

Education Finance Committee
Tuesday, January 31, 2023
8:30 AM Livestream YouTube

Minutes

Present: Senator Mary K. Kunesh - Chair, Senator Heather Gustafson - Vice Chair, Senator Steve A. Cwodzinski, Senator Robert D. Farnsworth, Senator Michael E. Kreun, Senator Eric Lucero, Senator Erin K. Maye Quade, Senator Clare Oumou Verbeten, Senator Jason Rarick, Senator Bonnie S. Westlin

Absent: No Members Absent

Senator Mary K. Kunesh called the meeting to order at 8:34 am

S.F. 613: Senator Cwodzinski: School board renewal of an expired referendum authorization.

Testifiers: Josh Swanson Superintendent of Eden Prairie Public Schools, David Law Superintendent of Minnetonka Public Schools, Amy Walstien Minnesota Business Partnership, Superintendent Jeff Elstad Superintendent of Owatonna Public Schools

Senator Lucero offers oral amendment, Senator Cwodzinski accepts oral amendment, and amendment passed.

Senator Cwodzinski moved that S.F. 613, as amended, laid over and may become part of omnibus bill. - MOTION PREVAILED.

S.F. 401: Senator Kunesh: Developmental screening aid increase and appropriation.

Testifiers: Wendy Webster the Director of Community Services for the St. Anthony-New Brighton School District

Senator Kunesh moved that S.F. 401, be laid over and maybe considered for omnibus bill. - MOTION PREVAILED.

S.F. 53: Senator Wiklund: Child care stabilization base grants modification and appropriation; early learning scholarship eligibility modification.

Testifiers: Stephanie Peehl, Parent, Andre Dukes Vice President of Family and Community impact at Northside Achievement Zone, Clare Sanford on behalf of the MN Child Care Association

Senator Gustafson moved that S.F. 53, be recommended to pass and re-referred to the Finance Committee. - MOTION PREVAILED.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:22 am



Senator Mary Kunesh, Chair



Sami Rajab, Legislative Assistant

