



**Interim Joint Committee on Economic Development and
Workforce Investment
Meeting 5 Agenda
Thursday, October 15, 2026
9:00 AM ET / 8:00 AM CT
Annex Room 149**



1. Call to Order and Roll Call

2. Approval of Minutes of September 17, 2026 Meeting

**3. The Economic Multiplier: Quantifying the Impact of Eliminating the UI
Waiting Period**

Chad Mills, Director

Kentucky State Building and Construction Trades Council

Erik Elzy, Executive Director of Government Relations

Kentucky Pipe Trades

Jerald Adkins, Lobbyist

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**4. The Economic Consequences of Current Wage Laws for Public Construction
in Kentucky**

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Frank Manzo IV, Economist

Midwest Economic Policy Institute

**5. Preserving Kentucky's Businesses, Jobs, and Communities through Employee
Ownership**

Tami Wilson, Vice President of Government Relations and Business Advocacy
Northern Kentucky Chamber

Representative Stephanie Dietz
House District 65

Julien Rosenbloom, Senior Associate
Lafayette Square Institute

Norman Desmarais, CEO and Co-Founder
Tier 1 Performance Solutions

6. Adjournment