

Education Finance Committee

MINUTES

Representative Kresha, Chair of the Education Finance Committee, began the meeting at 1:00PM, on March 13, 2025, in Room 120 of the Capitol Building. A quorum was present.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

KRESHA, Ron, Chair
BAKEBERG, Ben, Vice Chair
ALTENDORF, Pam
BAHNER, Kristin
BENNETT, Peggy
CLARDY, Mary Frances
DIPPEL, Tom
ENGEN, Elliot
GREENE, Julie
HILL, Josiah
HUDSON, Walter
JOHNSON, Pete
LEE, Liz
KNUDSEN, Krista
LAWRENCE, Bryan
MUELLER, Patricia
PEREZ-VEGA, Maria Isa
QUAM, Duane
REHM, Lucy
REHRAUER, Kari
RYMER, Max
SENCER-MURA, Samantha
VIRNIG, Bianca

Non-Voting Member Present:

YOUAKIM, Cheryl, Lead

Representative Mueller moved the minutes of March 11, 2025, be approved. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

HF846 (CLARDY) GRANTS TO INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICTS FOR REGISTERED SPECIAL EDUCATION APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS

Representative Clardy moved the bill before the committee.

Representative Clardy presented on HF846.

Presenters:

Marcy Doud, Superintendent, Intermediate School District 287
Alvin Chambers, Apprentice, Intermediate School District 287

Testifiers:

Kate Lynne Snyder, Education Minnesota
Megan Arriola, Legislative Policy Manager, Minnesota Department of Education

Chair Kresha laid over HF846 for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill or further consideration at a later date.

HF1538 (MUELLER) TEACHER APPRENTICESHIPS FUNDING

Representative Mueller moved that HF1538 be re-referred to the Workforce, Labor, and Economic Development Finance and Policy Committee.

Representative Mueller moved the DE2 amendment. **THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Representative Mueller presented on HF1538, as amended.

Presenters:

Sara Paul, Superintendent, North Branch School District
Tim MacMillan, School Board Chair, North Branch School District

Testifiers:

Gina Boots, BrightWorks Service Cooperative
Colleen Feller, BrightWorks Service Cooperative
Kate Lynne Snyder, Education Minnesota
Kellie Krick Oborn, Ph.D., University of St. Thomas
Erin Larsen, Director of Apprenticeship, Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry
Chris Picha, Director of Human Resources, Owatonna School District (Remote)
Danaya Franke, Director NXT GEN Teach, University of Minnesota (Remote)

Representative Mueller renewed the motion that HF1538, as amended, be re-referred to the Workforce, Labor, and Economic Development Finance and Policy Committee. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

HF1959 (MUELLER) TEACHER PREPARATION PROGRAM GRANT ELIGIBILITY MODIFIED

Representative Mueller moved the bill before the committee.

Representative Mueller presented on HF1959.

Testifiers:

Laura Mogelson, Legislative Liaison, MN Association of Colleges for Teacher Education
Meghna Sohoni, Teach Minnesota (Remote)

Chair Kresha laid over HF1959 for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill or further consideration at a later date.

Overview of Teacher Recruitment and Certification Programs:
Cristina Parra, Legislative Analyst, House Research Department

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45PM.



Representative Ron Kresha, Chair



Jynell Boulka, Committee Legislative Assistant