STATE OF MINNESOTA FIRST JOINT MEETING

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES NINETY-THIRD SESSION

 JOINT HEALTH FINANCE AND POLICY AND COMMERCE FINANCE AND POLICY

 **MINUTES**

Representative Stephenson, Chair of the Commerce Committee, called the meeting to order at 1:01 P.M. on January 30, 2023 in Room 10 of the State Office Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistants noted the roll.

Health Finance and Policy Committee members present:

LIEBLING, Tina, Chair

BIERMAN, Robert, Vice-Chair

SCHOMACKER, Joe, Minority Lead

ACOMB, Patty

BACKER, Jeff

CARROLL, Ned

HEMMINGSEN-JAEGER, Amanda

HER, Kaohly Vang

MURPHY, Tom

NADEAU, Danny

NEU BRINDLEY, Anne

PERRYMAN, Bernie

QUAM, Duane

REYER, Liz

SMITH, Andy

Health Finance and Policy Committee members excused:

BAHNER, Kristin

ELKINS, Steve

FISCHER, Peter

KIEL, Debra

Commerce Finance and Policy Committee members present:

STEPHENSON, Zack, Chair

KOTYZA-WITTHUHN, Carlie, Vice Chair

O’DRISCOLL, Tim, Minority Lead

CHA, Ethan

DAUDT, Kurt

DOTSETH, Jeff

FREIBERG

KLEVORN

LIEBLING

NEU BRINDLEY

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TABKE,

Commerce Finance and Policy Committee members excused:

KOEGEL, Erin

**Fairview/Sanford Merger Discussion**

Testifying:

1. James Hereford, President and CEO, Fairview Health Services
2. Bill Gassen, President and CEO, Sanford Health
3. Dr. Jakub Tolar, Dean, University of Minnesota Medical School
4. Myron Frans, Senior Vice President, Finance and Operations, University of Minnesota
5. Minnesota Attorney General Keith Ellison
6. Kara Pratt, Registered Nurse, Minnesota Nurses Association
7. Sandie Anderson, Registered Nurse, Minnesota Nurses Association
8. Gene Sparks, Internal Organizer, SEIU Healthcare Minnesota

**HFXXX (Bierman) – INFORMATIONAL ONLY** Prohibiting health care entities from entering into certain transactions except with the review and approval of the commissioner of health.

Representative Bierman presented his bill.

Testifying:

1. Anne Schwagerl, Vice President, Minnesota Farmers Union
2. Allison Leopold, Medical Student, University of Minnesota

The meeting was adjourned at 2:49 P.M.

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Representative Tina Liebling, Chair

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Krysta Niedernhöfer, Committee Legislative Assistant