

Minnesota State Senate

Education Finance Committee

Tuesday, March 19, 2024

8:30 AM, 1150 Minnesota Senate Bldg.

Minutes

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

Absent: Senator Michael E. Kreun, Senator Eric Lucero

Senator Mary K. Kunesch called the meeting to order at 8:35am.

Call to Order

Informational Hearing on Capitol Investment Requests

The following individuals testified on Informational Hearing on Capitol Investment Requests:

State Academies Testifiers: Terry Wilding, Superintendent; Nettie Peters, Interpreter; Dan Haugen, Plant Director

Library Construction Testifiers: Bobbie Burnham, Assistant Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Education

Perpich Center for the Arts Education: Dr. Charles Rick, Executive Director, Perpich Center for Arts Education

S.F. 3923: Senator Maye Quade: Community education adults with disabilities programs process modification.

Senator Maye Quade moved the A1 Amendment to S.F. 3923. **MOTION ADOPTED.**

Senator Maye Quade presented S.F. 3923.

The following individuals testified on S.F.3923:

Valerie Dosland, MN Community Education Association

Senator Maye Quade moved that S.F. 3923, as amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

S.F. 3556: Senator Kunesch: Intermediate districts and cooperative units eligibility for reimbursement of area learning center transportation costs authorization; pupil transportation adjustment calculation modification; appropriating money.

Senator Gustafson assumed Chair duties.

Senator Kunesch presented S.F. 3556.

The following individuals testified on S.F.3556:

Michelle Baland, 916 Mahtomedi Academy, Northeast Metro Intermediate 916

Senator Kunesch moved that S.F. 3556, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

S.F. 4313: Senator Gustafson: Education compensatory revenue distribution clarification.

Senator Kunesch assumed Chair duties.

Senator Gustafson presented S.F. 4313.

The following individuals testified on S.F.4313:

Scott Croonquist, Executive Director, Association of Metropolitan School Districts; Wayne Kazmierczak, Superintendent White Bear Lake, Lake Area Schools

Senator Gustafson moved that S.F. 4313, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:29am.



Senator Mary K. Kunesh, Chair



Emma Zellmer, Committee Administrator