

## FIFTEENTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

St. Paul, Minnesota, Thursday, March 27, 2025

The Senate met at 11:00 a.m. and was called to order by the President.

## CALL OF THE SENATE

Senator Pappas imposed a call of the Senate. The Sergeant at Arms was instructed to bring in the absent members.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Lt. Col. Randall Polsley.

The members of the Senate gave the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

The roll was called, and the following Senators were present:

Abeler	Drazkowski	Johnson	Marty	Putnam
Anderson	Farnsworth	Johnson Stewart	Mathews	Rarick
Bahr	Fateh	Klein	Maye Quade	Rasmusson
Boldon	Frentz	Koran	McEwen	Rest
Carlson	Green	Kreun	Miller	Seeberger
Champion	Gruenhagen	Kunesh	Mitchell	Utke
Clark	Gustafson	Kupec	Mohamed	Weber
Coleman	Hauschild	Lang	Murphy	Wesenberg
Cwodzinski	Hawj	Latz	Nelson	Westlin
Dahms	Hoffman	Lieske	Oumou Verbeten	Westrom
Dibble	Housley	Limmer	Pappas	Wiklund
Dornink	Howe	Lucero	Pha	Xiong
Draheim	Jasinski	Mann	Port	

The President declared a quorum present.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journal, as printed and corrected, was approved.

## EXECUTIVE AND OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received.

March 24, 2025

The Honorable Bobby Joe Champion  
President of the Senate

Dear Senator Champion:

The Subcommittee on Committees met on March 24, 2025, and by appropriate action made the following appointments:

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes

114D.30: Clean Water Council - Senator Hoffman to serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority.

116L.03: Minnesota Job Skills Partnership Board - Brad Meier to serve a term until January 1, 2029.

Sincerely,  
Erin Murphy  
Chair, Subcommittee on Committees  
Senate District 64

March 25, 2025

The Honorable Bobby Joe Champion  
President of the Senate

Dear Senator Champion:

As the Senate Majority Leader, I hereby make the following appointment:

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes

16B.357: Minnesota Advisory Council on Infrastructure - Lyndon Robjent to serve a term until March 25, 2029.

Sincerely,  
Erin Murphy  
Senate Majority Leader

March 25, 2025

The Honorable Bobby Joe Champion  
President of the Senate

Dear Senator Champion:

As the Senate Majority Leader, I hereby make the following appointment:

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes

124D.385: Minnesota Commission on National and Community Service - Senator Nelson to serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority.

Sincerely,  
Erin Murphy  
Senate Majority Leader

**MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE**

Mr. President:

I have the honor to announce the adoption by the House of the following Senate Concurrent Resolution, herewith returned:

**Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 5:** A Senate concurrent resolution relating to adjournment for more than three days.

Patrick Duffy Murphy, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Returned March 24, 2025

Mr. President:

I have the honor to announce the passage by the House of the following House Files, herewith transmitted: H.F. Nos. 247, 1014, and 1330.

Patrick Duffy Murphy, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Transmitted March 24, 2025

**FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS**

The following bills were read the first time.

**H.F. No. 247:** A bill for an act relating to weights and measures; modifying requirements for sales and storage of nonoxygenated motor sports racing gasoline; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 239.791, subdivision 11.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

**H.F. No. 1014:** A bill for an act relating to commerce; allowing the board of directors of the Minnesota Insurance Guarantee Association to request financial information from insureds; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60C.09, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration for comparison with S.F. No. 1758, now on General Orders.

**H.F. No. 1330:** A bill for an act relating to commerce; updating gasoline specifications; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 41A.09, subdivision 2a; 239.761, subdivisions 3, 4, 5, 6; 296A.01, subdivisions 20, 23, 24.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Veterans, Broadband, and Rural Development.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

Senator Murphy moved that the Committee Reports at the Desk be now adopted. The motion prevailed.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety, to which was referred**

**H.F. No. 747:** A bill for an act relating to business organizations; modifying the Minnesota Business Corporation Act; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 302A.011, subdivision 41, by adding subdivisions; 302A.111, subdivision 2; 302A.161, by adding a subdivision; 302A.181, by adding a subdivision; 302A.201, subdivision 1; 302A.237, by adding a subdivision; 302A.361; 302A.461, subdivision 4; 302A.471, subdivisions 1, 3; 302A.611, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 302A.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass. Report adopted.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 1690:** A bill for an act relating to environment; establishing stewardship program for circuit boards, batteries, and electrical products; prohibiting mercury in batteries; authorizing rulemaking; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 115.071, subdivision 1; 115A.121; 115A.554; 116.92, subdivision 6, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 115A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 115A.1310, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 12a, 12b, 12c, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20; 115A.1312; 115A.1314; 115A.1316; 115A.1318; 115A.1320; 115A.1322; 115A.1323; 115A.1324; 115A.1326; 115A.1328; 115A.1330; 115A.9155; 115A.9157, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9; 115A.961, subdivisions 1, 2, 3; 325E.125; 325E.1251.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection. Report adopted.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 1575:** A bill for an act relating to agriculture; establishing the biofertilizer water preservation pilot program; requiring a report; appropriating money.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 2, line 25, delete "Any documentation" and insert "Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 13.591, data"

Page 2, line 29, delete "particular grantee" and insert "farmer"

And when so amended the bill be re-referred to the Committee on State and Local Government without recommendation. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 1840:** A bill for an act relating to agriculture; establishing a grant program to promote certain nutrient management practices; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 17.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 3, line 12, before "Information" insert "Notwithstanding section 13.599,"

Page 3, line 16, after the comma, insert "and private data on individuals, as defined in section 13.02, subdivision 12,"

Page 3, line 17, after "nonpublic" insert "or private data"

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Veterans, Broadband, and Rural Development. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Cwodzinski from the Committee on Education Policy, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2565:** A bill for an act relating to education; providing for a civic seal designation for high school students; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 120B.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 2, line 10, after "must" insert "work with the Minnesota Civic Education Coalition to"

Page 2, line 14, after "(b)" insert "The commissioner must review and approve the criteria and guidelines by July 31, 2026."

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Education Finance. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Cwodzinski from the Committee on Education Policy, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2019:** A bill for an act relating to education finance; increasing award amounts of innovative service-learning grants; appropriating money; amending Laws 2023, chapter 55, article 2, section 59.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Education Finance. Report adopted.

**Senator Cwodzinski from the Committee on Education Policy, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2412:** A bill for an act relating to education; modifying requirements for charter school boards of directors and charter school chief administrators; requiring all local officials and charter school officials to file statements of economic interest; including charter school officials in the public official gift ban; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 10A.071, subdivision 1; 10A.09, subdivision 1; 124E.03, by adding a subdivision; 124E.07, subdivisions 2, 3, 5.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 3, line 3, delete "The board members must reside in Minnesota."

Page 3, lines 7 and 8, reinstate the stricken language

Page 4, line 11, after "member" insert ", who is paid for serving on the charter school board,"

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Elections. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Cwodzinski from the Committee on Education Policy, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2882:** A bill for an act relating to education; defining attendance; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 120A.22, subdivision 13.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 120A.22, subdivision 12, is amended to read:

Subd. 12. **Legitimate exemptions.** (a) A parent, guardian, or other person having control of a child may apply to a school district to have the child excused from attendance for the whole or any part of the time school is in session during any school year. Application may be made to ~~any member of the board,~~ a truant officer, a or the school official designated by the principal, ~~or the superintendent.~~ The school district may state in its school attendance policy that it may ask the student's parent or legal guardian to verify in writing the reason for the child's absence from school. A note from a physician or a licensed mental health professional stating that the child cannot attend school is a valid excuse. The board of the district in which the child resides may approve the application upon the following being demonstrated to the satisfaction of that board:

(1) that the child's physical or mental health is such as to prevent attendance at school or application to study for the period required, which includes:

(i) child illness, medical, dental, orthodontic, or counseling appointments, including appointments conducted through telehealth;

(ii) family emergencies;

(iii) the death or serious illness or funeral of an immediate family member;

(iv) active duty in any military branch of the United States;

(v) the child has a condition that requires ongoing treatment for a mental health diagnosis; or

(vi) other exemptions included in the district's school attendance policy;

(2) that the child has already completed state and district standards required for graduation from high school; or

(3) that it is the wish of the parent, guardian, or other person having control of the child that the child attend, for a period or periods not exceeding in the aggregate three hours in any week, instruction conducted by a Tribal spiritual or cultural advisor, or a school for religious instruction conducted and maintained by a church, or association of churches, or any Sunday school association incorporated under the laws of this state, or any auxiliary thereof. This instruction must be conducted and maintained in a place other than a public school building, and it must not, in whole or in part, be

conducted and maintained at public expense. A child may be absent from school on days that the child attends upon instruction according to this clause.

(b) Notwithstanding subdivision 6, paragraph (a), a parent may withdraw a child from an all-day, every day kindergarten program and put their child in a half-day program, if offered, or an alternate-day program without being truant. A school board must excuse a kindergarten child from a part of a school day at the request of the child's parent.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 120A.22, subdivision 13, is amended to read:

Subd. 13. **Issuing and Reporting excuses attendance.** (a) A student is counted as in attendance on each day that a school employee is paid to supervise or provide services to the student.

(b) The clerk or any authorized officer of the board principal must issue and keep a record of such excuses, under such rules as the board may from time to time establish.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2025.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 120A.24, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Reports to the state or county.** (a) A superintendent must make an annual report to the commissioner of education by December 1 of the total number of nonpublic children reported as residing in the district. The report must include the following information:

(1) the number of children residing in the district attending nonpublic schools or receiving instruction from persons or institutions other than a public school;

(2) the number of children in clause (1) who are in compliance with section 120A.22 and this section; and

(3) the number of children in clause (1) who the superintendent has determined are not in compliance with section 120A.22 and this section.

(b) No later than 15 school days after the beginning of each academic term, a school principal must report to the superintendent a list of names and last known addresses of all students who were enrolled in the school for the previous term, are not enrolled in the school for the current term, and were otherwise eligible for enrollment, unless the school has been notified that the student has enrolled in another school. The superintendent must immediately make the list received from the principal available to an authorized representative of a county agency whose statutory purpose is to enroll students in school.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 120B.305, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Reporting requirements.** (a) Reporting of state assessment results must:

(1) provide timely, useful, and understandable information on the performance of individual students, schools, school districts, and the state;

(2) include a growth indicator of student achievement; and

(3) determine whether students have met the state's academic standards.

(b) The commissioner must ensure that for annual computer-adaptive assessments:

(1) individual student performance data and achievement reports are available within three school days of when students take an assessment except in a year when an assessment reflects new performance standards;

(2) growth information is available for each student from the student's first assessment to each proximate assessment using a constant measurement scale;

(3) parents, teachers, and school administrators are able to use elementary and middle school student performance data to project students' secondary and postsecondary achievement; and

(4) useful diagnostic information about areas of students' academic strengths and weaknesses is available to teachers and school administrators for improving student instruction and indicating the specific skills and concepts that should be introduced and developed for students at given performance levels, organized by strands within subject areas, and aligned to state academic standards.

(c) The commissioner, in consultation with the chancellor of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, must establish empirically derived benchmarks on the high school tests that reveal a trajectory toward career and college readiness consistent with section 136F.302, subdivision 1a. The commissioner must disseminate to the public the computer-adaptive assessments and high school test results upon receiving those results.

(d) A school, school district, or charter school may provide a student's parent access to the student's individual student performance data and achievement report that is made available under paragraph (b), clause (1), when the performance data and report is available to the school, school district, or charter school.

(e) An individual student report of state assessment results must include the number and percent of days the student was absent from school the previous school year.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2025.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 126C.05, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

**Subd. 8. Average daily membership.** (a) Membership for pupils in grades kindergarten through 12 and for prekindergarten pupils with disabilities shall mean the number of pupils on the current roll of the school, counted from the date of entry until withdrawal. The date of withdrawal shall mean the day the pupil permanently leaves the school or the date it is officially known that the pupil has left or has been legally excused. However, a pupil, regardless of age, who has been absent from school for 15 consecutive school days during the regular school year or for five consecutive school days during summer school or intersession classes of flexible school year programs without receiving instruction in the home or hospital shall be dropped from the roll and classified as withdrawn. Nothing in this section shall be construed as waiving the compulsory attendance provisions cited in section 120A.22. Average daily membership equals the sum for all pupils of the number of days of the school year each pupil is enrolled in the district's schools divided by the number of days the schools are in session or are providing e-learning days due to inclement weather. Days of summer



school or intersession classes of flexible school year programs are only included in the computation of membership for pupils with a disability not appropriately served primarily in the regular classroom. A student must not be counted as more than 1.2 pupils in average daily membership under this section and section 126C.10, subdivision 2a, paragraph (c). When the initial total average daily membership exceeds 1.2 for a pupil enrolled in more than one school district during the fiscal year, each district's average daily membership must be reduced proportionately.

(b) A student must not be counted as more than one pupil in average daily membership except for purposes of section 126C.10, subdivision 2a.

(c) A school district must notify the local welfare agency of any student dropped from its roll under paragraph (a) for unexcused absences exceeding 15 consecutive school days. The notice to the local welfare agency must include the student's most recent contact information on file with the school. The school must also send an email, letter, or otherwise contact the child's family to encourage the child to reenroll in the school's programming.

(d) The local welfare agency must inform the school if it is unable to contact the student or student's family. If the local welfare agency is unable to contact the student or student's family, the district must notify the Department of Education that the student has been dropped from the roll, and that the local welfare agency is unable to contact the student or student's family. The notice to the department must include the student's most recent contact information on file with the school.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2025.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 126C.05, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

**Subd. 21. Department of Education to encourage reenrollment.** Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, once a school district has notified the Department of Education that a child has been removed from the attendance roll under subdivision 8, paragraph (d), the department becomes responsible for reenrolling the child. The department must notify the family of a child who has been unenrolled from school under subdivision 8 of county and community resources to support the student's reenrollment in school. The department must also notify the family of the child's right to reenroll in the child's school and of other accessible educational opportunities that may be available to the child. The department may work with county attorneys and other parties under chapter 260A to reenroll the child in school.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2025.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 260C.163, subdivision 11, is amended to read:

**Subd. 11. Presumptions regarding truancy or educational neglect.** (a) A child's absence from school is presumed to be due to the parent's, guardian's, or custodian's failure to comply with compulsory instruction laws if the child is under ~~12~~ 16 years old and the school has made appropriate efforts to resolve the child's attendance problems; this presumption may be rebutted based on a showing by clear and convincing evidence that the child is habitually truant. A child's absence from school without lawful excuse, when the child is ~~12~~ 16 years old or older, is presumed to be due to the child's intent to be absent from school; this presumption may be rebutted based on a showing by clear and convincing evidence that the child's absence is due to the failure of the child's parent, guardian, or custodian to comply with compulsory instruction laws, sections 120A.22 and 120A.24.

(b) Consistent with section 125A.091, subdivision 5, a parent's refusal to provide the parent's child with sympathomimetic medications does not constitute educational neglect."

Delete the title and insert:

"A bill for an act relating to education; defining attendance; providing for reenrollment of students; amending presumptions regarding children in need of protective services or educational neglect; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 120A.22, subdivisions 12, 13; 120A.24, subdivision 4; 120B.305, subdivision 2; 126C.05, subdivision 8, by adding a subdivision; 260C.163, subdivision 11."

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Education Finance. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Hoffman from the Committee on Human Services, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2628:** A bill for an act relating to direct care and treatment; modifying county cost of care provisions; modifying required admission timelines; requiring a report; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 246.54, subdivisions 1a, 1b; 246C.07, by adding a subdivision; 253B.10, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 253B.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 7, after line 20, insert:

**"Sec. 8. DIRECTION FOR LIMITED EXCEPTION FOR ADMISSIONS FROM HOSPITAL SETTINGS.**

(a) The commissioner of human services or a designee must immediately approve an exception to add up to ten patients per fiscal year who have been civilly committed and are in hospital settings to the admission waitlist for medically appropriate direct care and treatment beds under Minnesota Statutes, section 253B.10, subdivision 1, paragraph (b).

(b) The Direct Care and Treatment executive board is subject to the requirement under paragraph (a) on and after the transfer of duties on July 1, 2025, from the commissioner of human services to the executive board under Minnesota Statutes, section 246C.04.

(c) This section expires June 30, 2027.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment."

Renumber the sections in sequence

And when so amended the bill be re-referred to the Committee on State and Local Government without recommendation. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Hoffman from the Committee on Human Services, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2750:** A bill for an act relating to human services; correcting terminology related to nursing facility payment rates; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 256R.38; 256R.40, subdivision 5.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 2, delete section 2

Amend the title numbers accordingly

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Hoffman from the Committee on Human Services, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 1918:** A bill for an act relating to health; modifying consent to electronic monitoring requirements; modifying provisions related to retaliation in nursing homes and assisted living facilities; expanding membership and duties of the home care and assisted living program advisory council; modifying the hospice bill of rights; prohibiting required binding arbitration agreements in assisted living contracts; modifying medication management requirements; modifying authority of health care agents to restrict visitation and communication; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 144.6502, subdivision 3; 144.6512, subdivision 3, by adding a subdivision; 144A.04, by adding a subdivision; 144A.474, subdivision 11; 144A.4799, subdivisions 1, 3; 144A.751, subdivision 1; 144G.08, by adding a subdivision; 144G.31, subdivision 8; 144G.51; 144G.71, subdivisions 3, 5; 144G.92, by adding a subdivision; 145C.07, by adding a subdivision; 145C.10.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 6, line 11, delete "a" and insert "an annual" and after "fins" insert "assessed and" and after "collected" insert a comma

Page 6, delete section 6 and insert:

"Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 144A.4799, is amended to read:

**144A.4799 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH LICENSED HOME CARE PROVIDER AND ASSISTED LIVING ADVISORY COUNCIL.**

Subdivision 1. **Membership.** The commissioner of health shall appoint ~~13~~ 14 persons to a home care and assisted living ~~program~~ advisory council consisting of the following:

(1) ~~two~~ four public members as defined in section 214.02 ~~who shall be persons who are currently receiving home care services, persons who have received home care services within five years of the application date, persons who have family members receiving home care services, or persons who have family members who have received home care services within five years of the application date,~~ one of whom must be a person who either is receiving or has received home care services within the five years prior to initial appointment, one of whom must be a person who has or had a family member receiving home care services within the five years prior to initial appointment, one of whom must be a person who either is or has been a resident in an assisted living facility within

the five years prior to initial appointment, and one of whom must be a person who has or had a family member residing in an assisted living facility within the five years prior to initial appointment;

(2) two Minnesota home care licensees representing basic and comprehensive levels of licensure who may be a managerial official, an administrator, a supervising registered nurse, or an unlicensed personnel performing home care tasks;

(3) one member representing the Minnesota Board of Nursing;

(4) one member representing the Office of Ombudsman for Long-Term Care;

(5) one member representing the Office of Ombudsman for Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities;

(6) ~~beginning July 1, 2021,~~ one member of a county health and human services or county adult protection office;

(7) two Minnesota assisted living facility licensees representing assisted living facilities and assisted living facilities with dementia care levels of licensure who may be the facility's assisted living director, managerial official, or clinical nurse supervisor;

(8) one organization representing long-term care providers, home care providers, and assisted living providers in Minnesota; and

(9) ~~two public members as defined in section 214.02. One public member shall be a person who either is or has been a resident in an assisted living facility and one public member shall be a person who has or had a family member living in an assisted living facility setting~~ one representative of a consumer advocacy organization representing individuals receiving long-term care from licensed home care or assisted living providers.

Subd. 2. **Organizations and meetings.** The advisory council shall be organized and administered under section 15.059 with per diems and costs paid within the limits of available appropriations. Meetings will be held quarterly and hosted by the department. Subcommittees may be developed as necessary by the commissioner. Advisory council meetings are subject to the Open Meeting Law under chapter 13D.

Subd. 3. **Duties.** (a) At the commissioner's request, the advisory council shall provide advice regarding regulations of Department of Health licensed assisted living and home care providers in this chapter and chapter 144G, including advice on the following:

(1) community standards for home care practices;

(2) enforcement of licensing standards and whether certain disciplinary actions are appropriate;

(3) ways of distributing information to licensees and consumers of home care and assisted living services defined under chapter 144G;

(4) training standards;

(5) identifying emerging issues and opportunities in home care and assisted living services defined under chapter 144G;

(6) identifying the use of technology in home and telehealth capabilities;

(7) allowable home care licensing modifications and exemptions, including a method for an integrated license with an existing license for rural licensed nursing homes to provide limited home care services in an adjacent independent living apartment building owned by the licensed nursing home; and

(8) recommendations for studies using the data in section 62U.04, subdivision 4, including but not limited to studies concerning costs related to dementia and chronic disease among an elderly population over 60 and additional long-term care costs; ~~as described in section 62U.10, subdivision 6.~~

(b) The advisory council shall perform other duties as directed by the commissioner.

(c) The advisory council shall ~~annually~~ make recommendations annually to the commissioner for the purposes of allocating the appropriation in section sections 144A.474, subdivision 11, paragraph (i) (j), and 144G.31, subdivision 8. The recommendations shall address ways the commissioner may improve protection of the public under existing statutes and laws and improve quality of care. The council's recommendations may include but are not limited to special projects or initiatives that:

(1) create and administer training of licensees and ongoing training for their employees to improve clients' and residents' lives, supporting ways that support licensees, can improve and enhance quality care, and ways to provide technical assistance to licensees to improve compliance;

(2) develop and implement information technology and data projects that analyze and communicate information about trends of in violations or lead to ways of improving resident and client care;

(3) improve communications strategies to licensees and the public;

(4) recruit and retain direct care staff;

(5) ensure sufficient education related to the care of vulnerable adults in professional nursing programs, nurse aide programs, and home health aide programs; and

(6) ~~other projects or pilots that~~ benefit residents, clients, families, and the public in other ways.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2025, and the amendments to subdivision 1, clause (1), apply to members whose initial appointment occurs on or after that date."

Page 7, delete section 7

Page 11, line 7, delete "a" and insert "an annual" and after "finer" insert "assessed and" and after "collected" insert a comma

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title numbers accordingly

And when so amended the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety without recommendation. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Wiklund from the Committee on Health and Human Services, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 1877:** A bill for an act relating to health; requiring pharmacy benefit managers and health carriers to use prescription drug rebates and other compensation to benefit covered persons; requiring a report; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62W.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection. Report adopted.

