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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The Committee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Housing Policy has jurisdiction over all bills relating to agriculture, rural development, pet animals, and housing.

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Agriculture Chemical Response Compensation Board
Agricultural and Economic Development Board
Animal Health, Board of
Broadband Development Office, Department of Agriculture
Employment and Economic Development
Housing Finance Agency
Veterinary Medicine, Board of
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Area One Potato Council
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Minnesota Egg Research and Promotion Council
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Soybeans Research and Promotion Council
Turkey Research and Promotion Council
Wheat Research and Promotion Council
Agricultural Utilization Research Institute
Organic Advisory Task Force
Passing on the Farm Center
Rural Policy and Development Center
State Agriculture Society
State Horticulture Society

Confirmations

Commissioner of Agriculture
Commissioner of Housing Finance
Animal Health, Board of – 5 Members
Housing Finance Agency – 6 members
Rural Finance Authority – 6 Members

Other Laws

Corporate Farming Law
County Fairs
Drainage
Ethanol Development
Farm Credit
Farm Land
Farm Loss Modification
Food Shelves
Manufactured Housing
Pet Animals
Rent Control
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Capital Investment Committee

The Committee on Capital Investment has jurisdiction over all bills appropriating money for the acquisition and betterment of public lands and buildings, and other public improvements of a capital nature, whether from the proceeds of the state general obligation bonds, the general fund, or any other operating fund.
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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45.012

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62E.10

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61B.21

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Commissioner of Commerce

Other Laws

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Consumer Protection
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Motor Vehicle Sales
Real Estate Brokers
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Weights and Measures
The Committee on Education has jurisdiction over all bills relating to education, children, and libraries, except bills relating to higher education or childcare.

State Agencies

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Confirmations

Commissioner of Education

School Trust Lands Director
Minnesota State Academies Board – 9 members
Perpich Center for Arts Education Board – 15 members
Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board – 11 members
School Administrators, Board of – 10 members

Other Laws

Child Abuse Victim Services
Children’s Museum
Community Services
Public Libraries
Energy and Utilities Finance and Policy Committee

The Committee on Energy and Utilities Finance and Policy has jurisdiction over all bills relating to energy, public utilities, and telecommunications.

State Agencies

Energy and Telecommunication Division, Department of Commerce 216C
Legislative Energy Commission 3.8851
Public Utilities Commission 216A.03

Other Laws

Cable Communications
Low-Income Home Energy Assistance
Environment and Natural Resources Policy and Legacy Finance Committee

The Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Policy and Legacy Finance has jurisdiction over all bills relating to the environment or the state’s natural resources.

State Agencies

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Pollution Control Agency 116.02

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Land Exchange Board 94.341; Const. XI 10
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Petroleum Tank Release Compensation Board 115C.07
Water and Soil Resources, Board of 103B.101

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Small Business Air Quality Compliance Advisory Council 116.99
Water Supply Systems and Wastewater Treatment Facilities Advisory Council 115.741
Voyageurs National Park Council Ch. 84B

Facility Siting Policy Development Committee 116C.842
Great Lakes Commission 1.21
Iron Range Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Area Local Advisory Committee Laws 1996, Ch. 407, Sec. 32

Minnesota Resources, Legislative-Citizen Commission on (LCCMR) 116P.05

South Dakota-Minnesota Boundary Waters Commission 103B.451
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Watershed Districts, Advisory Committee 103D.331
Confirmations

Commissioner of Natural Resources
Clean Water Council – 19 members
Environmental Quality Board – 5 members
Legislative – Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources – 5 members
Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council – 4 members
Pollution Control Agency – Commissioner
Water and Soil Resources Board – Chair

Other laws

Mosquito Abatement Off-
Highway Vehicles Oil
Overcharge Money
Reinvest in Minnesota Tax-
Forfeited Lands
Family Care and Aging Care Policy Committee

The Committee on Family Care and Aging Policy has jurisdiction over bills relating to the affordability and accessibility of child care, leave from work for family care purposes, long-term care, and substantially affecting the lives of the elderly population of this state.

State Agencies

Aging, Board on 256.975
Examiners for Nursing Home Administrators, Board of 144A.19
Ombudsman for Long-Term Care 256.974 – 256.9744

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Child Care Rates and Licensing
Elderly Waiver
Family Leave
Health Care Bill of Rights
Housing with Services Establishments Registration
Long-Term Care for the Elderly
Nursing Facility Property Rates
Nursing Facility Rates
Nursing Homes
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.

Confirmations

Commissioner of Management and Budget

Other Laws

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The Committee on Health and Human Services Finance and Policy has jurisdiction over all bills relating to health care and human services.

