

**WORKFORCE, LABOR, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AND POLICY
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Representative Dave Pinto, Chair of the Committee on Workforce, Labor, and Economic Development Finance and Policy, called the meeting to order at 8:16 A.M. on, Wednesday, February 25, 2026, in Room G3 of the State Capitol Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members Present:

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

A quorum was present.

Chair Baker moved that the minutes of February 24, 2026, be approved. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Presentation from the Minnesota State Demographic Center and Explore Minnesota.

Presenting:

- Dr. Susan Brower, Minnesota State Demographer
- Lauren Bennett McGinty, Executive Director, Explore Minnesota

HF 3004 (Hussein) Funding provided to create a centralized digital platform to provide youth with information about workforce opportunities, report required, and money appropriated.

Representative Hussein moved HF 3004 before the committee.

Representative Hussein moved the H3004A3 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Hussein presented HF 3004 as amended,

Testifying on HF 3004 as amended:

- Samia Mohamed
- Maitreya Reeder
- Khaliq Rogers, Executive Director, Catalyst for Systems Change
- Joe Nathan, Director Emeritus, Catalyst for Systems Change

Chair Pinto laid over HF 3004 as amended for possible inclusion in future omnibus bill.

HF 3663 (Jones) State Building Code; funding provided for competitive grants to assist municipalities with streamlining State Energy Code compliance report required, and money appropriated.