**Senator Wiklund from the Committee on Health and Human Services, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2706:** A bill for an act relating to children; follow-up to 2024 children, youth, and families recodification; making technical changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 3.922, subdivision 1; 13.41, subdivision 1; 13.46, subdivisions 3, 4, 9, 10; 13.598, subdivision 10; 14.03, subdivision 3; 116L.881; 125A.15; 125A.744, subdivision 2; 127A.11; 127A.70, subdivision 2; 142A.607, subdivision 14; 142A.609, subdivision 21; 142B.41, subdivision 9; 144.061; 144.225, subdivision 2a; 145.895; 145.901, subdivisions 2, 4; 145.9255, subdivision 1; 145.9265; 174.285, subdivision 4; 214.104; 216C.266, subdivisions 2, 3; 241.021, subdivision 2; 242.09; 242.21; 242.32, subdivision 1; 245.697, subdivisions 1, 2a; 245.814, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4; 245C.02, subdivisions 7, 12, 13; 245C.031, subdivision 9; 245C.033, subdivision 2; 245C.05, subdivision 7; 245C.07; 256.88; 256.89; 256.90; 256.91; 256.92; 256G.01, subdivisions 1, 3; 256G.03, subdivision 2; 256G.04, subdivision 2; 256G.09, subdivisions 2, 3, 4, 5; 256G.10; 256G.11; 256G.12, subdivision 1; 260.762, subdivision 2a; 260B.171, subdivision 4; 260E.03, subdivision 6; 260E.11, subdivision 1; 260E.30, subdivision 4; 260E.33, subdivision 6; 261.232; 270B.14, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 299C.76, subdivision 1; 299F.011, subdivision 4a; 402A.10, subdivisions 1a, 2, 4c; 402A.12; 402A.16, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4; 402A.18, subdivisions 2, 3, by adding a subdivision; 402A.35, subdivisions 1, 4, 5; 462A.2095, subdivision 6; 466.131; 518.165, subdivision 5; 524.5-106; 524.5-118, subdivision 2; 595.02, subdivision 2; 626.5533; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 142A.15; 142E.50, subdivisions 2, 12; 245A.02, subdivision 6d; 256G.02, subdivisions 3, 5; 261.003.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety. Report adopted.

**Senator Wiklund from the Committee on Health and Human Services, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 1876:** A bill for an act relating to health; requiring pharmacy benefit managers and health carriers to include lower-cost drugs in their formularies; requiring formulary structure and formulary tiering for each health plan to give preference to the drug with the lowest out-of-pocket cost to the patient; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62W.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 3, after line 26, insert:

"Subd. 5. **Exception.** This section does not apply to a pharmacy benefit manager or health carrier if the covered person's cost-sharing obligation is equal to or less than:

(1) \$25 for a generic drug; and

(2) \$55 for a brand name drug."

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Wiklund from the Committee on Health and Human Services, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 1407:** A bill for an act relating to health; modifying the evaluation process for mandated health benefit proposals; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 62J.26, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, by adding subdivisions; 256B.0625, by adding a subdivision.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 4, line 29, delete "Rulemaking" and insert "Adoption of forms"

Page 5, delete section 6

Amend the title numbers accordingly

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Carlson from the Committee on Elections, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 1812:** A bill for an act relating to elections; modifying certain filing dates and reporting requirements; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 10A.09, subdivision 1; 205.13, subdivision 1a; 211A.02, subdivision 2.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 211B.13, is amended to read:

**211B.13 BRIBERY, TREATING, AND SOLICITATION.**

Subdivision 1. **Bribery, advancing money, and treating prohibited.** (a) A person who is guilty of a felony if the person willfully, directly or indirectly, advances, pays, gives, promises, provides a chance to win, or lends any money, food, liquor, clothing, entertainment, or other thing of monetary

value, or who offers, promises, or endeavors to obtain any money, position, appointment, employment, or other valuable consideration, to or for a person, in order to induce:

(1) a voter to refrain from voting, or to vote in a particular way, at an election, ~~is guilty of a felony;~~

(2) an individual to register to vote; or

(3) a registered or eligible voter to sign a petition that is directly related to an election during the period beginning on the first day of the absentee voting period for that election and ending on election day.

(b) This section does not prevent a candidate from stating publicly preference for or support of another candidate to be voted for at the same primary or election. Refreshments of food or nonalcoholic beverages having a value up to \$5 consumed on the premises at a private gathering or public meeting are not prohibited under this section.

Subd. 2. **Certain solicitations prohibited.** A person may not knowingly solicit, receive, or accept any money, property, or other thing of monetary value, or a promise ~~or~~, pledge, or opportunity to win any of these that is a disbursement prohibited by this section or section 211B.15.

Subd. 3. **Civil enforcement.** In addition to other remedies, the attorney general or county attorney may enforce this section pursuant to section 8.31.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2025, and applies to crimes committed on or after that date."

Delete the title and insert:

"A bill for an act relating to fair campaign practices; expanding election-related bribery and solicitation prohibitions; providing penalties; authorizing civil enforcement; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 211B.13."

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Klein from the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2477:** A bill for an act relating to insurance; modifying Medicare supplement benefits; modifying provisions governing renewability and discontinuation of health plans; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 62A.31, subdivisions 1r, 1w; 62A.65, subdivisions 1, 2, by adding a subdivision; 62D.12, subdivisions 2, 2a; 62D.121, subdivision 1.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, after line 7, insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 13.7191, subdivision 4, is amended to read:



Subd. 4. **Insurance holding company systems; various insurance data.** Disclosure of information obtained by the commissioner of commerce or health under section 60D.18, 60D.19, or 60D.20 is governed by section 60D.22.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.15, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Commissioner.** The term "commissioner" means the commissioner of commerce or, for the purposes of regulating health maintenance organizations, the commissioner of health, the relevant commissioner's deputies, or the Commerce or Health Department, as appropriate.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.21, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Power of commissioner.** Subject to the limitation contained in this section and in addition to the powers that the commissioner has under chapter 60A or this chapter relating to the examination of insurers, the commissioner shall also have the power to examine an insurer registered under section 60D.19 and its affiliates to ascertain the financial condition of the insurer, including the enterprise risk to the insurer by the ultimate controlling party, or by an entity or combination of entities within the insurance holding company system, or by the insurance holding company system on a consolidated basis.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.21, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Expenses.** Each registered insurer producing for examination records, books, and papers pursuant to subdivision 1 is liable for and shall pay the expense of the examination in accordance with section 60A.03 or 62D.14.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.23, is amended to read:

#### **60D.23 RULES.**

Subdivision 1. **Commissioner of commerce.** The commissioner of commerce may adopt the rules and orders that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter.

Subd. 2. **Commissioner of health.** The commissioner of health may adopt rules and orders that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter as they relate to health maintenance organizations. Health maintenance organizations are subject to and must comply with the provisions of Minnesota Rules, chapter 2720, applicable to insurers, unless the commissioner of health adopts rules for health maintenance organizations under this subdivision.

Page 5, after line 25, insert:

"Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62D.221, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Insurance provisions applicable to health maintenance organizations.** Health maintenance organizations are subject to sections 60A.135, 60A.136, 60A.137, 60A.16, and 60A.161; 60D.17, 60D.18, and 60D.20 and must comply with the provisions of these sections applicable to insurers. In applying these sections to health maintenance organizations, "commissioner" means the commissioner of health. Health maintenance organizations are subject to Minnesota Rules, chapter 2720, as applicable to sections 60D.17, 60D.18, and 60D.20, and must comply with the provisions

~~of chapter 2720 applicable to insurers, unless the commissioner of health adopts rules to implement this subdivision.~~

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.461, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Reporting by covered entities to the commissioner.** (a) Each 340B covered entity shall report to the commissioner by April 1 of each year the following information for transactions conducted by the 340B covered entity or on its behalf, and related to its participation in the federal 340B program for the previous calendar year:

(1) the aggregated acquisition cost for prescription drugs obtained under the 340B program;

(2) the aggregated payment amount received for drugs obtained under the 340B program and dispensed or administered to patients;

(i) that are net of the contracted price for insurance claims payments; and

(ii) that reflect the portion of payment received from grants, cash, or other payment types that relate to the dispensing or administering of drugs obtained under the 340B program;

(3) the number of pricing units dispensed or administered for prescription drugs described in clause (2); and

(4) the aggregated payments made:

(i) to contract pharmacies to dispense drugs obtained under the 340B program;

(ii) to any other entity that is not the covered entity and is not a contract pharmacy for managing any aspect of the covered entity's 340B program; and

(iii) for all other internal, direct expenses related to administering the 340B program with a detailed description of the direct costs included.

The information under clauses (2) and (3) must be reported by payer type, including but not limited to commercial insurance, medical assistance, MinnesotaCare, and Medicare, in the form and manner prescribed by the commissioner.

(b) For covered entities that are hospitals, the information required under paragraph (a), clauses (1) to (3), must also be reported at the national drug code level for the 50 most frequently dispensed or administered drugs by the facility under the 340B program.

(c) Data submitted to the commissioner under paragraphs (a) and (b) are classified as nonpublic data, as defined in section 13.02, subdivision 9.

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.461, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Enforcement and exceptions.** (a) Any ~~health-care~~ covered entity subject to reporting under this section that fails to provide data in the form and manner prescribed by the commissioner is subject to the levy of a fine ~~paid to the commissioner~~ of up to \$500 for each day the data are past

due. Any fine levied against the entity under this subdivision is subject to the contested case and judicial review provisions of sections 14.57 ~~and to~~ 14.69.

(b) The commissioner may grant an entity an extension of or exemption from the reporting obligations under this ~~subdivision~~ section, upon a showing of good cause by the entity.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.461, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Reports to the legislature.** By November 15, 2024, and by November 15 of each year thereafter, the commissioner shall submit to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over health care finance and policy, a report that aggregates the data submitted under subdivision 3, paragraphs (a) and (b). ~~The following information must be included in the report~~ For all 340B entities whose net 340B revenue constitutes a significant share, as determined by the commissioner, of all net 340B revenue across all 340B covered entities in Minnesota, the following information must also be included in the report:

(1) the information submitted under subdivision 2; and

(2) for each 340B entity identified in subdivision 2, that entity's 340B net revenue as calculated using the data submitted under subdivision 3, paragraph (a), with net revenue being subdivision 3, paragraph (a), clause (2), less the sum of subdivision 3, paragraph (a), clauses (1) and (4).

For all other entities, the data in the report must be aggregated to the entity type or groupings of entity types in a manner that prevents the identification of an individual entity and any entity's specific data value reported for an individual data element.

Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.51, subdivision 19a, is amended to read:

Subd. 19a. **Uniform explanation of benefits document.** "Uniform explanation of benefits ~~document~~" means either the document associated with and explaining the details of a group purchaser's claim adjudication for services rendered or its electronic equivalent under section 62J.581, which is sent to a patient.

Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.581, is amended to read:

#### **62J.581 STANDARDS FOR MINNESOTA UNIFORM HEALTH CARE REIMBURSEMENT DOCUMENTS.**

Subdivision 1. **Minnesota uniform remittance advice.** All group purchasers shall provide a uniform claim payment/advice transaction to health care providers when a claim is adjudicated. The uniform claim payment/advice transaction shall comply with section 62J.536, subdivision 1, paragraph (b), and rules adopted under section 62J.536, subdivision 2.

Subd. 2. **Minnesota uniform explanation of benefits document.** (a) All group purchasers shall provide a uniform explanation of benefits ~~document~~ to health care patients when an explanation of benefits ~~document~~ is provided as otherwise required or permitted by law. The uniform explanation of benefits ~~document~~ shall comply with the standards prescribed in this section.

(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), this section does not apply to group purchasers not included as covered entities under United States Code, title 42, sections 1320d to 1320d-8, as amended from time to time, and the regulations promulgated under those sections.

Subd. 3. **Scope.** For purposes of sections 62J.50 to 62J.61, the ~~uniform claim payment/advice transaction and~~ uniform explanation of benefits ~~document~~ format specified in subdivision 4 shall apply to all health care services delivered by a health care provider or health care provider organization in Minnesota, regardless of the location of the payer. Health care services not paid on an individual claims basis, such as capitated payments, are not included in this section. A health plan company is excluded from the requirements in ~~subdivisions 1 and~~ subdivision 2 if they comply with section 62A.01, subdivisions 2 and 3.

Subd. 4. **Specifications.** (a) The uniform explanation of benefits ~~document~~ shall be provided by use of a paper document conforming to the specifications in this section or its electronic equivalent under paragraph (b).

(b) Group purchasers may make the uniform explanation of benefits available in a version that can be accessed by health care patients electronically if:

(1) the group purchaser making the uniform explanation of benefits available electronically provides health care patients the ability to choose whether to receive paper, electronic, or both paper and electronic versions of their uniform explanation of benefits;

(2) the group purchaser provides clear, readily accessible information and instructions for the patient to communicate their choice; and

(3) health care patients not responding to the opportunity to make a choice will receive at a minimum a paper uniform explanation of benefits.

(c) The commissioner, after consulting with the Administrative Uniformity Committee, shall specify the data elements and definitions for the paper uniform explanation of benefits ~~document~~. The commissioner and the Administrative Uniformity Committee must consult with the Minnesota Dental Association and Delta Dental Plan of Minnesota before requiring under this section the use of a paper document for the uniform explanation of benefits ~~document~~ or the uniform claim payment/advice transaction for dental care services. Any electronic version of the uniform explanation of benefits must use the same data elements and definitions as the paper uniform explanation of benefits.

~~Subd. 5. **Effective date.** The requirements in subdivisions 1 and 2 are effective June 30, 2007. The requirements in subdivisions 1 and 2 apply regardless of when the health care service was provided to the patient.~~

Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.84, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the terms defined in this subdivision have the meanings given.

(b) "Biosimilar" means a drug that is produced or distributed pursuant to a biologics license application approved under United States Code, title 42, section 262(K)(3).

(c) "Brand name drug" means a drug that is produced or distributed pursuant to:

(1) a new drug application approved under United States Code, title 21, section 355(c), except for a generic drug as defined under Code of Federal Regulations, title 42, section 447.502; or

(2) a biologics license application approved under United States Code, title 42, section 262(a)(c).

(d) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of health.

(e) "Generic drug" means a drug that is marketed or distributed pursuant to:

(1) an abbreviated new drug application approved under United States Code, title 21, section 355(j);

(2) an authorized generic as defined under Code of Federal Regulations, title 42, section 447.502; or

(3) a drug that entered the market the year before 1962 and was not originally marketed under a new drug application.

(f) "Manufacturer" means a drug manufacturer licensed under section 151.252.

(g) "New prescription drug" or "new drug" means a prescription drug approved for marketing by the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for which no previous wholesale acquisition cost has been established for comparison.

(h) "Patient assistance program" means a program that a manufacturer offers to the public in which a consumer may reduce the consumer's out-of-pocket costs for prescription drugs by using coupons, discount cards, prepaid gift cards, manufacturer debit cards, or by other means.

(i) "Prescription drug" or "drug" has the meaning provided in section 151.441, subdivision 8.

(j) "Price" means the wholesale acquisition cost as defined in United States Code, title 42, section 1395w-3a(c)(6)(B).

(k) "30-day supply" means the total daily dosage units of a prescription drug recommended by the prescribing label approved by the FDA for 30 days. If the FDA-approved prescribing label includes more than one recommended daily dosage, the 30-day supply is based on the maximum recommended daily dosage on the FDA-approved prescribing label.

(l) "Course of treatment" means the total dosage of a single prescription for a prescription drug recommended by the FDA-approved prescribing label. If the FDA-approved prescribing label includes more than one recommended dosage for a single course of treatment, the course of treatment is the maximum recommended dosage on the FDA-approved prescribing label.

(m) "Drug product family" means a group of one or more prescription drugs that share a unique generic drug description or nontrade name and dosage form.

~~(n)~~ "Individual salable unit" means the smallest container of product introduced into commerce by the manufacturer or repackager that is intended by the manufacturer or repackager for individual sale to a dispenser.

~~(n)~~ (n) "National drug code" means the three-segment code maintained by the federal Food and Drug Administration that includes a labeler code, a product code, and a package code for a drug product and that has been converted to an 11-digit format consisting of five digits in the first segment, four digits in the second segment, and two digits in the third segment. A three-segment code shall be considered converted to an 11-digit format when, as necessary, at least one "0" has been added to the front of each segment containing less than the specified number of digits such that each segment contains the specified number of digits.

~~(o)~~ (o) "Pharmacy" or "pharmacy provider" means a community/outpatient pharmacy as defined in Minnesota Rules, part 6800.0100, subpart 2, that is also licensed as a pharmacy by the Board of Pharmacy under section 151.19.

~~(p)~~ (p) "Pharmacy benefit manager" or "PBM" means an entity licensed to act as a pharmacy benefit manager under section 62W.03.

~~(q)~~ (q) "Pricing unit" means the smallest dispensable amount of a prescription drug product that could be dispensed or administered.

~~(r)~~ (r) "Rebate" means a discount, chargeback, or other price concession that affects the price of a prescription drug product, regardless of whether conferred through regular aggregate payments, on a claim-by-claim basis at the point of sale, as part of retrospective financial reconciliations, including reconciliations that also reflect other contractual arrangements, or by any other method. "Rebate" does not mean a bona fide service fee as defined in Code of Federal Regulations, title 42, section 447.502.

~~(s)~~ (s) "Reporting entity" means any manufacturer, pharmacy, pharmacy benefit manager, wholesale drug distributor, or any other entity required to submit data under this section.

~~(t)~~ (t) "Wholesale drug distributor" or "wholesaler" means an entity that:

(1) is licensed to act as a wholesale drug distributor under section 151.47; ~~and,~~

~~(2) distributes prescription drugs, for which it is not the manufacturer, to persons or entities, or both, other than a consumer or patient in the state.~~

Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.84, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Prescription drug price increases reporting.** (a) Beginning January 1, 2022, a drug manufacturer must submit to the commissioner the information described in paragraph (b) for each prescription drug for which the price was \$100 or greater for a 30-day supply or for a course of treatment lasting less than 30 days ~~and:~~

~~(1) for brand-name drugs~~ where there is an increase of ten percent or greater in the price over the previous 12-month period or an increase of 16 percent or greater in the price over the previous 24-month period; ~~and,~~

~~(2) for generic or biosimilar drugs where there is an increase of 50 percent or greater in the price over the previous 12-month period.~~

(b) For each of the drugs described in paragraph (a), the manufacturer shall submit to the commissioner no later than 60 days after the price increase goes into effect, in the form and manner prescribed by the commissioner, the following information, if applicable:

(1) the description and price of the drug and the net increase, expressed as a percentage, with the following listed separately:

(i) the national drug code;

(ii) the product name;

(iii) the dosage form;

(iv) the strength; and

(v) the package size;

(2) the factors that contributed to the price increase;

(3) the name of any generic version of the prescription drug available on the market;

(4) the year the prescription drug was introduced for sale in the United States;

~~(4)~~ (5) the introductory price of the prescription drug when it was introduced for sale in the United States and the price of the drug on the last day of each of the five calendar years preceding the price increase;

~~(5)~~ (6) the direct costs incurred during the previous 12-month period by the manufacturer that are associated with the prescription drug, listed separately:

(i) to manufacture the prescription drug;

(ii) to market the prescription drug, including advertising costs; and

(iii) to distribute the prescription drug;

(7) the number of units of the prescription drug sold during the previous 12-month period;

~~(6)~~ (8) the total sales revenue for the prescription drug during the previous 12-month period;

(9) the total rebate payable amount accrued for the prescription drug during the previous 12-month period;

~~(7)~~ (10) the manufacturer's net profit attributable to the prescription drug during the previous 12-month period;

~~(8)~~ (11) the total amount of financial assistance the manufacturer has provided through patient prescription assistance programs during the previous 12-month period, if applicable;

~~(9)~~ (12) any agreement between a manufacturer and another entity contingent upon any delay in offering to market a generic version of the prescription drug;

~~(10)~~ (13) the patent expiration date of the prescription drug if it is under patent;

~~(11)~~ (14) the name and location of the company that manufactured the drug;

~~(12)~~ (15) if a brand name prescription drug, the highest price paid for the prescription drug during the previous calendar year in the ten countries, excluding the United States, that charged the highest single price for the prescription drug; and

~~(13)~~ (16) if the prescription drug was acquired by the manufacturer during the previous 12-month period, all of the following information:

(i) price at acquisition;

(ii) price in the calendar year prior to acquisition;

(iii) name of the company from which the drug was acquired;

(iv) date of acquisition; and

(v) acquisition price.

(c) The manufacturer may submit any documentation necessary to support the information reported under this subdivision.

Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.84, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **Public posting of prescription drug price information.** (a) The commissioner shall post on the department's website, or may contract with a private entity or consortium that satisfies the standards of section 62U.04, subdivision 6, to meet this requirement, the following information:

(1) a list of the prescription drugs reported under subdivisions 3, 4, and 11 to 14 and the manufacturers of those prescription drugs; ~~and~~

(2) a list of reporting entities that reported prescription drug price information under subdivisions 3, 4, and 11 to 14; and

~~(2)~~ (3) information reported to the commissioner under subdivisions 3, 4, and 11 to 14, aggregated on a per-drug basis in a manner that does not allow the identification of a reporting entity that is not the manufacturer of the drug.

(b) The information must be published in an easy-to-read format and in a manner that identifies the information that is disclosed on a per-drug basis and must not be aggregated in a manner that prevents the identification of the prescription drug.

(c) The commissioner shall not post to the department's website or a private entity contracting with the commissioner shall not post any information described in this section if the information is not public data under section 13.02, subdivision 8a; or is trade secret information under section



13.37, subdivision 1, paragraph (b); or is trade secret information pursuant to the Defend Trade Secrets Act of 2016, United States Code, title 18, section 1836, as amended. If a reporting entity believes information should be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to this paragraph, the reporting entity must clearly and specifically identify that information and describe the legal basis in writing when the reporting entity submits the information under this section. If the commissioner disagrees with the reporting entity's request to withhold information from public disclosure, the commissioner shall provide the reporting entity written notice that the information will be publicly posted 30 days after the date of the notice.

(d) If the commissioner withholds any information from public disclosure pursuant to this subdivision, the commissioner shall post to the department's website a report describing the nature of the information and the commissioner's basis for withholding the information from disclosure.

(e) To the extent the information required to be posted under this subdivision is collected and made available to the public by another state, by the University of Minnesota, or through an online drug pricing reference and analytical tool, the commissioner may reference the availability of this drug price data from another source including, within existing appropriations, creating the ability of the public to access the data from the source for purposes of meeting the reporting requirements of this subdivision.

Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.84, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

**Subd. 10. Notice of prescription drugs of substantial public interest.** (a) No later than January 31, 2024, and quarterly thereafter, the commissioner shall produce and post on the department's website a list of prescription drugs that the commissioner determines to represent a substantial public interest and for which the commissioner intends to request data under subdivisions 11 to 14, subject to paragraph (c). The commissioner shall base its inclusion of prescription drugs on any information the commissioner determines is relevant to providing greater consumer awareness of the factors contributing to the cost of prescription drugs in the state, and the commissioner shall consider drug product families that include prescription drugs:

(1) that triggered reporting under subdivision 3 or 4 during the previous calendar quarter;

(2) for which average claims paid amounts exceeded 125 percent of the price as of the claim incurred date during the most recent calendar quarter for which claims paid amounts are available; or

(3) that are identified by members of the public during a public comment process.

