

Education Finance Committee

MINUTES

Representative Kresha, Chair of the Education Finance Committee, began the meeting at 1:00PM, on April 28, 2025, in Room 120 of the Capitol Building. A quorum was present.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

KRESHA, Ron, GOP Chair
YOUAKIM, Cheryl, DFL Chair
BAKEBERG, Ben, GOP Vice Chair
CLARDY, Mary Frances, DFL Vice Chair
ALTENDORF, Pam
BAHNER, Kristin
BENNETT, Peggy
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

Representative Bennett moved the minutes of April 11, 2025, be approved. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

HF 1388 (YOUAKIM) – BUILDING ASSETS, REDUCING RISKS CENTER FUNDING PROVIDED, AND MONEY APPROPRIATED.

Representative Youakim moved the bill before the committee.

Chair Kresha moved the DE2 amendment.

Overview of the DE2 Amendment:

Tim Strom, Research Analyst, House Research Department
Cristina Parra, Research Analyst, House Research Department
Solveig Beckel, Fiscal Analyst, House Fiscal Department

Testifiers:

Willie Jett, Commissioner, Department of Education
Annie Gibson, South Washington County Public Schools
Dr. Dan Ahlstrom, Heilicher Minneapolis Jewish Day School
Cathy Briggs, School Bus Driver, SEIU 284
Renee Warriner, Education Support Professional, Minneapolis Public Schools
William Schwandt, Education Support Professional, Bloomington Public Schools
Tim Benz, President, MINNDEPENDENT
Anita Davis, Principal, Holy Trinity Catholic School

Ericka Walz, Head of School, Ave Maria Academy
Mike Rogers, President, Risen Christ Catholic School
Catina Taylor, Education Support Professionals, Minneapolis Public Schools
Laura Mogelson, Legislative Liaison, Minnesota Association of Colleges for Teacher Education
Sarah Burt, Lobbyist, Education Minnesota
Matt Shaver, Senior Policy Director, EdAllies
Joey Cienian, Executive Director, Minnesota Association of Charter Schools
Denise Dittrich, Director of Government Relations, Minnesota School Board Association
Scott Croonquist, Executive Director, Association Metropolitan School Districts
Nicole Ave-Lallemant, Education Support Professionals, Minneapolis Public Schools (Remote)
Teresa Greniger, Special Education Paraprofessional, AFSCME Council 65 (Remote)
Amber Kneer, School District 917 (Remote)

Chair Kresha renewed the motion to adopt the DE2 amendment. **THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Representative Sencer-Mura moved the A1 amendment and requested a roll call.

The results are as follows:

AYES

YOUAKIM
CLARDY
BAHNER
GREENE
HILL
JOHNSON
LEE
PEREZ-VEGA
REHM
REHRAUER
SENCER-MURA
VIRNIG

NAYS

KRESHA
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DIPPEL
ENGEN
HUDSON
KNUDSEN
LAWRENCE
MUELLER
QUAM
RYMER

On a vote of 12 AYES and 12 NAYS, **THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.**

Chair Kresha laid over HF1388, as amended.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:46 AM.

Representative Ron Kresha, Chair

Jynell Boulka, Committee Legislative Assistant