

**JUDICIARY FINANCE AND CIVIL LAW COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Representative Jamie Becker-Finn, Chair of the Committee on Judiciary Finance and Civil Law, called the meeting to order at 8:30 A.M. on March 19, 2024, 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 (Republican Lead)  
CARROLL, Ned  
CURRAN, Brion  
FEIST, Sandra  
FINKE, Leigh  
FREDERICK, Luke  
GROSSELL, Matt  
JOHNSON, Brian  
MOLLER, Kelly  
NISKA, Harry  
WIENS, Mark

A quorum was present.

Representative Finke moved that the minutes of March 15, 2024, be adopted. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 4853 (Bierman) Health maintenance organization transactions oversight provided, and nonprofit conversion transactions regulations and prohibitions established.

Chair Becker-Finn moved that HF 4853 be recommended to be re-referred to the Health Finance and Policy Committee.

Representative Bierman presented HF 4853.

Testifying on HF 4853:

- Erin Conti, Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Minnesota Attorney General

Chair Becker-Finn renewed the motion that HF 4853 be recommended to be re-referred to the Health Finance and Policy Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 3410 (Freiberg) Classification of commercial dog and cat breeder data collected and maintained by Board of Animal Health amended; kennel and dealer advertising requirements modified; and Board of Animal Health required to post kennel, dealer, and commercial breeder information.

Chair Becker-Finn moved that HF 3410 be recommended to be re-referred to the Ways and Means Committee.

Chair Becker-Finn moved that HF 3410 be recommended to be placed on the General Register.

Representative Freiberg presented HF 3410.

Testifying on HF 3410:

- Kim LaBo, Public Policy Strategist, Animal Humane Society

Chair Becker-Finn renewed the motion that HF 3410 be recommended to be placed on the General Register. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 3577 (Jordan) Packaging Waste and Cost Reduction Act established, and rulemaking authorized.

Chair Becker-Finn moved that HF 3577 be recommended to be re-referred to the Ways and Means Committee.

Chair Becker-Finn moved the H3577A4 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Jordan presented HF 3577 as amended.

Testifying on HF 3577 as amended:

- Kirk Koudelka, Assistant Commissioner, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
- Peter Glessing, Senior Director of Policy and Advocacy, Medical Alley
- Amber Backhus, National Waste & Recycling Association Minnesota Chapter
- Julie Ketchum, Director of Government Affairs, Waste Management, Inc.

Chair Becker-Finn renewed the motion that HF 3577, as amended, be recommended to be re-referred to the Ways and Means Committee.

Representative Scott requested a roll call on HF 3577 as amended.

The clerk took the roll on HF 3577 as amended:

AYES

Becker-Finn

Frazier

Carroll

Curran

Feist

Finke

Frederick

Moller

NAYS

Scott

Grossell

Johnson

Niska

Wiens

There being 8 ayes and 5 nays, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 1718 (Huot) Appointment, licensing, and compensation of railroad peace officers provided; civil liability issues addressed; and rulemaking required.

Chair Becker-Finn moved that HF 1718 be recommended to be placed on the General Register.

Representative Huot presented HF 1718.

Testifying on HF 1718:

- Amber Backhaus, Minnesota Regional Railroads Association
- Joel Carlson, Minnesota Association for Justice

Chair Becker-Finn moved an oral amendment to HF 1718, as below:

Page 2, line 17, delete the comma and insert "and" and delete ", and immunities"

Page 3, line 28, delete "Subject to the privileges and immunities afforded a peace"

Page 3, line 29, delete everything before "a"

THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS INCORPORATED.

Chair Becker-Finn renewed the motion that HF 1718, as amended, be recommended to be placed on the General Register. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 4104 (Tabke) Release of information on leased motor vehicles to licensed motor vehicle dealers authorized, and technical changes made.

Chair Becker-Finn moved that HF 4104 be recommended to be re-referred to the Ways and Means Committee.

Representative Tabke presented HF 4104.

