

**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE
DEVELOPMENT**

May 6, 2025
08:00 AM

Hearing Room C

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Zach Hudson, Chair
Rep. Lisa Fragala, Vice-Chair
Rep. Darin Harbick, Vice-Chair
Rep. Sarah Finger McDonald
Rep. Lesly Muñoz
Rep. Boomer Wright
Rep. Dwayne Yunker

STAFF PRESENT: Ellen O'Brien, LPRO Analyst
William Best, Committee Assistant

EXHIBITS: Exhibits from this meeting are available [here](#)

MEASURES/ISSUES: Adult Reconnect Programs – Informational Meeting
SB 784 A – Work Session
SB 798 – Work Session

00:00:05 Meeting Called to Order
00:00:06 Chair Hudson

00:00:54 **Adult Reconnect Programs - Informational Meeting**

00:00:55 Chair Hudson

00:01:04 Elizabeth Cox Brand, Director, Student Success Center, Oregon
Community College Association

00:10:35 Audrey J. Jaeger, W. Dallas Herring Distinguished Professor, Community
College Education, North Carolina State University; Executive Director,
Belk Center for Community College Leadership and Research

00:19:18 Sarah A. Deal, Director, Research, Belk Center for Community College
Leadership and Research; Adjunct Assistant Professor

00:29:47 Rep. Finger McDonald

00:31:59 Vice-Chair Fragala

00:34:04 Rep. Wright

00:43:29 Rep. Muñoz

00:49:26 **SB 784 A - Work Session**

00:49:27 Chair Hudson

00:49:33 Ellen O'Brien, LPRO Analyst

00:49:58 Rep. Finger McDonald

00:51:09 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR FRAGALA MOVES SB 784 A DO PASS
00:51:25 VOTE: 6-1-0
AYE: MUÑOZ, WRIGHT, YUNKER, FRAGALA, HARBICK, HUDSON
NAY: FINGER MCDONALD
CARRIER: REP. B. LEVY

00:52:00 **SB 798 - Work Session**

00:52:01 Chair Hudson

00:52:06 Ellen O'Brien, LPRO Analyst

00:52:29 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR FRAGALA MOVES SB 798 DO PASS

00:52:50 VOTE: 7-0-0

AYE: FINGER MCDONALD, MUÑOZ, WRIGHT, YUNKER, FRAGALA,
HARBICK, HUDSON

CARRIER: REP. SKARLATOS

00:54:09 Meeting Adjourned