

Minnesota State Senate

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

Minutes

Present: Senator Bobby Joe Champion, Senator Rich Draheim, Senator Heather Gustafson, Senator FOUNG Hawj, Senator Karin Housley, Senator Zaynab Mohamed, 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

Call To Order

DEED Hearing on UI Trust Fund

Testifier:

Evan Rowe, Deputy Commissioner, DEED

DEED Hearing on UI Trust Fund Begins at 12:31 ends at 12:53pm

Evan Rowe begins at 12:31 ends at 12:53pm

Questions begin at 12:53pm end at 1:29pm

S.F. 799: Senator Gustafson: Displaced homemaker programs appropriation

Testifiers:

Jean Keenan, Executive Director, Life-Work Planning Center (MFRP Provider)
Kimberly Pilgrim, Director, META-5 (MFRP Provider).

SF2570 Gustafson Begins at 1:29 ends at 12:31 pm

Jean Keenan begins at 1:31 ends at 1:33pm

Kimberly Pilgrim begins at 1:33 ends at 1:35pm

Questions begin at 1:35pm end at 1:40pm

Laid over for possible inclusion

S.F. 901: Senator Pratt: Grant appropriation to provide equine-experiential mental health therapy to first responders suffering from trauma and post-traumatic stress disorder

Testifiers:

Sally Jane Mixon, Founder/CEO, Abijah's On The Backside
Nick Jacobson,
Andrew Duerr, MN Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association
Mariam Egal.

SF901 Pratt Begins at 1:42 pm ends at 1:43pm

A1 Amendment adopted as amended

Sally Mixon, begins at 1:43 ends at 1:45pm

Nick Jacobson, begins at 1:45 ends at 1:46pm

Andrew Duerr, begins at 1:47 ends at 1:48pm

Mariam Egal, begins at 2:12 ends at 2:12pm

Questions begin at 1:48 pm end at 1:53 pm

Laid over for possible inclusion.

S.F. 922: Senator Hawj: Latino Economic Development Center grant appropriation

Testifier:

Alma Flores, Executive Director, Latino Economic Development Center.

SF922 Hawj Begins at 1:53 pm ends at 1:54pm

Alma Flores begins at 1:54 pm ends at 1:56pm

Questions begin at 1:56pm end at 2:00pm

Laid over as amended for possible inclusion.

S.F. 1079: Senator Mohamed: Jobs Foundation grant appropriation

Testifiers:

Heather Walch, CEO, Repowered
Shane Pierson, Work Readiness Trainee.

SF1079 Mohamed Begins at 2:00pm ends at 2:02pm

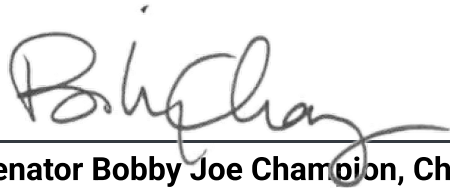
Heather Walch begins at 2:02pm ends at 2:04pm

Shane Pierson begins at 2:04pm ends at 2:06pm

Questions begin at 2:06pm end at 2:11pm

Laid over as amended for possible inclusion.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:13pm

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Senator Bobby Joe Champion, Chair

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Taylor Tidwell-Bennett, Legislative Assistant