STATE OF MINNESOTA TWENTIETH MEETING

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES NINETY-THIRD SESSION

HEALTH FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE

**MINUTES**

Representative Liebling, Chair of the Committee, called the meeting to order at 10:30 A.M. on March 9, 2023 in Room 5 of the State Office Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

LIEBLING, Tina, Chair

BIERMAN, Robert, Vice-Chair

SCHOMACKER, Joe, Minority Lead

ACOMB, Patty

BAHNER, Kristin

CARROLL, Ned

ELKINS, Steve

FISCHER, Peter

HEMMINGSEN-JAEGER, Amanda

HER, Kaohly Vang

KIEL, Debra

MURPHY, Tom

NADEAU, Danny

NEU BRINDLEY, Anne

PERRYMAN, Bernie

QUAM, Duane

REYER, Liz

SMITH, Andy

Members excused:

BACKER, Jeff

A quorum was present.

**HF2422 (Her)** Tobacco use prevention account established, and money appropriated.

Representative Her moved that HF2422 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Health Finance and Policy Committee bill.

Representative Her presented her bill.

Testifying:

1. Elyse Less, Executive Director, Tobacco-Free Alliance

Brad Hagemeier, House Fiscal Analyst, responded to member questions.

Chair Liebling laid over HF2422 for possible inclusion in the Committee bill.

**HF2041 (Gomez)** service providers authorized to possess, distribute, and dispose of syringes; and possession of hypodermic syringes authorized.

Chair Liebling moved that HF2041 be re-referred to the Committee on Public Safety Finance and Policy.

Chair Liebling moved the H2041A1 Amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Gomez presented her bill as amended.

Chair Liebling renewed her motion that HF2041, as amended, be re-referred to the Committee on Public Safety Finance and Policy. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

**HF1487 (Reyer)** Revenue recapture provisions modified, claims from hospitals and ambulance services disallowed.

Representative Reyer moved that HF1487 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Health Finance and Policy Committee bill.

Representative Reyer presented her bill.

Testifying:

1. Kim Miller, Certified Financial Counselor, Lutheran Social Service
2. Claudia Holt, Programs and Strategy Director, Prepare + Prosper
3. Anna Odegaard, Director, Minnesota Asset Building Coalition

Chair Liebling laid over HF1487 for possible inclusion in the Committee bill.

**HF2599 (Reyer)** Requirements for hospitals to screen patients for eligibility for health coverage or assistance established, affidavit of expert review required before debt collection activities, and hospital charges limited for uninsured treatments and services for patients.

Representative Reyer moved that HF2599 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Health Finance and Policy Committee bill.

Representative Reyer moved the H2599A2 Amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Reyer presented her bill as amended.

Testifying:

1. Kim Miller, Certified Financial Counselor, Lutheran Social Service
2. Anna Odegaard, Director, Minnesota Asset Building Coalition

Chair Liebling laid over HF2599, as amended, for possible inclusion in the Committee bill.

**HF1940 (Bierman)** Palliative Care Advisory Council member terms clarified, Palliative Care Advisory Council sunset eliminated, report required, and money appropriated.

Vice Chair Bierman moved that HF1940 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Health Finance and Policy Committee bill.

Vice Chair Bierman presented his bill.

Chair Liebling laid over HF1940 for possible inclusion in the Committee bill.

**HF2160 (Bahner)** Commissioner of health fetal alcohol spectrum disorders prevention grant funding provided, and money appropriated.

Representative Bahner moved that HF2160 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Health Finance and Policy Committee bill.

Representative Bahner presented her bill.

Testifying:

1. Mollie O'Brien, Executive Director, Proof Alliance
2. Valerie Mangskau, Advocate, Proof Alliance

Chair Liebling laid over HF2160 for possible inclusion in the Committee bill.

**HF2236 (Hassan)** Public awareness campaign on health dangers of using skin-lightening products containing mercury and hydroquinone created.

Chair Liebling moved that HF2236 be laid over for possible inclusion in the Health Finance and Policy Committee bill.

Representative Hassan presented her bill.

Testifying:

1. Fathi Ahmed, Program Manager, Beautywell

Chair Liebling laid over HF2236 for possible inclusion in the Committee bill.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:29 P.M.

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Krysta Niedernhöfer, Committee Legislative Assistant