State Agencies

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Confirmations

Commissioner of Health
Commissioner of Human Services

Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board – 12 members
MNsure – 6 members

Other Laws

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Health Care Data Collection & Research Initiatives
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Lead/Asbestos
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Safe Drinking Water Act
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Vital Statistics
Higher Education Finance and Policy Committee

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

State Agencies

Office of Higher Education 136A.01
University of Minnesota Ch. 137
Mayo Medical School
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities 136F.01
Midwestern Higher Education Commission 135A.21
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MnSCU Board of Trustees Candidate Advisory Council 136F.03
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Student Advisory Council 136A.031, subd. 3
University of Minnesota Board of Regents Const. XIII, 3

Confirmations

Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority – 8 members
Minnesota Office of Higher Education – Commissioner
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, Board of Trustees – 15 members
The Committee on Human Services Reform Finance and Policy has jurisdiction over all bills relating to human services.

State Agencies

Regional Treatment Center Review Boards 253B.22
(One for each Regional Treatment Center)

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Ombudsman for Families

Other Laws

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Social Services:
- Foster Care
- Adoption
- Family Preservation
- Child Protection/Abuse
## Jobs and Economic Growth Finance and Policy Committee

The Committee on Jobs and Economic Growth Finance and Policy has jurisdiction over all bills relating to employment, economic growth, fair labor standards, minimum wage, workers’ compensation, occupational safety and health, workforce development, and unemployment compensation.

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- Commissioner of Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation
Commissioner of Labor and Industry
Commissioner of Mediation Services

Electricity, Board of – 11 members
High Pressure Piping Systems, Board of – 12 members
Plumbing Board – 12 members

Workers’ Compensation Court of Appeals – 5 judges

Destination Medical Center Corporation – 4 members

Other Laws

Allocating Bond Authority (except Housing Bond Allocating Authority)
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Industrial Development Revenue Bonds
Minimum Wage
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Port Authorities
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Judiciary and Public Safety Finance and Policy 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.

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Commissioner of Corrections
Commissioner of Human Rights
Commissioner of Public Safety
Judicial Standards, Board on – 6 members

Other Laws
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Civil Procedure and Evidence
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Dram Shop
Driving (or flying, hunting or boating) While Intoxicated
Eminent Domain
Equal Rights
Family Law:
-Child Support, Custody, and Parenting Rights
-Domestic Abuse
-Grandparent and Third-Party Visitation
-Marriage and Marriage Dissolution
Flag Desecration
Gun Control
Juvenile Law:
-Child Protection
-Delinquency
-Foster Care
-Juvenile Court Records
-Parental Rights
Human Rights
Landlord-Tenant
Liens
Living Wills and Health Care Directives
Mortgages
Notaries Public
Pornography
Privacy:
- Government Data Practices
- Information Policy
Probate
Property Interests
Remedies
Revisor’s Bills
Tort Liability (including the state and municipalities)
Uniform Commercial Code
Vulnerable Adult Reporting
Local Government Committee

The Committee on Local Government has jurisdiction over all bills relating to the powers of local and metropolitan government units.

State Agencies

St. Anthony Falls Heritage Board 138.763
Legislative Commission on Metropolitan Government 3.8841
Metropolitan Airports Commission 473.603, 473.604
Metropolitan Mosquito Control Commission 473.702
Metropolitan Parks and Open Space Commission 473.303
Metropolitan Sports Facilities Commission 473.553
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Metropolitan Council 473.123

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Metropolitan Council - Chair and 16 members

Other Laws

Airport Noise
Hospital Districts
Legal Newspapers
Metropolitan Airports
Open Meeting Law
Planning and Zoning
Special Service Taxing Districts
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
The Committee on State Government Finance and Policy and Elections 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, and the structure of the Legislature.

The Committee also 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.

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**Commissioner of Administration**

- Arts, Board of the – 11 members
- Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board
- Gambling Control Board - Director
- Gambling Control Board - 7 members

**Office of Administrative Hearings – Chief Administrative Law Judge**

- MN.IT Services - Chief Information Officer
- Racing Commission - 9 members
- State Lottery – Director

### Other Laws

- Administrative Procedure Act
- Affirmative Action in State Agencies
- Comparable Worth for Public Employees
- Public Broadcasting
- Public Employment Labor Relations Act
**Taxes Committee**

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

**State Agencies**

- Assessors, Board of 270.41
- Equalization, State Board of 270.12
- Revenue, Department of 270C.02
- Tax Court 271.01
- Legislative Commission on Planning and Fiscal Policy 3.885

**Confirmations**

- Commissioner of Revenue
- Tax Court – 3 Judges

**Other Laws**

- Fiscal Disparities
Transportation Finance and Policy Committee

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

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