

EDUCATION POLICY MINUTES

Representative Laurie Pryor, Chair of the Committee on Education Policy, called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM on March 12, 2024 in the Basement Hearing Room of the State Office Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members Present:

PRYOR, Laurie, 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

Members Excused:

HILL, Josiah, Vice Chair

A quorum was present.

Representative Keeler moved that the minutes from March 6, 2024, be approved. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF3542 (Norris); requiring a district to adopt a policy allowing space for mental health care.

Representative Keeler moved that HF3542 be laid over for further consideration.

Representative Keeler moved the H3542A2 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Norris presented HF3542 as amended.

Testimony on HF3542 as amended:

- Bryan Reynolds, Parent, Blaine

Chair Pryor renewed the motion that HF3542 as amended be laid over for further consideration. The bill as amended was laid over.

HF3803 (Norris); requiring stipends to be paid to student teachers.

Representative Berg moved that HF3803 be re-referred to the committee on education finance.

Representative Berg moved the H3803A2 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Norris presented HF3803 as amended.

Testimony on HF3803 as amended:

- Trinitey Bryant, Student, Minnesota State University - Mankato
- Laura Mogelson, Legislative Liaison, Minnesota Association of Colleges of Teacher Education
- Matt Shaver, Policy Director, EdAllies

Representative Berg renewed the motion that HF3803 as amended be re-referred to the committee on education finance. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF4581 (Feist); requesting the Minnesota School Boards Association to develop a model policy for cell phones in schools.

Representative Feist moved that HF4581 be laid over for further consideration.

Representative Feist moved the H4581A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Feist presented HF4581 as amended.

Testimony on HF4581 as amended:

- Amy Kujawski, Principal, St. Anthony Middle School
- Patrick Smith, Principal, Maple Grove Middle School

Chair Pryor renewed the motion that HF4581 as amended be laid over for further consideration. The bill as amended was laid over.

HF3372 (Clardy); increasing and indexing English learner program revenue; supporting innovative English learner programs; creating a statewide English learner parent and community advisory council; encouraging local advisory councils; establishing micro credentials for teachers and administrators of English learners; authorizing rulemaking; appropriating money.

Representative Frazier moved that HF3372 be re-referred to the committee on education finance.

Representative Frazier moved the H3372A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Clardy presented HF3372 as amended.

Testimony on HF3372 as amended:

- Dr. Rev Hillstrom, Senior Director of Research, Minnesota Education Equity Partnership
- Nan Yurecko, Coordinator, Race Equity Training Center
- Irma Maquez Trapero, Executive Director, LatinoLEAD
- Michelle Higgins, Executive Director, Rebuilding the Village
- Zeke Jackson, Executive Director, People for PSEO
- Khulia Pringle, State Director, National Parents Union
- Leiatua Dr. Jon Peterson, Senior Policy Fellow, Minnesota Education Equity Partnership

Chair Pryor moved that HF3372 as amended be laid over for further consideration. The bill as amended was laid over.

Representative Youakim assumed the gavel at 4:19 pm.

HF4611 (Pryor); directing the commissioner of education to amend rules relating to regional libraries.

Chair Pryor moved that HF4611 be laid over for further consideration.

Chair Pryor moved the H4611DE1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Chair Pryor presented HF4611 as amended.

Testimony on HF4611 as amended:

- Laurie Halverson, Commissioner, Metropolitan Library Service Agency
- Margaret Stone, Director, Dakota County Library
- Jodi Grebinoski, President, Minnesota Library Association
- Megan Arriola, Legislative Coordinator, Minnesota Department of Education

Chair Pryor renewed the motion that HF4611 as amended be laid over for further consideration. The bill as amended was laid over.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:34 pm.

Representative Laurie Pryor, Chair

Isabel Anderson, Committee Legislative Assistant