

WORKFORCE, LABOR, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AND POLICY
COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Representative Baker, Chair of the Workforce, Labor, and Economic Development Finance and Policy Committee, called the meeting to order at 8:15AM, on April 9th, 2026, in Room G3 of the State Capitol Building. A quorum was present.

Members present:

BAKER, Dave Co-Chair
PINTO, Dave Co-Chair
MEKELAND, Shane Vice-Chair
GREENMAN, Emma Vice-Chair
BAKEBERG, Ben
BERG, Kaela
FRAZIER, Cedrick
HUSSEIN, Samakab
JOHNSON, Pete
JOHNSON, Wayne
KOZLOWSKI, Liish
MUELLER, Patricia
ZELEZNIKAR, Natalie
SCHULTZ, Isaac

Members excused:

Vice Chair Mekeland moved the minutes of April 8^h, 2026 be approved. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

HF3217 (Kresha) Payments to bio industrial facilities funding provided, and money appropriated.

Chair Baker moved HF3217 before the committee.

Chair Baker moved to adopt the H3217A1 amendment. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

Testifiers:

Brendan Jordan, Vice President Transportation and Fuels, Great Plains Institute
Brian Werner, Executive Director, Minnesota Biofuels Association

Chair Baker laid over HF3217, as amended.

HF2252 (Anderson) Annual volume cap allocations and allocation procedure for public facility projects funded by public facility bonds modified.

Chair Baker moved HF2252 before the committee.

Testifiers:

Lucas Sjostrom, Executive Director, Minnesota Milk
Paul Donna, Managing Director, DA Davidson
Brian Werner, Executive Director, Minnesota Biofuels Association

Co-Chair Pinto moved that HF2252 be re-referred, without recommendation, to the committee on Capital Investment. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

Department of Employment and Economic Development presentation on 2025 Promise Act grant program report.

Presenters:

Kevin McKinnon, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Employment and Economic Development

The meeting was adjourned at 9:58AM.

Representative Baker, Chair

Noah LaSalvia, Committee Legislative Assistant