Chair Becker-Finn renewed the motion that HF 4104 be recommended to be re-referred to the Ways and Means Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 3443 (Liebling) Release of patient health records requirements modified.

Chair Becker-Finn moved that HF 3443 be recommended to be placed on the General Register.

Chair Becker-Finn moved the H3443A2 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Liebling presented HF 3443 as amended.

Chair Becker-Finn renewed the motion that HF 3443, as amended, be recommended to be placed on the General Register. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 4854 (Klevorn) Administrative Procedure Act and Office of Administrative Hearings technical and policy provisions modified.

Chair Becker-Finn moved that HF 4854 be recommended to be re-referred to the State and Local Government Finance and Policy Committee.

Chair Becker-Finn moved the A24-0250 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Klevorn presented HF 4854 as amended.

Testifying on HF 4854 as amended:

- Nicole J. Starr, Judge, Second Judicial District

Chair Becker-Finn renewed the motion that HF 4854, as amended, be recommended to be re-referred to the State and Local Government Finance and Policy Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 4347 (Norris) Coerced debt governing provisions modified.

Chair Becker-Finn moved that HF 4347 be recommended to be placed on the General Register.

Representative Norris presented HF 4347.

Testifying on HF 4347:

- Ron Elwood, Supervising Attorney, Legal Services Advocacy Project

Chair Becker-Finn renewed the motion that HF 4347 be recommended to be placed on the General Register. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 4410 (Hansen) Enforcement authority modified, and money appropriated.

Chair Becker-Finn moved that HF 4410 be recommended to be re-referred to the Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy Committee.

Representative Hansen presented HF 4410.

Testifying on HF 4410:

- Tom Johnson, Government Relations Director, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
- Tony Kwilas, Director of Environmental Policy, Minnesota Chamber of Commerce
- Joy Anderson, Supervising Attorney, Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy

Representative Niska moved the H4410A5 amendment.

Representative Niska requested a roll call on H4410A5.

The clerk took the roll on H4410A5:

AYES

Scott

Grossell

Johnson

Niska

Wiens

NAYS

Becker-Finn

Frazier

Carroll

Curran

Feist

Finke

Moller

There being 5 ayes and 7 nays, THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL. THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.

Chair Becker-Finn renewed the motion that HF 4410 be recommended to be re-referred to the Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 4822 (Feist) Distribution of excess proceeds from sales of tax-forfeited property modified, grants for environmental remediation of tax-forfeited property provided, and money appropriated.

Representative Feist moved that HF 4822 be recommended to be re-referred to the Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy Committee.

Chair Becker-Finn moved the H4822A2 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Feist presented HF 4822 as amended.

Testifying on HF 4822 as amended:

- Daniel Rogan, Assistant County Administrator of Resident Services, Hennepin County
- Joe Henderson, Director of Lands and Minerals, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources
- Christina Martin, Senior Attorney, Pacific Legal Foundation

The meeting was recessed at 10:06 A.M.

The meeting was reconvened at 6:30 P.M.

A quorum was present.

Representative Feist renewed the motion that HF 4822, as amended, be recommended to be referred to the Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 4276 (Curran) Revisor of statutes directed to update terms used in statute.

Chair Becker-Finn moved that HF 4276 be recommended to be placed on the General Register.

Representative Curran presented HF 4276.

Chair Becker-Finn renewed the motion that HF 4276 be recommended to be placed on the General Register. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 3830 (Hollins) Antenuptial contract process clarified to include any two individuals.

Chair Becker-Finn moved that HF 3830 be recommended to be placed on the General Register.

Representative Hollins presented HF 3830.

Chair Becker-Finn renewed the motion that HF 3830 be recommended to be placed on the General Register. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 3567 (Hollins) Uniform Parentage Act enacted.

Chair Becker-Finn moved that HF 3567 be recommended to be placed on the General Register.

Chair Becker-Finn moved the H3567DE1 amendment.

