

**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 24, 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 22, 2022 be adopted.  
THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Vice Chair Pryor assumed the gavel at 8:33am.

HF4228 (Pinto); Early childhood program supplemental funding provided, and money appropriated.

Chair Pinto moved HF4228 to be laid over for possible inclusion in a Committee Omnibus bill.

The following testified on HF4228:

- Heather Mueller, Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Education
- Adosh Unni, Director of Government Relations, Minnesota Department of Education
- Safia Khan, Assistant Commissioner and Chief of Staff, Minnesota Department of Corrections
- Bri Ostoff, Director of Community Education, Farmington Area Public Schools
- Sandy Simar, Director, Early Head Start and Head Start, Families First of Minnesota
- Vanessa Goodthunder, Director, Early Head Start and Head Start, Lower Sioux Indian Community
- Amy Walstien, Education Policy & Workforce Development Director, Minnesota Business Partnership
- Bobbie Burnham, Assistant Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Education

Vice Chair Pryor laid HF4228 over for possible inclusion in a Committee Omnibus bill.

HF4569 (Pinto); Modifying provisions governing child care assistance; making forecast adjustments; requiring reports; transferring money; making technical and conforming changes; allocating funds for a specific purpose; establishing certain grants; appropriating money.

HF4569 was heard informationally.

The following testified on HF4569:

- Tikki Brown, Assistant Commissioner, Children and Family Services, Minnesota Department of Human Services
- Cindi Yang, Director, Child Care Services, Minnesota Department of Human Services

The following presented a walk-through of HF4569:

Annie Mach, Legislative Analyst, Research Department, Minnesota House of Representatives

Chair Pinto reassumed the gavel at 9:25am.

HF3563 (Lillie); Minnesota Children's Museum grant authorized, and money appropriated

Vice Chair Pryor moved HF3563 to be laid over for possible inclusion in a Committee Omnibus bill.

The following testified in HF3563:

- The Honorable Leon Lillie, State Representative
- Brie Geurink, Vice President of Philanthropy, Minnesota Children's Museum

Chair Pinto laid HF3563 over for possible inclusion in a Committee Omnibus bill.

The meeting adjourned at 9:44am.

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Representative Dave Pinto, Chair

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Hans Dosland, Committee Legislative Assistant