

# Minnesota State Senate

## Jobs and Economic Development Committee

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### Minutes

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**Present:** Senator Bobby Joe Champion - Chair, Senator Zaynab Mohamed Vice Chair, Senator Rich Draheim, Senator Heather Gustafson, Senator Founj Hawj, Senator Karin Housley, Senator Carla J. Nelson, Senator Eric R. Pratt, Senator Aric Putnam

**Absent:** No Members Absent

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Chair Senator Champion calls the hybrid Jobs and Economic Development Committee Meeting to order at 12:33 PM conducted in Minnesota Senate Building room 1100 and over zoom broadcast. Chair, Senator Champion: Present Vice Chair, Senator Mohamed: Present Ranking, Senator Draheim: Present Senator Gustafson: Present Senator Hawj: Present Senator Housley: Present Senator Pratt: Present Senator Putnam: Present Senator Nelson: Present A quorum is present.

#### Call To Order

**S.F. 2369:** Senator Champion: Explore Minnesota Tourism Council membership modification.

S.F. 2369 - Champion: Explore Minnesota Tourism Council membership modification presentation begins at 12:36 PM by Senator Champion and ends at 12:40 PM.

Senator Champion offers the A1 amendment. Senator Mohamed moves the A1 amendment. The motion prevails and the amendment is adopted.

Senate Counsel, Carlon Doyle Fontaine, gives a walkthrough of the vehicle/ policy omnibus bill at 12:40 PM and ending at 12:42 PM

Questions Begin at 12:43 PM and ends at 12:46 PM.

Senator Champion offers to lay the bill on the table at 12:47. Senator Mohamed makes a motion. The motion prevails, and the bill is laid on the table.

Senator Champion offers to take the bill off the table at 1:20 PM. Senator Mohamed makes a motion. The motion prevails and the presentation on SF 2369 continues.

Senator Champion moves for SF 2369 as amended be recommended to pass and placed on general orders. The motion prevails and the Jobs vehicle/policy omnibus bill is referred to the floor.

Senator Champion moved that S.F. 2369, as amended, recommended to pass and placed on the Consent Calendar. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

**S.F. 2086: Senator Murphy: Center for Rural Policy and Development appropriation Testifier: Julie Tesch, CEO, Center for Rural Policy & Development.**

S.F. 2086 - Murphy: Center for Rural Policy and Development appropriation presentation begins at 1:23 PM by Senator Murphy and ends at 1:25 PM.

S.F. 2086 - Murphy: Center for Rural Policy and Development appropriation presentation continues with a testimony by Julie Tesch, CEO, Center for Rural Policy & Development., starting at 1:25 PM and ending at 1:26 PM.

Questions Begin at 1:26 PM and ends at 1:37 PM

Senator Champion moves for SF 2086 to be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

Senator Champion moved that S.F. 2086, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

**S.F. 2316: Senator Hawj: Minnesota Sports and Events appropriation Testifiers: Wendy Blackshaw, President and CEO, MN Sports and Events Fartun Osman, Founder and CEO, Girls Rock Lou Nanne, former University of Minnesota player, Minnesota North Star player and General Manager, boards of USA Hockey, IIHL and World Juniors Hockey Championship (video message).**

S.F. 2316 – Hawj: Minnesota Sports and Events appropriation presentation begins at 12:49 PM by Senator Hawj and ends at 12:51 PM.

S.F. 2316 – Hawj: Minnesota Sports and Events appropriation presentation continues with a testimony by Wendy Blackshaw, President and CEO, MN Sports and Events, starting at 12:51 PM and ending at 12:53 PM.

S.F. 2316 – Hawj: Minnesota Sports and Events appropriation presentation continues with a testimony by Fartun Osman, Founder and CEO, Girls Rock, starting at 12:54 PM and ending at 12:57 PM.

S.F. 2316 – Hawj: Minnesota Sports and Events appropriation presentation continues with a video testimony, Lea B. Olsen, former Gopher Women's Basketball Athlete Sports Broadcaster for MN Lynx, MN Timberwolves, and MSHSL Basketballs, starting at 12:57 PM and ending at 12:59 PM.

S.F. 2316 – Hawj: Minnesota Sports and Events appropriation presentation continues with a video testimony by Lou Nanne, Minnesota North Star Player and General Manager, starting at 12:59 PM and ending at 1:02 PM.

Senator Hawj offers the A1 amendment. Senator Champion moves the A1 amendment. The motion prevails and the amendment is adopted.

Questions Begin at 1:03 PM and ends at 1:18 PM

Senator Champion moves for SF 2316 to be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

Senator Champion moved that S.F. 2316, as amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

**S.F. 2441: Senator Hawj: Sanneh Foundation appropriation Testifier: Tony Sanneh, CEO, Sanneh Foundation.**

S.F. 2441 - Hawj: Sanneh Foundation appropriation presentation begins at 1:37 PM by Senator Hawj and ends at 1:38 PM.

S.F. 2441 - Hawj: Sanneh Foundation appropriation presentation continues with a testimony by Tony Sanneh, CEO, Sanneh Foundation, starting at 1:38 PM and ending at 1:40 PM.

S.F. 2441 - Hawj: Sanneh Foundation appropriation presentation continues with a testimony by Kylie Pao, worker, Sanneh Foundation, starting at 1:40 PM and ending at 1:42 PM.

