

Minnesota State Senate

Jobs and Economic Development Committee
Wednesday, February 5, 2025
12:30 PM, 1100 Minnesota Senate Bldg.

Minutes

Present: Senator Bobby Joe Champion - **Chair**, Senator Zaynab Mohamed - **Vice Chair**, Senator Rich Draheim - **Ranking Minority Member**, Senator Heather Gustafson, Senator FOUNG Hawj, Senator Karin Housley, Senator Carla J. Nelson, Senator Susan Pha, Senator Eric R. Pratt

Absent: No Members Absent

Senator Bobby Joe Champion called the meeting to order at 12:35 PM

Call To Order

S.F. 365: Senator Boldon: Bridges to Healthcare appropriation

Testifiers:
Jinny Rietmann, Executive Director, Workforce Development, Inc. (VIRTUAL)
Ghislain Yamongbe, RN student, Riverland Community College (VIRTUAL).

S.F. 365 - Boldon: Bridges to Healthcare appropriation presentation begins at 12:42 PM by Senator Boldon and ends at 12:43 PM.

S.F. 365 - Boldon: Bridges to Healthcare appropriation presentation continues with a testimony by Jinny Rietmann, Executive Director, Workforce Development, Inc. starting at 12:44 PM and ending at 12:46 PM.

S.F. 365 - Boldon: Bridges to Healthcare appropriation presentation continues with a testimony by Ghislain Yamongbe, RN Student, Riverland Community College starting at 12:46 PM and ending at 12:48 PM.

Questions Begin at 12:48 PM and ends at 12:56 PM

Senator Champion laid over SF 365 for possible inclusion at 12:57 PM

Senator Champion moved that S.F. 365, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 582: Senator Jasinski: Greater Minnesota business development public infrastructure grant program appropriation

Testifiers:

Erik Simonson, Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities
Darielle Dannen, Greater Minnesota Partnership.

S.F. 582 - Jasinski: Greater Minnesota business development public infrastructure grant program appropriation presentation begins at 12:57 PM and ending at 12:58 PM.

S.F. 582 - Jasinski: Greater Minnesota business development public infrastructure grant program appropriation presentation continues with a testimony by Erik Simonson, Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities at 12:59 PM and ending at 1:01 PM.

S.F. 582 - Jasinski: Greater Minnesota business development public infrastructure grant program appropriation presentation continues with a testimony by Darielle Dannen, Greater Minnesota Partnership at 1:01 PM and ending at 1:03 PM.

Questions Begin at 1:03 PM and ends at 1:07 PM

Senator Champion laid over SF 582 for possible inclusion at 1:08 PM

Senator Champion moved that S.F. 582, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 221: Senator Draheim: High-wage, high-demand career prioritization in awarding competitive grants.

S.F. 221 - Draheim: High-wage, high-demand career prioritization in awarding competitive grants presentation begins at 1:09 PM and ending at 1:17 PM.

Questions Begin at 1:10 PM and ends at 1:16 PM

Senator Champion moved that S.F. 221, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 228: Senator Draheim: Workforce development fund appropriations modifications.

S.F. 228 - Draheim: Workforce development fund appropriations modifications presentation begins at 1:17 PM by Senator Draheim and ends at 1:20 PM.

Questions were asked throughout the presentation starting at 1:19 PM and ends at 1:20 PM

Senator Champion laid over SF 228 for possible inclusion.

Senator Champion moved that S.F. 228, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 229: Senator Draheim: Labor force participation rates included as an economic indictor provision.

S.F. 229 - Draheim: Labor force participation rates included as an economic indictor grant provision presentation begins at 1:20 PM by Senator Draheim and ends at 1:23 PM.

Questions were asked throughout the presentation starting at 1:23 PM and ends at 1:36 PM

Senator Champion laid over SF 229 for possible inclusion

Senator Champion moved that S.F. 229, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 237: Senator Draheim: Greater Minnesota business development public infrastructure grant program expansion

Testifier:

Erik Simonson, Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities.

S.F. 237 - Draheim: Greater Minnesota business development public infrastructure grant program expansion presentation begins at 1:37 PM by Senator Draheim and ends at 1:39 PM.

Questions were asked throughout the presentation starting at 1:39 PM and ends at 1:41 PM

S.F. 237 - Draheim: Greater Minnesota business development public infrastructure grant program appropriation presentation continues with a testimony by Erik Simonson, Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities at 1:42 PM and ending at 1:44 PM.

Senator Champion laid over SF 237 for possible inclusion

Senator Champion moved that S.F. 237, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

S.F. 304: Senator Lang: Minnesota Made Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) alternative grants appropriation

Testifiers:

Christian Keup-Griffin, CEO, Cellucomp

Chris Plotz, President, Cellucomp

Avonna Starck, State Director, Clean Water Action.

S.F. 304 - Lang: Minnesota Made Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) alternative grants appropriation presentation begins at 1:46 PM by Senator Lang and ends at 1:48 PM.

Senator Lang moves the A3 amendment. Senator Draheim offers the A3 amendment. The motion prevails, and the amendment is adopted. Oral amendment to add the word "Safer".

Questions were asked throughout the presentation starting at 1:48 PM and ends at 2:10 PM

S.F. 304 - Lang: Minnesota Made Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) alternative grants appropriation presentation continues with a testimony by Christian Keup-Griffin, CEO, Cellucomp starting at 1:54 PM and ending at 1:56 PM.

Questions resumed 2:15 PM and ending at 2:24 PM

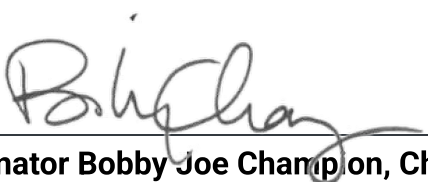
S.F 304 – Lang: Minnesota Made Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) alternative grants appropriation presentation continues with a testimony by Avonna Starck, State Director, Clean Water Action starting at 2:26 PM and ending at 2:28 PM.

Senator Draheim moves S.F 304 to the Agriculture Committee and the motion prevails.

Chair Senator Champion moves to adjourn the Jobs and Economic Development Committee at

Senator Champion moved that S.F. 304, be laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill. - **MOTION PREVAILED.**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:29 PM



Senator Bobby Joe Champion, Chair



Taylor Tidwell-Bennett, Legislative Assistant