

**INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
FINANCE & POLICY MINUTES**

Representative Gene Pelowski, Chair of the Committee on Industrial Education and Economic Development Finance and Policy, called the virtual meeting to order at 8:30 AM on February 24, 2021 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:**

Pelowski, Gene, Chair  
Sandell, Steve, Vice Chair  
Bierman, Robert  
Bliss, Matt  
Burkel, John  
Edelson, Heather  
Frazier, Cedrick  
Hamilton, Rod  
Lislegard, Dave  
McDonald, Joe  
Sandstede, Julie  
Sundin, Mike

**Members excused:**

Kiel, Debra, Republican Lead

A quorum was present.

Representative Sandell moved that the minutes of February 17, 2021, be adopted. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Chair Pelowski presented HF 444, a bill for an act relating to state disasters; restricting the definition of state-declared disasters to exclude civil unrest; amending Minnesota Statutes 2020, section 12B.15, subdivision 5.

Testifying:

- Joe Kelly, Director, Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division
- Eric Waage, Emergency Manager, Hennepin County
- Dewey Johnson, Emergency Manager, St. Louis County; President, Association of Minnesota Emergency Managers

The meeting was adjourned at 9:32 AM.

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Representative Gene Pelowski, Chair

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Tara Schaeffle, Committee Legislative Assistant