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STATE OF MINNESOTA
TWENTY-EIGHTH MEETING

HOUSE HEALTH CARE AND HUMAN SERVICES FINANCE COMMITTEE

Thomas E. Huntley, Chair

Chair Huntley called to order the twenty-eighth meeting of the Health Care and Human Services Finance Committee at 10:37 a.m. in Room 200 of the State Office Building on Wednesday, March 20, 2013. The committee legislative assistant noted the roll:

Members Present:

Rep. Thomas Huntley, Chair
Rep. Kim Norton, Vice Chair
Rep. Jim Abeler
Rep. Susan Allen
Rep. Matt Dean
Rep. Peter Fischer
Rep. Patti Fritz
Rep. Glenn Gruenhagen
Rep. Laurie Halverson
Rep. Melissa Hortman
Rep. Carolyn Laine
Rep. Tina Liebling
Rep. Diane Loeffler
Rep. Tara Mack
Rep. Joe McDonald
Rep. Rena Moran
Rep. Jerry Newton
Rep. Duane Quam
Rep. Joe Schomacker
Rep. Nick Zerwas

HF 485 (Allen) - Director of child sex trafficking prevention established, sexually exploited youth provisions modified, grant programs established and amended relating to combating sexual exploitation of youth, related services and housing provided to victims, and money appropriated.

Representative Allen moved HF 485 be recommended to pass and laid over for possible inclusion in the Health and Human Services omnibus bill.

Representative Allen gave a brief overview of the bill. Testifiers were:

Jeff Bauer, Director of Public Policy, The Family Partnership
John Choi, Ramsey County Attorney
Sergeant Grant Snyder, Minneapolis Police Department
Sergeant John Bandemer, St. Paul Police Department and Director, Human Trafficking Task Force
Nikki Beasley, Breaking Free, St. Paul
Valentina McKenzie, Breaking Free

Chair Huntley announced the committee will be recessing until tonight and that discussion and amendments will occur at that time.

HF 779 - Atkins - Health plan market rules established, and designation of essential community providers modified.

Chair Huntley moved HF 779 be recommended to pass and be rereferred to the committee on Ways and Means. Following discussion Representative Abeler also moved the bill and further moved adoption of the H0779A5 and H0779A6 amendments, along with the following incorporated oral amendments:

H0779A5 - line 1.10, after "hospital" insert "existing in the area"

H0779A6 – line 2.16, delete “create” and insert “that creates” and after the first “incentives” insert “to use”

Manny Munson-Regala, Minnesota Department of Health, explained the H0779A6 amendment. The motion prevailed. The H0779A5 and H0779A6 amendments were adopted, as amended, and testimony continued on the bill:

Jeff Bartsch, Medica, on behalf of the Minnesota Council of Health Plans.

The Chair announced further discussion will occur this evening.

HF 869 (Loeffler) – Medical assistance eligibility provided for inmates while they are inpatients in a medical institution.

Don Ilse, Anoka County Human Services Director, testified on the bill. Chair Huntley announced the bill will be continued on the evening agenda.

Toni Carter, Ramsey County Commissioner, also was available for questioning but was not called upon to testify.

Representative Abeler moved adoption of the March 19, 2013 minutes. The motion prevailed.

Chair Huntley recessed the committee until 6:00 p.m. tonight in Room 118 of the Capitol.

At 7:12 p.m. the Chair called the meeting back to order in Room 200 of the State Office Building.

HF 1445 (Clark) - Health housing grant program established, funding provided for health housing grants and lead poisoning prevention activities, and money appropriated

Chair Huntley moved HF 1445 be recommended to pass and laid over for possible inclusion in the Health and Human Services omnibus bill. Representative Clark moved adoption of and explained the H1445A1 amendment. The motion prevailed. The amendment was adopted.

Rep. Clark presented an overview of the bill as amended. Testifying were:

Zach Hanson, Ramsey County Environmental Health Director on behalf of the Local
Public Health Association
Dan Newman, Executive Director, Sustainable Resources Center

The Chair laid the bill over, as amended.

