

THIRTY-NINTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

St. Paul, Minnesota, Friday, May 16, 2025

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

CALL OF THE SENATE

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

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Rev. Sara E. Morse.

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

The President declared a quorum present.

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

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

Mr. President:

I have the honor to announce the passage by the House of the following Senate File, herewith returned:

S.F. No. 3446: A bill for an act relating to claims against the state; providing for the settlement of certain claims; appropriating money.

Patrick Duffy Murphy, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Returned May 14, 2025

Mr. President:

I have the honor to announce that the House refuses to concur in the Senate amendments to House File No. 2435:

H.F. No. 2435: A bill for an act relating to state government; modifying provisions relating to health finance and policy, certain health licensing boards, pharmacy benefits, health care finance, the Office of Emergency Medical Services, opioids, mental health warning labels, economic assistance, child protection and welfare, early care and learning, and licensing and certification; establishing licensure for certified midwives; requiring reports; providing for civil and criminal penalties; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 62A.673, subdivision 2; 62J.51, subdivision 19a; 62J.581; 142A.03, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision; 142A.42; 142B.01, subdivision 15, by adding a subdivision; 142B.05, subdivision 3; 142B.10, subdivisions 14, 16; 142B.16, subdivisions 2, 5; 142B.171, subdivision 2; 142B.18, subdivisions 4, 6; 142B.30, subdivision 1; 142B.41, by adding a subdivision; 142B.47; 142B.51, subdivision 2; 142B.65, subdivisions 8, 9; 142B.66, subdivision 3; 142B.70, subdivisions 7, 8; 142B.77; 142B.80; 142C.06, by adding a subdivision; 142C.11, subdivision 8; 142C.12, subdivisions 1, 6; 142D.21, subdivisions 6, 10, by adding a subdivision; 142D.23, subdivision 3; 142D.31, subdivision 2; 142E.03, subdivision 3; 142E.11, subdivisions 1, 2; 142E.13, subdivision 2; 142E.15, subdivision 1; 142E.16, subdivisions 3, 7; 142E.17, subdivision 9; 142F.14; 144.0758, subdivision 3; 144.1222, subdivision 2d; 144.125, subdivisions 1, 2; 144.50, by adding a subdivision; 144.555, subdivisions 1a, 1b; 144.562, subdivisions 2, 3; 144.563; 144.608, subdivision 2; 144.966, subdivision 2; 144.99, subdivision 1; 145.8811; 145C.01, by adding subdivisions; 145C.17; 147.01, subdivision 7; 147.037, by adding a subdivision; 149A.02, by adding a subdivision; 151.37, subdivision 12; 151.555, subdivisions 6, 10; 174.30, subdivision 3; 245.0962, subdivision 1; 245A.18, subdivision 1; 245C.02, by adding a subdivision; 256.045, subdivision 7; 256.9657, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision; 256.969, subdivision 2f; 256B.0371, subdivision 3; 256B.04, subdivisions 12, 14; 256B.0625, subdivisions 2, 3b, 13c, 13e, 17, 17a, 30, by adding subdivisions; 256B.064, subdivision 1a; 256B.1973, subdivision 5, by adding a subdivision; 256B.69, subdivisions 3a, 6d; 256R.01, by adding a subdivision; 260.65; 260.66, subdivision 1; 260.691, subdivision 1; 260.692; 260.810, subdivisions 1, 2; 260.821, subdivision 2; 260C.001, subdivision 2; 260C.007, subdivision 19; 260C.141, subdivision 1; 260C.150, subdivision 3; 260C.178, subdivisions 1, 7; 260C.201, subdivisions 1, 2; 260C.202, subdivision 2, by adding subdivisions; 260C.204; 260C.212, subdivisions 1, 1a; 260C.221, subdivision 2; 260C.223, subdivisions 1, 2; 260C.329, subdivisions 3, 8; 260C.451, subdivision 9; 260C.452, subdivision 4; 260E.03, subdivision 15; 260E.09; 260E.14, subdivisions 2, 3; 260E.20, subdivisions 1, 3; 260E.24, subdivisions 1, 2; 325M.34; 518.68, subdivision 2; 518A.34; 518A.46, subdivision 7; 518A.75, subdivision 1; Laws 2023, chapter 70, article 20, section 8; Laws 2024, chapter 127, article 67, section 4; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 135A; 142B; 144; 144E; 145C; 256B; 260E; 306; 307; 325M; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 145.361; 256B.0625, subdivisions 18b, 18e, 18h; Laws 2023, chapter 70, article 16, section 22; Minnesota Rules, part 9503.0030, subpart 1, item B.