Chair Becker-Finn moved the H3567A3 amendment to the H3567DE1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Chair Becker-Finn moved the H3567DE1 amendment, as amended. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT, AS AMENDED, WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Hollins presented HF 3567 as amended.

Testifying on HF 3567 as amended:

- Kat Rohn, Executive Director, OutFront Minnesota
- Clare Sorman, Executive Director, The Surrogacy Center
- David Gapen, Partner, Gapen, Larson & Johnson
- Jason Adkins, Executive Director, Minnesota Catholic Conference
- Patience Griswold, Engagement Coordinator, Them Before Us
- Rebecca Delahunt, Director of Public Policy, Minnesota Family Council & Institute

Representative Niska moved the H3567A2 amendment to the H3567DE1 amendment.

Representative Niska requested a roll call on H3567A2.

The clerk took the roll on the H3567A2:

AYES

Scott

Grossell

Johnson

Niska

Wiens

NAYS

Becker-Finn

Frazier

Carroll

Curran

Feist  
Finke  
Frederick  
Moller

There being 5 ayes and 8 nays, THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL. THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.

Representative Scott moved the H3567A1 amendment to H3567DE1.

Representative Scott requested a roll call on H3567A1.

The clerk took the roll on the H3567A1:

AYES  
Scott  
Grossell  
Johnson  
Niska  
Wiens

NAYS  
Becker-Finn  
Frazier  
Carroll  
Curran  
Feist  
Finke  
Frederick  
Moller

There being 5 ayes and 8 nays, THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL. THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.

Chair Becker-Finn renewed the motion that HF 3567, as amended, be recommended to be placed on the General Register.

Representative Scott requested a roll call on HF 3567 as amended.

The clerk took the roll on HF 3567 as amended:

AYES  
Becker-Finn  
Frazier  
Carroll  
Curran  
Feist  
Finke  
Frederick  
Moller

NAYS  
Scott  
Grossell  
Johnson  
Niska  
Wiens

There being 8 ayes and 5 nays, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 4387 (Pinto) Personal service of orders for protection, restraining orders, and related notices provided; law enforcement officers required to make reasonable efforts to locate respondents;

certain orders for protection and harassment restraining orders allowed to be served by mail; and other protection order provisions modified.

Chair Becker-Finn moved that HF 4387 be recommended to be re-referred to the Public Safety Finance and Policy Committee.

Representative Pinto presented HF 4387.

Chair Becker-Finn renewed the motion that HF 4387 be recommended to be re-referred to the Public Safety Finance and Policy Committee. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 3204 (Moller) Domestic relations; parenting time provisions modified.

Representative Moller moved that HF 3204 be recommended to be placed on the General Register.

Representative Moller moved the H3204A3 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Moller moved the H3204A2 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Moller presented HF 3204 as amended.

Testifying on HF 3204 as amended:

- Samantha Gemberling, Minnesota Chapter of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers; Minnesota State Bar Association
- George Rerat, Minnesota Shared Parenting Action Group
- Molly Olson, Center for Parental Responsibility
- Tim McCusker, Anoka

Representative Moller renewed the motion that HF 3204, as amended, be recommended to be placed on the General Register. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 2895 (Scott) Judiciary; spousal maintenance modified.

Representative Scott moved that HF 2895 be recommended to be placed on the General Register.

Representative Scott moved the H2895A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Scott moved an oral amendment to HF 2895 as amended, as below:

"At Line 2.3, strike "temporary" and insert "transitional", and strike "permanent" and insert "indefinite"

THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS INCORPORATED.

Representative Scott presented HF 2895 as amended.

Testifying on HF 2895 as amended:

- Samantha Gemberling, Minnesota Chapter of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers; Minnesota State Bar Association

Representative Scott renewed the motion that HF 2895, as amended, be recommended to be placed on the General Register. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 P.M.

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Representative Jamie Becker-Finn, Chair

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Ella Schultz, Committee Legislative Assistant