

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES FINANCE AND POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Representative Dave Pinto, Chair of the Children and Families Finance and Policy Committee, called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM on February 21, 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)
COULTER, Nathan
DAVIS, Ben
HANSON, Jessica
HEMMINGSSEN-JAEGER, Amanda
HICKS, Kim
HUDSON, Walter
KOTYZA-WITTHUHN, Carlie
LEE, Liz
NELSON, Nathan
PÉREZ-VEGA, Maria Isa
ZELEZNIKAR, Natalie

Members Excused:

BLISS, Matt

A quorum was present.

Representative Hudson moved that the minutes from February 16, 2023 be approved. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 466 (Noor) Income reporting requirements modified for Minnesota family investment program.

Representative Kotyza-Witthuhn moved to bring HF 466 before the committee.

Rep. Kotyza-Witthuhn moved the DE3 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Noor presented HF 466 as amended.

Testifying on HF 466:

- Jessica Webster, Staff Attorney, Mid-Minnesota Legal Aid
- Jeff Lunde, Commissioner, Hennepin County District 1
- Elana Gravitz, Manager of Policy and Process Improvement, Hennepin County
- Tina Rucci, Advocacy Manager, Greater Twin Cities United Way
- Megan Jekot, Advocacy & Civic Engagement Program Manager, St. Paul Promise Neighborhood
- Ryan Johnson, Legislative and Policy Lead, Department of Human Services

Chair Pinto laid over HF 466 as amended.

HF 1478 (Hanson) Family assets for independence program modified, and money appropriated.

Representative Hanson moved to bring HF 1478 before the committee.

Representative Hanson moved the A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Representative Hanson presented HF 1478 as amended.

Testifying on HF 1478:

- Annie Shapiro, Advocacy Director, Minnesota Community Action Partnership
- Roxanny Armendariz, Financial Counselor, Neighborhood Development Alliance
- Rhonda Otteson, Executive Director, Minnesota Coalition for the Homeless

Chair Pinto laid over HF 1478 as amended.

Representative Hanson assumed the gavel at 9:33 AM.

HF 238 (Pinto) Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP) general citizenship requirements modified.

Chair Pinto moved to bring HF 238 before the committee.

Representative Pinto presented HF 238.

Testifying on HF 238:

- Kathy Santamaria Mendez, Law School Student, Mitchell Hamline School of Law
- Jessica Webster, Staff Attorney, Legal Aid
- Dr. Bruce Corrie, Economist, Concordia University-St. Paul
- Veena Iyer, Executive Director, Immigrant Law Center of Minnesota

Chair Pinto laid over HF 238.

The meeting adjourned at 9:46 AM.

Representative Dave Pinto, Chair

Zehra Khan, Committee Legislative Assistant