Early Childhood Finance and Policy Division

Representative Dave Pinto, Chair of the Early Childhood Finance and Policy Division, called the virtual meeting to order at 8:30 AM on March 15, 2022 pursuant to House Rule 10.01. The meeting was conducted over Zoom and broadcast via House Public Information Services.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

PINTO, Dave, Chair
PRYOR, Laurie, Vice Chair
FRANSON, Mary, Minority Lead
BENNETT, Peggy
BOLDON, Liz
DANIELS, Brian
DAVNIE, Jim
DEMUTH, Lisa
JURGENS, Tony
KOTYZA-WITTHUHN, Carlie
MORRISON, Kelly
WAZLAWIK, Ami
WOLGAMOTT, Dan

A quorum was present.

Vice-Chair Pryor moved the minutes of the committee meeting on March 10, 2022 be adopted. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF3861 (Boldon); Child care assistance eligibility and co-payment requirements modified.

Representative Boldon moved HF3861 to be laid over for possible inclusion in a Committee Omnibus bill.

Representative Boldon moved Amendment H3886A1. THE MOTION PREVAILED, THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

The following testified on HF3861, as amended:

Amanda Schillinger, Director, Pumpkin Patch Childcare and Learning Center Terress James, Parent

Chair Pinto laid HF3861, as amended, over for possible inclusion in a Committee Omnibus bill.

HF3981 (Koegel); Early childhood special education students made eligible for prekindergarten school breakfast reimbursement and English learner services, and money appropriated

Vice Chair Pryor moved HF3981 to be laid over for possible inclusion in a Committee Omnibus bill.

Vice Chair Pryor moved Amendment HF3981A2. THE MOTION PREVAILED, THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

The following testified on HF3981, as amended:

Megan Arriola, Legislative Coordinator, Minnesota Department of Education

Vice Chair Pryor withdrew her motion to lay over HF3981 for possible inclusion in a Committee Omnibus bill.

Vice Chair Pryor moved to refer HF3981, as amended, to the Committee on Education Finance.

The clerk took the roll.

AYES
PINTO, Dave, Chair
PRYOR, Laurie, Vice Chair
BOLDON, Liz
DAVNIE, Jim
JURGENS, Tony
KOTYZA-WITTHUHN, Carlie
MORRISON, Kelly
WAZLAWIK, Ami
WOLGAMOTT, Dan

NAYS FRANSON, Mary, Minority Lead BENNETT, Peggy DANIELS, Brian DEMUTH, Lisa

With a vote of 9 AYES, and 4 NAYS, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF3513 (Koegel); Child care worker premium assistance program created, and report required.

Vice Chair Pryor moved to refer HF3513 to the Committee on Health Finance & Policy.

The following testified on HF3513:

Becky Waytashek, Business Owner, Love and Learn Child Care Academy Charla Attarsaheli, Business Owner, Director, and CEO, Love and Learn Child Care Academy Karla Scapanski, Educator

Anna T. Burke, Government Affairs Manager, MNsure

Vice Chair Pryor renewed the motion to refer HF3513 to the Committee on Health Finance and Policy.

The clerk took the roll.

AYES
PINTO, Dave, Chair
PRYOR, Laurie, Vice Chair
BOLDON, Liz
DAVNIE, Jim
KOTYZA-WITTHUHN, Carlie
MORRISON, Kelly
WAZLAWIK, Ami
WOLGAMOTT, Dan

NAYS
FRANSON, Mary, Minority Lead
BENNETT, Peggy
DANIELS, Brian
DEMUTH, Lisa
JURGENS, Tony

With a vote of 8 AYES, and 5 NAYS, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF2231 (Pinto); Early childhood family education obsolete language removed

Vice Chair Pryor assumed the gavel at 9:37am.

Chair Pinto moved to refer HF2231 to the General Register.

Chair Pinto renewed his motion to refer HF2231 to the General Register.

The clerk took the roll.

AYES
PINTO, Dave, Chair
PRYOR, Laurie, Vice Chair
FRANSON, Mary, Minority Lead
BENNETT, Peggy
BOLDON, Liz
DANIELS, Brian
DAVNIE, Jim
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MORRISON, Kelly
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WOLGAMOTT, Dan

With a vote of 13 AYES, and 0 NAYS, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Chair Pinto reassumed the gavel at 9:40am.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40am.

Representative Dave Pinto, Chair

Hans Dosland, Committee Legislative Assistant