

MINUTES
HOUSE HEALTH & WELFARE COMMITTEE

DATE: Tuesday, February 24, 2026

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

PLACE: Room EW20

MEMBERS: Chairman Vander Woude, Vice Chairman Erickson, Representatives Healey, Redman, Wheeler, Beiswenger, Burgoyne, Cayler, Fuhriman, Leavitt, McCann, Thompson, Hall (Stone), Tanner(13), Rubel, Egbert

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Representative(s) Leavitt

GUESTS: The sign-in sheet will be retained in the committee secretary's office; following the end of session the sign-in sheet will be filed with the minutes in the Legislative Library.

Chairman Vander Woude called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

MOTION: **Rep. Egbert** made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 18 and 19, 2026, meetings. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 33431: **Rep. Barbara Ehardt**, District 33, presented **RS 33431** to correct previous legislation for daycare supervision.

MOTION: **Rep. Erickson** made a motion to introduce **RS 33431**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 33042C1: **Rep. Lucas Cayler**, District 11, presented **RS 33042C1** to redefine medical neglect and false reporting when children are removed from their parents.

MOTION: **Rep. Beiswenger** made a motion to introduce **RS 33042C1**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

Chairman Vander Woude turned the gavel over to **Vice Chairman Erickson**.

RS 33488: **Rep. John Vander Woude**, District 22, presented **RS 33488**. The overview committee is asking to hire a consultant, contingent upon the Speaker and Pro Tempore approval, to aid them in the Medicaid contract review process.

MOTION: **Rep. Redman** made a motion to introduce **RS 33488**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

RS 33491: **Rep. John Vander Woude**, District 22, presented **RS 33491**. This proposed residential rehabilitation provider legislation removes the fee increase given during COVID and subsequent General Funding. Answering a question, he said this decreases their current 15-minute increment from \$7.58 to \$7.07.

MOTION: **Rep. Wheeler** made a motion to introduce **RS 33491**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

Vice Chairman Erickson turned the gavel over to **Chairman Vander Woude**.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 9:18 a.m.

Representative Vander Woude
Chair

Irene Moore
Secretary