



Minnesota Senate Jobs and Economic Growth Finance and Policy Committee

Wednesday, February 26, 2025

12:30pm

MSB 1100

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Agenda:

1. Call to Order

2. S.F1449 Putnam, Cannabis microbusinesses provisions modification

Testifiers:

- Electra Skrzydlewski, Director of Shared Ownership, Minnesota Consortium of Community Developers

3. S.F1632 Hauschild, Aspirus Lake View Hospital certified nursing assistant training grant appropriation

Testifiers:

- Greg Ruberg, President, Aspirus Lake View Hospital (Two Harbors)

4. S.F1666 Weber, Minnesota Strategic Industrial Development Enhancement tax credits establishment

Testifiers:

- Justin Bentaas, Mickelson & Company, LLC.
- Dave Fellon, Owner and President, Progressive Rail

5. S.F1458 Champion, Northside Boxing Club appropriation

Testifiers:

- Ryan Burnet, Founder and Executive Director, Northside Boxing Gym
- Phil Williams, Director of Operations and Head Coach, Northside Boxing Gym

6. S.F1459 Champion, Black Women's Wealth Alliance appropriation

Testifiers:

- Kenya McKnight Ahad, CEO & Founder, Black Women's Wealth Alliance
- Bianca Franks, BEE Pathways Student/Participant
- Crystal Williams, BEE Pathways Student/Participant
- Aisha Wadud, BEE Pathways Student/Participant
- Natalie Beazer, BEE Pathways Coach

7. S.F1459 Champion, Urban League Twin Cities appropriation

Testifiers:

- Marquita Stephens, President & CEO, Urban League Twin Cities
- Willie Williams, Urban League Participant

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8. S.F1673 Champion, West Broadway Business and Area Coalition grant appropriation

Testifiers:

- Kristel Porter, Executive Director, West Broadway Business & Area Coalition
- Edwin Huff, Youth Engagement Coach, Emerge
- Kyle Scott, Employee, US Bank West Broadway
- Ousman Camara, Owner, K's Afro Deli

9. Adjourned

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