

Minnesota State Senate

Education Finance Committee
Wednesday, March 20, 2024
8:30 AM, 1150 Minnesota Senate Bldg.

Minutes

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

Absent: Senator Eric Lucero

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

Call to Order

S.F. 3503: Senator Maye Quade: Girl Scouts community engagement program grant appropriation.

Senator Maye Quade presents S.F. 3503
The following individuals testified on S.F.3503:
Sara Gangelhoff, Director of Advocacy and Community Engagement; Paulette Bonneur, Director of New Initiatives, Mentored Troop Leader; Cecelia Jorde, Girl Scout Alumnae

Senator Kunesh moved that S.F. 3503, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 3896: Senator Boldon: Literacy interventions grant appropriation.

Senator Cwodzinski moved the A1 amendment to S.F. 3896. **MOTION PREVAILED**
Senator Boldon Presents SF3896
The following individuals testified on S.F.3896:
Cindy Russell, Executive Director of The Reading Center; Michelle Cambrice, Director Journey School St Paul

Senator Kunesh moved that S.F. 3896, as amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION ADOPTED.**

S.F. 3978: Senator Oumou Verbeten: Voluntary prekindergarten program modifications.

Senator Oumou Verbeten presents SF3978
The following individuals testified on S.F.3978:
Jim Grathwol, SPPS lobbyist

Senator Kunesh moved that S.F. 3978, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 4688: Senator Kunesh: Adjusted general revenue definition modification.

Senator Gustafson assumed Chair duties.
Senator Kunesh presents SF4688

Senator Gustafson moved that S.F. 4688, be recommended to pass. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 4690: Senator Kunesh: Developmental screening aid payment clarification provision.

Senator Kunesh presents SF4690.

Senator Gustafson moved that S.F. 4690, be recommended to pass. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 2959: Senator Mohamed: Students writing skills improvement grant authorization and appropriation.

Senator Kunesh assumed Chair duties

Senator Gustafson moves the A1 amendment

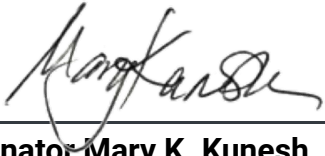
Senator Mohamed presents SF2959

The following individuals testified on S.F.2959:

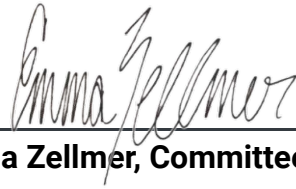
Dr. Jamal Adam, Executive Director, 826 MSP; Mubashir Mohamoud, student; Muniratu Shaibu, student, will submit a statement read by Annie Chen; Lila Coval, student, will submit a statement read by Cristeta Boarini

Senator Kunesh moved that S.F. 2959, as amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:34am.



Senator Mary K. Kunesh, Chair



Emma Zellmer, Committee Administrator