(b) Not sooner than 30 days after publicly posting the list of prescription drugs under paragraph (a), the department shall notify, via email, reporting entities registered with the department of:

(1) the requirement to report under subdivisions 11 to 14; and

(2) the reporting period for which data must be provided.

(c) The commissioner must not designate more than 500 prescription drugs as having a substantial public interest in any one notice.

(d) Notwithstanding subdivision 16, the commissioner is exempt from chapter 14, including section 14.386, in implementing this subdivision.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.84, subdivision 11, is amended to read:

Subd. 11. **Manufacturer prescription drug substantial public interest reporting.** (a) Beginning January 1, 2024, a manufacturer must submit to the commissioner the information described in paragraph (b) for any prescription drug:

(1) included in a notification to report issued to the manufacturer by the department under subdivision 10;

(2) which the manufacturer manufactures or repackages;

(3) for which the manufacturer sets the wholesale acquisition cost; and

(4) for which the manufacturer has not submitted data under subdivision 3 during the 120-day period prior to the date of the notification to report.

(b) For each of the drugs described in paragraph (a), the manufacturer shall submit to the commissioner no later than 60 days after the date of the notification to report, in the form and manner prescribed by the commissioner, the following information, if applicable:

(1) a description of the drug with the following listed separately:

(i) the national drug code;

(ii) the product name;

(iii) the dosage form;

(iv) the strength; and

(v) the package size;

(2) the price of the drug product on the later of:

(i) the day one year prior to the date of the notification to report;

(ii) the introduced to market date; or

(iii) the acquisition date;

(3) the price of the drug product on the date of the notification to report;

(4) the year the prescription drug was introduced for sale in the United States;

~~(4)~~ (5) the introductory price of the prescription drug when it was introduced for sale in the United States and the price of the drug on the last day of each of the five calendar years preceding the date of the notification to report;

~~(5)~~ (6) the direct costs incurred during the ~~12-month period prior to the date of reporting period~~ specified in the notification to report by the manufacturers that are associated with the prescription drug, listed separately:

- (i) to manufacture the prescription drug;
- (ii) to market the prescription drug, including advertising costs; and
- (iii) to distribute the prescription drug;

~~(6)~~ (7) the number of units of the prescription drug sold during the ~~12-month period prior to the date of reporting period~~ specified in the notification to report;

~~(7)~~ (8) the total sales revenue for the prescription drug during the ~~12-month period prior to the date of reporting period~~ specified in the notification to report;

~~(8)~~ (9) the total rebate payable amount accrued for the prescription drug during the ~~12-month period prior to the date of reporting period~~ specified in the notification to report;

~~(9)~~ (10) the manufacturer's net profit attributable to the prescription drug during the ~~12-month period prior to the date of reporting period~~ specified in the notification to report;

~~(10)~~ (11) the total amount of financial assistance the manufacturer has provided through patient prescription assistance programs during the ~~12-month period prior to the date of reporting period~~ specified in the notification to report, if applicable;

~~(11)~~ (12) any agreement between a manufacturer and another entity contingent upon any delay in offering to market a generic version of the prescription drug;

~~(12)~~ (13) the patent expiration date of the prescription drug if the prescription drug is under patent;

~~(13)~~ (14) the name and location of the company that manufactured the drug;

~~(14)~~ (15) if the prescription drug is a brand name prescription drug, the ten countries other than the United States that paid the highest prices for the prescription drug during the previous calendar year and their prices; and

~~(15)~~ (16) if the prescription drug was acquired by the manufacturer within a ~~12-month period prior to the date of the reporting period~~ specified in the notification to report, all of the following information:

- (i) the price at acquisition;
- (ii) the price in the calendar year prior to acquisition;

(iii) the name of the company from which the drug was acquired;

(iv) the date of acquisition; and

(v) the acquisition price.

(c) The manufacturer may submit any documentation necessary to support the information reported under this subdivision.

Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.84, subdivision 12, is amended to read:

Subd. 12. **Pharmacy prescription drug substantial public interest reporting.** (a) Beginning January 1, 2024, a pharmacy must submit to the commissioner the information described in paragraph (b) for any prescription drug:

(1) included in a notification to report issued to the pharmacy by the department under subdivision 10-; and

(2) that the pharmacy dispensed in Minnesota or mailed to a Minnesota address.

(b) For each of the drugs described in paragraph (a), the pharmacy shall submit to the commissioner no later than 60 days after the date of the notification to report, in the form and manner prescribed by the commissioner, the following information, if applicable:

(1) a description of the drug with the following listed separately:

(i) the national drug code;

(ii) the product name;

(iii) the dosage form;

(iv) the strength; and

(v) the package size;

(2) the number of units of the drug acquired during the ~~12-month period prior to the date of~~ reporting period specified in the notification to report;

(3) the total spent before rebates by the pharmacy to acquire the drug during the ~~12-month period prior to the date of~~ reporting period specified in the notification to report;

(4) the total rebate receivable amount accrued by the pharmacy for the drug during the ~~12-month period prior to the date of~~ reporting period specified in the notification to report;

(5) the number of pricing units of the drug dispensed by the pharmacy during the ~~12-month period prior to the date of~~ reporting period specified in the notification to report;

(6) the total payment receivable by the pharmacy for dispensing the drug including ingredient cost, dispensing fee, and administrative fees during the ~~12-month period prior to the date of~~ reporting period specified in the notification to report;

(7) the total rebate payable amount accrued by the pharmacy for the drug during the ~~12-month period prior to the date of~~ reporting period specified in the notification to report; and

(8) the average cash price paid by consumers per pricing unit for prescriptions dispensed where no claim was submitted to a health care service plan or health insurer during the ~~12-month period prior to the date of~~ reporting period specified in the notification to report.

(c) The pharmacy may submit any documentation necessary to support the information reported under this subdivision.

(d) The commissioner may grant extensions, exemptions, or both to compliance with the requirements of paragraphs (a) and (b) by small or independent pharmacies, if compliance with paragraphs (a) and (b) would represent a hardship or undue burden to the pharmacy. The commissioner may establish procedures for small or independent pharmacies to request extensions or exemptions under this paragraph.

Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.84, subdivision 13, is amended to read:

Subd. 13. **PBM prescription drug substantial public interest reporting.** (a) Beginning January 1, 2024, a PBM must submit to the commissioner the information described in paragraph (b) for any prescription drug:

(1) included in a notification to report issued to the PBM by the department under subdivision 10.; and

(2) for which the PBM fulfilled pharmacy benefit management duties for Minnesota residents.

(b) For each of the drugs described in paragraph (a), the PBM shall submit to the commissioner no later than 60 days after the date of the notification to report, in the form and manner prescribed by the commissioner, the following information, if applicable:

(1) a description of the drug with the following listed separately:

(i) the national drug code;

(ii) the product name;

(iii) the dosage form;

(iv) the strength; and

(v) the package size;

(2) the number of pricing units of the drug product filled ~~for which the PBM administered claims during the 12-month period prior to the date of~~ reporting period specified in the notification to report;

(3) the total reimbursement amount accrued and payable to pharmacies for pricing units of the drug product filled ~~for which the PBM administered claims during the 12-month period prior to the date of~~ reporting period specified in the notification to report;

(4) the total reimbursement ~~or administrative fee amount, or both,~~ accrued and receivable from payers for pricing units of the drug product filled ~~for which the PBM administered claims~~ during the ~~12-month period prior to the date of~~ reporting period specified in the notification to report;

(5) the total administrative fee amount accrued and receivable from payers for pricing units of the drug product filled during the reporting period specified in the notification to report;

~~(5)~~ (6) the total rebate receivable amount accrued by the PBM for the drug product during the ~~12-month period prior to the date of~~ reporting period specified in the notification to report; and

~~(6)~~ (7) the total rebate payable amount accrued by the PBM for the drug product during the ~~12-month period prior to the date of~~ reporting period specified in the notification to report.

(c) The PBM may submit any documentation necessary to support the information reported under this subdivision.

Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.84, subdivision 14, is amended to read:

Subd. 14. **Wholesale drug distributor prescription drug substantial public interest reporting.**

(a) Beginning January 1, 2024, a wholesale drug distributor that distributes prescription drugs, for which it is not the manufacturer, to persons or entities, or both, other than a consumer or patient in the state, must submit to the commissioner the information described in paragraph (b) for any prescription drug:

(1) included in a notification to report issued to the wholesale drug distributor by the department under subdivision 10; and

(2) that the wholesale drug distributor distributed within or into Minnesota.

(b) For each of the drugs described in paragraph (a), the wholesale drug distributor shall submit to the commissioner no later than 60 days after the date of the notification to report, in the form and manner prescribed by the commissioner, the following information, if applicable:

(1) a description of the drug with the following listed separately:

(i) the national drug code;

(ii) the product name;

(iii) the dosage form;

(iv) the strength; and

(v) the package size;

(2) the number of units of the drug product acquired by the wholesale drug distributor during the ~~12-month period prior to the date of~~ reporting period specified in the notification to report;

(3) the total spent before rebates by the wholesale drug distributor to acquire the drug product during the ~~12-month period prior to the date of~~ reporting period specified in the notification to report;

(4) the total rebate receivable amount accrued by the wholesale drug distributor for the drug product during the ~~12-month period prior to the date of~~ reporting period specified in the notification to report;

(5) the number of units of the drug product sold by the wholesale drug distributor during the ~~12-month period prior to the date of~~ reporting period specified in the notification to report;

(6) gross revenue from sales in the United States generated by the wholesale drug distributor for ~~this~~ the drug product during the ~~12-month period prior to the date of~~ reporting period specified in the notification to report; and

(7) total rebate payable amount accrued by the wholesale drug distributor for the drug product during the ~~12-month period prior to the date of~~ reporting period specified in the notification to report.

(c) The wholesale drug distributor may submit any documentation necessary to support the information reported under this subdivision.

Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.84, subdivision 15, is amended to read:

Subd. 15. **Registration requirements.** ~~Beginning~~ Effective January 1, 2024 2026, a reporting entity subject to this chapter shall register, or update existing registration information, with the department in a form and manner prescribed by the commissioner by January 30 of each year.

Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62K.10, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. ~~Primary care; mental health services; general hospital services~~ **Time and distance standards.** ~~The maximum travel distance or time shall be the lesser of 30 miles or 30 minutes to the nearest provider of each of the following services: primary care services, mental health services, and general hospital services~~ Health carriers must meet the time and distance standards under Code of Federal Regulations, title 45, section 155.1050.

Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62K.10, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Waiver.** (a) A health carrier may apply to the commissioner of health for a waiver of the requirements in subdivision 2 ~~or 3~~ if it is unable to meet the statutory requirements. A waiver application must be submitted on a form provided by the commissioner, must be accompanied by an application fee of \$500 for each application to waive the requirements in subdivision 2 ~~or 3~~ for one or more provider types per county, and must:

(1) demonstrate with specific data that the requirement of subdivision 2 ~~or 3~~ is not feasible in a particular service area or part of a service area; and

(2) include specific information as to the steps that were and will be taken to address the network inadequacy, and, for steps that will be taken prospectively to address network inadequacy, the time frame within which those steps will be taken.

(b) The commissioner shall establish guidelines for evaluating waiver applications, standards governing approval or denial of a waiver application, and standards for steps that health carriers must take to address the network inadequacy and allow the health carrier to meet network adequacy

requirements within a reasonable time period. The commissioner shall review each waiver application using these guidelines and standards and shall approve a waiver application only if:

(1) the standards for approval established by the commissioner are satisfied; and

(2) the steps that were and will be taken to address the network inadequacy and the time frame for taking these steps satisfy the standards established by the commissioner.

(c) If, in its waiver application, a health carrier demonstrates to the commissioner that there are no providers of a specific type or specialty in a county, the commissioner may approve a waiver in which the health carrier is allowed to address network inadequacy in that county by providing for patient access to providers of that type or specialty via telehealth, as defined in section 62A.673, subdivision 2.

(d) The waiver shall automatically expire after one year. Upon or prior to expiration of a waiver, a health carrier unable to meet the requirements in subdivision 2 ~~or 3~~ must submit a new waiver application under paragraph (a) and must also submit evidence of steps the carrier took to address the network inadequacy. When the commissioner reviews a waiver application for a network adequacy requirement which has been waived for the carrier for the most recent one-year period, the commissioner shall also examine the steps the carrier took during that one-year period to address network inadequacy, and shall only approve a subsequent waiver application that satisfies the requirements in paragraph (b), demonstrates that the carrier took the steps it proposed to address network inadequacy, and explains why the carrier continues to be unable to satisfy the requirements in subdivision 2 ~~or 3~~.

(e) Application fees collected under this subdivision shall be deposited in the state government special revenue fund in the state treasury.

Sec. 31. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62K.10, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **Referral centers.** ~~Subdivisions~~ Subdivision 2 ~~and 3~~ shall not apply if an enrollee is referred to a referral center for health care services. A referral center is a medical facility that provides highly specialized medical care, including but not limited to organ transplants. A health carrier or preferred provider organization may consider the volume of services provided annually, case mix, and severity adjusted mortality and morbidity rates in designating a referral center.

Sec. 32. **REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62K.10, subdivision 3, is repealed."

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 2, after the first semicolon, insert "modifying commissioner of health authority over insurance holding company systems;"

Page 1, line 3, after the semicolon, insert "modifying reporting requirements related to the 340B drug program; modifying uniform explanation of benefits specifications; requiring public posting



of information relating to prescription drug prices; requiring pharmacy benefit managers to submit prescription drug fee information to the commissioner of health;"

Amend the title numbers accordingly

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Klein from the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2819:** A bill for an act relating to health; establishing requirements for green burials; modifying the amount of proceeds dedicated to permanent care and improvement funds; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 149A.02, by adding a subdivision; 306.37, subdivision 1; 306.78; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 149A; 306; 307.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, delete section 2

Page 1, line 12, delete everything after "embalmed" and insert a semicolon

Page 2, delete sections 3 and 4

Page 3, line 16, delete "one meter" and insert "three and one-half feet"

Page 3, line 25, delete "98.5" and insert "100"

Page 3, line 27, delete everything after "a" and insert "minimum depth of three and one-half feet"

Page 3, line 28, delete everything before "from"

Page 3, line 29, delete "one meter" and insert "three and one-half feet"

Page 4, line 1, delete "nine feet by four feet limited to"

Page 4, line 3, delete "ASH SPREADING" and insert "SCATTERING OF CREMATED REMAINS"

Page 4, line 4, delete "ash" and insert "scattering of cremated remains"

Page 4, line 5, delete "spreading" and delete "spreading of ashes" and insert "scattering of cremated remains"

Page 4, line 20, delete "one meter" and insert "three and one-half feet"

Page 4, line 29, delete "98.5" and insert "100"

Page 5, line 2, delete everything after "a" and insert "minimum depth of three and one-half feet"

Page 5, line 3, delete everything before "from"

Page 5, line 4, delete "one meter" and insert "three and one-half feet"

Page 5, line 5, delete "nine feet by four feet limited to"

Page 5, line 7, delete "ASH SPREADING" and insert "SCATTERING OF CREMATED REMAINS"

Page 5, line 8, delete "ash spreading" and insert "scattering of cremated remains"

Page 5, line 9, delete "spreading of ashes" and insert "scattering of cremated remains"

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 2, delete everything after the second semicolon

Page 1, line 3, delete everything before "amending"

Amend the title numbers accordingly

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on State and Local Government. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Frentz from the Committee on Energy, Utilities, Environment, and Climate, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 1393:** A bill for an act relating to energy; providing for data center energy generation redundancy; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 116D.04, subdivision 4a; 216B.02, by adding a subdivision; 216B.243, subdivision 8; 216I.02, by adding a subdivision; 216I.07, subdivision 2; 216I.08, subdivision 2.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, delete lines 12 to 21 and insert:

"(b) Upon adoption by the responsible governmental unit of the environmental document and plan for mitigation under an alternative urban areawide review process, and notwithstanding any additional environmental review that may otherwise be required for a phased action or connected action, or project component that was not evaluated in the alternative urban areawide review process, environmental review is complete and the prerequisites under subdivision 2b are satisfied with regards to the anticipated residential, commercial, warehousing, and light industrial development projects that are consistent with development assumptions within the established boundaries of the geographic area to which the alternative urban areawide review applies."

Page 2, after line 7, insert:

"Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 216B.02, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 12. **Data center.** "Data center" means a freestanding structure that primarily contains electronic equipment used to process, store, and transmit digital information."

Page 3, line 17, after "more" insert "that provides power to a data center and is eligible for permitting as a single stationary source under Minnesota Rules, parts 7007.0200, 7007.0250, 7007.1100, or 7007.1110 to 7007.1141"

Page 4, line 18, delete "the day following" and insert "July 1, 2025,"

Page 4, line 19, delete "final enactment"

Page 4, delete section 6 and insert:

"Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 216I.07, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Environmental review.** (a) For the projects identified in subdivision 2 and following the procedures under this section, the applicant must prepare and submit an environmental assessment with the application. A draft of the environmental assessment must also be provided to commission staff as part of the preapplication review under section 216I.05, subdivision 6. The environmental assessment must (1) contain information regarding the proposed project's human and environmental impacts, and (2) address mitigating measures for identified impacts. The environmental assessment for projects identified in subdivision 2, clause (2), must also include a discussion of reasonable alternatives to the proposed project considering (i) the appropriateness of the size and type of the proposed method of generation compared to those of reasonable alternatives; (ii) the cost to the proposer of energy to be supplied by the project compared to the cost of energy that would be supplied by reasonable alternatives; (iii) the effects of the proposed project upon the natural and socioeconomic environments compared to the effects of reasonable alternatives; and (iv) the expected reliability of the proposed facility compared to the expected reliability of reasonable alternatives. The environmental assessment is the only state environmental review document that must be prepared for the proposed project.

(b) If after the public meeting the commission identifies other sites or routes or potential impacts for review, the commission must prepare an addendum to the environmental assessment that evaluates (1) the human and environmental impacts of the alternative site or route, and (2) any additional mitigating measures related to the identified impacts consistent with the scoping decision made pursuant to section 216I.06, subdivision 10, clause (2). The public may provide comments on the environmental assessment and any addendum to the environmental assessment at the public hearing and comment period under subdivision 4. When making the commission's final decision, the commission must consider the environmental assessment, the environmental assessment addendum, if any, and the entirety of the record related to human and environmental impacts."

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title numbers accordingly

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Environment, Climate, and Legacy. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Frentz from the Committee on Energy, Utilities, Environment, and Climate, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2855:** A bill for an act relating to energy; sunsetting the community solar garden program; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 216B.1641, by adding a subdivision.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass. Report adopted.

**Senator Klein from the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, to which was referred**

**S.F. No. 2794:** A bill for an act relating to financial institutions; modifying the maximum interest rate for certain loans and contracts for deed; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 47.20, subdivision 4a; 334.01, subdivision 2.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 3, after line 8, insert:

"Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.09, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 6. **Other violations.** If the commissioner believes a person has committed a violation of section 60D.17 that prevents the full understanding of the enterprise risk to the insurer by affiliates or by the insurance holding company system, the violation may serve as an independent basis for disapproving dividends or distributions and for placing the insurer under an order of supervision under chapter 60B.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.15, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Control.** The term "control," including the terms "controlling," "controlled by," and "under common control with," means the possession, direct or indirect, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract other than a commercial contract for goods or nonmanagement services, or otherwise, unless the power is the result of an official position with, or corporate office held by, or court appointment of, the person. Control is presumed to exist if any person, directly or indirectly, owns, controls, holds with the power to vote, or holds proxies representing, ten percent or more of the voting securities of any other person. This presumption may be rebutted by a showing made in the manner provided by section 60D.19, subdivision 11, that control does not exist in fact. The commissioner may determine, after furnishing all persons in interest notice and opportunity to be heard and making specific findings of fact to support ~~such~~ the determination, that control exists in fact, notwithstanding the absence of a presumption to that effect.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.15, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 4c. **Group capital calculation instructions.** "Group capital calculation instructions" means the group capital calculation instructions adopted by the NAIC and as amended by the NAIC from time to time in accordance with procedures adopted by the NAIC.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.15, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 6b. **NAIC.** "NAIC" means the National Association of Insurance Commissioners.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.15, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 6c. **NAIC liquidity stress test framework.** "NAIC liquidity stress test framework" means a NAIC publication which includes a history of the NAIC's development of regulatory liquidity stress testing, the scope criteria applicable for a specific data year, and the liquidity stress test instructions and reporting templates for a specific data year, scope criteria, instructions, and reporting template being adopted by the NAIC, and as amended by the NAIC from time to time in accordance with the procedures adopted by the NAIC.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.15, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. **Person.** A "person" is an individual, a corporation, a limited liability company, a partnership, an association, a joint stock company, a trust, an unincorporated organization, any similar entity or any combination of the foregoing acting in concert, but does not include any joint venture partnership exclusively engaged in owning, managing, leasing, or developing real or tangible personal property.

Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.15, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 7a. **Scope criteria.** "Scope criteria," as detailed in the NAIC liquidity stress test framework, means the designated exposure bases along with minimum magnitudes of the designated exposure bases for the specified data year that are used to establish a preliminary list of insurers considered scoped into the NAIC liquidity stress test framework for that data year.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.16, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Additional investment authority.** In addition to investments in common stock, preferred stock, debt obligations, and other securities otherwise permitted under this chapter, a domestic insurer may also:

(a) Invest, in common stock, preferred stock, debt obligations, and other securities of one or more subsidiaries, amounts that do not exceed the lesser of ten percent of the insurer's assets or 50 percent of the insurer's surplus as regards policyholders, provided that after the investments, the insurer's surplus as regards policyholders ~~will be~~ is reasonable in relation to the insurer's outstanding liabilities and adequate to its financial needs. In calculating the amount of these investments, investments in domestic or foreign insurance subsidiaries and health maintenance organizations must be excluded, and there must be included:

(1) total net money or other consideration expended and obligations assumed in the acquisition or formation of a subsidiary, including all organizational expenses and contributions to capital and surplus of the subsidiary whether or not represented by the purchase of capital stock or issuance of other securities; and

(2) all amounts expended in acquiring additional common stock, preferred stock, debt obligations, and other securities; and all contributions to the capital or surplus, of a subsidiary subsequent to its acquisition or formation.

(b) Invest any amount in common stock, preferred stock, debt obligations, and other securities of one or more subsidiaries engaged or organized to engage exclusively in the ownership and management of assets authorized as investments for the insurer provided that the subsidiary agrees to limit its investments in any asset so that the investments ~~will~~ do not cause the amount of the total investment of the insurer to exceed any of the investment limitations specified in paragraph (a) or other statutes applicable to the insurer. For the purpose of this paragraph, "the total investment of the insurer" includes:

(1) any direct investment by the insurer in an asset; and

(2) the insurer's proportionate share of any investment in an asset by any subsidiary of the insurer, which must be calculated by multiplying the amount of the subsidiary's investment by the percentage of the ownership of the subsidiary.

