

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 Wednesday, February 22, 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
BACKER, Jeff
BAKER, Dave
CURRAN, Brion
EDELSON, Heather
ENGEN, Elliot
FINKE, Leigh
HANSON, Jessica
HICKS, Kim
NOOR, Mohamud
NOVOTNY, Paul

Excused

KIEL, Debra, Lead

A quorum was present.

Representative Noor moved to approve the minutes from February 19. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 3646 (Pinto) - Statutory infrastructure created for the new Department of Children, Youth, and Families; and statutes moved and copied.

Chair Fischer moved to refer HF 3646 to State and Local Government Finance and Policy Committee.

Rep. Pinto presented the bill.

Chair Fischer renewed the motion that HF 3646 be referred to the State and Local Government Finance and Policy Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 3711 (Hicks) Modifying home and community-based services standards for out-of-home respite services for children

Rep. Hicks moved to refer HF 3711 to the Human Services Finance Committee

Rep. Hicks presented the bill.

Testifiers:

- Sara Grafstrom, Senior Director of State and Federal Policy, Association of Residential Resources in Minnesota (ARRM)
- Tyler Langenfeld, Senior Director of 245D Services, Accra

Rep. Hicks renewed the motion to refer HF 3711 to the Human Services Finance Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 3938 (Curran) Residential programs licensing and zoning requirements modified

Rep. Curran moved to refer HF 3938 to the State and Local Government Finance and Policy Committee.

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

Rep. Curran presented the bill as amended.

Testifiers:

- Sara Grafstrom, Senior Director of State and Federal Policy, Association of Residential Resources in Minnesota (ARRM)
- Josh Berg; Director of Services and Strategic Growth; Accessible Space, Inc.
- Chikio Richmond, Executive Director, Healing Homes Living Services (Residential Providers Association of Minnesota)
- Mark Hughes, Community Activist

Rep. Curran renewed the motion to refer HF 3938, as amended, to the State and Local Government Finance and Policy Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF3835 (Frederick) Commissioner of human services directed to authorize indirect billing for individualized home supports.

Vice Chair Frederick moved to refer HF 3835 to Human Services Finance Committee.

Vice Chair Frederick presented the bill.

Testifiers:

- Ken Bence; Director of Research, Analysis and Policy; Association of Residential Resources in Minnesota (ARRM)
- Larissa Beck, Director of Community Living, Reach for Resources

Vice Chair Frederick renewed the motion to refer HF 3835 to the Human Services Finance Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 pm.

Representative Peter Fischer, Chair

Spencer Crose, Committee Legislative Assistant