

EDUCATION POLICY MINUTES

Representative Laurie Pryor, Chair of the Committee on Education Policy, called the meeting to order at 3:01 PM on March 6, 2024 in the Basement Hearing Room of the State Office Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members Present:

PRYOR, Laurie, Chair
HILL, Josiah, Vice Chair
BENNETT, Peggy, Republican Lead
BAKEBERG, Ben
BERG, Kaela
FEIST, Sandra
FRAZIER, Cedrick
KEELER, Heather
KNUDSEN, Krista
LEE, Liz
MUELLER, Patricia
URDAHL, Dean
YOUAKIM, Cheryl

A quorum was present.

Representative Lee moved that the minutes from March 5, 2024, be approved. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF4512 (Berg); School counselor ratios recommended, and school counselor duties established.

Representative Berg moved that HF4512 be laid over for further consideration.

Representative Berg presented HF4512.

Testimony on HF4512:

- Keela Kuhlert, 2022 Minnesota School Counselor of the Year
- Calli Moreau, President-elect, Minnesota School Counselors Association
- Valerie Dosland, Director of Government Relations, Ewald Consulting

Chair Pryor renewed the motion that HF4512 be laid over for further consideration. The bill was laid over.

HF1220 (Clardy); World's best workforce performance measures modified

Vice Chair Hill moved that HF1220 be laid over for further consideration.

Representative Clardy presented HF1220.

Testimony on HF1220:

- Dr. Elaine Allensworth, Director, University of Chicago Consortium
- Mary Cathryn Ricker, Executive Director, Albert Shanker Institute
- Matt Shaver, Policy Director, EdAllies
- Scott Croonquist, Executive Director, Association of Metro School Districts

Chair Pryor renewed the motion that HF1220 be laid over for further consideration. The bill was laid over.

HF3660 (Robbins); Minnesota High School League required to provide coaches with eating disorder prevention education resources.

Representative Mueller moved that HF3660 be laid over for further consideration.

Representative Robbins presented HF3660 as amended.

Testimony on HF3660:

- Lisa Radzak, Executive Director, WithAll
- Roger Aronson, MN State High School League

Chair Pryor renewed the motion that HF3660 be laid over for further consideration. The bill was laid over.

Presentation by Minnesota Department of Education Presentation on Consistent Attendance and Chronic Absenteeism

- Ivy Wheeler, Director, Collaborative Minnesota Partnerships to Advance Student Success (COMPASS)

HF3827 (Keeler); Student attendance reporting required

Representative Keeler moved that HF3827 be re-referred to the committee on education finance.

Representative Keeler presented HF3827.

Testimony on HF3827:

- Tonya Draughn, Senior Organizer, National Parents Union
- Jacquie Thomas, Parent, Roseville
- Marea Perry, Parent, Minneapolis
- Jim Davnie, Executive Director, Minnesota Alliance with Youth
- Matt Shaver, Policy Director, EdAllies

- Roger Aronson, Legal and Legislative Counsel, Minnesota Elementary and Secondary Principal Associations

Representative Keeler renewed the motion that HF3827 be re-referred to the committee on education finance. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF3780 (Hicks); Special education; developmental adapted physical education assessment requirements modified, and report required.

Representative Feist moved that HF3780 be re-referred to the committee on education finance.

Representative Feist moved the H3780A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Hicks presented HF3780 as amended.

Testimony on HF3780 as amended:

- Maren Christenson Hofer, Executive Director, Multicultural Autism Action Network
- Dr. Justin Killian, Education Issues Specialist, Education Minnesota
- Nicole Mueller, Director of Special Education Secondary, Rochester Public Schools
- Melissa Stenke, Director of Special Education Birth-5th Grade, Rochester Public Schools

Representative Feist renewed the motion that HF3780 as amended be re-referred to the committee on education finance. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF4501 (Pryor); Obsolete language pertaining to personal learning plans stricken.

Chair Pryor moved that HF4501 be re-referred to the general register.

Chair Pryor presented HF4501

Chair Pryor renewed the motion that HF4501 as amended be re-referred to the general register. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 pm.

Representative Laurie Pryor, Chair

Isabel Anderson, Committee Legislative Assistant