STATE OF MINNESOTA ELEVENTH MEETING
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES NINETY-FOURTH 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 8:36AM on Tuesday, March 5th, 2025, in the G3 Room of the Capitol.

Representative Mekeland moved the minutes for Tuesday, March 4th, 2025, to be approved. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

A Quorum was present.

Members present:

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

Non-voting member present:

PINTO, Dave, Minority Lead

Members Excused:
HUSSEIN, Samakab

The committee heard testimony from bill author, Representative Kristin Robbins, regarding H.F. 23- Whistleblower definitions provided and whistleblower protections for public employees modified.

The committee also heard testimony from Devin Bruce, Minnesota Association of Professional Employees.

Representative Frazier made a motion to refer H.F. 23 to the Judiciary Committee and requested a roll call. The result is as follows:

NAYS

BAKER, Dave
MEKELAND, Shane
BAKEBERG, Ben
JOHNSON, Wayne
MUELLER, Patricia
SCHULTZ, Isaac
ZELEZNIKAR, Natalie

AYES

BERG, Kayla
FRAZIER, Cedrick
GREENMAN, Emma
JOHNSON, Pete
KOZLOWSKI, Liish

On a vote of 7 NAYS and 5 AYES, the **MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL**.

Representative Greenman made a motion to refer H.F. 23 to the House Fraud Prevention and State Agency Oversight Policy Committee and requested a roll call. The result is as follows:

NAYS

BAKER, Dave
MEKELAND, Shane
BAKEBERG, Ben
JOHNSON, Wayne
MUELLER, Patricia
SCHULTZ, Isaac
ZELEZNIKAR, Natalie

AYES

BERG, Kayla
FRAZIER, Cedrick
GREENMAN, Emma
JOHNSON, Pete
KOZLOWSKI, Liish

On a vote of 7 NAYS and 5 AYES, the **MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL**

Chairman Dave Baker made a motion to refer bill H.F. 23 to the General Register and Representative Schultz requested a roll call. The result is as follows:

AYES

BAKER, Dave
MEKELAND, Shane
BAKEBERG, Ben
JOHNSON, Wayne
MUELLER, Patricia
SCHULTZ, Isaac
ZELEZNIKAR, Natalie

NAYS

BERG, Kayla
FRAZIER, Cedrick
GREENMAN, Emma
JOHNSON, Pete
KOZLOWSKI, Liish

On a vote of 7 AYES and 5 NAYS, the **MOTION PREVAILED.**

The committee heard a presentation and overview from the Nursing Home Workforce Standards Board, Executive Director, Leah Solo.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:04 AM.

Representative Dave Baker, Chair

Ann C. Tepoorten, Committee Legislative Assistant