JUDICIARY FINANCE AND CIVIL LAW MINUTES

Representative Jamie Becker-Finn, Chair of the Committee on Judiciary Finance and Civil Law, called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM on January 19, 2023 in Room 5 of the State Office Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:
BECKER-FINN, Jamie, Chair
FRAZIER, Cedrick, Vice Chair
SCOTT, Peggy, Minority Lead
CARROLL, Ned
FEIST, Sandra
FINKE, Leigh
FREDERICK, Luke
GROSSELL, Matt
JOHNSON, Brian
MOLLER, Kelly
NISKA, Harry
WIENS, Mark

Members excused:
CURRAN, Brion

A quorum was present.

Representative Carroll moved that the minutes of January 17, 2023, be adopted. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 4 (Gomez) Noncompliant driver's license or Minnesota identification card requirements modified and related changes made, including on eligibility, proof of lawful presence, primary and secondary documentation, and data practices; technical changes made; and money appropriated.

Chair Becker-Finn moved that HF 4 be recommended to be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Chair Becker-Finn moved the H0004A21 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Gomez and Representative Pérez-Vega presented HF 4 as amended.

Chair Becker-Finn renewed the motion that HF 4 as amended be recommended to be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 100 (Stephenson) Cannabis; various provisions added or changed relating to Office of Cannabis Management; advisory councils; sales and use reports; legal and limited possession and use; business licensing, inspection, and regulation; flower and product testing; labeling; advertisement; private resident cultivation; medical program; sales taxes; grants and loans; criminal penalties; expungement procedures; labor standards; temporary regulation of edible products; scheduling; data; miscellaneous and clarifying and technical changes; and money appropriated.

Chair Becker-Finn moved that HF 100 be recommended to be re-referred to the Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy Committee.

Chair Becker-Finn moved the H0100A10 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Stephenson presented HF 100 as amended.

Testifying on HF 100 as amended:
- Marci Exsted, Research Associate for the Center for Social Justice Research at the Urban League Twin Cities and Chair, The Great Rise Expungement Policy Task Force
- Jess Hauser, Board Member, Sensible Change Minnesota
- Munira Mohamed, Policy Associate, ACLU of Minnesota
- Rich Neumeister
- Thomas Evenstad, Public Safety MN
- Sheriff Kevin Torgeson, Olmstead County, Minnesota Sheriff's Association
- Chief Jay Henthorne, City of Richfield, Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association
- RaeAnna Buchholz, Legislative & Coalitions Director, Americans for Prosperity, Minnesota
- Rob Doar, Senior Vice President and Political Director, Minnesota Gun Owners Caucus
- John Bartee, Uniflora Holistics
- Alex Hassel, Intergovernmental Relations Representative, League of Minnesota Cities
- Marcus Harcus
- Veena Iyer, Executive Director, Immigrant Law Center of Minnesota

Minority Lead Scott moved the H0100A11 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Chair Becker-Finn renewed the motion that HF 100 as amended be recommended to be re-referred to the Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 6 (Stephenson) Price gouging prohibited during an abnormal market disruption, and penalties prescribed.

Chair Becker-Finn moved that HF 6 be recommended to be placed on the General Register.

Chair Becker-Finn moved the H0006A4 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Stephenson presented HF 6 as amended.

Chair Becker-Finn renewed the motion that HF 6 as amended be recommended to be placed on the General Register. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:03 AM.

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Representative Jamie Becker-Finn, Chair

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Ella Schultz, Committee Legislative Assistant