The House respectfully requests that a Conference Committee of 6 members be appointed thereon.

Bierman, Kotyza-Witthuhn, Reyer, Backer, West and Nadeau have been appointed as such committee on the part of the House.

House File No. 2435 is herewith transmitted to the Senate with the request that the Senate appoint a like committee.

Patrick Duffy Murphy, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Transmitted May 14, 2025

Senator Wiklund moved that the Senate accede to the request of the House for a Conference Committee on H.F. No. 2435, and that a Conference Committee of 3 members be appointed by the Subcommittee on Conference Committees on the part of the Senate, to act with a like Conference Committee appointed on the part of the House. The motion prevailed.

Mr. President:

I have the honor to announce the passage by the House of the following House File, herewith transmitted: H.F. No. 2464.

Patrick Duffy Murphy, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Transmitted May 15, 2025

FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

The following bill was read the first time.

H.F. No. 2464: A bill for an act relating to state government; modifying certain health and licensing provisions; restructuring and renaming the Higher Education Facilities Authority to include Health and increasing the bonding capacity; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 3.732, subdivision 1; 10A.01, subdivision 35; 136A.25; 136A.26; 136A.27; 136A.28; 136A.29, subdivisions 1, 3, 6, 9, 10, 14, 19, 20, 21, 22, by adding a subdivision; 136A.32, subdivisions 1, 4, by adding a subdivision; 136A.33; 136A.34, subdivisions 3, 4; 136A.36; 136A.38; 136A.41; 136A.42; 136F.67, subdivision 1; 144.98, subdivisions 8, 9; 144E.123, subdivision 3; 145.4718; 145.901, subdivision 1; 145.902, subdivisions 1, 3; 147A.02; 148.56, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 354B.20, subdivision 7; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 136A.29, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration for comparison with S.F. No. 2990, now on General Orders.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

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

Senator Murphy from the Committee on Rules and Administration, to which was referred

S.F. No. 3515: A bill for an act relating to legislative enactments; correcting miscellaneous oversights, inconsistencies, ambiguities, unintended results, and technical errors; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 17.354.

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

Senator Murphy from the Committee on Rules and Administration, to which was referred under Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4, together with the committee report thereon,

S.F. No. 2884: A bill for an act relating to retirement; making administrative changes to statutes governing the retirement plans administered by the Minnesota State Retirement System; making conforming changes to vesting requirements for deferred retirement annuities; modifying the annual reporting requirement for plan operational and other errors; requiring reports; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 352.22, subdivisions 2b, 3; 356.636, subdivision 3.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the provisions of Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4 be suspended for all further proceedings on S.F. No. 2884 and that the report from the Committee on State and Local Government, shown in the Journal for May 14, 2025, be adopted; that committee recommendation being:

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

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS

S.F. No. 3515 was read the second time.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

The following bills were read the first time.

Senators Hauschild and McEwen introduced--

S.F. No. 3521: A bill for an act relating to economic development; appropriating money for grants to pay for staff to issue entry permits for the Boundary Waters Canoe Area.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs and Economic Development.

Senator Kreun introduced--

S.F. No. 3522: A bill for an act relating to education; modifying e-learning day requirements; modifying terms and conditions of employment for school employees; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 120A.414, subdivision 2; 179A.03, subdivision 19.

Referred to the Committee on Education Policy.

Senators Carlson and Pratt introduced--

S.F. No. 3523: A bill for an act relating to transportation; modifying allocation of revenue from the regional transportation sales tax for student transit and replacement services; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 297A.9915, subdivision 4; 473.4465, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Senator Limmer introduced--

S.F. No. 3524: A bill for an act relating to judiciary; assigning public defender in criminal prosecution to civil forfeiture litigation; staying civil forfeiture litigation until after criminal prosecution; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 609.531, subdivision 6a.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

Senators Port and Dibble introduced--

S.F. No. 3525: A resolution condemning presidential executive orders targeting immigrants.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Senator Lieske introduced--

S.F. No. 3526: A bill for an act relating to taxation; gross revenues; removing certain health care services from the definition of providers subject to the health care provider tax; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 295.50, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senator McEwen introduced--

S.F. No. 3527: A resolution memorializing the President of the United States to respect and comply with the rulings of the Judicial Branch in recognition of the Judicial Branch as a separate and co-equal branch of government, as contemplated by the United States Constitution.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Senator Weber moved that his name be stricken as chief author, shown as a co-author, and the name of Senator Heintzeman be added as chief author to S.F. No. 425. The motion prevailed.

