

\*Senate Committee\*

## COMMITTEE MINUTES for HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Date: *March 19, 2026*

Location: *RM 116*

Convened: *10:40 AM*

Adjourned: *11:10 AM*

Attendance Roll Call:

Present: Senators Warme-CH, Costello-VC, Trone Garriott-RM, Alons, Donahue, Drey, Evans, Guth, Hardman, Lofgren, Petersen, Pike, Salmon, Sweeney, Webster, Zimmer, Zumbach

Absent:

Excused: Senator Rowley

Call to order at 10:40am.

Roll call was taken silently. Those not present were excused.

Minutes stood approved without objection.

Noticed the committee to the distribution of subcommittee assignments electronically.

Senator Warme called up the Governor appointees listed in the agenda with recommendation. Senator Webster moved to approve Governor appointees with recommendation as listed in the agenda to the En Bloc calendar. The motion carried on a voice vote 17-0. Those appointees are:

Connie Connolly, Bd. of Pharmacy

Craig Ford, Bd. of Pharmacy

Brian Haults, Bd. of Pharmacy

Larry Johnson, Director of the Department of Health and Human Services

Stacy Cervenka, Director of the Department for the Blind

Daniel Severson, Bd. of Medicine

Robert Donnelly, Bd. of Medicine

Cynthia West, Bd. of Behavioral Health Professionals

Peter Sand, Bd. of Athletic Training

Mariah Sisson, Bd. of Athletic Training

Jana Bogue, Dental Board

Timothy De Stigter, Dental Board

Heather Eilander, Dental Board

Julie LeClere, Bd. of Child Advocacy

Angela Mach, Bd. of Child Advocacy

Kristal Phillips, Bd. of Child Advocacy

Francesca Cunningham, Bd. of Child Advocacy

Janet Flanagan, Bd. of Child Advocacy

Michael Hoenig, Commission for the Blind

Donald Wirth, Commission for the Blind

Craig Hunt, Bd. of Barbering and Cosmetology Arts and Sciences

Ryan Cooper, Bd. of Barbering and Cosmetology Arts and Sciences

Scott Glover, Bd. of Mortuary Science

John Parrish, Bd. of Mortuary Science

Martin Rieken, Bd. of Mortuary Science

Allison Barloon, Bd. of Athletic Training

John Chandler, Bd. of Athletic Training

Senator Warme recognized Senator Alons for subcommittee report and opening remarks on [HF 2523](#). Senator Warme recognized Senator Alons for amendment [HF 2523](#).3490. Amendment passed unanimously. Back on the bill as amended. Senator Alons moved [HF 2523](#) as amended and asked for support. The bill was approved on a voice vote 17-0. [HF 2523](#) with committee amendment moves to the calendar.

Senator Warme recognized Senator Alons for subcommittee report and opening remarks on [HF 2256](#). Senator Warme recognized Senator Alons for amendment [HF 2256](#).3409. Amendment passed unanimously. Back on the bill as amended. Senator Alons moved [HF 2256](#) as amended and asked for support. The bill was approved on a voice vote

17-0. [HF 2256](#) with committee amendment moves to the calendar.

Senator Warne recognized Senator Sweeney for subcommittee report and opening remarks on [HF 2641](#). Following debate, Senator Sweeney moved [HF 2641](#) and asked for support. The bill was approved on a voice vote 17-0. [HF 2641](#) moves to the Calendar.

Senator Warne recognized Senator Costello for subcommittee report and opening remarks on [HF 2305](#). Senator Warne recognized Senator Costello for amendment [HF 2305](#).3505. Amendment passed unanimously. Back on the bill as amended. Senator Costello moved [HF 2305](#) as amended and asked for support. The bill was approved on a voice vote 17-0. [HF 2305](#) with committee amendment moves to the calendar.

Senator Warne recognized Senator Guth for subcommittee report and opening remarks on [HF 978](#). Senator Warne recognized Senator Guth for amendment [HF 978](#).3561. Amendment passed unanimously. Back on the bill as amended. Senator Guth moved [HF 978](#) as amended and asked for support. The bill was approved on a voice vote 16-1 with Senator Costello being recorded as a No vote. [HF 978](#) with committee amendment moves to the calendar.

Senator Alons moved to adjourn. Motion carried without objection.

Committee adjourned at 11:10am.

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Senator Kara Warne

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Emmawyn Powers, Committee Secretary