

## HOUSE CHILDREN AND FAMILIES FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE

Chair: Representative Dave Pinto

Vice Chair: Representative Heather Keeler

Monday, November 13, 2023, 10:30 AM

Capitol Room 120

### Informational Hearing Agenda

#### I. Call to Order

#### II. Impact of 2023 Investments in Child Care and Early Learning

##### o Testifiers (Virtual):

- i. **Jessica Gilder**, Initiative Foundation, Little Falls
- ii. **Carson Starkey**, Parent, St. Paul
- iii. **Amy Swanson**, Parent, Minneapolis
- iv. **Tracey Hill**, Grandparent, Plymouth
- v. **Brittany Kjenaas**, Parent, Mountain Iron
- vi. **Shawntel Gruba**, Iron Range Tykes Learning Center
- vii. **Nicole Flick**, ABC123 Child Enrichment Center

##### o Testifiers (In Person):

- i. **Fenessa Robertson**, Child Care Center Director, Ramsey

#### III. Further Steps to Reduce Costs for Families

##### o The Cost of Child Care in Minnesota

- i. **Suzanne Pearl**, Minnesota Director, First Children's Finance

##### o Proposal for High Quality Affordable Child Care & Early Learning

- i. **Representative Carlie Kotyza-Witthuhn** (49B, DFL)
- ii. **Senator Grant Hauschild** (03, DFL)

#### IV. Adjournment

Agenda items may be added or changed