(c) With the approval of the commissioner, invest any greater amount in common stock, preferred stock, debt obligations, or other securities of one or more subsidiaries, if after the investment the insurer's surplus as regards policyholders ~~will be~~ is reasonable in relation to the insurer's outstanding liabilities and adequate to its financial needs.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.17, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Filing requirements.** (a) No person other than the issuer shall: (1) make a tender offer for or a request or invitation for tenders of, or enter into any agreement to exchange securities ~~or for~~, seek to acquire, or acquire, in the open market or otherwise, any voting security of a domestic insurer if, after the consummation thereof, the person would, directly or indirectly, or by conversion or by exercise of any right to acquire, be in control of the insurer; or (2) enter into an agreement to merge with or otherwise to acquire control of a domestic insurer or any person controlling a domestic insurer unless, at the time the offer, request, or invitation is made or the agreement is entered into, or before the acquisition of the securities if no offer or agreement is involved, the person has filed with the commissioner and has sent to the insurer, a statement containing the information required by this section and the offer, request, invitation, agreement, or acquisition has been approved by the commissioner in the manner prescribed in this section.

(b) For purposes of this section, a controlling person of a domestic insurer seeking to divest its controlling interest in the domestic insurer, in any manner, shall file with the commissioner, with a copy to the insurer, confidential notice of its proposed divestiture at least 30 days before the cessation of control. The commissioner shall determine those instances in which the party or parties seeking to divest or to acquire a controlling interest in an insurer will be required to file for and obtain approval of the transaction. The information must remain confidential until the conclusion of the transaction unless the commissioner, in the commissioner's discretion, determines that confidential treatment interferes with the enforcement of this section. This paragraph does not apply if the statement referred to in paragraph (a) is otherwise filed.

(c) With respect to a transaction subject to this section, the acquiring person must also file a preacquisition notification with the commissioner, which must contain the information set forth in section 60D.18, subdivision 3, paragraph (b). A failure to file the notification may be subject to penalties specified in section 60D.18, subdivision 5.

(d) For purposes of this section, a domestic insurer includes a person controlling a domestic insurer unless the person, as determined by the commissioner, is either directly or through its affiliates primarily engaged in business other than the business of insurance. For the purposes of this section, "person" does not include any securities broker holding, in the usual and customary ~~brokers~~ broker's function, less than 20 percent of the voting securities of an insurance company or of any person that controls an insurance company.

~~(e) The statement filed with the commissioner pursuant to subdivisions 1 and 2 must remain confidential until the transaction is approved by the commissioner, except that all attachments filed with the statement remain confidential after the approval unless the commissioner, in the commissioner's discretion, determines that confidential treatment of any of this information will interfere with enforcement of this section.~~

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.18, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Preacquisition notification; waiting period.** (a) An acquisition covered by subdivision 2 may be subject to an order pursuant to subdivision 4 5 unless the acquiring person files a preacquisition notification and the waiting period has expired. The acquired person may file a preacquisition notification. The commissioner shall give confidential treatment to information submitted under this section in the same manner as provided in section 60D.22.

(b) The preacquisition notification must be in the form and contain the information as prescribed by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners relating to those markets that, under subdivision 2, paragraph (b), clause ~~(5)~~ (4), cause the acquisition not to be exempted from the provisions of this section. The commissioner may require ~~the~~ additional material and information as the commissioner deems necessary to determine whether the proposed acquisition, if consummated, would violate the competitive standard of subdivision 4. The required information may include an opinion of an economist as to the competitive impact of the acquisition in this state accompanied by a summary of the education and experience of the person indicating that person's ability to render an informed opinion.

(c) The waiting period required begins on the date of receipt of the commissioner of a preacquisition notification and ends on the earlier of the 30th day after the date of its receipt, or termination of the waiting period by the commissioner. Before the end of the waiting period, the commissioner on a onetime basis may require the submission of additional needed information relevant to the proposed acquisition, in which event the waiting period shall end on the earlier of the 30th day after receipt of the additional information by the commissioner or termination of the waiting period by the commissioner.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.19, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Materiality.** No information need be disclosed on the registration statement filed pursuant to subdivision 2 if the information is not material for the purposes of this section. Unless the commissioner by rule or order provides otherwise; sales, purchases, exchanges, loans or extensions of credit, investments, or guarantees involving one-half of one percent or less of an insurer's admitted assets as of the 31st day of December next preceding shall not be deemed material for purposes of this section. The definition of materiality provided in this subdivision does not apply for purposes of the group capital calculation or the NAIC liquidity stress test framework.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.19, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 11b. **Group capital calculation.** (a) Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, the ultimate controlling person of every insurer subject to registration must concurrently file with the registration an annual group capital calculation as directed by the lead state insurance commissioner. The report must be completed in accordance with the NAIC group capital calculation instructions, which may permit the lead state insurance commissioner to allow a controlling person that is not the ultimate controlling person to file the group capital calculation. The report must be filed with the lead state insurance commissioner of the insurance holding company system, as determined by the commissioner in accordance with the procedures within the Financial Analysis Handbook adopted by the NAIC. The following insurance holding company systems are exempt from filing the group capital calculation:

(1) an insurance holding company system that (i) has only one insurer within the insurance holding company system's holding company structure, (ii) only writes business and is only licensed in the insurance holding company system's domestic state, and (iii) assumes no business from any other insurer;

(2) an insurance holding company system that is required to perform a group capital calculation specified by the United States Federal Reserve Board. The lead state insurance commissioner must request the calculation from the Federal Reserve Board under the terms of information sharing agreements in effect. If the Federal Reserve Board is unable to share the calculation with the lead state insurance commissioner, the insurance holding company system is not exempt from the group capital calculation filing;

(3) an insurance holding company system whose non-United States groupwide supervisor is located within a reciprocal jurisdiction as described in section 60A.092, subdivision 10b, that recognizes the United States state regulatory approach to group supervision and group capital; or

(4) an insurance holding company system:

(i) that provides information to the lead state insurance commissioner that meets the requirements for accreditation under the NAIC financial standards and accreditation program, either directly or indirectly through the groupwide supervisor, that has determined the information is satisfactory to allow the lead state insurance commissioner to comply with the NAIC group supervision approach, as detailed in the NAIC Financial Analysis Handbook; and

(ii) whose non-United States groupwide supervisor that is not in a reciprocal jurisdiction recognizes and accepts, as specified by the commissioner in an administrative rule, the group capital calculation as the worldwide group capital assessment for United States insurance groups that operate in that jurisdiction.

(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), clauses (3) and (4), a lead state insurance commissioner must require the group capital calculation for the United States operations of any non-United States based insurance holding company system where, after any necessary consultation with other supervisors or officials, requiring the group capital calculation is deemed appropriate by the lead state insurance commissioner for prudential oversight and solvency monitoring purposes or for ensuring the competitiveness of the insurance marketplace.



(c) Notwithstanding the exemptions from filing the group capital calculation under paragraph (a), the lead state insurance commissioner may exempt the ultimate controlling person from filing the annual group capital calculation or accept a limited group capital filing or report in accordance with criteria specified by the commissioner in an administrative rule.

(d) If the lead state insurance commissioner determines that an insurance holding company system no longer meets one or more of the requirements for an exemption from filing the group capital calculation under this subdivision, the insurance holding company system must file the group capital calculation at the next annual filing date unless given an extension by the lead state insurance commissioner based on reasonable grounds shown.

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.19, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 11c. **Liquidity stress test.** (a) The ultimate controlling person of every insurer subject to registration and also scoped into the NAIC liquidity stress test framework must file the results of a specific year's liquidity stress test. The filing must be made to the lead state insurance commissioner of the insurance holding company system, as determined by the procedures within the Financial Analysis Handbook adopted by the NAIC.

(b) The NAIC liquidity stress test framework includes scope criteria applicable to a specific data year. The scope criteria must be reviewed at least annually by the NAIC Financial Stability Task Force or the NAIC Financial Stability Task Force's successor. Any change made to the NAIC liquidity stress test framework or to the data year for which the scope criteria must be measured is effective January 1 of the year following the calendar year in which the change is adopted. An insurer meeting at least one threshold of the scope criteria is scoped into the NAIC liquidity stress test framework for the specified data year unless the lead state insurance commissioner, in consultation with the NAIC Financial Stability Task Force or the NAIC Financial Stability Task Force's successor, determines the insurer should not be scoped into the framework for that data year. An insurer that does not trigger at least one threshold of the scope criteria is scoped out of the NAIC liquidity stress test framework for the specified data year unless the lead state insurance commissioner, in consultation with the NAIC Financial Stability Task Force or the NAIC Financial Stability Task Force's successor, determines the insurer should be scoped into the framework for the specified data year.

(c) The commissioner and other state insurance commissioners must avoid scoping insurers in and out of the NAIC liquidity stress test framework on a frequent basis. The lead state insurance commissioner, in consultation with the NAIC Financial Stability Task Force or the NAIC Financial Stability Task Force's successor, must assess irregular scope status as part of an insurer's determination.

(d) The performance of and filing of the results from a specific year's liquidity stress test must comply with (1) the NAIC liquidity stress test framework's instructions and reporting templates for the specific year, and (2) any lead state insurance commissioner determinations, in consultation with the NAIC Financial Stability Task Force or the NAIC Financial Stability Task Force's successor, provided within the framework.

Sec. 15. [60D.195] GROUP CAPITAL CALCULATION.

Subdivision 1. **Annual group capital calculation; exemption permitted.** The lead state insurance commissioner may exempt the ultimate controlling person from filing the annual group

capital calculation if the lead state insurance commissioner makes a determination that the insurance holding company system meets the following criteria:

(1) has annual direct written and unaffiliated assumed premium, including international direct and assumed premium but excluding premiums reinsured with the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation and Federal Flood Program, of less than \$1,000,000,000;

(2) has no insurers within the insurance holding company's structure that are domiciled outside of the United States or a United States territory;

(3) has no banking, depository, or other financial entity that is subject to an identified regulatory capital framework within the insurance holding company's structure;

(4) attests that no material changes in the transactions between insurers and noninsurers in the group have occurred since the last annual group capital filing; and

(5) the noninsurers within the holding company system do not pose a material financial risk to the insurer's ability to honor policyholder obligations.

Subd. 2. **Limited group capital filing.** The lead state insurance commissioner may accept a limited group capital filing in lieu of the group capital calculation if:

(1) the insurance holding company system has annual direct written and unaffiliated assumed premium, including international direct and assumed premium but excluding premiums reinsured with the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation and Federal Flood Program, of less than \$1,000,000,000; and

(2) the insurance holding company system:

(i) has no insurers within the insurance holding company's structure that are domiciled outside of the United States or a United States territory;

(ii) does not include a banking, depository, or other financial entity that is subject to an identified regulatory capital framework; and

(iii) attests that no material changes in transactions between insurers and noninsurers in the group have occurred and the noninsurers within the holding company system do not pose a material financial risk to the insurer's ability to honor policyholder obligations.

Subd. 3. **Previous exemption; required filing.** For an insurance holding company that has previously met an exemption with respect to the group capital calculation under subdivision 1 or 2, the lead state insurance commissioner may at any time require the ultimate controlling person to file an annual group capital calculation, completed in accordance with the NAIC group capital calculation instructions, if:

(1) an insurer within the insurance holding company system is in a risk-based capital action level event under section 60A.62 or a similar standard for a non-United States insurer;

(2) an insurer within the insurance holding company system meets one or more of the standards of an insurer deemed to be in hazardous financial condition, as defined under section 60E.02, subdivision 5; or

(3) an insurer within the insurance holding company system otherwise exhibits qualities of a troubled insurer, as determined by the lead state insurance commissioner based on unique circumstances, including but not limited to the type and volume of business written, ownership and organizational structure, federal agency requests, and international supervisor requests.

Subd. 4. **Non-United States jurisdictions; recognition and acceptance.** A non-United States jurisdiction is deemed to recognize and accept the group capital calculation if the non-United States jurisdiction:

(1) with respect to section 60D.19, subdivision 11b, paragraph (a), clause (4):

(i) recognizes the United States state regulatory approach to group supervision and group capital by providing confirmation by a competent regulatory authority in the non-United States jurisdiction that insurers and insurance groups whose lead state is accredited by the NAIC under the NAIC accreditation program: (A) are subject only to worldwide prudential insurance group supervision, including worldwide group governance, solvency and capital, and reporting, as applicable, by the lead state; and (B) are not subject to group supervision, including worldwide group governance, solvency and capital, and reporting, at the level of the worldwide parent undertaking of the insurance or reinsurance group by the non-United States jurisdiction; or

(ii) if no United States insurance group operates in the non-United States jurisdiction, indicates formally in writing to the lead state with a copy to the International Association of Insurance Supervisors that the group capital calculation is an acceptable international capital standard. The formal indication under this item serves as the documentation otherwise required under item (i); and

(2) provides confirmation by a competent regulatory authority in the non-United States jurisdiction that information regarding an insurer and the insurer's parent, subsidiary, or affiliated entities, if applicable, must be provided to the lead state insurance commissioner in accordance with a memorandum of understanding or similar document between the commissioner and the non-United States jurisdiction, including but not limited to the International Association of Insurance Supervisors Multilateral Memorandum of Understanding or other multilateral memoranda of understanding coordinated by the NAIC. The commissioner must determine, in consultation with the NAIC committee process, if the information sharing agreement requirements are effective.

Subd. 5. **Non-United States jurisdiction; publication.** (a) A list of non-United States jurisdictions that recognize and accept the group capital calculation under section 60D.19, subdivision 11b, paragraph (a), clause (4), must be published through the NAIC committee process to assist the lead state insurance commissioner determine what insurers must file an annual group capital calculation. The list must clarify the situations in which a jurisdiction is exempt from filing under section 60D.19, subdivision 11b, paragraph (a), clause (4). To assist with a determination under section 60D.19, subdivision 11b, paragraph (b), the list must also identify whether a jurisdiction that is exempt under section 60D.19, subdivision 11b, paragraph (a), clause (3) or (4), requires a

group capital filing for any United States insurance group's operations in the non-United States jurisdiction.

(b) For a non-United States jurisdiction where no United States insurance group operates, the confirmation provided to comply with subdivision 4, clause (1), item (ii), serves as support for a recommendation to be published that the non-United States jurisdiction is a jurisdiction that recognizes and accepts the group capital calculation pursuant to the NAIC committee process.

(c) If the lead state insurance commissioner makes a determination pursuant to section 60D.19, subdivision 11b, that differs from the NAIC list, the lead state insurance commissioner must provide thoroughly documented justification to the NAIC and other states.

(d) Upon a determination by the lead state insurance commissioner that a non-United States jurisdiction no longer meets one or more of the requirements to recognize and accept the group capital calculation, the lead state insurance commissioner may provide a recommendation to the NAIC that the non-United States jurisdiction be removed from the list of jurisdictions that recognize and accept the group capital calculation.

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.20, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Transactions within an insurance holding company system.** (a) Transactions within an insurance holding company system to which an insurer subject to registration is a party are subject to the following standards:

- (1) the terms shall be fair and reasonable;
- (2) agreements for cost-sharing services and management shall include the provisions required by rule issued by the commissioner;
- (3) charges or fees for services performed shall be reasonable;
- (4) expenses incurred and payment received shall be allocated to the insurer in conformity with customary insurance accounting practices consistently applied;
- (5) the books, accounts, and records of each party to all such transactions shall be so maintained as to clearly and accurately disclose the nature and details of the transactions including this accounting information as is necessary to support the reasonableness of the charges or fees to the respective parties; ~~and~~
- (6) the insurer's surplus as regards policyholders following any dividends or distributions to shareholder affiliates shall be reasonable in relation to the insurer's outstanding liabilities and adequate to its financial needs;
- (7) if the commissioner determines an insurer subject to this chapter is in a hazardous financial condition, as defined under section 60E.02, subdivision 5, or a condition that would be grounds for supervision, conservation, or a delinquency proceeding, the commissioner may require the insurer to secure and maintain either a deposit, held by the commissioner, or a bond, as determined by the insurer at the insurer's discretion, to protect the insurer for the duration of the contract, agreement, or the existence of the condition for which the commissioner required the deposit or bond. When

determining whether a deposit or bond is required, the commissioner must consider whether concerns exist with respect to the affiliated person's ability to fulfill the contract or agreement if the insurer entered into liquidation. Once the insurer is deemed to be in a hazardous financial condition or a condition that would be grounds for supervision, conservation, or a delinquency proceeding, and a deposit or bond is necessary, the commissioner may determine the amount of the deposit or bond, not to exceed the value of the contract or agreement in any one year, and whether the deposit or bond is required for a single contract, multiple contracts, or a contract only with a specific person or persons;

(8) all of an insurer's records and data held by an affiliate are and remain the property of the insurer, are subject to control of the insurer, are identifiable, and are segregated or readily capable of segregation, at no additional cost to the insurer, from all other persons' records and data. For purposes of this clause, records and data include all records and data that are otherwise the property of the insurer in whatever form maintained, including but not limited to claims and claim files, policyholder lists, application files, litigation files, premium records, rate books, underwriting manuals, personnel records, financial records, or similar records within the affiliate's possession, custody, or control. At the request of the insurer, the affiliate must provide that the receiver may (i) obtain a complete set of all records of any type that pertain to the insurer's business, (ii) obtain access to the operating systems on which the data are maintained, (iii) obtain the software that runs the operating systems either through assumption of licensing agreements or otherwise, and (iv) restrict the use of the data by the affiliate if the affiliate is not operating the insurer's business. The affiliate must provide a waiver of any landlord lien or other encumbrance to provide the insurer access to all records and data in the event the affiliate defaults under a lease or other agreement; and

(9) premiums or other funds belonging to the insurer that are collected or held by an affiliate are the exclusive property of the insurer and are subject to the control of the insurer. Any right of offset in the event an insurer is placed into receivership is subject to chapter 576.

(b) The following transactions involving a domestic insurer and any person in its insurance holding company system, including amendments or modifications of affiliate agreements previously filed pursuant to this section, which are subject to any materiality standards contained in clauses (1) to (7), may not be entered into unless the insurer has notified the commissioner in writing of its intention to enter into the transaction at least 30 days prior thereto, or a shorter period the commissioner permits, and the commissioner has not disapproved it within this period. The notice for amendments or modifications must include the reasons for the change and the financial impact on the domestic insurer. Informal notice must be reported, within 30 days after a termination of a previously filed agreement, to the commissioner for determination of the type of filing required, if any:

(1) sales, purchases, exchanges, loans or extensions of credit, guarantees, or investments provided the transactions are equal to or exceed: (i) with respect to nonlife insurers, the lesser of three percent of the insurer's admitted assets, or 25 percent of surplus as regards policyholders; (ii) with respect to life insurers, three percent of the insurer's admitted assets; each as of the 31st day of December next preceding;

(2) loans or extensions of credit to any person who is not an affiliate, where the insurer makes the loans or extensions of credit with the agreement or understanding that the proceeds of the transactions, in whole or in substantial part, are to be used to make loans or extensions of credit to,

to purchase assets of, or to make investments in, any affiliate of the insurer making such loans or extensions of credit provided the transactions are equal to or exceed: (i) with respect to nonlife insurers, the lesser of three percent of the insurer's admitted assets or 25 percent of surplus as regards policyholders; (ii) with respect to life insurers, three percent of the insurer's admitted assets; each as of the 31st day of December next preceding;

(3) reinsurance agreements or modifications to those agreements, including: (i) all reinsurance pooling agreements; and (ii) agreements in which the reinsurance premium or a change in the insurer's liabilities, or the projected reinsurance premium or a change in the insurer's liabilities in any of the next three years, equals or exceeds five percent of the insurer's surplus as regards policyholders, as of the 31st day of December next preceding, including those agreements which may require as consideration the transfer of assets from an insurer to a nonaffiliate, if an agreement or understanding exists between the insurer and nonaffiliate that any portion of ~~such~~ the assets will be transferred to one or more affiliates of the insurer;

(4) all management agreements, service contracts, tax allocation agreements, guarantees, and all cost-sharing arrangements;

(5) guarantees when made by a domestic insurer; provided, however, that a guarantee which is quantifiable as to amount is not subject to the notice requirements of this paragraph unless it exceeds the lesser of one-half of one percent of the insurer's admitted assets or ten percent of surplus as regards policyholders as of the 31st day of December next preceding. Further, all guarantees which are not quantifiable as to amount are subject to the notice requirements of this paragraph;

(6) direct or indirect acquisitions or investments in a person that controls the insurer or in an affiliate of the insurer in an amount which, together with its present holdings in the investments, exceeds 2-1/2 percent of the insurer's surplus to policyholders. Direct or indirect acquisitions or investments in subsidiaries acquired pursuant to section 60D.16, as otherwise authorized under this chapter, or in nonsubsidiary insurance affiliates that are subject to the provisions of sections 60D.15 to 60D.29, are exempt from this requirement; and

(7) any material transactions, specified by regulation, which the commissioner determines may adversely affect the interests of the insurer's policyholders.

Nothing contained in this section authorizes or permits any transactions that, in the case of an insurer not a member of the same insurance holding company system, would be otherwise contrary to law.

(c) A domestic insurer may not enter into transactions which are part of a plan or series of like transactions with persons within the insurance holding company system if the purpose of those separate transactions is to avoid the statutory threshold amount and thus avoid the review that would occur otherwise. If the commissioner determines that the separate transactions were entered into over any 12-month period for the purpose, the commissioner may exercise the authority under section 60D.25.

(d) The commissioner, in reviewing transactions pursuant to paragraph (b), shall consider whether the transactions comply with the standards set forth in paragraph (a), and whether they may adversely affect the interests of policyholders.

(e) The commissioner shall be notified within 30 days of any investment of the domestic insurer in any one corporation if the total investment in the corporation by the insurance holding company system exceeds ten percent of the corporation's voting securities.

(f) An affiliate that is party to an agreement or contract with a domestic insurer that is subject to paragraph (b), clause (4), is subject to the jurisdiction of any supervision, seizure, conservatorship, or receivership proceedings against the insurer and to the authority of a supervisor, conservator, rehabilitator, or liquidator for the insurer appointed pursuant to chapters 60B and 576 for the purpose of interpreting, enforcing, and overseeing the affiliate's obligations under the agreement or contract to perform services for the insurer that are: (1) an integral part of the insurer's operations, including but not limited to management, administrative, accounting, data processing, marketing, underwriting, claims handling, investment, or any other similar functions; or (2) essential to the insurer's ability to fulfill the insurer's obligations under insurance policies. The commissioner may require that an agreement or contract pursuant to paragraph (b), clause (4), to provide the services described in clauses (1) and (2) must specify that the affiliate consents to the jurisdiction as provided under this paragraph.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.217, is amended to read:

**60D.217 GROUPWIDE SUPERVISION OF INTERNATIONALLY ACTIVE INSURANCE GROUPS.**

(a) The commissioner is authorized to act as the groupwide supervisor for any internationally active insurance group in accordance with the provisions of this section. However, the commissioner may otherwise acknowledge another regulatory official as the groupwide supervisor where the internationally active insurance group:

(1) does not have substantial insurance operations in the United States;

(2) has substantial insurance operations in the United States, but not in this state; or

(3) has substantial insurance operations in the United States and this state, but the commissioner has determined pursuant to the factors set forth in ~~subsections~~ paragraphs (b) and (f) that the other regulatory official is the appropriate groupwide supervisor.

