

**Joint House/Senate Subcommittee on Claims**  
Subcommittee Minutes

Tuesday, April 16, 2015  
State Office Building, Room 300N  
6:00 p.m.

In Attendance

Sen. Jim Carlson, Co-Chair  
Sen. David Osmek  
Sen. Bev Scalze  
Rep. Duane Quam, Co-Chair  
Rep. Kelly Fenton  
Rep. Mary Murphy  
Rep. Dave Pinto  
Rep. Dennis Smith

Chair Carlson called the meeting of the Joint House/Senate Subcommittee on Claims to order at 6:04 p.m. A quorum was present.

Michele Timmons, Revisor of Statutes, served as counsel to the subcommittee.

Sen. Scalze **MOVED** approval of the revised rules for the Subcommittee. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

Sen. Scalze **MOVED** approval of the March 31, 2014 meeting minutes. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

Michele Timmons provided a summary of the claims provision modification bill, SF 1857. Lisa Netzer, Minnesota Department of Corrections, addressed Subcommittee member questions related to the bill.

1. Michele Timmons presented the *Dean Dixon claim against the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources*.

Testified on the Dixon claim:

- Dean Dixon, claimant
- Kent Lokkesomoe, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

Rep. Murphy **MOVED** to lay the claim on the table and to request the Department and claimant to provide additional documentation regarding the claim. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

2. Michele Timmons presented the *Patrick Finn claim against the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources*.

Testified on the Finn claim:

- Patrick Finn, claimant
- Kent Lokkesomoe, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

Rep. Murphy **MOVED** to pay the claimant \$9,286. **MOTION FAILED.**

Rep. Smith **MOVED** to deny the Patrick Finn claim. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

3. Michele Timmons presented the *Shawn Jamison property claim against the Minnesota Department of Human Services*.

Testified on the Jamison claim:

- Leah Flygare, Minnesota Department of Human Services

Sen. Scalze **MOVED** to direct the Department to reoffer the \$59.97 and allow the claimant to utilize the \$59.97 to purchase the same model of PlayStation that was lost, and if the claimant is able to purchase the device, allow the claimant to utilize the PlayStation. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

4. Michele Timmons presented the *Lance Wickner property claim against the Minnesota Department of Human Services*.

Testified on the Wickner claim:

- Leah Flygare, Minnesota Department of Human Services

Rep. Quam **MOVED** to deny the Wickner claim. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

5. Michele Timmons presented the *Medical Reimbursement for Injury Claims Under \$500* from the Minnesota Department of Corrections memo, in the amount of \$ 3,970.88

Testified Medical Reimbursement for Injury Claims Under \$500  
Nacole Lind, Minnesota Department of Corrections

Rep. Quam **MOVED** to approve the dollar amount of Medical Reimbursement for Injury Claims under \$500. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

6. Michele Timmons presented the *James Vandevender claim against the Minnesota Department of Corrections*.

Testified on the Vandevender claim:

- Keith Hanratty, Attorney for Claimant
- Lisa Netzer, Minnesota Department of Corrections

Rep. Quam moved to approve the Department's recommended payment to the claimant of \$18,000.

Before the subcommittee could vote on the motion, the claimant's attorney, Keith Hanratty, withdrew the *James Vandevender claim against the Minnesota Department of Corrections*.

7. Michele Timmons presented the *Antonio Burton claim against the Minnesota Department of Corrections*.

Testified on the Burton claim:

- Lisa Netzer, Minnesota Department of Corrections

- Nacole Lind, Minnesota Department of Corrections

Rep. Quam **MOVED** to lay the claim over and request the Department provide better graphic representation of the claimant's nose prior to the incident. **MOTION PREVAILED**

8. Michele Timmons presented the *Steven Danforth claim against the Minnesota Department of Corrections*.

Testified on the Danforth claim:

- Lisa Netzer, Minnesota Department of Corrections
- Nacole Lind, Minnesota Department of Corrections

Rep. Quam **MOVED** to deny the Danforth claim. **MOTION PREVAILED**

9. Michele Timmons presented the *Aaron Downing claim against the Minnesota Department of Corrections*.

Testified on the Downing claim:

- Lisa Netzer, Minnesota Department of Corrections
- Nacole Lind, Minnesota Department of Corrections

Sen. Scalze moved to deny the Downing claim. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

10. Michele Timmons presented the *Nathan Erlandson claim against the Minnesota Department of Corrections*.

Testified on the Erlandson claim:

- Lisa Netzer, Minnesota Department of Corrections
- Nacole Lind, Minnesota Department of Corrections

Rep. Smith moved to lay the claim over and requested the Department send the claimant a certified letter requesting Mr. Erlandson to contact the Department to give a status update as to his injury. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

11. Michele Timmons presented the *Jimmy Jackson claim against the Minnesota Department of Corrections*.

Testified on the Jackson claim:

- Lisa Netzer, Minnesota Department of Corrections
- Nacole Lind, Minnesota Department of Corrections

Rep. Quam **MOVED** to deny the Jackson claim. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

12. Michele Timmons presented the *Keith Littler claim against the Minnesota Department of Corrections*.

Testified on the Littler claim:

- Lisa Netzer, Minnesota Department of Corrections
- Nacole Lind, Minnesota Department of Corrections

Rep. Quam **MOVED** to approve payment of \$2,559.87 to medical providers for treatment of Keith Littler for injuries sustained while performing sentence-to-service work in St. Louis County. **MOTION PREVAILED**

13. Michele Timmons presented the *Leandrew Miller claim against the Minnesota Department of Corrections*.

Testified on the Miller claim:

