Legislative Task Force on Child Protection

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Agenda:

1. **Call to Order**

2. **Overview- Youth Interventions Working Group Report**
    Testifiers:
    - Jeffery (Jeff) Lunde, Hennepin County Commissioner – District
    - Mary Ellen Heng, Hennepin County, Acting Director Department of Community Corrections & Rehabilitation, Working Group on Youth Interventions - Program Director

3. **Overview- Relative Caregiver/Kinship Working Group Report & Fiscal Analysis Update**
    Testifiers:
    - Joanna Woolman, Professor of Law, Mitchell Hamline School of Law
    - Marina Nitze, Fellow, New America's New Practice Lab
    - Susannah Barnes, Executive Director, Evolve
    - Amanda Whitting, Community Licensor, Evolve Family Services
    - Zhanae Curry, Relative Community Member

4. **Presentation- Foster Advocates**
    Testifiers:
    - Ariana Chamoun, Interim Executive Director, Foster Advocates
    - Mariah Southwick, Foster Advocates
    - Ayan Ali, Foster Advocates

5. **Presentation- Chapin Hill: Community Based Resources and Prevention Efforts**
    Testifiers:
    - Yasmin Grewal-Kök, Policy Fellows, Chapin Hall
    - Clare Anderson, Senior Policy Fellow, Chapin Hall

6. **Presentation- Family Resource Centers**
    Testifiers:
    - Angie Thies, Child Wellbeing Policy Analyst, Association of Minnesota Counties

- Barb Weckman Brekke, Scott County Commissioner
- Emma Mogendorf, Senior Program Officer, Sauer Family Foundation

7. Adjournment