An insurance holding company system that does not otherwise qualify as an internationally active insurance group may request that the commissioner make a determination or acknowledgment as to a groupwide supervisor pursuant to this section.

(b) In cooperation with other state, federal, and international regulatory agencies, the commissioner ~~will~~ must identify a single groupwide supervisor for an internationally active insurance group. The commissioner may determine that the commissioner is the appropriate groupwide supervisor for an internationally active insurance group that conducts substantial insurance operations concentrated in this state. However, the commissioner may acknowledge that a regulatory official from another jurisdiction is the appropriate groupwide supervisor for the internationally active insurance group. The commissioner shall consider the following factors when making a determination or acknowledgment under this ~~subsection~~ paragraph:

(1) the place of domicile of the insurers within the internationally active insurance group that hold the largest share of the group's written premiums, assets, or liabilities;

(2) the place of domicile of the top-tiered ~~insurer(s)~~ insurer or insurers in the insurance holding company system of the internationally active insurance group;

(3) the location of the executive offices or largest operational offices of the internationally active insurance group;

(4) whether another regulatory official is acting or is seeking to act as the groupwide supervisor under a regulatory system that the commissioner determines to be:

(i) substantially similar to the system of regulation provided under the laws of this state; or

(ii) otherwise sufficient in terms of providing for groupwide supervision, enterprise risk analysis, and cooperation with other regulatory officials; and

(5) whether another regulatory official acting or seeking to act as the groupwide supervisor provides the commissioner with reasonably reciprocal recognition and cooperation.

However, a commissioner identified under this section as the groupwide supervisor may determine that it is appropriate to acknowledge another supervisor to serve as the groupwide supervisor. The acknowledgment of the groupwide supervisor shall be made after consideration of the factors listed in clauses (1) to (5), and shall be made in cooperation with and subject to the acknowledgment of other regulatory officials involved with supervision of members of the internationally active insurance group, and in consultation with the internationally active insurance group.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, when another regulatory official is acting as the groupwide supervisor of an internationally active insurance group, the commissioner shall acknowledge that regulatory official as the groupwide supervisor. However, in the event of a material change in the internationally active insurance group that results in:

(1) the internationally active insurance group's insurers domiciled in this state holding the largest share of the group's premiums, assets, or liabilities; or

(2) this state being the place of domicile of the top-tiered ~~insurer(s)~~ insurer or insurers in the insurance holding company system of the internationally active insurance group,

the commissioner shall make a determination or acknowledgment as to the appropriate groupwide supervisor for such an internationally active insurance group pursuant to ~~subsection~~ paragraph (b).

(d) Pursuant to section 60D.21, the commissioner is authorized to collect from any insurer registered pursuant to section 60D.19 all information necessary to determine whether the commissioner may act as the groupwide supervisor of an internationally active insurance group or if the commissioner may acknowledge another regulatory official to act as the groupwide supervisor. Prior to issuing a determination that an internationally active insurance group is subject to groupwide supervision by the commissioner, the commissioner shall notify the insurer registered pursuant to section 60D.19 and the ultimate controlling person within the internationally active insurance group. The internationally active insurance group shall have not less than 30 days to provide the



commissioner with additional information pertinent to the pending determination. The commissioner shall publish in the State Register and on the department's website the identity of internationally active insurance groups that the commissioner has determined are subject to groupwide supervision by the commissioner.

(e) If the commissioner is the groupwide supervisor for an internationally active insurance group, the commissioner is authorized to engage in any of the following groupwide supervision activities:

(1) assess the enterprise risks within the internationally active insurance group to ensure that:

(i) the material financial condition and liquidity risks to the members of the internationally active insurance group that are engaged in the business of insurance are identified by management; and

(ii) reasonable and effective mitigation measures are in place; or

(2) request, from any member of an internationally active insurance group subject to the commissioner's supervision, information necessary and appropriate to assess enterprise risk, including but not limited to information about the members of the internationally active insurance group regarding:

(i) governance, risk assessment, and management;

(ii) capital adequacy; and

(iii) material intercompany transactions;

(3) coordinate and, through the authority of the regulatory officials of the jurisdictions where members of the internationally active insurance group are domiciled, compel development and implementation of reasonable measures designed to ensure that the internationally active insurance group is able to timely recognize and mitigate enterprise risks to members of ~~such~~ the internationally active insurance group that are engaged in the business of insurance;

(4) communicate with other state, federal and international regulatory agencies for members within the internationally active insurance group and share relevant information subject to the confidentiality provisions of section 60D.22, through supervisory colleges as set forth in section 60D.215 or otherwise;

(5) enter into agreements with or obtain documentation from any insurer registered under section 60D.19, any member of the internationally active insurance group, and any other state, federal, and international regulatory agencies for members of the internationally active insurance group, providing the basis for or otherwise clarifying the commissioner's role as groupwide supervisor, including provisions for resolving disputes with other regulatory officials. ~~Such~~ Agreements or documentation under this clause shall not serve as evidence in any proceeding that any insurer or person within an insurance holding company system not domiciled or incorporated in this state is doing business in this state or is otherwise subject to jurisdiction in this state; and

(6) other groupwide supervision activities, consistent with the authorities and purposes enumerated above, as considered necessary by the commissioner.

(f) If the commissioner acknowledges that another regulatory official from a jurisdiction that is not accredited by the NAIC is the groupwide supervisor, the commissioner is authorized to reasonably cooperate, through supervisory colleges or otherwise, with groupwide supervision undertaken by the groupwide supervisor, provided that:

(1) the commissioner's cooperation is in compliance with the laws of this state; and

(2) the regulatory official acknowledged as the groupwide supervisor also recognizes and cooperates with the commissioner's activities as a groupwide supervisor for other internationally active insurance groups where applicable. Where ~~such~~ recognition and cooperation by the groupwide supervisor is not reasonably reciprocal, the commissioner is authorized to refuse recognition and cooperation.

(g) The commissioner is authorized to enter into agreements with or obtain documentation from any insurer registered under section 60D.19, any affiliate of the insurer, and other state, federal, and international regulatory agencies for members of the internationally active insurance group, that provide the basis for or otherwise clarify a regulatory official's role as groupwide supervisor.

(h) A registered insurer subject to this section shall be liable for and shall pay the reasonable expenses of the commissioner's participation in the administration of this section, including the engagement of attorneys, actuaries, and any other professionals and all reasonable travel expenses.

Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.22, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Classification protection and use of information by commissioner.** (a) Documents, materials, or other information in the possession or control of the department that are obtained by or disclosed to the commissioner or any other person in the course of an examination or investigation made pursuant to section 60D.21 and all information reported pursuant to sections 60D.17, except as provided in section 60D.17, subdivision 1, paragraph (e); ~~60D.18; 60D.19; and 60D.20;~~ and 60D.217, are classified as confidential or protected nonpublic or both, are not subject to subpoena, and are not subject to discovery or admissible in evidence in a private civil action. However, the commissioner may use the documents, materials, or other information in the furtherance of any regulatory or legal action brought as a part of the commissioner's official duties. The commissioner shall not otherwise make the documents, materials, or other information public without the prior written consent of the insurer to which it pertains unless the commissioner, after giving the insurer and its affiliates who would be affected by this action notice and opportunity to be heard, determines that the interest of policyholders, shareholders, or the public ~~will be~~ is served by the publication of it, in which event the commissioner may publish all or any part in the manner the commissioner deems appropriate.

(b) For purposes of the information reported and provided to the department pursuant to section 60D.19, subdivision 11b, the commissioner must maintain the confidentiality of the group capital calculation and group capital ratio produced within the calculation and any group capital information received from an insurance holding company supervised by the Federal Reserve Board or any United States groupwide supervisor.

(c) For purposes of the information reported and provided to the department pursuant to section 60D.19, subdivision 11c, the commissioner must maintain the confidentiality of the liquidity stress test results and supporting disclosures and any liquidity stress test information received from an

insurance holding company supervised by the Federal Reserve Board and non-United States groupwide supervisors.

Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.22, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Sharing of information.** In order to assist in the performance of the commissioner's duties, the commissioner:

(1) may share documents, materials, or other information, including the confidential, protected nonpublic, and privileged documents, materials, or information subject to this section, including proprietary and trade secret documents and materials, with: (i) other state, federal, and international regulatory agencies; ~~with;~~ (ii) the NAIC and its affiliates and subsidiaries; ~~any third-party consultants designated by the commissioner;~~ and ~~with~~ (iv) state, federal, and international law enforcement authorities, including members of any supervisory college described in section 60D.215, provided that the recipient agrees in writing to maintain the confidentiality and privileged status of the document, material, or other information, and has verified in writing the legal authority to maintain confidentiality;

(2) notwithstanding clause (1), may only share confidential, protected nonpublic, and privileged documents, materials, or information reported pursuant to section 60D.19, subdivision 11a, with commissioners of states having statutes or regulations substantially similar to subdivision 1 and who have agreed in writing not to disclose this information;

(3) may receive documents, materials, or information, including otherwise confidential and privileged documents, materials, or information from the NAIC and ~~its~~ the NAIC's affiliates and subsidiaries and from regulatory and law enforcement officials of other foreign or domestic jurisdictions, and shall maintain as confidential, protected nonpublic, or privileged any document, material, or information received with notice or the understanding that it is confidential or privileged under the laws of the jurisdiction that is the source of the document, material, or information; and

(4) shall enter into written agreements with the NAIC and a third-party consultant designated by the commissioner governing sharing and use of information provided pursuant to sections 60D.15 to 60D.29 consistent with this clause that shall:

(i) specify procedures and protocols regarding the confidentiality and security of information shared with the NAIC ~~and its affiliates and subsidiaries~~ or a third-party consultant designated by the commissioner pursuant to sections 60D.15 to 60D.29, including procedures and protocols for sharing by the NAIC with other state, federal, or international regulators. The agreement must provide that the recipient agrees in writing to maintain the confidentiality and privileged status of the documents, materials, or other information, and has verified in writing the legal authority to maintain confidentiality;

(ii) specify that ownership of information shared with the NAIC ~~and its affiliates and subsidiaries~~ or a third-party consultant pursuant to sections 60D.15 to 60D.29 remains with the commissioner and the NAIC's or a third-party consultant's, as designated by the commissioner, use of the information is subject to the direction of the commissioner;

(iii) excluding documents, material, or information reported pursuant to section 60D.19, subdivision 11c, prohibit the NAIC or a third-party consultant designated by the commissioner from

storing the information shared pursuant to sections 60D.15 to 60D.29 in a permanent database after the underlying analysis is completed;

~~(iii)~~ (iv) require prompt notice to be given to an insurer whose confidential or protected nonpublic information in the possession of the NAIC or a third-party consultant designated by the commissioner pursuant to sections 60D.15 to 60D.29 is subject to a request or subpoena to the NAIC or a third-party consultant designated by the commissioner for disclosure or production; and

~~(iv)~~ (v) require the NAIC and its affiliates and subsidiaries or a third-party consultant designated by the commissioner to consent to intervention by an insurer in any judicial or administrative action in which the NAIC and its affiliates and subsidiaries or a third-party consultant designated by the commissioner may be required to disclose confidential or protected nonpublic information about the insurer shared with the NAIC and its affiliates and subsidiaries or a third-party consultant designated by the commissioner pursuant to sections 60D.15 to 60D.29; and

(vi) for documents, material, or information reported pursuant to section 60D.19, subdivision 11c, in the case of an agreement involving a third-party consultant, provide for notification of the identity of the consultant to the applicable insurers.

Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.22, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **Classification protection and use by others.** Documents, materials, or other information in the possession or control of the NAIC or a third-party consultant designated by the commissioner pursuant to sections 60D.15 to 60D.29 are confidential, protected nonpublic, or privileged, are not subject to subpoena, and are not subject to discovery or admissible in evidence in a private civil action.

Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.22, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 7. **Certain disclosures or publication prohibited.** (a) The group capital calculation and resulting group capital ratio required under section 60D.19, subdivision 11b, and the liquidity stress test along with the liquidity stress test's results and supporting disclosures required under section 60D.19, subdivision 11c, are regulatory tools to assess group risks and capital adequacy and group liquidity risks, respectively, and are not intended as a means to rank insurers or insurance holding company systems generally.

(b) Except as otherwise required under sections 60D.09 to 60D.29, making, publishing, disseminating, circulating, or placing before the public, or causing directly or indirectly to be made, published, disseminated, circulated, or placed before the public in a newspaper, magazine, or other publication, or in the form of a notice, circular, pamphlet, letter, or poster, or over any radio, television station, or any electronic means of communication available to the public, or in any other way as an advertisement, announcement, or statement containing a representation or statement with regard to the group capital calculation, group capital ratio, the liquidity stress test results, or supporting disclosures for the liquidity stress test of any insurer or any insurer group, or of any component derived in the calculation by any insurer, broker, or other person engaged in any manner in the insurance business is misleading and is prohibited.

(c) Notwithstanding paragraph (b), an insurer may publish an announcement in a written publication if any materially false statement with respect to the group capital calculation, resulting

group capital ratio, an inappropriate comparison of any amount to an insurer's or insurance group's group capital calculation or resulting group capital ratio, liquidity stress test result, supporting disclosures for the liquidity stress test, or an inappropriate comparison of any amount to an insurer's or insurance group's liquidity stress test result or supporting disclosures is published in any written publication and the insurer is able to demonstrate to the commissioner with substantial proof the statement's falsity or inappropriateness. The sole purpose of an announcement under this paragraph must be to rebut the materially false statement.

Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.24, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Voting of securities; when prohibited.** No security that is the subject of any agreement or arrangement regarding acquisition, or that is acquired or to be acquired, in contravention of the provisions of this chapter or of any rule or order issued by the commissioner may be voted at any shareholder's meeting, or may be counted for quorum purposes, and any action of shareholders requiring the affirmative vote of a percentage of shares may be taken as though the securities were not issued and outstanding. No action taken at the meeting shall be invalidated by the voting of the securities, unless the action would materially affect control of the insurer or unless the courts of this state have so ordered. If an insurer or the commissioner has reason to believe that any security of the insurer has been or is about to be acquired in contravention of the provisions of this chapter or of any rule or order issued by the commissioner, the insurer or the commissioner may apply to the district court for the county in which the insurer has its principal place of business to enjoin any offer, request, invitation, agreement, or acquisition made in contravention of section ~~60D.16~~ 60D.17 or any rule or order issued by the commissioner to enjoin the voting of any security so acquired, to void any vote of the security already cast at any meeting of shareholders and for other equitable relief as the nature of the case and the interest of the insurer's policyholders or the public requires.

Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 60D.25, is amended to read:

#### **60D.25 RECEIVERSHIP.**

Whenever it appears to the commissioner that any person has committed a violation of this chapter that so impairs the financial condition of a domestic insurer as to threaten insolvency or make the further transaction of business by it hazardous to its policyholders, creditors, shareholders, or the public, ~~then~~ the commissioner may proceed as provided in chapter 60B to take possessions of the property of the domestic insurer and to conduct the business of ~~that~~ the domestic insurer.

Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62D.221, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 3. **Exception.** Notwithstanding subdivision 1, health maintenance organizations are not subject to oversight under this section with respect to section 60D.20, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clauses (7) to (9), and paragraph (f)."

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 3, after the semicolon, insert "establishing group capital calculations for insurers; requiring insurers to complete a NAIC liquidity stress test; requiring insurers to file group capital

calculations and results from the NAIC liquidity stress test; requiring insurers to secure a deposit or bond;"

Amend the title numbers accordingly

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 2530:** A bill for an act relating to natural resources; facilitating the orderly and environmentally responsible development of the state's gas resources; requiring rulemaking; appropriating money; providing criminal penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 11A.236; 86A.05, subdivision 6; 93.513; 93.514; 93.516, subdivision 3, by adding a subdivision; 93.55, subdivision 1a; 103I.001; 103I.005, subdivisions 9, 21, by adding subdivisions; 103I.601, subdivision 1, by adding subdivisions; 270B.161; 272.02, subdivision 97; 272.03, subdivision 1; 273.12; 273.1392; 273.1393; 276.04, subdivision 2; 289A.02, subdivision 6; 289A.12, by adding a subdivision; 289A.19, subdivision 2; 290.0134, subdivision 9; 290.0135; 290.05, subdivision 1; 290.923, subdivision 1; 297A.68, subdivision 5; 297A.71, subdivision 14; 298.001, subdivision 3a, by adding subdivisions; 298.01, subdivisions 3, 3a, 3b, 4a, 4b, 5, 6; 298.015, subdivision 1; 298.016, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, by adding a subdivision; 298.018, subdivisions 1, 1a, by adding subdivisions; 298.17; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 93; 103I; 273.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on State and Local Government. Report adopted.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 2373:** A bill for an act relating to state government; establishing a biennial budget for the Department of Labor and Industry, Workers' Compensation Court of Appeals, and Bureau of Mediation Services; making various policy changes; requiring reports; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 177.253, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 177.254, subdivisions 1, 2, by adding a subdivision; 177.27, subdivision 5; 326B.103, by adding subdivisions; 326B.184, subdivisions 1a, 2; 326B.31, subdivision 29; 326B.33, subdivision 21; 326B.37, subdivisions 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, by adding a subdivision; 326B.49, subdivisions 2, 3; 326B.986, subdivision 9; 327.31, by adding subdivisions; 327.32, subdivisions 1a, 1e, 7, 8; 327.33, subdivisions 1, 2, 2a, 2b, 2c, 3, 7, by adding subdivisions; 327.34, subdivision 1; 327.35, subdivision 1; 327B.01, subdivisions 1, 7, 11a, 19, by adding subdivisions; 327B.03; 327B.04, subdivisions 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 7a, by adding subdivisions; 327B.041; 327B.042, subdivisions 1, 2; 327B.05, subdivision 1; 327B.06, subdivision 2; 327B.08, subdivision 1; 327B.09, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4; 327B.10; 327B.11, subdivision 1; 327B.12; Laws 2024, chapter 127, article 14, section 3; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 326B.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Labor. Report adopted.

**Senator Latz from the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety, to which was referred**

**H.F. No. 124:** A bill for an act relating to public safety; allowing for the acceptance of certain gifts related to a line of duty death of a public safety officer; authorizing local government expenditure for public safety officer killed in the line of duty; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 471.198; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 299A.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, delete subdivision 2

Page 2, delete subdivisions 3 and 4 and insert:

"Subd. 2. **State agency or political subdivision as recipient.** (a) Notwithstanding any law or rule to the contrary, a state agency or political subdivision may receive a gift under the following circumstances:

(1) a public safety officer employed by the state agency or political subdivision was killed in the line of duty;

(2) the gift is given during the consecutive 24-month period beginning on the date of death of the public safety officer killed in the line of duty;

(3) the gift honors or commemorates the public safety officer who was killed in the line of duty or provides team morale or cohesion services to the agency or political subdivision; and

(4) the gift is in compliance with any applicable gift policies adopted by the state agency or political subdivision.

(b) The gift must be distributed and used by the state agency or political subdivision in compliance with the intentions of the donor:

(1) within one year of the receipt of the gift; and

(2) in compliance with any applicable gift policies adopted by the state agency or political subdivision.

Subd. 3. **Gift policies.** A state agency or political subdivision may adopt policies with additional requirements and restrictions for gifts received under this section.

Subd. 4. **Reporting.** A state agency or political subdivision shall report any gifts received under this section within three months of use or distribution to the commissioner of public safety. The report must specify the amount or description of the gift, its source, and the use to which it was put. The state agency or political subdivision shall also post this information on its website. The commissioner shall include the information received under this subdivision in the report required in section 299A.012, paragraph (b)."

Amend the title accordingly

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS**

S.F. Nos. 2750 and 2855 were read the second time.

**SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS**

H.F. Nos. 747 and 124 were read the second time.

**INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS**

The following bills were read the first time.

**Senator Oumou Verbeten introduced--**

**S.F. No. 2979:** A bill for an act relating to public safety; modifying the definition of custodian for purposes of orders of protection; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 518B.01, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

**Senators Seeberger and Rasmusson introduced--**

**S.F. No. 2980:** A bill for an act relating to retirement; making administrative changes to statutes governing the retirement plans administered by the Public Employees Retirement Association; clarifying that the monthly salary threshold for required coverage must be stipulated in advance; adding requirements for elected or appointed public officials who wish to elect coverage by the general employees retirement plan; clarifying the membership election period and timing to file membership election forms; adding a 60-day requirement for filing an election with the association; clarifying the application of the increased multiplier for members of the local government correctional retirement plan who qualify for a duty disability benefit; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 353.01, subdivisions 2a, 2b, 2d; 353.028, subdivisions 2, 3; 353.34, subdivision 5; 353D.02, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7; 353E.06, subdivision 1; 356.636, subdivisions 2, 3.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

**Senator Cwodzinski introduced--**

**S.F. No. 2981:** A bill for an act relating to government data practices; modifying provisions for the Office of the Inspector General within the Department of Education; providing for access to records by the Office of the Inspector General; classifying data; providing for immunity and confidentiality in reporting or participating in an investigation; establishing a process for notice, appeal, and withholding of payments; clarifying definitions of fraud, theft, waste, and abuse; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 13.32, subdivision 5; 13.82, subdivision 1; 120B.021, subdivision 3; 120B.117, subdivision 4; 127A.21, subdivisions 1, 1a, 4, 5, 6, 7, by adding subdivisions; 127A.49, subdivision 3; 268.19, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 13.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.