- Lisa Netzer, Minnesota Department of Corrections
- Nacole Lind, Minnesota Department of Corrections

Rep. Quam **MOVED** to approve payment of \$750 to Leandrew Miller for permanent injuries to his right small finger sustained while performing assigned duties at Minnesota Correctional Facility – Stillwater. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

14. Michele Timmons presented the *Tom Mosbek claim against the Minnesota Department of Corrections*.

Testified on the Ratzlaff Claim

- Lisa Netzer, Minnesota Department of Corrections
- Nacole Lind, Minnesota Department of Corrections

Rep. Quam **MOVED** to deny the Mosbek claim. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

15. Michele Timmons presented the *Bradley Post claim against the Minnesota Department of Corrections*.

Testified on the Post Claim:

- Lisa Netzer, Minnesota Department of Corrections
- Nacole Lind, Minnesota Department of Corrections

Rep. Quam **MOVED** to approve payment of \$8,925 to Bradley Post for injuries to his back sustained while performing assigned duties in the Institution Community Work Crew Program in Noble County and approve payment to medical providers for treatment of Mr. Post in the amount of \$760.30. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

16. Michele Timmons presented the *Ramon Smith claim against the Minnesota Department of Corrections*.

Testified on the Smith Claim:

- Lisa Netzer, Minnesota Department of Corrections
- Nacole Lind, Minnesota Department of Corrections

Rep. Quam **MOVED** to deny the Smith claim. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

17. Michele Timmons presented the *Floyd Thibodeau claim against the Minnesota Department of Corrections*.

Testified on the Thibodeau Claim:

- Lisa Netzer, Minnesota Department of Corrections
- Nacole Lind, Minnesota Department of Corrections

Rep. Quam **MOVED** to deny the Thibodeau claim. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

18. Michele Timmons presented the *William Butcher property claim against the Minnesota Department of Corrections*.

Testified on the Butcher Claim:

- Lisa Netzer, Minnesota Department of Corrections
- Nacole Lind, Minnesota Department of Corrections

Rep. Quam **MOVED** to deny the Butcher claim. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

19. Michele Timmons presented the *Timothy Helm property claim against the Minnesota Department of Corrections*.

Testified on the Helm Claim:

- Lisa Netzer, Minnesota Department of Corrections
- Nacole Lind, Minnesota Department of Corrections

Rep. Quam **MOVED** to direct the Department to pay Timothy Helm \$184.75 for his lost television. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

20. Michele Timmons presented the *Brian Mason property claim against the Minnesota Department of Corrections*.

Testified on the Mason Claim:

- Lisa Netzer, Minnesota Department of Corrections
- Nacole Lind, Minnesota Department of Corrections

Rep. Quam **MOVED** to direct the Department to pay Brian Mason \$100 for the disposal of his ring. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

21. Michele Timmons presented the *Semaj Williams property claim against the Minnesota Department of Corrections*.

Testified on the Williams Claim:

- Lisa Netzer, Minnesota Department of Corrections
- Nacole Lind, Minnesota Department of Corrections

Rep. Murphy **MOVED** to direct the Department re-offer Samaj Williams payment of \$64.05 for

the loss of his razor. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

22. Michele Timmons presented the *all other property claims against the Department of Corrections* not yet discussed as they appear on the agenda.

Rep. Fenton **MOVED** to deny the Bandy claim, the Beck claim, the Binger claim, the Blakes claim, the Boldman claim, the Bot claim (14-PR-125), the DeLaGarza claim, the Duwengoegger claim (14-PR-123), the Enge claim, the Fox claim, the Gretz claim, the Harrison claim (14-PR-015), the Harrison claim (14-PR-092), the Hinton claim, the Hutton claim, the Ahmednuur claim, the Banks claim, the Bartylla claim, the Bot claim (14-PR-236), the Breezee claim, the Carroll claim, the Chatman claim, the Clemens claim, the Danforth claim, the Dewalt claim, the Dufner claim, the Duwngoegger claim (14-PR-073), the Farah claim, the Findley claim, the Forward claim, the Gant claim, the Gustafson claim, the Hannon claim, the Hanson claim, the Henderson claim, the Henderson claim, the Her claim, the Hill claim, the Huffman claim, the Hutto claim, the James claim, the Jenkins claim, the Johnson (Jeremiah) claim, the Johnson (Keith) claim, the Johnson (Oliver) claim, the Jones (LeMoyne) claim, the Jones (Torrance) claim, the Judy claim, the Kelley claim, the Knowles claim, the Lane claim (14-PR-053), the Lane claim (14-PR-098), the Lane claim (14-PR-122), the Lanum claim, the Livingston claim, the Love claim, the Madison claim, the Martin claim, the McKee claim, the Menzie claim, the Miller claim, the Milner claim, the Mitchell claim, the Mohamud claim, the Moore claim, the Morris claim, the Reyes (Armando) claim, the Reyes (Luiz) claim, the Ronquist claim, the Sauer claim, the Schueneman claim, the Scruggs claim, the Shumpert claim, the Smith claim, the Steenblock claim, the Tokarev claim, the Tucker claim, the Villebrun claim, the Wagner claim (14-PR-060), the Wagner claim (14-PR-112), the Walker claim, the Wheatley claim, the Williams (Rashawn) claim, the Wilson claim, and the Worley claim. **MOTION PREVAILED.**

**Meeting adjourned at 10:17 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Jim Carlson, Co-Chair  
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Representative Duane Quam, Co-Chair  
Joint House/Senate Subcommittee on Claims