

2010 House Votes

House Vote 1

Taxpayer Funding of Abortion

Journal pages 7863–7864

Much of the first part of the legislative session was spent discussing one of Minnesota's state health care programs for the poor. The program, General Assistance Medical Care (GAMC), was scheduled to end, and legislators were rushing to find a way to allow the

state to continue providing care for the population at a reduced cost. Therefore, the program was being completely redesigned. Rep. Patti Fritz, DFL-Faribault, offered an amendment to the redesigned program that would have specifically excluded abortion from being a covered service under the new GAMC. The amendment was defeated on a tie vote of 67–67 (a pro-life loss).

House votes 2–8 were all amendments offered to the Health and Human Services omnibus bill, H.F. 2614. After resolving the GAMC issue, discussions related to health and human services in the 2010 session largely related to spending cuts due to a significant deficit and issues related to the recently passed federal health care reform bill. The pro-life amendments offered were largely related to these issues as well.

House Vote 2

Taxpayer Funding of Saline Abortion

Journal pages 11276–11277

Rep. Patti Fritz offered the first of the pro-life amendments to the HHS omnibus bill. The amendment sought to prohibit taxpayer funding of cruel saline abortions. The Fritz amendment was defeated on another tie vote, 66–66 (a pro-life loss).

year, then allowed the original Hosch provision (\$300 cap) to be effective thereafter. MCCL supported the Brod amendment to the Hosch amendment, which was defeated 62–71 (a pro-life loss).

House Vote 3

Cap on Taxpayer Funded Abortion Reimbursement

Journal pages 11277–11278

For many years MCCL has tracked the cost of taxpayer funded abortions in Minnesota and has seen a wide discrepancy in the cost of abortions at various providers. In an effort to rein in costs, Rep. Larry Hosch, DFL-St. Joseph, offered an amendment to cap the amount that the state would reimburse providers for abortion procedures at \$300.

House Vote 4

Taxpayer Protection Act

Journal pages 11328–11329

Rep. Marty Seifert, R-Marshall, offered the Taxpayer Protection Act which would prohibit state family planning grants from going to abortion advocates. The amendment failed on a vote of 62–72 (a pro-life loss).

Rep. Melissa Hortman, DFL-Brooklyn Park, then moved to amend the Hosch amendment so that instead of capping the reimbursement rate, abortion providers would instead be subject to a percentage-based rate reduction, resulting in significantly less savings. The Hortman amendment to the Hosch amendment passed on a voice vote.

House Vote 5

Abortion Excluded from Health Care Exchanges

Journal pages 11329–11330

Rep. Steve Gottwalt, R-St. Cloud, offered an amendment that would have prohibited insurers from providing abortion coverage in plans offered within the new health insurance exchange authorized by the federal health care bill. The amendment failed on a vote of 65–68 (a pro-life loss).

Next, Rep. Laura Brod, R-New Prague, offered an amendment to the Hosch amendment that would have allowed the Hortman provision to be in effect for one

House Vote 6

Regulation of Abortion Facilities

Journal pages 11330–11331

Currently, abortion facilities in Minnesota are neither licensed nor regulated by the state. Due to con-

cerns for the safety of women, Rep. Laura Brod offered an amendment that would have allowed the Department of Health to promulgate rules related to regulation of abortion facilities. The amendment failed on a vote of 64–68 (a pro-life loss).

House Vote 7

Abortion Coverage Opt-Out

Journal pages 11331–11332

Rep. Matt Dean, R-Dellwood, offered an amendment that would have required insurance companies to allow individuals to opt out of abortion coverage and have their premiums reduced accordingly. The amendment failed, 66–68 (a pro-life loss).

House Vote 8

Taxpayer Funding of Sex-Selection Abortion

Journal pages 11333–11334

In the last pro-life vote on the omnibus bill, Rep. Steve Gottwalt offered an amendment to prohibit taxpayer funding of abortion when it is being done based on the sex of the unborn child. The amendment passed on a vote of 79–54 (a pro-life win).

House Vote 9

Gestational Contract Agreements, Abortion Excluded

Journal pages 11538–11539

H.F. 890 was seeking to change certain parentage presumptions when there is an assisted reproduction agreement between parties. Rep. Mark Buesgens, R-Jordan, was concerned that assisted reproduction agreements could lead to one party trying to force another to abort an unborn child. Therefore, he offered an amendment that would have prohibited orders of abortion in such agreements. The amendment failed on a vote of 56–65 (a pro-life loss).