HF 869 (Loeffler) - Medical assistance eligibility provided for inmates while they are inpatients in a medical institution.

Representative Loeffler moved HF 869 be recommended to pass and laid over for possible inclusion in the Health and Human Services omnibus bill and further moved adoption of the following oral amendment which she incorporated into the bill:

Line 2.2, delete “county” and insert “entity with jurisdiction over the inmate”

The motion prevailed. The oral amendment was adopted. Julie Ring, Association of Minnesota Counties, was available to testify in support of the bill. Following a brief summary by the author, Chair Huntley laid the bill over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill, as amended.

HF 485 (Allen) - Director of child sex trafficking prevention established, sexually exploited youth provisions modified, grant programs established and amended relating to combating sexual exploitation of youth, related services and housing provided to victims, and money appropriated.

Discussion occurred on HF 485, continued from the committee's morning agenda. Chair Huntley laid the bill over for possible inclusion in the Health and Human Services omnibus bill.

HF 927 (Dehn) – High-risk adults grant funding provided to complete a demonstration project, and money appropriated.

Representative Abeler (a co-author of the bill and in Representative Dehn's absence) moved HF 927 be recommended to pass and laid over for possible inclusion in the Health and Human Services omnibus bill and gave a brief overview. Testifying were:

Darryl Lindsey, Chief Operating Officer, The Network for Better Futures
Jermaine Davis, Program Participant, The Network for Better Futures
Steve Thomas, Chief Executive Officer, The Network for Better Futures

Representative Dehn, now present, testified in favor of his bill and discussion followed. Chair Huntley laid the bill over for possible inclusion in the Health and Human Services omnibus bill.

HF 779 (Atkins) - Health plan market rules established, and designation of essential community providers modified.

Continued from the morning meeting, Chair Huntley moved adoption of the H0779A7 amendment incorporating the following oral amendment:

Line 1.1, delete “first” and insert “second”

Line 1.2, delete “g” and insert “l”

The motion prevailed. The H0779A7, as amended, was adopted.

Representative Abeler moved adoption of and explained the H0779A13 amendment. Discussion occurred and Phil Griffin, Preferred One, on behalf of the Minnesota Council of Health Plan briefly testified. More discussion occurred on adoption of the A779A13 amendment, as amended. Following discussion, the motion prevailed. The A779A13 amendment, as amended, was adopted. Representative Mack called for a division resulting in 10 hands in favor and 6 hands opposed. The H0779A13 amendment, as amended, was adopted.

Representative Abeler moved adoption of the H0779A12 amendment. Following discussion he withdrew his motion.

Representative Loeffler moved adoption of the H0779A15 amendment. The motion prevailed.

Representative Loeffler moved adoption of the H0779A16 amendment. The motion prevailed.

Representative Loeffler moved adoption of the H0779A14 amendment and incorporated the following oral amendment:

Line 1.12, delete two references to “certified” and replace both references with “accredited”

Representative Loeffler moved adoption of the H0779A11 amendment and incorporated the following oral amendment:

Delete lines 1.13 and 1.14 and renumber accordingly

Following discussion, the motion prevailed. The H0779A11 amendment was adopted, as amended.

Representative Abeler moved adoption of the A13-0305 amendment. David Kunz, representing Northwestern Health Sciences University/Injury Help Coalitions, explained the amendment. Discussion occurred, including Randall Chun of House Research responding to a question and testimony from Alyssa Von Ruden of the Department of Commerce.

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Following this discussion, Representative Abeler withdrew the A13-0305 amendment.

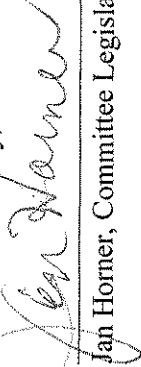
Discussion followed on HF 779, as amended. Kathryn Kmit, Minnesota Council of Health Plans responded to questions and more discussion followed.

Chair Huntley renewed his motion that HF 779, as amended, be recommended to pass and be rereferred to the committee on Ways and Means. The motion prevailed.

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:33 p.m.



Thomas E. Huntley, Chair



Jan Horner, Committee Legislative Assistant