

STATE OF MINNESOTA
LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE ON CHILD PROTECTION
NINETY-THIRD SESSION

Representative Dave Pinto, Co-Chair of the Legislative Task Force on Child Protection, called the meeting to order at 1:01 PM on July 24, 2024, in Room G-3 of the Minnesota State Capitol.

Members Present:

PINTO, Dave (Co-Chair)
CHAMPION, Bobby Joe (Co-Chair)
HOFFMAN, John (Vice Co-Chair)
HANSON, Jessica
HOUSLEY, Karin
KRESHA, Ron
KREUN, Michael
MATTHEWS, Andrew
MAYE QUADE, Erin
MUELLER, Patricia

Members Excused:

HASSAN, Hodan (Vice Co-Chair)
KNUDSEN, Krista

Presentation titled “Overview of 2024 New Funding and Laws”.

Presenting:

- Sarah Sunderman, Legislative Analyst, House Research
- Doug Berg, Fiscal Analyst, House Fiscal Analysis Department

Presentation titled “Supreme Court Council on Child Protection”.

Presenting:

- Chair Pinto

Presentation titled “Implementation of 2024 New Funding and Laws”.

Presenting:

- Marvin Davis, Deputy Director, Child Safety and Permanency, Department of Children, Youth and Families
- Jennifer Sommerfeld, Government Relations Director, Department of Children, Youth and Families

Chair Pinto recessed the task force at 1:45pm

Chair Pinto reconvened the task force at 1:57pm

Presentation titled “Relative Foster Care Licensing”.

Presenting:

- Joanna Woolman, J.D.

Presentation titled “Implementation of African American Family Preservation and Child Welfare Disproportionality Act (AAFPA)”.

Presenting:

- Kwesi Booker, Director of Children and Family Services, Hennepin County
- Sophia Thompson, Director of Social Services, Ramsey County
- Alex Cleveland, Co-Deputy Director of Children and Family Services, Hennepin County
- Marvin Davis, Deputy Director, Child Safety and Permanency, Department of Children, Youth and Families

Presentation titled “Updates to Social Services Information System (SSIS)”.

Presenting:

- Marvin Davis, Deputy Director, Child Safety and Permanency, Department of Children, Youth and Families
- Anne Broskoff, Director of Human Services, Brown County, Association of Minnesota Counties

Presentation titled “Implementation of Age of Delinquency Change”.

Presenting:

- Nicole Kern, Director of Community Corrections, Morrison County, Minnesota Association of Community Corrections Act Counties (MACCAC)
- Erin Johnson, Assistant County Attorney, Washington County
- Jennifer Sommerfeld, Government Relations Director, Department of Children, Youth, and Families
- Marvin Davis, Deputy Director, Child Safety and Permanency, Department of Children, Youth and Families

Presentation titled “Study: “Financial Incentives for Adoption & Kin Guardianship Improve Achievement for Foster Children””.

Presenting:

- Aaron Sojourner, Labor Economist, E.W. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research

The meeting adjourned at 4:07pm.