

JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
SUBCOMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

March 3, 2025
01:00 PM

Hearing Room H-174

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sen. Janeen Sollman, Co-Chair
Sen. Lew Frederick
Sen. Suzanne Weber

Rep. Ricki Ruiz, Co-Chair
Rep. Susan McLain
Rep. Hoa Nguyen
Rep. Boomer Wright
Rep. Dwayne Yunker

STAFF PRESENT:

Wendy Gibson, Legislative Fiscal Office
Lizzie Lohrer, Committee Assistant

EXHIBITS:

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

00:00:28 [Meeting Called to Order](#)
00:00:29 Representative Ruiz, Presiding Co-Chair
00:00:41 Wendy Gibson, Legislative Fiscal Office

00:01:08 [SB 5514 - Department of Early Learning and Care](#)
00:01:28 Mike Streepey, Chief Financial Office, Department of Administrative Services
00:09:06 Co-Chair Ruiz
00:09:09 Sen. Weber
00:09:15 Mr. Streepey
00:10:03 Sen. Weber
00:10:06 Mr. Streepey
00:10:31 Co-Chair Ruiz
00:10:54 Alyssa Chatterjee, Director, Department of Early Learning and Care
00:11:06 Cooper Brown, Deputy Director of Operations, Department of Early Learning and Care
00:11:20 Ms. Chatterjee
00:27:18 Co-Chair Ruiz
00:27:42 Rep. Wright
00:28:04 Ms. Chatterjee

00:29:06 Mr. Brown
00:34:50 Co-Chair Sollman
00:35:23 Mr. Brown
00:37:52 Co-Chair Ruiz
00:38:01 Ms. Chatterjee
00:41:27 Rep. McLain
00:41:55 Ms. Chatterjee
00:42:57 Rep. Wright
00:43:13 Ms. Chatterjee
00:44:26 Linnea Wittekind, Budget Services Director, Department of Early Learning and Care
00:48:41 Co-Chair Sollman
00:49:15 Ms. Wittekind
00:49:34 Co-Chair Sollman
00:49:56 Ms. Wittekind
00:50:35 Co-Chair Sollman
00:50:58 Ms. Wittekind
00:51:40 Alicia Gardiner, Child Care Licensing Division Director, Department of Early Learning and Care
00:58:13 Sen. Frederick
00:58:34 Ms. Gardiner
00:59:42 Sen. Frederick
00:59:57 Ms. Gardiner
01:00:37 Sen. Frederick
01:01:09 Ms. Gardiner
01:02:27 Sen. Frederick
01:02:30 Co-Chair Ruiz
01:02:44 Rep. Wright
01:02:53 Ms. Gardiner
01:04:04 Co-Chair Ruiz
01:04:14 Ms. Gardiner
01:06:31 Sen. Weber
01:06:51 Ms. Gardiner
01:08:13 Sen. Weber
01:08:36 Ms. Gardiner
01:15:25 Co-Chair Sollman
01:16:02 Ms. Gardiner
01:16:46 Co-Chair Sollman
01:17:24 Ms. Gardiner
01:18:12 Co-Chair Sollman
01:19:00 Ms. Gardiner
01:19:42 Co-Chair Ruiz
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01:24:12 [Meeting Adjourned](#)