Senator Westlin moved that the name of Senator Carlson be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1812. The motion prevailed.

Senator Johnson Stewart moved that the name of Senator Mitchell be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 3519. The motion prevailed.

SPECIAL ORDERS

Pursuant to Rule 26, Senator Murphy, Chair of the Committee on Rules and Administration, designated the following bills a Special Orders Calendar to be heard immediately:

H.F. Nos. 3228 and 1290.

SPECIAL ORDER

H.F. No. 3228: A bill for an act relating to workers' compensation; adopting recommendations from the Workers' Compensation Advisory Council; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 176.011, subdivisions 9, 11; 176.041, subdivision 1; 176.135, subdivision 1; 176.151; 176.175, subdivision 2; 176.361, subdivision 2; 176.421, subdivision 4; repealing Minnesota Rules, part 5220.2840.

H.F. No. 3228 was read the third time and placed on its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 53 and nays 12, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Duckworth	Klein	Miller	Rarick
Boldon	Farnsworth	Kreun	Mitchell	Rasmusson
Carlson	Fatch	Kunesh	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Frentz	Kupec	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Gustafson	Lang	Nelson	Utke
Coleman	Hauschild	Latz	Oumou Verbeten	Weber
Cwodziński	Hawj	Limmer	Pappas	Westlin
Dahms	Hoffman	Mann	Pha	Wiklund
Dibble	Housley	Marty	Port	Xiong
Dornink	Jasinski	Maye Quade	Pratt	
Draheim	Johnson Stewart	McEwen	Putnam	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Westlin cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Clark, Gustafson, Hauschild, Hawj, Kunesh, Latz, Oumou Verbeten, Putnam, Rest, Seeberger, and Xiong.

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Jasinski cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Duckworth, Housley, Lang, Miller, and Weber.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Bahr	Gruenhagen	Koran	Mathews
Drazkowski	Heintzeman	Lieske	Wesenberg
Green	Howe	Lucero	Westrom

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Jasinski cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senator: Lieske.

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

SPECIAL ORDER

H.F. No. 1290: A bill for an act relating to transportation; authorizing roadside signage for automatic external defibrillators for qualifying locations; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 160.

Senator Howe moved to amend H.F. No. 1290 as follows (A-2):

Page 2, line 1, after "signage" insert "for the public access AED only within the relevant road authority's jurisdiction"

Page 2, line 2, delete everything after the period

Page 2, delete line 3

Page 2, line 4, delete everything before "All"

Page 2, line 11, delete "and best practices"

Page 2, line 12, delete "appropriate wayfinding techniques;"

Page 2, line 16, delete "; MANUAL ON UNIFORM"

Page 2, line 17, delete "TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES"

Page 2, line 23, delete "general service"

Page 2, line 24, delete everything after the period

Page 2, line 25, delete everything before "The"

Page 2, delete lines 30 to 33

The motion prevailed. So the amendment was adopted.

H.F. No. 1290 was read the third time, as amended, and placed on its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill, as amended.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 67 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

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

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Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Westlin cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Clark, Gustafson, Hauschild, Hawj, Klein, Kunesh, Latz, Oumou Verbeten, Putnam, Rest, Seeberger, and Xiong.

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Jasinski cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Anderson, Duckworth, Housley, Lang, Lieske, Miller, and Weber.

So the bill, as amended, was passed and its title was agreed to.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS - CONTINUED

Remaining on the Order of Business of Motions and Resolutions, Senator Murphy moved that the Senate take up the Confirmation Calendar. The motion prevailed.

CONFIRMATION

Senator McEwen moved that the report from the Committee on Labor, reported January 30, 2025, pertaining to the Workers' Compensation Court of Appeals, be taken from the table. The motion prevailed.

Senator McEwen moved that the foregoing report be now adopted. The motion prevailed.

