

**K-12 Education Budget Division**

**Tuesday, March 23, 2005**

**9:00 a.m. Room 112 - State Capitol**

**Members Present**

Senator L. Stumpf  
Senator E. Anderson  
Senator M. Fischbach  
Senator D. Gaither  
Senator D. Hann  
Senator S. Kelley  
Senator S. Marko  
Senator S. Nienow  
Senator G. Olson  
Senator T. Saxhaug  
Senator L. Scheid  
Senator W. Skoglund  
Senator D. Sparks  
Senator B. Wergin  
Senator C. Wiger

**Members Excused**

Senator K. Langseth  
Senator D. Johnson  
Senator M. Jungbauer

Senator Stumpf called the meeting to order at 10:25 a.m.

The first three bills related to limited English proficiency (LEP).

S.F. 357 – Senator Skoglund  
S.F. 312 – Senator Moua  
S.F. 1597 – Senator Rest

**Testifying**

Vileria Silva – St. Paul Schools  
Karen Pedersen – ELL teacher  
Abraham Aya –  
Terri Siguenca – Former ELL Assistant Director  
Eric Moore – Director of Diversity and Student Services – Anoka Hennepin Schools

**Motion:**

Senator Skoglund moved that above bills for possible inclusion into the E-12 Omnibus Education bill. Motion prevailed.

The next three bills related to all-day kindergarten.

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S.F. 1410 – Senator Saxhaug  
S.F. 221- Senator Skoglund  
S.F. 190 – Senator Hottinger

Testifying:


Bob Belluzo – Superintendent – S.F. 701  
Ruth Maciver – retired kindergarten teach – Valley view Elementary

Opposed:


Dr. Karen Effrem

Handout # 1 Concerns with All-Day Kindergarten – Dr. Effrem  
Handout # 2 – Overheads – Dr. Effrem

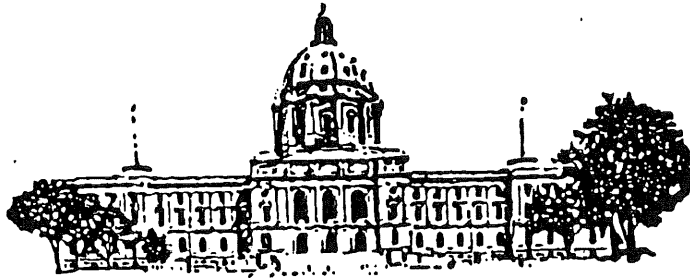
The meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m. The proceedings were taped and the materials distributed are attached to these minutes.



Senator LeRoy Stumpf  
Chairman



Jeri Wenzel, Legislative Assistant



## SENATE COMMITTEE HEARING

### K-12 Education Budget Division

Wednesday March 23, 2005

9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

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#### AGENDA

S.F. 312-Moua: Funding for LEP programs  
S.F. 357-Skoglund: Removing funding limit for LEP  
S.F. 1597-Rest: Restoring funding for LEP

#### Testifiers:

Vileria Silva ELL

Eric Moore, Director of Diversity and Student Services- Anoka-Hennepin Schools

#### Minneapolis Schools:

Terri Siguena, former ELL assistant director

Karen Pedersen, ELL director

~~Mohamed Alabari~~

S.F. 190-Hottinger: Funding for voluntary full-day kindergarten

Jan Alswager – Education Minnesota

S.F. 221-Skoglund: Authorizing full-day kindergarten.

Paul Helberg, Principal, Valleyview Elementary

Ruth Maciver, retired kindergarten teacher, Valleyview Elementary

S.F. 1410-Saxhaug: Levy for all-day kindergarten

Bob Belluzzo – Superintendent SD 701

Testifying against – Karen Effrem, M.D.

Senator LeRoy Stumpf  
Chairman

Jeri Wenzel  
Legislative Assistant