

## COMMITTEE MINUTES for JUDICIARY

Date: *April 2, 2025*

Location: *RM 103*

Convened: *1:55 PM*

Adjourned: *2:25 PM*

Attendance Roll Call:

Present: Representatives Holt-CH, Lawler-VC, James-RM, Croken, Dunwell, Fett, Gustoff, Nordman, Olson, Shipley, Srinivas, Stone, Thompson, M., Thomson, C., Watkins, Wessel-Kroeschell, Wheeler, Wilburn, Williams, Wills, J.

Absent:

Excused: Representative Meyer, B.

Chairman Holt called the Judiciary Committee meeting to order at 1:55 p.m.

Roll call was taken with twenty members present (Representatives Holt, Lawler, James, Croken, Dunwell, Fett, Gustoff, Nordman, Olson, Shipley, Srinivas, Stone, M. Thompson, C. Thomson, Watkins, Wessel-Kroeschell, Wheeler, Wilburn, Williams, Wills) and one member excused (Representative B. Meyer).

The previous meeting minutes were approved.

Chairman Holt recognized Representative Wheeler for opening comments on [SF 180](#). There was discussion. With no further discussion, Rep. Wheeler moved [SF 180](#). Chairman Holt moved [SF 180](#) to the House floor on a roll call vote of 14 ayes (Representatives Holt, Lawler, Dunwell, Fett, Gustoff, Nordman, Shipley, Stone, M. Thompson, C. Thomson, Watkins, Wheeler, Williams, Wills), 6 nays (Representatives James, Croken, Olson, Srinivas, Wessel-Kroeschell, and Wilburn) and 1 excused (Representative B. Meyer).

Chairman Holt recognized Representative C. Thomson for opening comments on [SF 472](#). There was discussion. Rep. C. Thomson was recognized for closing remarks and moved [SF 472](#). Chairman Holt moved [SF 472](#) to the House floor on a roll call vote of 14 ayes (Representatives Holt, Lawler, Dunwell, Fett, Gustoff, Nordman, Shipley, Stone, M. Thompson, C. Thomson, Watkins, Wheeler, Williams, Wills), 6 nays (Representatives James, Croken, Olson, Srinivas, Wessel-Kroeschell, and Wilburn) and 1 excused (Representative B. Meyer).

Chairman Holt recognized Representative Williams for opening comments on [SF 473](#). There was discussion. Rep. Williams was recognized for closing remarks and moved [SF 473](#). Chairman Holt moved [SF 473](#) to the House floor on a roll call vote of 14 ayes (Representatives Holt, Lawler, Dunwell, Fett, Gustoff, Nordman, Shipley, Stone, M. Thompson, C. Thomson, Watkins, Wheeler, Williams, Wills), 6 nays (Representatives James, Croken, Olson, Srinivas, Wessel-Kroeschell, and Wilburn) and 1 excused (Representative B. Meyer).

Chairman Holt turned the Chair over to Representative Lawler.

Chair Lawler recognized Representative Holt for opening comments on [SF 514](#). Rep. Holt indicated there was Amendment 514.1360. There was discussion. With no further discussion, Rep. Holt moved the amendment and it was adopted by voice vote. With no further discussion, Rep. Holt moved [SF 514](#), as amended. Chair Lawler moved [SF 514](#), as amended on a unanimous roll call vote of 20 ayes, 0 nays, and 1 excused (Representative B. Meyer).

Chair Lawler returned the Chair to Chairman Holt.

Chairman Holt remarked this was the last meeting for House Judiciary this year. He noted a trend of some of the lobby registering undecided on bills and waiting until nearly a Committee vote to make any concerns known. He encouraged the lobby to come forward with concerns earlier to aid the legislative process.

Ranking Member James commented on the professional courtesy and respect that exists between the Chairman and herself, despite their diverse opinions on legislation the Committee considers.

With no further business to come before the Committee, Representative Nordman moved we arise at 2:24 p.m.

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Representative Steven C. Holt

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Angie Heartsill, Committee Secretary