The following list shows the jurisdiction of each standing committee of the Senate, as shown by the state agencies, confirmations, and other laws over which the committee has jurisdiction. This list will be used as the primary basis for making bill referrals on introduction. Where a bill deals with issues under the jurisdiction of more than one committee, it will normally be referred first to the committee of primary concern, from which it may be referred to additional committees.

No list can dictate the proper committee of first reference for all bills, especially bills dealing with complex or sensitive issues of public policy. Questions about references should normally be worked out between the author and the affected committee chairs, in consultation with the President and the Chairman of the Committee on Rules and Administration as necessary. A Rule 4 objection can be made when consultation fails to resolve the disagreement.
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**Commerce Committee**

The Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection has jurisdiction over all bills relating to banking, insurance, securities, consumer financial services, and liquor.

**State Agencies**

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Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association (MCHA)  
Minnesota Insurance Guaranty Association  
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School Trust Lands Director
Minnesota State Academies Board – 9 members
Perpich Center for Arts Education Board – 15 members
School Administrators, Board of – 10 members
Teaching, Board of – 11 members

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Legislative – Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources – 5 members
Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council – 4 members
Pollution Control Agency – Commissioner and 8 other members
Public Utilities Commission – 5 members
Water and Soil Resources Board – Chair

Other Laws

Low-Income Home Energy Assistance
Mosquito Abatement
Off-Highway Vehicles
Oil Overcharge Money
Reinvest in Minnesota
Tax-Forfeited Lands
Finance Committee

The Committee on Finance has jurisdiction over all bills appropriating money, obligating the state to expend money, or establishing a policy requiring the expenditure of money.

Outdoor Heritage Fund
Clean Water Fund
Parks and Trails Fund
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Health, Human Services and Housing Committee

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Commissioner of Health
Commissioner of Housing Finance
Commissioner of Human Services

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Housing Finance Agency – 6 members
Minnesota Insurance Marketplace – 6 members

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Social Services:
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  -Adoption
  -Family Preservation
  -Child Protection/Abuse
Tobacco Sales
Transitional Housing
Vital Statistics
Higher Education and Workforce Development Committee

The Committee on Higher Education and Workforce Development has jurisdiction over all bills relating to higher education.

State Agencies

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Minnesota Office of Higher Education – Commissioner
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, Board of Trustees – 15 members
Jobs, Agriculture and Rural Development Committee

The Committee on Jobs, Agriculture and Rural Development has jurisdiction over all bills relating to employment, economic growth, fair labor standards, minimum wage, workers’ compensation, occupational safety and health, unemployment compensation, and telecommunications. The committee also has jurisdiction over bills relating to agriculture, rural development, and pet animals.

State Agencies

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Employment and Economic Development, Department of 116J.01
Labor and Industry, Department of 175.001

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Commissioner of Agriculture
Commissioner of Employment and Economic Development
Commissioner of Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation
Commissioner of Labor and Industry
Commissioner of Mediation Services

Animal Health, Board of – 5 Members
Electricity, Board of – 11 members
High Pressure Piping Systems, Board of – 12 members
Plumbing Board – 12 members
Rural Finance Authority – 6 Members

Workers’ Compensation Court of Appeals – 5 judges

Destination Medical Center Corporation – 4 members

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Amusement Rides
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Economic Development Authorities
Elevators
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Farm Loss Modification
Food Shelves
Formaldehyde Pollution
Industrial Development Revenue Bonds
Minimum Wage
Neighborhood Revitalization
Pet Animals
Pipefitters
Port Authorities
Rent Control
Tax Exempt Financing
Judiciary Committee

The Judiciary Committee has jurisdiction over all bills relating to the judiciary, human rights, family law, property law, remedies, crime prevention, law enforcement, criminal justice, and corrections.

State Agencies

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Court of Appeals  Const. VI
District Court  Const. VI
Supreme Court  Const. VI
Tax Court  271.01

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Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, Department of Public Safety  299C.01
Corrections, Department of  241.01

Crime Victims Reparations Board  611A.55
Drug Policy and Violence Prevention Office, Department of Public Safety  299A.292
Emergency Management Division of Department of Public Safety  12.04
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Human Rights, Department of  363A.05
Judicial Standards, Board on  490A.01
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Commissioner of Corrections
Commissioner of Human Rights
Commissioner of Public Safety
Judicial Standards, Board on – 6 members

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Attorneys and the Practice of Law
Child Abuse
Cigarette Fire Safety
Civil Procedure and Evidence
Commitment
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Eminent Domain
Equal Rights
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-Domestic Abuse
-Grandparent and Third-Party Visitation
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   - Government Data Practices
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Probate
Property Interests
Remedies
Revisor’s Bills
Tort Liability (including the state and municipalities)
Uniform Commercial Code
Vulnerable Adult Reporting
Rules and Administration Committee

The Committee on Rules and Administration has jurisdiction over all proposals to amend the Senate rules, questions relating to referral of bills and resolutions, and over Senate employees, supplies, equipment, office spaces, and the Senate budget.

