



Minnesota Education Policy Committee

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12:30 p.m.

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Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Opening Remarks
3. Senate File 239: Senator Draheim Presents
 - i. A bill for an act relating to education; requiring school boards to publish certain information about consulting fees; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 123B.10, by adding a subdivision.
4. Senate File 449: Senator Gustafson Presents
 - i. A bill for an act relating to education; establishing comprehensive school mental health services lead positions; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 127A.
 1. Testifiers
 - a. Amy Jones, Member of MN State Advisory Council on Mental Health (Hybrid)
5. Senate File 619: Senator Kunesh Presents
 - i. A bill for an act relating to education; strengthening the Teachers of Color Act; increasing the percentage of teachers of color and American Indian teachers in Minnesota; amending the world's best workforce requirements; requiring reports; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 120B.11, subdivisions 1, 2, 3; 121A.031, subdivision 6; 122A.183, subdivision 1; 122A.184, subdivision 1; 122A.185, subdivision 1; 122A.40, subdivisions 3, 5; 122A.41, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision; 122A.59; 122A.635; 122A.70; 122A.73, subdivisions 2, 3; 123B.147, subdivision 3; 124D.861, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 120B; 121A; 124D.
 1. Testifiers
 - a. Sarah Lancaster, Teacher, Onamia School District, 2022 MN Teacher of the Year
 - b. Azomali Obisakin, Student, St. Paul Public Schools
 - c. Sidarth Gazula, Minnesota Youth Council Rep, Student, Wayzata Public Schools
 - d. Marsara Dunbar, Minnesota Youth Council Rep, Student, Parnassus Preparatory School
 - e. Janet Freeberg-Lawson, Teacher, Osseo Area Schools (Hybrid)
 - f. Kimyatta Lewis, Teacher Candidate, MSU-Mankato (Hybrid)
 - g. Shannon Geshick, Executive Director, MN Indian Affairs (Hybrid)
 - h. Katya Zepeda, Legislative and Policy Director of Education, MN Council on Latino Affairs
6. Adjournment

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