**Senator Farnsworth introduced--**

**S.F. No. 2982:** A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for clean water and sanitary sewer system improvements in the city of Palisade; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

**Senator Rest introduced--**

**S.F. No. 2983:** A bill for an act relating to court records; requiring prosecuting authorities to seek protective order for certain evidence clearly offensive to common sensibilities; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 634.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

**Senator Pappas introduced--**

**S.F. No. 2984:** A bill for an act relating to retirement; Minnesota Secure Choice Retirement Program; adding penalties for noncompliance; providing criminal penalties; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 187.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

**Senator Pappas introduced--**

**S.F. No. 2985:** A bill for an act relating to retirement; requiring the commissioner of employment and economic development to disclose information; making administrative and technical changes to the Minnesota Secure Choice Retirement Program Act; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 116J.401, by adding a subdivision; 187.03, subdivisions 5, 7, by adding a subdivision; 187.05, subdivisions 4, 6, by adding a subdivision; 187.07, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 6; 187.08, subdivisions 3, 7; 187.11.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

**Senator Wiklund introduced--**

**S.F. No. 2986:** A bill for an act relating to human services; recodifying assertive community treatment and intensive residential treatment services statutory language; making conforming changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 148F.11, subdivision 1; 245.4662, subdivision 1; 245.4906, subdivision 2; 254B.04, subdivision 1a; 254B.05, subdivision 1a; 256.478, subdivision 2; 256B.0615, subdivisions 1, 3; 256B.0622, subdivisions 1, 8, 11, 12; 256B.82; 256D.44, subdivision 5; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 256B; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.0622, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

**Senator Wiklund introduced--**

**S.F. No. 2987:** A bill for an act relating to taxation; modifying a provision governing contingent reductions in provider taxes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 295.52, subdivision 8.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

**Senator Wiklund introduced--**

**S.F. No. 2988:** A bill for an act relating to health; modifying a provision governing fees assessed by the commissioner of health; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 144.122.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

**Senator Wiklund introduced--**

**S.F. No. 2989:** A bill for an act relating to health; modifying provisions governing licensure of firms that perform radon detection or mitigation; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 144.4961, subdivisions 3, 5.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

**Senator Wiklund introduced--**

**S.F. No. 2990:** A bill for an act relating to health; modifying provisions related to accreditation of environmental laboratories; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 144.98, subdivisions 8, 9.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

**Senators Utke and Abeler introduced--**

**S.F. No. 2991:** A bill for an act relating to children, youth, and families; modifying group family day care child-adult capacity ratios and age distribution restrictions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 142B.05, by adding a subdivision; 142B.30, subdivision 1; 142B.41, subdivisions 1, 4.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

**Senators Pratt, Nelson, Coleman, and Kreun introduced--**

**S.F. No. 2992:** A bill for an act relating to retirement; Teachers Retirement Association; lowering the age from 62 to 60 for the enhanced early retirement reduction; clarifying the postretirement adjustment delay; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 354.44, subdivision 6; 356.415, subdivision 1d.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

**Senator Champion introduced--**

**S.F. No. 2993:** A bill for an act relating to taxation; sales and use; providing a refundable exemption for construction materials for the Upper Harbor Terminal Amphitheater in the city of Minneapolis.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

**Senator Champion introduced--**

**S.F. No. 2994:** A bill for an act relating to state government; extending the due date for a St. Anthony Falls study; amending Laws 2023, chapter 62, article 1, section 47.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

**Senators Coleman and Duckworth introduced--**

**S.F. No. 2995:** A bill for an act relating to education; modifying teacher licensure requirements; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 122A.09, subdivision 9; 122A.181, subdivisions 3, 4; 122A.182, subdivisions 1, 4.

Referred to the Committee on Education Policy.

**Senator Coleman introduced--**

**S.F. No. 2996:** A bill for an act relating to transportation; appropriating money for U.S. Highway 7 corridor safety improvements in Hennepin County.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

**Senators Klein, Weber, and Rest introduced--**

**S.F. No. 2997:** A bill for an act relating to taxation; modifying individual income taxes, corporate franchise taxes, sales and use taxes, and other various taxes and tax-related provisions; making various policy and technical changes; modifying income tax credits and subtractions; modifying partnership provisions; modifying sales and use tax exemptions; modifying sales and use tax collections and deposits; modifying property tax classification; modifying enforcement, return, and audit provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 116U.27, subdivision 2; 270C.445, subdivisions 3, 6; 273.13, subdivision 22; 289A.08, subdivision 7a; 289A.12, subdivision 18; 289A.31, subdivision 1; 290.01, subdivision 19; 290.0132, subdivisions 26, 34; 290.0134, subdivision 20; 290.0693, subdivisions 1, 6, 8; 290.0695, subdivision 2; 297A.71, subdivision 54; 297A.75, subdivisions 1, 2, 3; 297A.94; 297A.99, subdivision 10; 297A.995, subdivisions 2, 10; 297E.06, subdivision 4; 297I.20, subdivision 4; Laws 2023, chapter 1, sections 22; 28.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

**Senators Limmer, Howe, and Anderson introduced--**

**S.F. No. 2998:** A bill for an act relating to natural resources; exempting disabled veterans from watercraft fees; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 86B.415, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Environment, Climate, and Legacy.

**Senators Pratt and Rest introduced--**

**S.F. No. 2999:** A bill for an act relating to grants management; requiring the commissioner of administration to develop and provide grants management training; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 16B.97, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

**Senator Kreun introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3000:** A bill for an act relating to health; requiring hospitals and birth centers to educate parents on recognizing physical abuse in infants; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

**Senators Dibble, Housley, Oumou Verbeten, and Maye Quade introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3001:** A bill for an act relating to human services; appropriating money for sexually exploited youth for safe harbor shelter and housing.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

**Senators Oumou Verbeten and Gustafson introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3002:** A bill for an act relating to public safety; providing for mitigated departures for certain offenders who have been victims; requiring presentence investigation reports to include certain information; allowing certain offenders who have been victims to apply for a pardon or for clemency; directing the Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission to include an additional mitigating factor; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 609.115, subdivision 1; 609.133, subdivision 7; 638.12, subdivision 2; 638.15, subdivision 1; 638.19, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 609.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

**Senator Oumou Verbeten introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3003:** A bill for an act relating to workforce development; appropriating money to the Redemption Project for workforce development services for adults leaving incarceration and justice-impacted individuals.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs and Economic Development.

**Senator Draheim introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3004:** A bill for an act relating to transportation; modifying escort vehicle requirements for overdimensional loads; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 169.812, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

**Senator Clark introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3005:** A bill for an act relating to higher education; establishing a plant-based foods production training pilot program; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 136A.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

**Senators Hoffman and Abeler introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3006:** A bill for an act relating to facility licensing; modifying spatial separation requirement for certain residential programs; establishing spatial separation requirement for certain assisted living facilities; requiring notice to local municipalities after issuing licenses for certain residential settings; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 144G.15; 144G.16, by adding a subdivision; 144G.195, by adding a subdivision; 245A.04, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision; 245A.11, subdivision 4; 254B.181, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Human Services.

**Senator Hoffman introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3007:** A bill for an act relating to public safety; specifying conditions in which a missing person may be considered to be endangered; requiring the commissioner of public safety to establish policies and protocols for issuing alerts to the public regarding missing and endangered persons; establishing the Public and Local Alert Advisory Board; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 299C.52, subdivision 1; 299C.53, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 299C.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

**Senator Hoffman introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3008:** A bill for an act relating to transportation; establishing Donate Life special license plates; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 168.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

**Senator Hoffman introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3009:** A bill for an act relating to taxation; tax increment financing; establishing special rules for the city of Brooklyn Park.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

**Senator Hoffman introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3010:** A bill for an act relating to liquor; exempting certain brewers from brand registration requirements; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 340A.311.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

**Senator Seeberger introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3011:** A bill for an act relating to human services; establishing an ambulance provider assessment program; providing supplemental medical assistance payments for ambulance services; exempting certain ambulance services from the MinnesotaCare provider tax; requiring report; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 295.50, subdivision 4; 295.52, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 256B; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 295.52, subdivision 5.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

**Senator Putnam introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3012:** A bill for an act relating to education finance; appropriating money for neighborhood partnership grants.

Referred to the Committee on Education Finance.

**Senators Drazkowski, Draheim, Koran, and Johnson Stewart introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3013:** A bill for an act relating to transportation; specifying safety message criteria on changeable message signs for the Department of Transportation.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

**Senators Drazkowski and Rarick introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3014:** A bill for an act relating to education; modifying recess detention; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 121A.611.

Referred to the Committee on Education Policy.

**Senators McEwen and Lieske introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3015:** A bill for an act relating to natural resources; appropriating money to develop water availability atlas and siting methodology; requiring a report.

Referred to the Committee on Environment, Climate, and Legacy.

**Senator Anderson introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3016:** A bill for an act relating to taxation; sales and use; providing a refundable exemption for construction materials for construction of a water treatment facility in the city of Monticello.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

**Senator Hauschild introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3017:** A bill for an act relating to taxation; local sales and use; extending the duration of the Hermantown local sales and use tax; amending Laws 1996, chapter 471, article 2, section 29, subdivision 4, as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

**Senators Oumou Verbeten, Maye Quade, Dibble, and Port introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3018:** A bill for an act relating to civil law; clarifying the court procedure for a change of sex to vital records; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 259.10, subdivision 1; 259.11.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

**Senator Latz introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3019:** A bill for an act relating to civil law; providing an attorney adviser or guardian ad litem in settlement agreements for cases where a party has a brain injury; requiring a study of the 2022 structure settlement laws and a report to the legislature; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 549.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

**Senator Seeberger introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3020:** A bill for an act relating to public safety; establishing a public safety officer hearing protection program; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

**Senator Pappas introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3021:** A bill for an act proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article IV, by adding a section; prohibiting any law that conditions the waiving of free speech rights.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

**Senator Pappas introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3022:** A bill for an act relating to canvassing; modifying standards requiring access to a multiple unit dwelling by candidates and census workers; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 2.92, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision; 211B.20, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

**Senators Xiong and Champion introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3023:** A bill for an act relating to public safety; appropriating money for a regional emergency disaster services center in the city of Roseville.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

**Senator Lang introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3024:** A bill for an act relating to veterans; appropriating money for grants to veterans programming.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Veterans, Broadband, and Rural Development.

**Senator Rest introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3025:** A bill for an act relating to taxation; property; modifying the requirements for green acres tax deferment; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 273.111, subdivisions 3, 8, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

**Senators Hoffman and Mohamed introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3026:** A bill for an act relating to workforce development; appropriating money to Girls Rock for worker training.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs and Economic Development.

**Senator Hoffman introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3027:** A bill for an act relating to human services; modifying licensing requirements for family adult foster care homes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 245A.02, by adding subdivisions; 245A.03, subdivisions 6a, 7; 245A.042, by adding a subdivision; 245A.06, subdivision 1a; 256B.4914, subdivisions 6, 19; Laws 2023, chapter 61, article 1, sections 47, subdivision 19; 85; repealing Laws 2023, chapter 61, article 1, section 32.

Referred to the Committee on Human Services.



**Senators Jasinski, Johnson Stewart, Lang, and Hauschild introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3028:** A bill for an act relating to motor vehicles; establishing snowmobile special license plates; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 168.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

**Senators Fateh, Pappas, Frentz, and Abeler introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3029:** A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for Boys & Girls Clubs of the Twin Cities.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

**Senator Lang introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3030:** A bill for an act relating to public safety; providing service line of duty death benefits for part-time, paid on-call, and volunteer firefighters; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 299A.41, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

**Senators Hoffman and Lang introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3031:** A bill for an act relating to game and fish; providing for a continuous open season for taking largemouth and smallmouth bass; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 97C.395.

Referred to the Committee on Environment, Climate, and Legacy.

**Senator Mohamed introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3032:** A bill for an act relating to vocational rehabilitation; appropriating money for the vocational rehabilitation services program.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs and Economic Development.

**Senator Farnsworth introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3033:** A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for clean infrastructure in the city of Hill City; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

**Senator Gustafson introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3034:** A bill for an act relating to state government; appropriating money for public educational radio stations; amending Laws 2023, chapter 62, article 1, section 11, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

**Senators Hoffman, Abeler, and Gruenhagen introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3035:** A bill for an act relating to state government; requiring commemoration of the first Italian immigrant to Minnesota on the Capitol complex; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

**Senator Nelson introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3036:** A bill for an act relating to environment; exempting certain components in textile furnishings and upholstered furniture from PFAS prohibitions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 116.943, subdivision 8.

Referred to the Committee on Environment, Climate, and Legacy.

**Senators Dahms, Putnam, Weber, Anderson, and Kupec introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3037:** A bill for an act relating to agriculture; appropriating money for the Minnesota Agriculture and Rural Leadership program.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Veterans, Broadband, and Rural Development.

**Senator Johnson Stewart introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3038:** A bill for an act relating to transportation; excluding delivery of aggregate materials from the retail delivery fee; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 168E.05, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

**Senators Housley, Hoffman, Lieske, Mohamed, and Kreun introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3039:** A bill for an act relating to human services; appropriating money for the Minnesota Age in Place Network.

Referred to the Committee on Human Services.

**Senators Mohamed and Hoffman introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3040:** A bill for an act relating to human services; modifying the family support and consumer support programs; modifying community first services and supports covered services; directing the commissioner to allow certain services under the disability waivers and consumer-directed community supports; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 252.32, subdivision 3; 256.476, subdivision 4; 256B.85, subdivision 7.

Referred to the Committee on Human Services.

**Senators Coleman, Hoffman, Westlin, Marty, and Howe introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3041:** A bill for an act relating to transportation; modifying the allocation of proceeds from the regional transportation sales and use tax; providing funding for suicide prevention barriers on the Washington Avenue Pedestrian Bridge.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

**Senators Coleman, Pratt, Gruenhagen, and Kreun introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3042:** A bill for an act relating to education; modifying student bullying policy requirements; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 121A.031, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Education Policy.

**Senator Putnam introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3043:** A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money to construct an outdoor waterpark in the city of St. Cloud for the St. Cloud Area Family YMCA.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

**Senator Xiong introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3044:** A bill for an act relating to state government finance; appropriating money for attorney general duties and activities; establishing a consumer protection restitution account and related requirements; modifying the consumer litigation account; establishing a proceeds of litigation or settlement account; requiring a report; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 8.31, subdivision 2c; 8.315, subdivision 3, by adding a subdivision; 16A.151, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 8.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

**Senator Xiong introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3045:** A bill for an act relating to state government; establishing a code of ethics for the legislative branch; allowing payment withholding if credible allegation of fraud; granting authority to share data regarding fraud in public programs; providing for renewable energy improvement and storage projects and EVSE projects; modifying insulin repayment account provisions; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 3A.03, subdivision 1; 13.02, subdivisions 7a, 16; 13.605, subdivision 1; 16A.28, subdivision 1; 151.741, subdivision 5; 352.04, subdivision 2; 352.92, subdivision 1; 352B.02, subdivision 1a; 353.27, subdivision 2; 353.65, subdivision 2; 353E.03, subdivision 1; 354.42, subdivision 2; 354A.12, subdivision 1; 490.123, subdivision 1a; Laws 2023, chapter 62, article 1, section 13; Laws 2024, chapter 127, article 67, section 6; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 3; 13; 15; 16B; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 16A.287.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

**Senator Boldon introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3046:** A bill for an act relating to agriculture; appropriating money for a southeast regional groundwater protection and soil health initiative.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Veterans, Broadband, and Rural Development.

**Senators Kupec and Boldon introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3047:** A bill for an act relating to child care; appropriating money for child care improvement grants.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

**Senator Boldon introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3048:** A bill for an act relating to health; authorizing local health departments to obtain vaccines and a predosed form of epinephrine according to a standing order for distribution provided by the commissioner of health; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 145A.04, by adding subdivisions.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

**Senator Boldon introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3049:** A bill for an act relating to health occupations; modifying provisions governing the practice or provision of physical therapy; providing criminal penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 148.65, subdivisions 1, 5, 6; 148.706, subdivisions 1, 2, 3; 148.75; 148.76; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 148.65, subdivision 9; 148.77.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

**Senators Pratt, Coleman, Duckworth, and Dornink introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3050:** A bill for an act relating to labor; allowing union members to allocate union dues to the local, state, or national organization of their choice; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 179A.06, subdivision 6; 181.06, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Labor.

**Senators Latz, Limmer, Kreun, and Seeberger introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3051:** A bill for an act relating to data practices; permitting access to unredacted portable recording system data related to collision investigations; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 13.825, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

**Senator Rarick introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3052:** A bill for an act relating to higher education; appropriating money for a grant to Minnesota Independence College and Community for student scholarships and other specified purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

**Senator Latz introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3053:** A bill for an act relating to unemployment; modifying the definition of available for suitable employment; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 268.085, subdivision 15.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs and Economic Development.

**Senator Hoffman introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3054:** A bill for an act relating to human services; modifying provisions relating to aging and older adult services, disability services, early intensive developmental and behavioral intervention, direct care and treatment, and health care; establishing a patient driven payment model phase-in, the Minnesota Caregiver Defined Contribution Retirement Fund Trust, recovery residence certification, and a working group; requiring stipend payments to certain collective bargaining unit members; requiring reports; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 13.46, subdivision 1; 144.0724, subdivision 11; 144A.071, subdivisions 4a, 4c, 4d; 144A.161, subdivision 10; 179A.54, by adding a subdivision; 245.4661, subdivisions 2, 6, 7; 245.91, subdivision 4; 245C.16, subdivision 1; 245G.01, subdivision 13b, by adding subdivisions; 245G.02, subdivision 2; 245G.07, subdivisions 1, 3, 4, by adding subdivisions; 245G.11, subdivisions 6, 7, by adding a subdivision; 245G.22, subdivisions 11, 15; 246B.10; 254A.19, subdivision 4; 254B.01, subdivisions 10, 11; 254B.02, subdivision 5; 254B.03, subdivisions 1, 3, 4; 254B.04, subdivisions 1a, 5, 6, 6a; 254B.05, subdivisions 1, 1a; 254B.06, subdivision 2; 254B.09, subdivision 2; 254B.181, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, by adding subdivisions; 254B.19, subdivision 1; 256.01, subdivisions 29, 34; 256.043, subdivision 3; 256.9657, subdivision 1; 256B.04, subdivisions 12, 14; 256B.0625, subdivisions 5m, 17, by adding a subdivision; 256B.0659, subdivision 17a; 256B.0757, subdivision 4c; 256B.0924, subdivision 6; 256B.0949, subdivisions 15, 16, by adding a subdivision; 256B.19, subdivision 1; 256B.431, subdivision 30; 256B.49, by adding a subdivision; 256B.4914, subdivisions 3, 5, 5a, 5b, 6a, 7a, 7b, 7c, 8, 9, by adding subdivisions; 256B.85, subdivisions 7a, 8, 16; 256B.851, subdivisions 5, 6; 256G.01, subdivision 3; 256G.08, subdivisions 1, 2; 256G.09, subdivisions 1, 2; 256I.04, subdivision 2a; 256R.02, subdivisions 18, 19, 22, by adding subdivisions; 256R.10, subdivision 8; 256R.23, subdivisions 7, 8; 256R.24, subdivision 3; 256R.25; 256R.26, subdivision 9; 256R.43; 260E.14, subdivision 1; 325F.725; 611.43, by adding a subdivision; 611.46, subdivision 1; 611.55, by adding a subdivision; 626.5572, subdivision 13; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 245A; 254B; 256R; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 144A.1888; 245G.01, subdivision 20d; 245G.07, subdivision 2; 254B.01, subdivision 5; 254B.04, subdivision 2a; 256B.0625, subdivisions 18b, 18e, 18h; 256B.434, subdivision 4; 256R.02, subdivision 38; 256R.12, subdivision 10; 256R.23, subdivision 6; 256R.36; 256R.40; 256R.41; 256R.481; 256R.53, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Human Services.

**Senator Mann introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3055:** A bill for an act relating to state government; changing provisions covering technology platform, pharmacy benefit manager, and data protection in vendor contracts; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 43A.231, subdivisions 3, 4, 6.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

**Senator Pappas introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3056:** A bill for an act relating to capital investment; authorizing spending to acquire and better public land and buildings and for other improvements of a capital nature with certain conditions; establishing new programs and modifying existing programs; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 16A.501; 16B.97, subdivision 1; 16B.98, subdivision 1; 116.182, subdivision 5; 142A.46, subdivision 1; 446A.07, subdivision 8; 446A.072, subdivision 5a; 446A.073, subdivision 1; 446A.081, subdivision 9; Laws 2013, chapter 143, article 12, section 21; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 16B; 115B; 446A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 16A.662; 116J.417, subdivision 9.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

**Senator Carlson introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3057:** A bill for an act relating to state government; updating state personnel management provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 43A.01, subdivision 3; 43A.02, subdivision 14; 43A.04, subdivisions 1, 4, 8; 43A.05, subdivision 3; 43A.07, subdivision 2; 43A.08, subdivisions 1a, 4; 43A.11, subdivision 9; 43A.121; 43A.15, subdivisions 2, 3, 4, 7, 12, 14; 43A.17, subdivision 5; 43A.181, subdivision 1; 43A.1815; 43A.19, subdivision 1; 43A.23, subdivisions 1, 2; 43A.24, subdivisions 1a, 2; 43A.27, subdivision 2; 43A.33, subdivision 3; 43A.346, subdivisions 2, 6; 43A.36, subdivision 1; 43A.421; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 43A.05, subdivision 6; 43A.315; 43A.317, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12; 43A.318, subdivisions 1, 2, 4, 5.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

**Senators Hawj and Pha introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3058:** A bill for an act relating to economic development; appropriating money to the Department of Employment and Economic Development for a grant to the city of Maplewood.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs and Economic Development.

**Senators Hawj and Pha introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3059:** A bill for an act relating to civil marriages; clarifying that legislators may perform civil marriages; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 517.04.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

**Senator Mann introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3060:** A bill for an act relating to behavioral health; the Minnesota Recovery Residence Certification Act; establishing a certification system for recovery residences; modifying housing support eligibility and regulations; establishing criminal penalties; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 256I.03, by adding subdivisions; 256I.04, subdivisions 1, 2a, 2f; 491A.01, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 254B.

Referred to the Committee on Human Services.

**Senator Maye Quade introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3061:** A bill for an act relating to education; modifying teacher licensure requirements related to the Read Act; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 120B.12, subdivision 4a; 120B.123, subdivision 5, by adding a subdivision; 120B.124, subdivision 2; 122A.181, subdivision 3; 122A.182, subdivision 3; 122A.183, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Education Policy.

**Senator Hawj introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3062:** A bill for an act relating to arts and cultural heritage; appropriating money for the Serbian Home.

Referred to the Committee on Environment, Climate, and Legacy.

**Senator Mann introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3063:** A bill for an act relating to insurance; modifying the reverse auction procurement requirement for SEGIP pharmacy benefit contracts; prohibiting the use of spread pricing by pharmacy benefit managers; increasing pharmacy benefit manager license application fees; imposing fiduciary duties on pharmacy benefit managers; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 62W.02, by adding a subdivision; 62W.03, subdivisions 2, 3, 5; 62W.04; 62W.05, by adding a subdivision; 62W.06, subdivision 2; 62W.08; 62W.13; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62W.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

**Senators Marty, Rest, and Frentz introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3064:** A bill for an act relating to finance; eliminating statutory authority for state agencies to retain grant amounts for administrative costs; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 16B.98, subdivision 14.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

**Senator Rest introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3065:** A bill for an act relating to taxation; establishing an excise tax on certain social media platform businesses; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 295.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

**Senator Miller introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3066:** A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for a regional ice arena in the city of La Crescent; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

**Senator Miller introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3067:** A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for a new bike trail from the city of Harmony to the city of Caledonia; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

**Senator Oumou Verbeten introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3068:** A bill for an act relating to agriculture; requiring the State Agricultural Society to reimburse the cities of St. Paul and Falcon Heights for certain expenses; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 37.13, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Veterans, Broadband, and Rural Development.

