

STATE OF MINNESOTA
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FIRST MEETING
94th SESSION

WORKFORCE, LABOR, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AND POLICY
COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Representative Baker, Chair of the Workforce, Labor and Economic Development Finance and Policy Committee, called the meeting to order at 8:15 AM on Tuesday February 11th, 2025, in the G3 Room of the Capitol.

Members present:

BAKER, Dave Chair
MEKELAND, Shane Vice-Chair
BAKEBERG, Ben
BERG, Kaela
FRAZIER, Cedrick
GREENMAN, Emma
HUSSEIN, Samakab
JOHNSON, Pete
JOHNSON, Wayne
KOZLOWSKI, Liish
MUELLER, Patricia
SCHULTZ, Isaac
ZELEZNIKAR, Natalie

Non-voting member present:

PINTO, Dave, Minority Lead

A quorum was present.

Introduction of Members and Staff

The committee heard testimony from the following departments.

Mr. Matt Varilek, Commissioner of DEED, Department of Employment and Economic Development.

Mr. Kevin McKinnon, Deputy Commissioner, Economic Development.

Mr. Evan Rowe, Deputy Commissioner of Workforce Services and Transportation.

Mr. Marc Majors, Deputy Commissioner of Workforce Development.

Ms. Nicole Blissenbach, Commissioner of the Department of Labor.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:02 AM


Representative Dave Baker, Chair


Ann C. Tepoorten, Committee Legislative Assistant