

**CHILDREN AND FAMILIES FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE**

Representative Dave Pinto, Chair of the Children and Families Finance and Policy Committee, called the meeting to order at 8:31 AM on January 24, 2023, in Room 200N of the State Office Building

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

**Members Present:**

PINTO, Dave (Chair)  
KEELER, Heather (Vice Chair)  
DANIELS, Brian (GOP Lead)  
BLISS, Matt  
COULTER, Nathan  
DAVIS, Ben  
HANSON, Jessica  
HEMMINGSSEN-JAEGER, Amanda  
HICKS, Kim  
HUDSON, Walter  
KOTZYA-WITTHUHN, Carlie  
LEE, Liz  
NELSON, Nathan  
PÉREZ-VEGA, Maria Isa  
ZELEZNIKAR, Natalie

A quorum was present.

Presentation by Minnesota Interagency Council on homelessness.

Presenting:

- Cathy Ten Broeke, Assistant Commissioner and Executive Director, Minnesota Interagency Council on Homelessness

Presentation by the Minnesota Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics (MNAAP) on youth homelessness.

Presenting:

- Dr. Janna Gerwitz-O'Brien, MNAAP

HF 444 (Keeler) relating to human services; modifying the Homeless Youth Act; appropriating money.

Vice Chair Keeler moved that HF 444 be recommended to pass and re-referred to the committee Ways and Means.

Vice Chair Keeler moved the HF444A3 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Vice Chair Keeler presented HF 444 as amended.

Testifying on HF 444:

- Beth Holger, CEO, The Link
- Katherine Meerse, Executive Director, Avenues for Youth
- Jacqueline White, Founder and Executive Direct, CloseKnit

Representative Keeler renewed the motion that HF 444 as amended be re-referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

The meeting adjourned at 10:05AM.

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Representative Dave Pinto, Chair

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Zehra Khan, Committee Legislative Assistant