Questions Begin at 1:42 PM and ends at 1:51 PM

Senator Champion moves for SF 2241 to be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

Senator Champion moved that S.F. 2441, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

**S.F. 2576: Senator Hawj: Comunidades Latinas Unidas En Servicio (CLUES) grant appropriation Testifiers: Ruby Lee, President of CLUES, Saint Paul Jennifer Sue Mendoza, CLUES Career Development Navigator and Community Liaison, Willmar.**

S.F. 2576 - Hawj: Comunidades Latinas Unidas En Servicio (CLUES) grant appropriation presentation begins at 2:33 PM by Senator Hawj and ends at 2:34 PM.

S.F. 2576 - Hawj: Comunidades Latinas Unidas En Servicio (CLUES) grant appropriation presentation continues with a testimony by Ruby Lee, President of CLUES, Saint Paul, starting at 2:34 PM and ending at 2:36 PM.

S.F. 2576 - Hawj: Comunidades Latinas Unidas En Servicio (CLUES) grant appropriation presentation continues with a testimony by Jennifer Sue Mendoza, CLUES Career Development Navigator and Community Liaison, Willmar, starting at 2:36 PM and ending at 2:39 PM.

Questions Begin at 12:39 PM and ends at 12:42 PM

Senator Champion moves for SF 2576 to be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

Senator Champion moved that S.F. 2576, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

**S.F. 2303: Senator Draheim: Online hospitality training program establishment and appropriation Testifiers: Liz Rammer, President and CEO, Hospitality Minnesota Xinyi Qian, Director, University of Minnesota Extension Tourism Center Jason Subbert, Hotels General Manager, TPI Hospitality.**

S.F. 2303 - Draheim: Online hospitality training program establishment and appropriation presentation begins at 2:43 PM by Senator Draheim and ends at 2:44 PM.

Senator Draheim offers the A1 amendment. Senator Champion moves the A1 amendment. The motion prevails and the amendment is adopted.

S.F. 2303 - Draheim: Online hospitality training program establishment and appropriation presentation continues with a testimony by Liz Rammer, President and CEO, Hospitality Minnesota, starting at 2:44 PM and ending at 2:46 PM.

S.F. 2303 - Draheim: Online hospitality training program establishment and appropriation presentation continues with a testimony by Xinyi Qian, Director, University of Minnesota Extension Tourism Center, starting at 2:46 PM and ending at 2:48 PM.

S.F. 2303 - Draheim: Online hospitality training program establishment and appropriation presentation continues with a testimony by Jason Subbert, Hotels General Manager, TPI Hospitality, starting at 2:48 PM and ending at 2:50 PM.

Questions Begin at 2:50 PM and ends at 2:58 PM

Senator Champion moves for SF 2303 to be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill

Senator Champion moved that S.F. 2303, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - MOTION ADOPTED.

**S.F. 2231: Senator Fateh: Black-owned businesses job training, income support and business development appropriation Dr Clarence Hightower Executive Director, Community Action Partners of Hennepin County Kristel Porter, President and CEO, West Broadway Coalition Hollies Winston, Mayor, Brooklyn Park.**

Before the S.F. 2231 - Fateh: Black-owned businesses job training, income support and business development appropriation presentation begins Senator Fateh offers the A1 amendment at 1:53 PM.

Senator Mohamed moves the A1 amendment at 1:54 PM.

Questions on the A1 amendment begin at 1:55 PM and end at 1:57 PM

Senator Fateh offers an oral amendment to the A1 amendment, on pg. 1 line 17 delete everything after development and insert a period and delete everything on line 18 at 1:58 PM.

Questions on the oral amendment begin at 2:00 PM.

Senate Counsel offers an oral amendment at 2:02 PM changing line 1.6 after "for", insert—"a grant to Community Action Partnership of Hennepin County (CAP-HC)." Senator Champion moves the amendment. The motion prevails and the amendment is adopted by voice at 2:04 PM.

Senator Champion moves the oral amendment to the A1 amendment at 2:04 PM.

Senator Pratt requests a division at 2:05 PM.

Senator Champion motions for a 10-minute recess at 2:07.

Senator Champion calls the committee to reconvene at 2:14 PM.

Senator Pratt withdraws his request for a division at 2:15 PM.

The motion prevails on the amendment to the A1 amendment, and the amendment is adopted by voice at 2:14 PM

The motion on the A1 underlying amendment prevails and the amendment is adopted by voice at 2:14 PM.

S.F. 2231 - Fateh: Black-owned businesses job training, income support and business development appropriation presentation begins at 2:15 PM by Senator Fateh and ends at 2:16 PM.

S.F. 2231 - Fateh: Black-owned businesses job training, income support and business development appropriation presentation continues with a testimony by Dr Clarence Hightower, Executive Director, Community Action Partners of Hennepin County., starting at 2:16 PM and ending at 2:18 PM.

S.F. 2231 - Fateh: Black-owned businesses job training, income support and business development appropriation presentation continues with a testimony by Alicia D. Smith, Chair, City of the Lakes Land Trust, starting at 2:18 PM and ending at 2:20 PM.

S.F. 2231 - Fateh: Black-owned businesses job training, income support and business development appropriation presentation continues with a testimony by Hollies Winston, Mayor, Brooklyn Park., starting at 00:00 PM and ending at 00:00 PM.>>Was unable to make it to the hearing and Hollies Winston provided a written testimony.

**Questions Begin at 2:20 PM and ends at 2:32 PM**

**Senator Champion moves for SF 2231 to be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.**

**Senator Champion moved that S.F. 2231, as amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.**

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**The meeting was adjourned at 2:59 PM.**



**Senator Bobby Joe Champion, Chair**



**Alexis Varner, Legislative Assistant**