**Senators Port and Boldon introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3069:** A bill for an act relating to elections; modifying provisions related to absentee voting; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 203B.05, subdivision 1; 203B.121, subdivisions 4, 5; 203B.30, subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

**Senators Port and Boldon introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3070:** A bill for an act relating to the legislature; proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article IV, sections 3, 5, and 12; by adding an article XV; establishing an Independent Redistricting Commission; establishing a Redistricting Commission Applicant Review Panel; establishing principles to be used in adopting legislative and congressional districts; prohibiting members of the legislature from being employed or engaged for compensation as a lobbyist for a period of one year following the end of their legislative service; amending requirements related to the convening and conduct of regular legislative sessions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 2.031, by adding a subdivision; 2.731; 10A.01, subdivision 35; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 2; 2A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 2.91.



Referred to the Committee on Elections.

**Senator Westrom introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3071:** A bill for an act relating to human services; modifying home care nursing hardship criteria; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.0654, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Human Services.

**Senator Westrom introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3072:** A bill for an act relating to local government; amending the threshold for the required submission of audited municipal liquor store financial statements to the state auditor; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 471.6985, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

**Senator Pappas introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3073:** A bill for an act relating to housing; appropriating money for a grant to the Community Stabilization Project.

Referred to the Committee on Housing and Homelessness Prevention.

**Senator Pappas introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3074:** A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for improvements to the Capitol tunnel.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

**Senator Pappas introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3075:** A bill for an act relating to local government; permitting counties to provide administrative penalties for certain violations of park ordinances; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 398.34, subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

**Senator Johnson introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3076:** A bill for an act relating to taxation; sales and use; providing a refundable exemption for construction materials for certain projects in Independent School District No. 561, Goodridge.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

**Senators Pratt, Putnam, and Lieske introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3077:** A bill for an act relating to agriculture; establishing a residency pilot program for certain racehorses; requiring awards and grants; transferring money; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 17.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Veterans, Broadband, and Rural Development.

**Senators Frentz and Pratt introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3078:** A bill for an act relating to legacy; appropriating money for the World Junior Hockey Championships.

Referred to the Committee on Environment, Climate, and Legacy.

**Senator Duckworth introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3079:** A bill for an act relating to higher education; limiting the North Star Promise scholarship's eligibility conditions to students enrolled in programs in high-demand industries and occupations; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 136A.1465, subdivisions 2, 10, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

**Senator Duckworth introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3080:** A bill for an act relating to workforce development; appropriating money for an online early childhood development professional educator program.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs and Economic Development.

**Senator Green introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3081:** A bill for an act relating to government data practices; extending to peace officers the personal information protections currently available for judicial officials; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 13.991; 480.40; 480.45; 609.476.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

**Senator Green introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3082:** A bill for an act relating to transportation; establishing a speed limit on a segment of Beltrami County State-Aid Highway 20; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 169.14, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

**Senators McEwen, Kunesh, Johnson Stewart, and Marty introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3083:** A bill for an act relating to agriculture; adding pesticides from treated seeds to the commissioner's pesticide management plan requirements; broadening pesticide management plan coordination to include local governments and public health agencies; adding pesticides from treated seeds and pesticide breakdown products to groundwater monitoring requirements; requiring action to prevent and monitor pesticide contamination of surface water and air quality; requiring labeling statements for certain pesticide-treated seed; establishing new program for systemic pesticide-treated seed; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 18B.045; 18B.10; 18D.40; 21.81, by adding a subdivision; 21.82, subdivision 3; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 18B; 21.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Veterans, Broadband, and Rural Development.

**Senator Draheim introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3084:** A bill for an act relating to state government; prohibiting the assessment of fees or other charges when state employees park at facilities owned or operated by the state; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 16B.04, subdivision 2; 16B.58, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

**Senators Draheim and Rasmusson introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3085:** A bill for an act relating to workforce development; appropriating money for a grant to the Rural Cancer Institute.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs and Economic Development.

**Senators Draheim, Pratt, and Howe introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3086:** A bill for an act relating to workforce development; directing the commissioner to approve youth skills training programs in the construction trades; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 175.46, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Labor.

**Senators Utke and Boldon introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3087:** A bill for an act relating to controlled substances; modifying restrictions placed on the sale of certain over-the-counter allergy medicines; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.02, subdivision 6.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

**Senator Champion introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3088:** A bill for an act relating to economic development; appropriating money for a grant to Pillsbury United Communities.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs and Economic Development.

**Senators Jasinski, Howe, and Lang introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3089:** A bill for an act relating to public safety; establishing sunset for pipeline safety assessments; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 299A.55, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

**Senators Duckworth, Lang, Anderson, and Howe introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3090:** A bill for an act relating to military affairs; modifying certain pay and allowances; establishing pension offset stipends; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 192.49, subdivisions 1, 2, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Veterans, Broadband, and Rural Development.

**Senator McEwen introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3091:** A bill for an act relating to agriculture; modifying agricultural waste handling regulations; requiring record retention of sewage sludge transfers; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 18C.111, subdivisions 2, 4, 5; 18C.135, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 18C.201, subdivisions 1, 5; 18C.61.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Veterans, Broadband, and Rural Development.

**Senator Pha introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3092:** A bill for an act relating to legacy; appropriating money for youth water safety grant program.

Referred to the Committee on Environment, Climate, and Legacy.

**Senator Carlson introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3093:** A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for a city hall and public safety facility in the city of Mendota Heights; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

**Senator Mann introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3094:** A bill for an act relating to education finance; increasing safe schools revenue; creating a safe schools aid; expanding safe schools revenue to all cooperative units; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 126C.44.

Referred to the Committee on Education Finance.

**Senator Hoffman introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3095:** A bill for an act relating to broadband; requiring Internet service providers to provide low-cost broadband Internet to low-income Minnesotans; requiring reports; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 237.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Veterans, Broadband, and Rural Development.

**Senators Westlin and Carlson introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3096:** A bill for an act relating to elections; modifying certain election judge provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 204C.09, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

**Senators Carlson and Westlin introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3097:** A bill for an act relating to elections; modifying certain special election timing; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 375.20.

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

**Senator Maye Quade introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3098:** A bill for an act relating to consumer protection; prohibiting a person from using artificial intelligence to dynamically set product prices; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 325F.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

**Senator Seeberger introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3099:** A bill for an act relating to natural resources; appropriating money for groundwater management areas and comprehensive planning.

Referred to the Committee on Environment, Climate, and Legacy.

**Senators McEwen and Hauschild introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3100:** A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for Saint Ann's Residence.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

**Senator McEwen introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3101:** A bill for an act relating to drivers' licenses; modifying certain requirements relating to a reintegration driver's license; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 171.301, subdivisions 5, 6.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

**Senators Utke, Housley, Putnam, and Abeler introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3102:** A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for the WonderTrek Children's Museum in the city of Baxter.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

**Senator Fateh introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3103:** A bill for an act relating to arts and cultural heritage; appropriating money to Seeds Worth Sowing.

Referred to the Committee on Environment, Climate, and Legacy.

**MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

Senator Putnam moved that the name of Senator Mitchell be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 47. The motion prevailed.

Senator Housley moved that her name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 183. The motion prevailed.

Senator Bahr moved that his name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 416. The motion prevailed.

Senator Bahr moved that his name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 417. The motion prevailed.

Senator Bahr moved that his name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 419. The motion prevailed.

Senator Bahr moved that his name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 426. The motion prevailed.

Senator Johnson moved that the name of Senator Eichorn be stricken as chief author and the name of Senator Bahr be shown as chief author to S.F. No. 427. The motion prevailed.

Senator Draheim moved that the name of Senator Lang be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 431. The motion prevailed.

Senator Utke moved that the name of Senator Anderson be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 463. The motion prevailed.

Senator Mathews moved that the name of Senator Bahr be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 572. The motion prevailed.

Senator Koran moved that the name of Senator Draheim be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 650. The motion prevailed.

Senator Klein moved that his name be stricken as chief author, shown as a co-author, and the name of Senator Frentz be shown as chief author to S.F. No. 757. The motion prevailed.

Senator Housley moved that her name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 852. The motion prevailed.

Senator Marty moved that his name be stricken as chief author, shown as a co-author, and the name of Senator Pha be shown as chief author to S.F. No. 1063. The motion prevailed.

Senator Klein moved that the name of Senator Duckworth be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1074. The motion prevailed.

Senator Hauschild moved that the name of Senator Lang be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1080. The motion prevailed.

Senator Jasinski moved that the name of Senator Fateh be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1087. The motion prevailed.

Senator Clark moved that the name of Senator Mann be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1125. The motion prevailed.

Senator Xiong moved that his name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 1183. The motion prevailed.

Senator Gustafson moved that the name of Senator Boldon be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1183. The motion prevailed.

Senator Coleman moved that her name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 1289. The motion prevailed.

Senator Maye Quade moved that the name of Senator Oumou Verbeten be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1289. The motion prevailed.

Senator Dibble moved that the name of Senator Carlson be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1385. The motion prevailed.

Senator Xiong moved that the name of Senator Cwodzinski be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1414. The motion prevailed.

Senator Xiong moved that the name of Senator Cwodzinski be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1415. The motion prevailed.

Senator Port moved that the name of Senator Maye Quade be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1425. The motion prevailed.

Senator Westlin moved that the name of Senator Nelson be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1457. The motion prevailed.

Senator Lang moved that the name of Senator Carlson be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1496. The motion prevailed.

Senator Koran moved that his name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 1499. The motion prevailed.

Senator Port moved that the name of Senator Maye Quade be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1519. The motion prevailed.

Senator Seeberger moved that the name of Senator Boldon be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1687. The motion prevailed.

Senator Putnam moved that the name of Senator Hauschild be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1710. The motion prevailed.

Senator Maye Quade moved that the name of Senator Oumou Verbeten be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1786. The motion prevailed.

Senator Kupec moved that the name of Senator Port be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1794. The motion prevailed.

Senator Westlin moved that the name of Senator Marty be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1812. The motion prevailed.

Senator Abeler moved that the name of Senator Clark be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1827. The motion prevailed.

Senator Oumou Verbeten moved that the name of Senator Latz be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1909. The motion prevailed.

Senator Mohamed moved that the name of Senator Mitchell be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1935. The motion prevailed.

Senator Xiong moved that the name of Senator Cwodzinski be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1954. The motion prevailed.

Senator Putnam moved that the name of Senator Carlson be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1959. The motion prevailed.

Senator Boldon moved that the name of Senator Howe be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1998. The motion prevailed.

Senator Kunesh moved that the name of Senator Kreun be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2006. The motion prevailed.



Senator Putnam moved that the name of Senator Kupec be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2057. The motion prevailed.

Senator Housley moved that her name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 2087. The motion prevailed.

Senator Seeberger moved that the names of Senators Pratt and Oumou Verbeten be added as co-authors to S.F. No. 2120. The motion prevailed.

Senator Hauschild moved that the name of Senator Kupec be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2135. The motion prevailed.

Senator Hoffman moved that the name of Senator Carlson be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2183. The motion prevailed.

Senator Pappas moved that the name of Senator Johnson Stewart be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2203. The motion prevailed.

Senator Hoffman moved that the name of Senator Abeler be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2214. The motion prevailed.

Senator Mann moved that the name of Senator Boldon be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2234. The motion prevailed.

Senator Maye Quade moved that the names of Senators Mann, Kunes, and Cwodzinski be added as co-authors to S.F. No. 2250. The motion prevailed.

Senator Putnam moved that the name of Senator Hauschild be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2327. The motion prevailed.

Senator Xiong moved that the name of Senator Carlson be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2341. The motion prevailed.

Senator Hoffman moved that the name of Senator Abeler be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2440. The motion prevailed.

Senator McEwen moved that the name of Senator Mitchell be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2454. The motion prevailed.

Senator Draheim moved that the name of Senator Rasmusson be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2498. The motion prevailed.

Senator Mohamed moved that the names of Senators Johnson Stewart and Kunes be added as co-authors to S.F. No. 2509. The motion prevailed.

Senator Westrom moved that the name of Senator Gruenhagen be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2531. The motion prevailed.

Senator Hoffman moved that the names of Senators Oumou Verbeten and Abeler be added as co-authors to S.F. No. 2554. The motion prevailed.

Senator Nelson moved that the name of Senator Dornink be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2587. The motion prevailed.

Senator Maye Quade moved that the name of Senator Gustafson be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2600. The motion prevailed.

Senator Hoffman moved that the name of Senator Carlson be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2630. The motion prevailed.

Senator Kunesh moved that the name of Senator Carlson be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2632. The motion prevailed.

Senator Xiong moved that the name of Senator Abeler be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2635. The motion prevailed.

Senator Housley moved that the name of Senator Anderson be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2662. The motion prevailed.

Senator Dibble moved that the name of Senator Coleman be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2685. The motion prevailed.

Senator Gustafson moved that the names of Senators Fateh and Carlson be added as co-authors to S.F. No. 2703. The motion prevailed.

Senator Clark moved that the name of Senator Rest be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2738. The motion prevailed.

Senator Kupec moved that the name of Senator Johnson be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2754. The motion prevailed.

Senator Hauschild moved that the name of Senator Boldon be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2759. The motion prevailed.

Senator Hauschild moved that the name of Senator Boldon be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2760. The motion prevailed.

Senator Oumou Verbeten moved that the name of Senator Coleman be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2769. The motion prevailed.

Senator Gruenhagen moved that the name of Senator Abeler be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2828. The motion prevailed.

Senator Clark moved that the name of Senator Champion be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2868. The motion prevailed.

Senator Boldon moved that the name of Senator Mitchell be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2873. The motion prevailed.

Senator McEwen moved that the name of Senator Mitchell be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2900. The motion prevailed.

Senator Pha moved that the names of Senators Hawj and Champion be added as co-authors to S.F. No. 2920. The motion prevailed.

Senator Mann moved that the names of Senators Mitchell and Kupec be added as co-authors to S.F. No. 2959. The motion prevailed.

Senator Cwodzinski moved that the name of Senator Mitchell be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2970. The motion prevailed.

Senator Dibble moved that the name of Senator Coleman be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2971. The motion prevailed.

Senator Oumou Verbeten moved that S.F. No. 666 be withdrawn from the Committee on Health and Human Services and re-referred to the Committee on Human Services. The motion prevailed.

Senator Drazkowski moved that S.F. No. 845 be withdrawn from the Committee on Transportation and returned to its author. The motion prevailed.

Senator Gustafson moved that S.F. No. 856 be withdrawn from the Committee on Rules and Administration and re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety. The motion prevailed.

Senator Nelson moved that S.F. No. 1283 be withdrawn from the Committee on Transportation and returned to its author. The motion prevailed.

Senator Hoffman moved that S.F. No. 1615 be withdrawn from the Committee on Agriculture, Veterans, Broadband, and Rural Development and re-referred to the Committee on Jobs and Economic Development. The motion prevailed.

Senator Hoffman moved that S.F. No. 2031 be withdrawn from the Committee on Health and Human Services and re-referred to the Committee on Human Services. The motion prevailed.

Senator Pappas moved that S.F. No. 2203 be withdrawn from the Committee on Higher Education and re-referred to the Committee on Transportation. The motion prevailed.

Senator Hoffman moved that S.F. No. 2215 be withdrawn from the Committee on State and Local Government and re-referred to the Committee on Human Services. The motion prevailed.

Senator Westlin moved that S.F. No. 2776 be withdrawn from the Committee on Health and Human Services and re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety. The motion prevailed.

**Senator Abeler introduced --**

**Senate Resolution No. 21:** A Senate resolution congratulating Jonathan G. Bergquist of Mankato, Minnesota, for earning the rank of Eagle Scout.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Senator Murphy moved that Senate Resolution No. 15 be taken from the table.

The question was taken on the adoption of the motion.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 32 and nays 29, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Boldon	Frentz	Kunesh	Murphy	Seeberger
Carlson	Gustafson	Latz	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Champion	Hauschild	Mann	Pappas	Wiklund
Clark	Hawj	Marty	Pha	Xiong
Cwodzinski	Hoffman	Maye Quade	Port	
Dibble	Johnson Stewart	McEwen	Putnam	
Fateh	Klein	Mohamed	Rest	

Those who voted in the negative were:

Anderson	Drazkowski	Jasinski	Limmer	Rasmusson
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Lucero	Utke
Coleman	Green	Koran	Mathews	Weber
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Miller	Wesenberg
Dornink	Housley	Lang	Nelson	Westrom
Draheim	Howe	Lieske	Rarick	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Jasinski cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senator: Mathews.

The motion prevailed.

**Senate Resolution No. 15:** A Senate resolution expressing the Minnesota Senate's condemnation of President Trump's pardon of criminal participants of the January 6 insurrection who had been found guilty of violent crimes.

WHEREAS, on January 6, 2021, a violent mob in Washington, D.C., and other locations around the United States vandalized public buildings; threatened the lives of lawmakers, staff, and the general public; physically assaulted members of law enforcement for several hours; and jeopardized the peaceful transfer of Presidential power; and

WHEREAS, in the following four years, the biggest criminal investigation in United States history, which involved cooperation from partners in local, state, and federal law enforcement, secured charges against more than 1,500 people for crimes connected to the attack, including 400 for violent crimes; and

WHEREAS, every single one of these convictions was erased on January 20, 2025, the first day of President Donald Trump's second term, when he used his power to issue a full and unconditional pardon for all those who had been found guilty of crimes that day, including those guilty of violent crimes; and

WHEREAS, these assailants used bats, flags, chemical sprays, poles, stun guns, tasers, and stolen police shields and batons to beat law enforcement officers for hours; and

WHEREAS, officers who showed up to work that day to keep our nation's Capitol safe were choked, crushed and pinned in doorways, tased repeatedly, dragged, and beaten for hours; and

WHEREAS, several convictions were for carrying loaded firearms in the melee, mere yards away from members of Congress and their staff and Vice President Mike Pence; and

WHEREAS, President Trump's pardon included the commutation of 14 people linked to the extremist groups Oath Keepers and Proud Boys, who had planned elements of the attack; and

WHEREAS, granting full, complete, and unconditional pardons to those who violently assaulted police, causing the death of one officer, the suicides of four, and injuries to 174 others, sends a message to law enforcement that violence against police is excusable and that their lives are expendable; and

WHEREAS, these pardons undermine our justice system and devalue the service and sacrifices made by United States Capitol police and all law enforcement officers to keep our country and the seat of government safe; and

WHEREAS, erasing convictions of these violent attacks politicizes public safety and deals a heavy blow to morale of law enforcement across the country, including Minnesota; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Minnesota that it condemns President Trump's pardon of those found guilty of violent crimes for their participation in the January 6 attack.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is directed to prepare a copy of this resolution, to be authenticated by his signature and that of the Chair of the Senate Rules and Administration Committee, and transmit it to Governor Tim Walz.

Senator Latz moved the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

### CALL OF THE SENATE

Senator Latz imposed a call of the Senate for the balance of the proceedings on Senate Resolution No. 15. The Sergeant at Arms was instructed to bring in the absent members.

Senator Latz moved to amend Senate Resolution No. 15 as follows (A25):

Page 2, line 15, after "Walz" insert ", the President of the United States, the President and the Secretary of the United States Senate, and the Speaker and the Clerk of the United States House of Representatives"

The question was taken on the adoption of the amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 37 and nays 24, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Dibble	Housley	Mann	Pappas
Boldon	Fateh	Johnson Stewart	Marty	Pha
Carlson	Frentz	Klein	Maye Quade	Port
Champion	Gustafson	Kunesh	Mitchell	Putnam
Clark	Hauschild	Kupec	Mohamed	Rest
Coleman	Hawj	Latz	Murphy	Seeberger
Cwodzinski	Hoffman	Limmer	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin

Wiklund

Xiong

Those who voted in the negative were:

Anderson  
Dahms  
Dornink  
Draheim  
Drazkowski

Farnsworth  
Green  
Gruenhagen  
Howe  
Jasinski

Johnson  
Koran  
Kreun  
Lang  
Lieske

Lucero  
Mathews  
Miller  
Rarick  
Rasmusson

Utke  
Weber  
Wesenberg  
Westrom

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Jasinski cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senator: Mathews.

The motion prevailed. So the amendment was adopted.

Senator Kreun moved to amend Senate Resolution No. 15 as follows (A31):

Page 1, delete lines 5 to 24 and insert:

"WHEREAS, on November 22, 2002, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, 11-year-old Tyesha Edwards was killed by a stray bullet during a gang-related shooting while she did her school homework at the dining room table in her family's home; and

WHEREAS, the African American community at the time expressed fear for their safety amidst gang and gun violence; and

WHEREAS, on June 10, 2003, Myon Burrell was convicted of murder in the first degree committed for benefit of a gang and premeditated attempted murder, and sentenced to prison for life, which conviction was confirmed on April 9, 2008; and

WHEREAS, Senator Amy Klobuchar, who was the Hennepin County Attorney at the time of the murder, continued to point to this case for decades as a tough-on-crime win; and

WHEREAS, Governor Tim Walz and Attorney General Keith Ellison, as members of the Minnesota Board of Pardons, commuted Burrell's sentence to 20 years on December 15, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the victim's father opposed the commutation of Burrell's sentence, and remains adamant that Burrell killed his young daughter; and

WHEREAS, Mike Freeman, the Hennepin County Attorney in 2020, maintained his belief that Burrell had committed the crime and should not be pardoned; and

WHEREAS, after his release from prison in 2020, Burrell was pulled over by law enforcement in Robbinsdale, Minnesota, on August 29, 2023, for erratic driving and subsequently arrested when illegal hallucinogenic drugs and a gun were found in his possession; and

WHEREAS, Burrell was convicted of illegal possession of a firearm and controlled substances on December 19, 2024, and returned to prison on a five-year sentence; and

WHEREAS, in August 2024, Judge Mark Kapelhoff in Burrell's most recent case stated that Burrell had been "granted a rare opportunity" with the commutation of his sentence for murder, and instead Burrell chose "this other path" that led to drugs and guns, and further found it "a bit

disappointing" that Burrell did not appear to express remorse during the pre-sentence investigation; and

WHEREAS, Governor Tim Walz and his administration, with support from Legislative Democrats, continue to push for the release of violent criminals from prison through the Minnesota Rehabilitation and Reinvestment Act, prosecutor-initiated sentence reductions, and other soft-on-crime initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Governor Tim Walz supported and signed into law in 2023 legislation from the Democrat-led Legislature that authorized changes to allow the Board of Pardons to more easily release violent offenders or commute their sentences; and

WHEREAS, Governor Tim Walz and his Democrat appointees take law abiding gun owners as a more serious threat when they protect themselves than convicted violent criminals who carry illegal guns and threaten the public's safety; and

WHEREAS, gang violence remains a problem throughout the Twin Cities more than 20 years later; and

WHEREAS, Governor Tim Walz and Attorney General Keith Ellison granting commutations to violent criminals sends a message to Minnesotans that violence is excusable and that Minnesota lives are expendable; and

WHEREAS, victims, their families, and the public at large should be able to count on original sentences handed down by judges in crimes of violence, and the violent offenders should serve out their time in prison; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Minnesota, that it condemns Governor Tim Walz for releasing violent criminals from prison, who then commit further crimes and illegally possess firearms, which undermines the safety and well-being of law-abiding citizens and their families.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Minnesota Senate rejects any attempt to abandon victims and their families and ignore fear instilled by violent criminals on our communities with the Walz administration's sweeping reforms that are intent on releasing violent criminals to the public.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is directed to prepare a copy of this resolution, to be authenticated by his signature and that of the Chair of the Senate Rules and Administration Committee, and transmit it to Governor Tim Walz and Attorney General Keith Ellison."

