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Minnesota State Senate

Jobs and Economic Development Committee Wednesday, January 29, 2025 12:30 PM, 1100 Minnesota Senate Bldg.



Minutes

<u>Present</u>: Senator Bobby Joe Champion - Chair, Senator Rich Draheim - Chair, Senator Zaynab Mohamed - Vice Chair, Senator Carla J. Nelson - Vice Chair, Senator Gene Dornink, Senator Heather Gustafson, Senator Foung Hawj, Senator Karin Housley, Senator Susan Pha, Senator Eric R. Pratt

Absent: No Members Absent

Senator Rich Draheim called the meeting to order at 12:34 pm

Call To Order

State Demographer Presentation

Testifier:

Susan Brower, Minnesota State Demographer

Informational Hearing on Labor Force begins at 12:35pm by Susan Brower ends at 1:28pm.

The presentation was halted for questioning at 12:39pm and resumed at 12:40pm

Informational Hearing on Labor Force continues with a testimony by Susan Brower at 12:40pm and ending at 12:45pm.

The Informational Hearing was halted for questioning at 12:49 pm and resumed at

1:07pm.

Informational Hearing on Labor Force continues with a testimony by Susan Brower at 1:07pm and ending at 1:13pm.

The presentation was halted for questioning at 1:13pm and resumed at 1:17pm.

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Questions and comments on the Informational Hearing on Labor Force begins at 1:13pm and ends at 1:28pm

DEED Overview Presentation

Testifiers:

Matt Varilek, Commissioner

Deven Bowdry, Government Relations Director

Marc Majors, Deputy Commissioner for Workforce Development

Evan Rowe, Deputy Commissioner for Workforce Services and Transformation

DEED Informational Hearing on Legislative Updates begins at 1:29pm by Matt Varilek, Commissioner & Devon Bowdry, Government Relations Director ends at 1:39pm

The presentation was halted for questioning at 1:46 pm and resumed at 1:52pm

Informational Hearing on Legislative Updates continues with a testimony by Marc Majors at 1:52pm and ending at 2:06pm.

The presentation was halted for questioning at 2:06 pm and resumed at 2:17pm

Informational Hearing on Legislative Updates continues with a testimony by Evan Rowe Majors at 2:17pm and ending at 2:31pm.

Questions and comments on the Informational Hearing on Labor Force begins at 2:24pm and ends at 2:31pm

The meeting was adjourned at 2:31 pm

Senator Rich Draheim

Taylor Tidwell-Bennett
Taylor Tidwell-Bennett, Legislative Assistant