

STATE OF MINNESOTA FORTIETH
MN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES NINETY FIRST SESSION

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION
MINUTES

Representative Jim Davnie, Chair of the Education Finance Division, called the virtual meeting to order at 4:03pm on April 7, 2020 pursuant to House rule 10.01. The meeting is being broadcast via Zoom and House Public Information Services.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

DAVNIE, Jim
SANDSTEDE, Julie
KRESHA, Ron
BENNETT, Peggy
DANIELS, Brian
DETTMER, Bob
DEMUTH, Lisa
EDELSON, Heather
ERICKSON, Sondra
HUOT, John
JURGENS, Tony
KOTYZA-WITTHUHN, Carlie
KUNESH-PODEIN, Mary
MARQUART, Paul
MURPHY, Mary
NORNES, Bud
PRYOR, Laurie
RICHARDSON, Ruth
SANDELL, Steve
YOUAKIM, Cheryl

A quorum was present.

Informational hearing on HF 4415 DE 10.

HF 4415 DE 10 (Davnie) Provides for compensation for hourly school employees and allows entities that contract with schools to provide services to be reimbursed for paying their employees, for changes in school employment practices related to COVID-19 related school closures and the conversion to distance learning programs. The bill addresses school finance formula glitches resulting from the conversion to the distance learning model. The bill also creates and legislatively approves certain waivers of state law regarding assessments, graduation

and course requirements, and potential licensure issues faced by prospective and current teachers.

Testifiers:

Becky Hespen, Special Education Support Personnel, Park Center High School

Sarah Nichols, Paraprofessional, Roseville Public Schools

Tim Benz, President, Minnesota Independent School Forum

Holly Neitzke, Food Service Professional, Sartell Public Schools

Kate Schmidt, President, Dakota County United Educators

Gary Amoroso, Executive Director, Minnesota Association of School Administrators

Matthew Shaver, Middle School Science Teacher, Northeast College Prep

The meeting of the Education Finance Division was adjourned 5:23 pm.

Representative Jim Davnie, Chair

Brittney Sunderland, Committee Legislative Assistant