

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES FINANCE AND POLICY

MINUTES

Vice Chair Nelson, of the Children and Families Finance and Policy Committee, called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM. on February 25, 2025, in Room 123 of the State Capitol Building. A quorum was present.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

WEST, Nolan, Chair
NELSON, Nathan, Vice-Chair
KOTYZA-WITTHUHN, Carlie, Minority Lead
ALTENDORF, Pam
COULTER, Nathan
HANSON, Jessica
HEMMINGSEN-JAEGER, Amanda
HICKS, Kim
McDONALD, Joe
NADEAU, Danny
OLSON, Bjorn
PÉREZ-VEGA, Maria Isa
ZELEZNIKAR, Natalie

Non-Voting Member present:

SENCER-MURA, Samantha

Minority Lead Kotyza-Witthuhn moved the minutes of February 18, 2025, be approved. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF1247 (Nadeau) Commissioner of Children, Youth, and Families required to amend rules on teacher's aides.

Representative Nadeau moved HF1247 before the committee.

Vice Chair Nelson moved to adopt the HF1247 DE1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Testifiers:

Darielle Dannen, Contract Lobbyist, MCCA (Metropolitan Consortium of Community Developers).

Chair West assumed the gavel at 3:09 PM.

Jen Orth, Child Care owner, Hypointe.

Representative Nadeau moved that HF1247, as amended, be placed on the General Register. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF628 (Torkelson) Childcare staff qualification, staff ratio, and group size licensing standards modified.

Chair West moved HF628 before the committee.

Chair West moved to adopt the HF628 DE1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Testifiers:

Maria Harms, Owner and Operator, Snug as a Bug Childcare.
Alyssa Dotson, Deputy Inspector General, Department of Human Services.

Chair West laid over HF628, as amended.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 PM.



Representative Nolan West, Chair



Elizabeth Laukka, Committee Legislative Assistant