 spreadsheet.

Non-partisan staff provided a walkthrough of the DE1 amendment to HF4466.

Chair Bierman moved the DE1 amendment to HF4466.

Testifier:

- Andrew Knox, Minnesota Legal Aid
- Dana Bacon, Blood Cancer United
- Michelle Benson, Minnesota Hospital Association
- Sara Lopez, Unidos MN

Representative Elkins moved the A1 amendment to H4466DE1.

Representative Elkins presented the A1 amendment to H4466DE1.

Testifier:

- Stefan Gildemeister, Minnesota Department of Health

Chair Bierman renewed the motion to adopt the A1 amendment to H4466DE1. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS INCORPORATED.

Representative Liebling offered the A2 amendment to H4466DE1.

Representative Liebling requested a roll call vote for the A2 amendment. The result is as follows:

AYES

BIERMAN, Robert

REYER, Liz

BAHNER, Kristin

CARROLL, Ned

ELKINS, Steve

HUOT, John

KEELER, Heather

LEE, Xp

LIEBLING, Tina

MAHAMOUD, Anquam

PURSELL, Kristi

NAYS

BACKER, Jeff

NADEAU, Danny

DIPPEL, Tom

FRANSON, Mary

GILLMAN, Dawn

KNUDSEN, Krista

PERRYMAN, Bernie

REPINSKI, Aaron

VAN BINSBERGEN, Scott

ZELEZNIKAR, Natalie

EXCUSED

SCHOMACKER, Joe

There being 11 AYES, 10 NAYS, and 1 EXCUSED. THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL.

Representative Mahamoud offered the A4 amendment to H4466DE1.

Representative Liebling requested a roll call vote for the A4 amendment. The result is as follows:

AYES

BIERMAN, Robert

REYER, Liz

BAHNER, Kristin

CARROLL, Ned
ELKINS, Steve
HUOT, John
KEELER, Heather
LEE, Xp
LIEBLING, Tina
MAHAMOUD, Anquam
PURSELL, Kristi

NAYS

BACKER, Jeff
NADEAU, Danny
DIPPEL, Tom
FRANSON, Mary
GILLMAN, Dawn
KNUDSEN, Krista
PERRYMAN, Bernie
REPINSKI, Aaron
VAN BINSBERGEN, Scott
ZELEZNIKAR, Natalie

EXCUSED

SCHOMACKER, Joe

On a vote of 11 AYES, 10 NAYS, and 1 EXCUSED. THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL.

Representative Lee offered the A5 amendment to H4466DE1.

Representative Lee requested a roll call vote for the A5 amendment. The result is as follows:

AYES

BIERMAN, Robert
REYER, Liz
BAHNER, Kristin
CARROLL, Ned
ELKINS, Steve
HUOT, John
KEELER, Heather
LEE, Xp
LIEBLING, Tina
MAHAMOUD, Anquam
PURSELL, Kristi

NAYS

BACKER, Jeff
NADEAU, Danny
DIPPEL, Tom
FRANSON, Mary
GILLMAN, Dawn
KNUDSEN, Krista
PERRYMAN, Bernie
REPINSKI, Aaron
VAN BINSBERGEN, Scott
ZELEZNIKAR, Natalie

EXCUSED

SCHOMACKER, Joe

There being 11 AYES, 10 NAYS, and 1 EXCUSED. THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL.

Representative Liebling offered the A6 amendment to H4466DE1.

Testifier:

- Elyse Bailey, Department of Human Services

Representative Liebling requested a roll call vote for the A6 amendment. The result is as follows:

AYES

BIERMAN, Robert
REYER, Liz
BAHNER, Kristin
CARROLL, Ned
ELKINS, Steve
HUOT, John
KEELER, Heather
LEE, Xp
LIEBLING, Tina
MAHAMOUD, Anquam
PURSELL, Kristi

NAYS

BACKER, Jeff
NADEAU, Danny
DIPPEL, Tom
FRANSON, Mary
GILLMAN, Dawn
KNUDSEN, Krista
PERRYMAN, Bernie
REPINSKI, Aaron
VAN BINSBERGEN, Scott
ZELEZNIKAR, Natalie
SCHOMACKER, Joe

There being 11 AYES and 11 NAYS. THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL.

Chair Bierman renewed the motion to adopt the H4466DE1 amendment, as amended. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT, AS AMENDED, WAS ADOPTED.

Chair Bierman presented HF4466, as amended.

Chair Bierman renewed the motion that HF4466, as amended, be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Chair Bierman requested a vote for a roll call. The result is as follows:

AYES

BIERMAN, Robert
BACKER, Jeff
REYER, Liz
NADEAU, Danny
ELKINS, Steve
FRANSON, Mary
GILLMAN, Dawn
HUOT, John
KNUDSEN, Krista
PERRYMAN, Bernie
REPINSKI, Aaron
SCHOMACKER, Joe
VAN BINSBERGEN, Scott
ZELEZNIKAR, Natalie

NAYS

DIPPEL, Tom

LEE, Xp
KEELER, Heather
LIEBLING, Tina
MAHAMOUD, Anquam
PURSELL, Kristi
BAHNER, Kristin
CARROLL, Ned

There being 14 AYES and 8 NAYS. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:48 P.M.

Representative Robert Bierman, Chair

Saynab Jama, Committee Legislative Assistant