Page 2, delete lines 1 to 15

Amend the title accordingly

Senator Klein questioned whether the amendment was germane.

The President ruled that the amendment was not germane.

Senator Rasmusson appealed the decision of the President.

The question was taken on "Shall the decision of the President be the judgment of the Senate?"

The roll was called, and there were yeas 34 and nays 30, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Boldon	Frentz	Kunesh	Mitchell	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kupec	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Latz	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Mann	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hoffman	Marty	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Pha	Xiong
Fateh	Klein	McEwen	Port	

Those who voted in the negative were:

Abeler	Draheim	Howe	Lieske	Rarick
Anderson	Drazkowski	Jasinski	Limmer	Rasmusson
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Lucero	Utke
Coleman	Green	Koran	Mathews	Weber
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Miller	Wesenberg
Dornink	Housley	Lang	Nelson	Westrom

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Jasinski cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senator: Mathews.

So the decision of the President was sustained.

Senator Dahms moved to amend Senate Resolution No. 15 as follows (A19):

Page 2, after line 9, insert:

"WHEREAS, the safety and security of Minnesotans depends on a well-trained and well-funded law enforcement presence to uphold the rule of law, protect communities, and respond to emergencies; and

WHEREAS, efforts to defund the police have led to reductions in law enforcement budgets in various cities across the nation, resulting in increased crime, slower emergency response times, and diminished public safety; and

WHEREAS, law enforcement officers put their lives on the line every day to serve and protect their communities, and efforts to reduce funding undermine their ability to perform their duties effectively; and

WHEREAS, defunding police departments disproportionately harms vulnerable communities, including low-income neighborhoods and communities of color; and

WHEREAS, though accountability measures are necessary to ensure law enforcement agencies operate fairly and justly, dismantling and defunding police departments is a reckless policy that puts Minnesotans at risk; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Senate recognizes that strong and well-supported police forces are essential to maintaining law and order, preventing violence, and ensuring justice for victims of crime; and"



Page 2, after line 12, insert:

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Senate of the State of Minnesota condemns any efforts to defund the police and reaffirms its commitment to supporting law enforcement, enhancing public safety, and ensuring that all Minnesotans can live and work in secure communities."

Senator Latz questioned whether the amendment was germane.

The President ruled that the amendment was not germane.

Senator Rasmusson appealed the decision of the President.

The question was taken on "Shall the decision of the President be the judgment of the Senate?"

The roll was called, and there were yeas 34 and nays 29, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Boldon	Frentz	Kunesh	Mitchell	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kupec	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Latz	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Mann	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hoffman	Marty	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Pha	Xiong
Fateh	Klein	McEwen	Port	

Those who voted in the negative were:

Abeler	Draheim	Howe	Lieske	Rasmusson
Anderson	Drazkowski	Jasinski	Limmer	Utke
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Lucero	Weber
Coleman	Green	Koran	Mathews	Wesenberg
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Miller	Westrom
Dornink	Housley	Lang	Rarick	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Jasinski cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senator: Mathews.

So the decision of the President was sustained.

Senator Drazkowski moved to amend Senate Resolution No. 15 as follows (A18):

Page 1, delete lines 5 to 24 and insert:

"WHEREAS, on May 26, 2020, protests in the city of Minneapolis turned violent and destructive; and

WHEREAS, the subsequent rioting and destruction spread from Minneapolis into neighboring cities and throughout the state over the course of the following days; and

WHEREAS, the riots caused the deaths of at least three Minnesotans, as well as numerous injuries to both citizens and law enforcement officers; and

WHEREAS, the looting, vandalism, damage and destruction of over 1,500 businesses, and the destruction of public and personal property, including the complete destruction of the Third

Minneapolis Precinct police station, lasted several days and resulted in enormous costs to both private citizens and governments; and

WHEREAS, Governor Walz ignored the severity of the riots and destruction that was unfolding throughout the state and thus permitted the riots to persist for several days without an adequate response; and

WHEREAS, Governor Walz failed to perform his constitutional duties to protect the safety and lives of Minnesotans, and stood idly by while businesses were destroyed, livelihoods were lost, and people died; and

WHEREAS, Governor Walz failed to organize and coordinate with the proper law enforcement agencies and city leaders to form a response to the situation; and

WHEREAS, Governor Walz failed to provide timely and accurate information through official sources, while members of the first family were providing information regarding the National Guard's presence through their personal social media accounts; and

WHEREAS, Governor Walz and Minneapolis Mayor Jacob Frey initially attempted to negotiate with rioters rather than provide law enforcement with the authority to restore law and order or mobilize the Minnesota National Guard within an appropriate timeframe; and

WHEREAS, Governor Tim Walz refused to pursue the proper arrest, trial, and conviction of the thousands of law breakers and rioters that committed thousands of heinous crimes against the people of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, the morale within the law enforce community has suffered greatly due to the inaction by Governor Walz and city leadership during the riots of 2020; and

WHEREAS, public monies continue to be spent to rebuild property and aid victims of the riots; and NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, that Governor Tim Walz apologize to the citizens of Minnesota for failing to protect the lives and property of Minnesotans and for their safety and peace of their families and communities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Governor Walz apologize to the law enforcement community for failing to provide them the adequate resources and leadership during the 2020 riots.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is directed to prepare a copy of this resolution, to be authenticated by his signature and that of the Chair of the Senate Rules and Administration Committee, and transmit it to Governor Tim Walz."

Page 2, delete lines 1 to 15

Amend the title accordingly

Senator Klein questioned whether the amendment was germane.

The President ruled that the amendment was not germane.

Senator Rasmusson appealed the decision of the President.

The question was taken on "Shall the decision of the President be the judgment of the Senate?"

The roll was called, and there were yeas 34 and nays 30, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Boldon	Frentz	Kunesh	Mitchell	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kupec	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Latz	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Mann	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hoffman	Marty	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Pha	Xiong
Fateh	Klein	McEwen	Port	

Those who voted in the negative were:

Abeler	Draheim	Howe	Lieske	Rarick
Anderson	Drazkowski	Jasinski	Limmer	Rasmusson
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Lucero	Utke
Coleman	Green	Koran	Mathews	Weber
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Miller	Wesenberg
Dornink	Housley	Lang	Nelson	Westrom

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Jasinski cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senator: Mathews.

So the decision of the President was sustained.

Senator Rarick moved to amend Senate Resolution No. 15 as follows (A28):

Page 2, after line 9, insert:

"WHEREAS, Feeding Our Future engaged in the nation's largest COVID-era fraud scheme in Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, the Feeding Our Future fraud scheme has led to the federal convictions of at least 45 people to date for their actions to steal \$250 million and spend it on luxury cars, vacations, and expensive properties around the world; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Education was found to have failed to adequately investigate complaints regarding Feeding Our Future and allowing the fraud to continue year after year; and"

Page 2, after line 12, insert:

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the actions of Governor Tim Walz's administration that allowed the fraud be condemned, and the federal convictions of all those who committed the crimes, should be ineligible for future pardons by any Governor or President."

Senator Latz questioned whether the amendment was germane.

The President ruled that the amendment was not germane.

Senator Rasmusson appealed the decision of the President.

The question was taken on "Shall the decision of the President be the judgment of the Senate?"

The roll was called, and there were yeas 34 and nays 30, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Boldon	Frentz	Kunesh	Mitchell	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kupec	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Latz	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Mann	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hoffman	Marty	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Pha	Xiong
Fateh	Klein	McEwen	Port	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Boldon cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senator: Xiong.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Abeler	Draheim	Howe	Lieske	Rarick
Anderson	Drazkowski	Jasinski	Limmer	Rasmusson
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Lucero	Utke
Coleman	Green	Koran	Mathews	Weber
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Miller	Wesenberg
Dornink	Housley	Lang	Nelson	Westrom

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Jasinski cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senator: Mathews.

So the decision of the President was sustained.

Senator Housley moved to amend Senate Resolution No. 15 as follows (A23):

Page 2, after line 9, insert:

"WHEREAS, the citizens of Minnesota place their trust in elected officials to represent their interests, uphold the rule of law, and maintain the integrity of public office; and

WHEREAS, the actions of public officials should always reflect the values of honesty, transparency, and respect for the rights and property of all individuals; and

WHEREAS, any actions by elected officials that undermine public trust or violate the law, whether in their personal or professional conduct, can erode public trust and harm the reputation of the legislative body as a whole; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Senate is committed to ensuring that its members adhere to the highest ethical standards and uphold the principles of justice; and

WHEREAS, when questions arise regarding the conduct of a legislator, those questions must be taken seriously, and appropriate measures must be considered to ensure that the actions of any one individual do not reflect negatively on the legislative process or institution; and"

Page 2, after line 12, insert:

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Minnesota that it reaffirms its commitment to holding all members of the Minnesota Senate accountable for their actions to ensure that public offices are used to serve the people with integrity, respect for the law, and dedication to the principles of justice and fairness."

Senator Klein questioned whether the amendment was germane.

The President ruled that the amendment was not germane.

Senator Rasmusson appealed the decision of the President.

The question was taken on "Shall the decision of the President be the judgment of the Senate?"

The roll was called, and there were yeas 34 and nays 30, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Boldon	Frentz	Kunesh	Mitchell	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kupec	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Latz	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Mann	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hoffman	Marty	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Pha	Xiong
Fateh	Klein	McEwen	Port	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Boldon cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senator: Xiong.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Abeler	Draheim	Howe	Lieske	Rarick
Anderson	Drazkowski	Jasinski	Limmer	Rasmusson
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Lucero	Utke
Coleman	Green	Koran	Mathews	Weber
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Miller	Wesenberg
Dornink	Housley	Lang	Nelson	Westrom

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Jasinski cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senator: Mathews.

So the decision of the President was sustained.

Senator Coleman moved to amend Senate Resolution No. 15 as follows (A29):

Page 1, after line 20, insert:

"WHEREAS, law enforcement officers in our state and nation put their lives on the line each day to protect and serve our communities; and

WHEREAS, members of our law enforcement community should be treated with the utmost respect; and

WHEREAS, law enforcement in Minneapolis and many other cities across our country have faced abuse fueled by inflammatory rhetoric of activist groups, extremist politicians, and other protesters; and

WHEREAS, violence against our brave men and women in uniform at any time and in any place is reprehensible, and should be condemned at every turn; and"

The question was taken on the adoption of the amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 64 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Drazkowski	Johnson	Marty	Putnam
Anderson	Farnsworth	Johnson Stewart	Mathews	Rarick
Bahr	Fateh	Klein	Maye Quade	Rasmusson
Boldon	Frentz	Koran	McEwen	Rest
Carlson	Green	Kreun	Miller	Seeberger
Champion	Gruenhagen	Kunesh	Mitchell	Utke
Clark	Gustafson	Kupec	Mohamed	Weber
Coleman	Hauschild	Lang	Murphy	Wesenberg
Cwodziński	Hawj	Latz	Nelson	Westlin
Dahms	Hoffman	Lieske	Oumou Verbeten	Westrom
Dibble	Housley	Limmer	Pappas	Wiklund
Dornink	Howe	Lucero	Pha	Xiong
Draheim	Jasinski	Mann	Port	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Boldon cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senator: Xiong.

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Jasinski cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senator: Mathews.

The motion prevailed. So the amendment was adopted.

Senator Draheim moved to amend Senate Resolution No. 15 as follows (A32):

Page 1, delete lines 5 to 24 and insert:

"WHEREAS, a Senate resolution expressing the Minnesota Senate's condemnation of the hyper-partisanship, lax government oversight, and poor fiscal management that has led to a massive budget deficit in future years and allowed hundreds of millions of taxpayer dollars to be lost to fraud; and

WHEREAS just two years ago, the state of Minnesota had a record surplus of over \$18 billion dollars; and

WHEREAS on top of increasing government spending by nearly 40 percent, hard working Minnesotans saw their sales or gas tax increase; and

WHEREAS there has been evidence for years of fraud in state government programs yet few in the Walz administration took this evidence seriously; and

WHEREAS this lax oversight has caused nearly \$6 million of the people's money being lost to fraud; and

WHEREAS the state of Minnesota now faces a nearly \$6 billion dollar deficit in future years; and

WHEREAS there was a bipartisan, cooperative path forward that would have prevented fraud and kept our state on sound fiscal footing; and NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Minnesota State Senate condemns fiscal mismanagement of government programs, sky-rocketing government funding, and tax increases that hurt low-income Minnesotans the hardest.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is directed to prepare a copy of this resolution, to be authenticated by his signature and that of the Chair of the Senate Rules and Administration Committee, and transmit to Governor Walz."

Page 2, delete lines 1 to 15

Amend the title accordingly

Senator Draheim moved to amend the Draheim (A32) amendment to Senate Resolution No. 15 as follows (A51):

Page 1, line 13, delete "\$6 million" and insert "\$600 million"

The motion prevailed. So the amendment to the amendment was adopted.

Senator Klein questioned whether the Draheim (A32) amendment, as amended, was germane.

The President ruled that the amendment, as amended, was not germane.

Senator Rasmusson appealed the decision of the President.

The question was taken on "Shall the decision of the President be the judgment of the Senate?"

The roll was called, and there were yeas 34 and nays 29, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Boldon	Frentz	Kunesh	Mitchell	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kupec	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Latz	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Mann	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hoffman	Marty	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Pha	Xiong
Fateh	Klein	McEwen	Port	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Boldon cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senator: Xiong.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Abeler	Drazkowski	Jasinski	Limmer	Rasmusson
Anderson	Farnsworth	Johnson	Lucero	Utke
Bahr	Green	Koran	Mathews	Weber
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Miller	Wesenberg
Dornink	Housley	Lang	Nelson	Westrom
Draheim	Howe	Lieske	Rarick	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Jasinski cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senator: Mathews.

So the decision of the President was sustained.

Senator Gruenhagen moved to amend Senate Resolution No. 15 as follows (A11):

Page 2, after line 9, insert:

"WHEREAS, on December 1, 2024, President Joe Biden pardoned his son Hunter Biden, who had pleaded guilty to tax evasion and was found guilty of possessing a gun while using illegal drugs; and"

Page 2, after line 12, insert:

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that no president should pardon their family members."

Senator Latz questioned whether the amendment was germane.

The President ruled that the amendment was not germane.

Senator Rasmusson appealed the decision of the President.

The question was taken on "Shall the decision of the President be the judgment of the Senate?"

The roll was called, and there were yeas 34 and nays 26, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Boldon	Frentz	Kunesh	Mitchell	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kupec	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Latz	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Mann	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hoffman	Marty	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Pha	Xiong
Fateh	Klein	McEwen	Port	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Boldon cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: McEwen and Xiong.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Anderson	Farnsworth	Johnson	Mathews	Wesenberg
Bahr	Green	Koran	Miller	Westrom
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Rarick	
Dornink	Housley	Lang	Rasmusson	
Draheim	Howe	Limmer	Utke	
Drazkowski	Jasinski	Lucero	Weber	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Jasinski cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senator: Mathews.

So the decision of the President was sustained.

Senator Lucero moved to amend Senate Resolution No. 15 as follows (A50):



Page 1, delete lines 5 to 24

Page 2, delete lines 1 to 15 and insert:

"WHEREAS, on October 7, 2023, Hamas terrorists broke the then-existing ceasefire and launched a massive, unprovoked war on Israel resulting in the worst massacre of Jews since the Holocaust; and

WHEREAS, Hamas terrorists infiltrated Israel on the Jewish Sabbath and the religious holiday of Simchat Torah, and brutally murdered 1,200 men, women, and children, injured thousands, and took 240 hostages including babies and children; and

WHEREAS, the heroic efforts of Israeli police on October 7, 2023, saved countless lives; and

WHEREAS, Israeli police have gathered thousands of testimonies from eyewitnesses of Hamas violence on October 7, 2023, including countless instances of rape, gang rape, sexual mutilation, and other forms of sexual violence, and are continuing to gather evidence; and

WHEREAS, released Israeli hostages have reported instances of sexual assault or abuse that occurred while held hostage by Hamas; and

WHEREAS, since October 7, 2023, Hamas launched over 19,000 rockets indiscriminately into Israel; and

WHEREAS, at least 30 United States citizens in Israel are among those killed by Hamas since October 7, 2023, and at least eight were taken hostage; and

WHEREAS, since October 7, 2023, Hamas is directly responsible for the deaths of hundreds, if not thousands, of Palestinians through failed rocket attacks on Israel which landed inside Gaza; and

WHEREAS, Hamas is also responsible for the deaths of tens of thousands of Palestinians by launching an unprovoked invasion into sovereign Israeli territory and continuing to fire rockets at Israeli civilian communities while cynically embedding itself within civilian Palestinian communities; and

WHEREAS, the expansion of this war to other fronts by Iran's proxy in Lebanon, Hezbollah, and its proxy in Yemen, the Houthi rebels, risks a wider regional war; and

WHEREAS, Hamas is a United States-designated Foreign Terrorist Organization; and

WHEREAS, Hamas' founding charter calls for the destruction of Israel, the killing of Jews everywhere, and embraces multiple antisemitic conspiracy theories including The Protocols of the Elders of Zion; and

WHEREAS, since October 7, senior leadership for Hamas has promised to repeat the atrocities of October 7 over and over again; and

WHEREAS, Iran has long provided support to Hamas and other terrorist groups and proxies, and prior United States government unclassified assessments indicated that Iran has historically

provided up to \$100,000,000 annually in combined support to Palestinian terrorist groups, including Hamas, Palestinian Islamic Jihad, and the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command; and

WHEREAS, Hamas has used this support from Iran, stolen international aid intended for the people of Gaza, and the levying of onerous taxes on the people of Gaza to construct an extensive and sophisticated network of tunnels, which are at least 350 miles in length and larger than the London subway system, for the sole purpose of carrying out its forever war against Israel; and

WHEREAS, the combined net worth of Hamas' leadership is worth at least \$11,000,000,000 at the same time that civilians in Gaza are suffering terribly due to the unprovoked war that Hamas launched against Israel on October 7 and continues to wage against Israel by launching rockets and holding hostages from within civilian communities in Gaza; and

WHEREAS, any sustainable ceasefire in and reconstruction of Gaza can only be achieved with the return of all the hostages kidnapped by Hamas, the removal of Hamas from power in Gaza, and the replacement of Hamas with a new functioning governing authority in Gaza which is committed to living in peace with Israel; and

WHEREAS, despite all of its challenges it has long been the policy of successive United States governments, of both Democratic and Republican administrations, to support a two-state solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Minnesota that the Senate:

(1) stands with the people of Israel as they defend themselves against the barbaric war launched by Hamas and other terrorists;

(2) affirms Israel's obligation to defend the lives of all its citizens;

(3) condemns Hamas' brutal and unjustifiable war against Israel which has resulted in the deaths of thousands of innocent Israeli and Palestinian civilians;

(4) calls on Hamas' leadership to immediately and safely release all living hostages, return the bodies of deceased hostages, as well as leave Gaza so that the people of Israel and Gaza can have a better future;

(5) mourns the over 1,400 Israelis and 30-plus Americans killed, as well as the thousands of innocent Palestinian civilians killed as a consequence of Hamas' unprovoked attack on Israel;

(6) condemns Iran's support for terrorist groups and proxies, including Hamas, Palestinian Islamic Jihad, Hezbollah, and the Houthi rebels;

(7) urges full enforcement of Minnesota's existing sanctions statute against Iran's Revolutionary Guard to prevent Iran's funding of terrorist groups, including Hamas, Palestinian Islamic Jihad, Hezbollah, and the Houthi rebels; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of State of the State of Minnesota is directed to prepare copies of this resolution and transmit them to the Government of Israel."

Amend the title accordingly

Senator Latz questioned whether the amendment was germane.

The President ruled that the amendment was not germane.

Senator Rasmusson appealed the decision of the President.

The question was taken on "Shall the decision of the President be the judgment of the Senate?"

The roll was called, and there were yeas 34 and nays 21, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Boldon	Frentz	Kunesh	Mitchell	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kupec	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Latz	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Mann	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hoffman	Marty	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Pha	Xiong
Fateh	Klein	McEwen	Port	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Boldon cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: McEwen and Xiong.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Anderson	Drazkowski	Johnson	Mathews	Weber
Bahr	Farnsworth	Koran	Miller	
Dahms	Green	Kreun	Rarick	
Dornink	Gruenhagen	Lang	Rasmusson	
Draheim	Jasinski	Lucero	Utke	

So the decision of the President was sustained.

Senator Murphy moved that Senate Resolution No. 15 be laid on the table.

The question was taken on the adoption of the motion.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 48 and nays 10, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Boldon	Green	Kunesh	Mohamed	Seeberger
Carlson	Gruenhagen	Kupec	Murphy	Utke
Champion	Gustafson	Latz	Oumou Verbeten	Weber
Clark	Hauschild	Mann	Pappas	Wesenberg
Cwodzinski	Hawj	Marty	Pha	Westlin
Dibble	Jasinski	Mathews	Port	Westrom
Dornink	Johnson	Maye Quade	Putnam	Wiklund
Drazkowski	Johnson Stewart	McEwen	Rarick	Xiong
Farnsworth	Klein	Miller	Rasmusson	
Frentz	Kreun	Mitchell	Rest	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Boldon cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: McEwen and Xiong.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Anderson  
Bahr

Dahms  
Draheim

Fateh  
Hoffman

Howe  
Koran

Lang  
Lucero

The motion prevailed.

### **MEMBERS EXCUSED**

Senators Duckworth and Pratt were excused from the Session of today. Senator Nelson was excused from the Session of today from 11:30 to 11:40 a.m., 11:45 to 11:55 a.m., and at 12:30 p.m. Senator Coleman was excused from the Session of today at 12:20 p.m. Senators Abeler and Lieske were excused from the Session of today at 12:30 p.m. Senator Housley was excused from the Session of today at 12:45 p.m. Senator Limmer was excused from the Session of today at 12:50 p.m.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Senator Murphy moved that the Senate do now adjourn until 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 1, 2025. The motion prevailed.

Thomas S. Bottern, Secretary of the Senate