# **CHILDREN & FAMILIES FINANCE & POLICY COMMITTEE**

Chair Representative Dave Pinto Thursday, March 7, 2024 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM State Office Building Room 200

#### AGENDA

## 1. Call to Order

## 2. Approval of Minutes

a. Tuesday, March 5, 2024

#### 3. Presentation: Vision on Child Welfare Technology

- a. Alex Mentes, SSIS Manager, Minnesota Department of Human Services
- b. Patricia Harrelson, Manager, Minnesota Prairie County Alliance, Co-Chair Minnesota Association of county Social Service Administrators (MACSSA), Children's Committee
- c. Laurie York, Executive Director, White Earth Nation

### 4. HF4425 (Hemmingsen-Jaeger) Home day care restrictions prohibited.

- a. Thomas Leonzal, Family Child Care Provider, Woodbury, MN
- 5. HF3856 (Hanson, J.) Notice requirements for foster children receiving benefits modified.
  - a. Nikki Beasley, Executive Director, Foster Advocates
- 6. HF 3671 (Pinto) Definition of child in need of protection or services modified.
  - a. Caelyn Steele, Campaign Lead, Legal Rights Center
  - b. Sarah Davis, Director, Children & Families Division, Hennepin County Attorney's Office
- 7. HF 4406 (Clardy) READ Act expanded to include early childhood education, professional development provided, curriculum revised, and money appropriated.
  - a. Ericca Maas, Policy and Advocacy Director, Think Small
  - b. Julia Quanrud, CEO, ServeMinnesota
- 8. Adjournment

Agenda items may be changed or added.