Education Finance Division Chair Davnie Vice Chair Sandstede March 8, 2022 Remote Hearing

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of the minutes from Thursday, March 3rd, 2022.
- III. Presentation from the Office of the Legislative Auditor on their findings and recommendations related to MDE's role in addressing the achievement gap.
 - Judy Randall, Legislative Auditor, Office of the Legislative Auditor
 - Sarah Delacueva, Evaluation Coordinator, Office of the Legislative Auditor

Testimony from the MN Department of Education

- Heather Mueller, Commissioner, MN Department of Education
- IV. HF 3434 (Frazier) Ethnic studies requirement created, Ethnic Studies Task Force created, rulemaking authorized, report required, and money appropriated.

Discussion & action taken on A2 Amendment.

- Michelle Chang, Lead Organizer, Coalition of Asian American Leaders
- James Alexander Robinson, Ph.D, Assistant Professor of Black Studies, Metropolitan State University
- Walter D. Greason, Ph.D., Historian Black Studies Professor at Macalester
- Sylvia De Shazo, Student, Southwest High School
- Gao Zong Her, Student, North High School
- Tiffany Godínez, Student, Worthington High School
- Natalia A. Benjamin, Ethnic Studies Teacher, Rochester High School, MN Teacher of the Year
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- Peter Rachleff, Ph.D., Co-Executive Director, East Side Freedom Library, Emeritus Professor of History, Macalester College

Public Testimony

• Adosh Unni, Government Relations, MN Department of Education

Lay over for possible inclusion by 11:55 am

V. Adjournment