Representatives	Dist #	% #1	% #2	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Abeler, Jim	48B	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Anderson, Bruce	19A	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Anderson, Paul	13A	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Anderson, Sarah	43A	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Anzelc, Tom	3A	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Atkins, Joe	39B	11%	11%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	o
Beard, Michael	35A	89%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	e
Benson, John	43B	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Bigham, Karla	57A	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Bly, David	25B	11%	11%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	o
Brod, Laura	25A	89%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	n
Brown, Robin	27A	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Brynaert, Kathy	23B	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Buesgens, Mark	35B	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Bunn, Julie	56A	11%	11%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	o
Carlson, Lyndon	45B	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Champion, Bobby Joe	58B	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Clark, Karen	61A	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Cornish, Tony	24B	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Dauids, Greg	31B	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Davnie, Jim	62A	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Dean, Matt	52B	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Demmer, Randy	29A	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Dettmer, Bob	52A	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Dill, David	6A	33%	38%	x	n	o	x	o	o	o	o	x
Dittrich, Denise	47A	33%	33%	x	o	o	o	x	o	o	x	o
Doepke, Connie	33B	89%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	e
Doty, Al	12B	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Downey, Keith	41A	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Drazkowski, Steve	28B	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Eastlund, Rob	17A	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Eken, Kent	2A	89%	89%	x	x	o	x	x	x	x	x	x

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Emmer, Tom	19B	89%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	e
Falk, Andrew	20A	11%	11%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	o
Faust, Tim	8B	89%	100%	x	x	x	x	n	x	x	x	x
Fritz, Patti	26B	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Gardner, Paul	53A	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Garofalo, Pat	36B	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Gottwalt, Steve	15A	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Greiling, Mindy	54A	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Gunther, Bob	24A	89%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	e
Hackbarth, Tom	48A	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Hamilton, Rod	22B	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Hansen, Rick	39A	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Hausman, Alice	66B	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Haws, Larry	15B	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Hayden, Jeff	61B	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Hilstrom, Debra	46B	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Hilty, Bill	8A	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Holberg, Mary Liz	36A	89%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	e
Hoppe, Joe	34B	89%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	e
Hornstein, Frank	60B	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Hortman, Melissa	47B	11%	11%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	o
Hosch, Larry	14B	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Howes, Larry	4B	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Huntley, Thomas	7A	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Jackson, Gail Kulick	16A	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Johnson, Sheldon	67B	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Juhnke, Al	13B	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Kahn, Phyllis	59B	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Kalin, Jeremy	17B	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Kath, Kory	26A	89%	89%	x	x	x	o	x	x	x	x	x
Kelliher, Margaret	60A	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	e
Kelly, Tim	28A	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Kiffmeyer, Mary	16B	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Knuth, Kate	50B	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Koenen, Lyle	20B	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Kohls, Paul	34A	89%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	e
Laine, Carolyn	50A	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Lanning, Morrie	9A	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Lenczewski, Ann	40B	89%	89%	x	x	x	o	x	x	x	x	x
Lesch, John	66A	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Liebling, Tina	30A	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Lieder, Bernard	1B	44%	44%	o	x	o	o	o	o	x	x	x
Lillie, Leon	55A	11%	11%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	o
Loeffler, Diane	59A	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Loon, Jenifer	42B	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Mack, Tara	37A	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Magnus, Doug	22A	78%	100%	x	e	e	x	x	x	x	x	x
Mahoney, Tim	67A	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Mariani, Carlos	65B	11%	11%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	o
Marquart, Paul	9B	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Masin, Sandra	38A	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
McFarlane, Carol	53B	89%	89%	x	x	x	o	x	x	x	x	x
McNamara, Denny	57B	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Morgan, Will	40A	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o
Morrow, Terry	23A	0%	0%	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o

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Mullery, Joe	58A	0%	0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Murdock, Mark	10B	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Murphy, Erin	64A	0%	0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Murphy, Mary	6B	89%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	n	x
Nelson, Michael	46A	0%	0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Newton, Jerry	49B	0%	0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nornes, Bud	10A	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Norton, Kim	29B	0%	0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Obermueller, Mike	38B	44%	44%	0	x	0	0	0	x	x	x	0
Olin, Dave	1A	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Otremba, Mary Ellen	11B	89%	89%	x	x	0	x	x	x	x	x	x
Paymar, Michael	64B	0%	0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pelowski, Gene	31A	89%	89%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	0
Peppin, Joyce	32A	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Persell, John	4A	0%	0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Peterson, Sandra	45A	11%	11%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	x	0
Poppe, Jeanne	27B	0%	0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reinert, Roger	7B	0%	0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rosenthal, Paul	41B	11%	11%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	x	0
Rukavina, Tom	5A	0%	0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ruud, Maria	42A	0%	0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sailer, Brita	2B	11%	11%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	x	0
Sanders, Tim	51A	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Scalze, Bev	54B	11%	11%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	x	0
Scott, Peggy	49A	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Seifert, Marty	21A	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sertich, Tony	5B	0%	0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Severson, Dan	14A	78%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	n	x	x	e
Shimanski, Ron	18A	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Simon, Steve	44A	0%	0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Slawik, Nora	55B	0%	0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Slocum, Linda	63B	0%	0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Smith, Steve	33A	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Solberg, Loren	3B	33%	38%	0	0	0	0	x	n	0	x	x
Sterner, Phillip	37B	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Swails, Marsha	56B	0%	0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	e
Thao, Cy	65A	0%	0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Thissen, Paul	63A	0%	0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tillberry, Tom	51B	0%	0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Torkelson, Paul	21B	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Urdahl, Dean	18B	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Wagenius, Jean	62B	0%	0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ward, John	12A	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Walti, Andy	30B	44%	44%	x	x	x	0	0	0	0	x	0
Westrom, Torrey	11A	100%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Winkler, Ryan	44B	0%	0%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	e
Zellers, Kurt	32B	89%	100%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	n