STATE OF MINNESOTA FORTY-SIXTH MEETING

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES NINETY-THIRD SESSION

 HEALTH FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE

 **MINUTES**

Representative Bierman, Vice Chair of the Committee, called the meeting to order at 10:30 A.M. on March 26, 2024 in Room 5 of the State Office Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

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:

LIEBLING, Tina, Chair

BACKER, Jeff

A quorum was present.

Representative Smith moved that the minutes of March 19, 2024 be approved. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Representative Smith moved that the minutes of March 20, 2024 be approved. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

**HF3339 (Koegel) FIRST ENGROSSMENT** Orthotic and prosthetic device coverage required, and rulemaking authorized.

Vice Chair Bierman moved that HF3339, First Engrossment, be laid over for possible inclusion in a committee omnibus bill.

Vice Chair Bierman moved the H3339A3 Amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED AND THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Koegel presented her bill as amended.

Testifying:

1. Elsa Keeler, Retired Pediatric Physician
2. Walker Ellis, Advocate

Randy Chun, House Research Analyst, Joe Harney, House Fiscal Analyst and Teri Knffel, Vice President, Arise Orthotics and Prosthetics, responded to member questions.

Vice Chair Bierman laid over HF3339, First Engrossment, as amended, for possible inclusion in a committee omnibus bill.

**HF3889 (Hicks) FIRST ENGROSSMENT** Amino acid-based elemental formula health insurance coverage required.

Vice Chair Bierman moved that HF3889, First Engrossment, be laid over for possible inclusion in a committee omnibus bill.

Representative Hicks presented her bill.

Testifying:

1. Bethany Porter, Advocate

Peter Brickwedde, Assistant Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Commerce, responded to member questions.

Vice Chair Bierman laid over HF3389, First Engrossment, for possible inclusion in a committee omnibus bill.

**HF4557 (Klevorn) FIRST ENGROSSMENT** Health plans required to cover scalp hair prostheses.

Vice Chair Bierman moved that HF4557, First Engrossment, be laid over for possible inclusion in a committee omnibus bill.

Representative Klevorn presented her bill.

Peter Brickwedde, Assistant Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Commerce, responded to member questions.

Vice Chair Bierman laid over HF4557, First Engrossment, for possible inclusion in a committee omnibus bill.

**HF3330 (Hemmingsen-Jaeger) FIRST ENGROSSMENT** Health carriers required to provide coverage for rapid whole genome sequencing.

Representative Hemmingsen-Jaeger moved that HF3330, First Engrossment, be laid over for possible inclusion in a committee omnibus bill.

Representative Hemmingsen-Jaeger presented her bill.

Testifying:

1. Dr. Susan Berry, Professor of Pediatrics, University of Minnesota
2. Erica Barnes, Executive Director, Minnesota Rare Disease Advisory Council

Vice Chair Bierman laid over HF3330, First Engrossment, for possible inclusion in a committee omnibus bill.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:57 A.M.

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Representative Robert Bierman, Vice Chair

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Krysta Niedernhöfer, Committee Legislative Assistant