State Agencies

Legislative Coordinating Commission 3.303
Rules Committee
Elections Subcommittee

The Subcommittee on Elections of the Committee on Rules and Administration has jurisdiction over all bills relating to elections, ethical practices for public officials, campaign financing, and redistricting seats in Congress, the Legislature, or the Metropolitan Council.

State Agencies

Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board

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Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board
State and Local Government Committee

The State and Local Government Committee has jurisdiction over all bills creating a new state agency, substantially changing the organization of a current state agency, or transferring duties from one state agency to another. The committee also has jurisdiction over bills relating to state administrative services, state administrative rulemaking procedures, state employee compensation, public employee labor relations, pensions and retirement, gambling, lotteries, pari-mutuel wagering, the structure of the Legislature, veterans, and military affairs. The committee also has jurisdiction over all bills relating to the powers of local and metropolitan governmental units.

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Commissioner of Administration
Commissioner of Veterans Affairs

Arts, Board of the – 11 members
Gambling Control Board - Director
Gambling Control Board - 7 members
Metropolitan Council - Chair and 16 members
Office of Administrative Hearings – Chief Administrative Law Judge
Office of Enterprise Technology - Chief Information Officer
Racing Commission - 9 members
State Lottery – Director
Other Laws

Administrative Procedure Act
Affirmative Action in State Agencies
Airport Noise
Comparable Worth for Public Employees
Hospital Districts
Legal Newspapers
Metropolitan Airports
Open Meeting Law
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# Tax Committee

The Committee on Taxes has jurisdiction over all bills relating to taxes and aid to local governments.

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- Commissioner of Revenue
- Tax Court – 3 Judges

**Other Laws**

- Budget Reserve
- Fiscal Disparities
Transportation and Public Safety Committee

The Committee on Transportation has jurisdiction over all bills relating to transportation.

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Capitol Complex Security, Department of Public Safety 299E.01
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Pipeline Safety Office, Department of Public Safety 299J.03
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Other Laws

Driver and Vehicle Licensing
Disability Parking
Gasoline Taxes
Motor Vehicle Sales Tax
Outdoor Advertising
Pipelines
School Buses
Traffic Laws
Senate Budget Division Jurisdictions – 2016

Environment and Energy
Board of Water and Soil Resources
Environmental Quality Board
Pollution Control Agency
Department of Commerce:
- Energy Resources
- Petrofund
- Petroleum Tank Release
  Compensation Board
Public Utilities Commission

E-12 Education
Dept. of Education
- Minnesota Children’s Museum
  Faribault Academies
  Center for Arts Education

Health & Human Services
Dept. of Human Services
Dept. of Health
Health-Related Boards
Emergency Medical Services Board
  Council on Disability
Ombudsman for Mental Health
Ombudsperson for Families
MNsure

Higher Education
and Workforce Development
MnSCU
U of M
Mayo Medical School
Office of Higher Ed.
Higher Educ. Facilities Authority

Judiciary
Supreme Court
Court of Appeals
District Courts
State Guardian Ad Litem Board
Judicial Standards Board
Tax Court
Board of Public Defense
Uniform Laws Commission
POST Board
Private Detective Board
Dept. of Corrections
Sentencing Guidelines Comm.
Dept. of Human Rights

Department of Public Safety:
- BCA
- Emergency Management
- Fire Marshal
- Alcohol and Gambling Enforcement
- Office of Justice Programs
- 911/ARMER

Natural Resources, Economic
Development & Agriculture
Minnesota Zoo
Metropolitan Parks
Dept. of Natural Resources
MN Conservation Corps
Science Museum
LCCMR
Dept. of Commerce:
- Financial Institutions
- Administrative Services
- Telecommunications
- Enforcement and Market Assurance
- Insurance
- Weights and Measures

Dept. of Employment & Econ. Dev.
  Public Facilities Authority
Explore Minnesota Tourism
IRRRB
Housing Finance Agency
Dept. of Labor & Industry
Bureau of Mediation Services
Workers’ Comp. Court of Appeals

Dept. of Agriculture
Board of Animal Health
Horticultural Society
Ag. Utilization Research Inst.

State Departments and Veterans
Legislature
Governor & Lt. Governor
Attorney General
State Auditor
Secretary of State
Camp. Fin. & Pub. Disclosure Board
Investment Board
Administrative Hearings Office
Dept. of Administration
Office of Enterprise Technology
CAAPB

Minnesota Management and Budget
Dept. of Revenue
Gambling Control Board
Racing Commission
State Lottery
Amateur Sports Commission
Council on Black Minnesotans
Council on Chicano/Latino Affairs
Council on Asian Pacific MNs
Indian Affairs Council
Tort Claims
Retirement Accounts
General Contingent Accounts
Dept. of Military Affairs
Dept. of Veterans Affairs
Veterans of Foreign Wars
Military Order of Purple Heart
Disabled American Veterans

Non-Health Related Boards
Historical Society
Arts Board
Public Broadcasting
Humanities Commission

Transportation and Public Safety
Dept. of Transportation
Metropolitan Council Transit
Trunk Highway Contingent
Trunk Highway Tort Claims

Department of Public Safety:
- Administrative Services
- Capitol Security
- Driver and Vehicle Services
- Pipeline Services
- State Patrol
- Traffic Safety