Senator McEwen moved that in accordance with the report from the Committee on Labor, reported January 30, 2025, the Senate, having given its advice, do now consent to and confirm the appointments of:

WORKERS' COMPENSATION COURT OF APPEALS

Kathryn Carlson, of Saint Paul, Ramsey County, effective October 11, 2021 for a term expiring January 4, 2027.

Thomas Christenson, of Minneapolis, Hennepin County, effective April 27, 2022 for a term expiring January 3, 2028.

Patricia Milun, of Saint Paul, Ramsey County, effective January 23, 2023 for a term expiring January 1, 2029.

Deborah K. Sundquist, of Saint Paul, Ramsey County, effective February 3, 2021 for a term expiring January 4, 2027.

The motion prevailed. So the appointments were confirmed.

CONFIRMATION

Senator McEwen moved that the report from the Committee on Labor, reported February 3, 2025, pertaining to appointments, be taken from the table. The motion prevailed.

Senator McEwen moved that the foregoing report be now adopted. The motion prevailed.

Senator McEwen moved that in accordance with the report from the Committee on Labor, reported February 3, 2025, the Senate, having given its advice, do now consent to and confirm the appointment of:

WORKERS' COMPENSATION COURT OF APPEALS

Sean M. Quinn, of Saint Paul, Ramsey County, effective January 27, 2025 for a term expiring January 6, 2031.

The motion prevailed. So the appointment was confirmed.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE EXCUSED

Pursuant to Rule 12.5, Senator Putnam moved that the following members be excused for a Conference Committee on S.F. No. 1959 at 11:00 a.m.:

Senators Putnam, Gustafson, and Anderson. The motion prevailed.

CONFIRMATION

Senator Latz moved that the appointment of notaries public, received March 6, 2025, be taken from the table. The motion prevailed.

Senator Latz moved that the Senate do now consent to and confirm the appointments of the notaries public.

The motion prevailed. So the appointments were confirmed.

RECESS

Senator Murphy moved that the Senate do now recess subject to the call of the President. The motion prevailed.

After a recess, the President called the Senate to order.

APPOINTMENTS

Senator Murphy from the Subcommittee on Conference Committees recommends that the following Senators be and they hereby are appointed as a Conference Committee on:

H.F. No. 2435: Senators Wiklund, Mann, and Utke.

Senator Murphy moved that the foregoing appointments be approved. The motion prevailed.

RECESS

Senator Murphy moved that the Senate do now recess subject to the call of the President. The motion prevailed.

After a recess, the President called the Senate to order.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS - CONTINUED

Without objection, remaining on the Order of Business of Motions and Resolutions, the Senate reverted to the Orders of Business of Messages From the House and First Reading of House Bills.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

Mr. President:

I have the honor to announce the passage by the House of the following House Files, herewith transmitted: H.F. Nos. 3321, 2433, and 1143.

Patrick Duffy Murphy, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Transmitted May 16, 2025

FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

The following bills were read the first time.

H.F. No. 3321: A bill for an act relating to legislative enactments; correcting miscellaneous oversights, inconsistencies, ambiguities, unintended results, and technical errors; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 17.354.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration for comparison with S.F. No. 3515, now on General Orders.

H.F. No. 2433: A bill for an act relating to education finance; modifying provisions for prekindergarten through grade 12 education; providing funding for general education, education excellence, teachers, American Indian education, special education, facilities, school nutrition, libraries, early childhood education, community education and lifelong learning, state agencies, and the Read Act; making forecast adjustments; requiring reports; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 120B.118; 120B.119, subdivisions 2a, 4, 10, 15, by adding a subdivision; 120B.12, subdivisions 2, 3, 4, 4a, by adding a subdivision; 120B.123, subdivisions 1, 5, 7, by adding a subdivision; 120B.124, subdivisions 1, 5, 6, by adding a subdivision; 122A.091, subdivision 1; 122A.092, subdivision 5; 122A.185, subdivision 1; 122A.63, subdivision 9; 123A.485, subdivision 2; 123B.595, subdivisions 1, 4, 8, 10; 123B.71, subdivision 8; 123B.92, subdivision 1; 124D.111, subdivision 3; 124D.119, subdivision 1; 124D.42, subdivisions 8, 9; 124D.901; 124E.20, subdivision 1; 125A.76, subdivision 2a; 126C.10, subdivisions 1, 2e; 126C.13, subdivision 4; 126C.15, subdivision 2; 126C.17, subdivisions 7a, 7b; 126C.40, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 126C.43, subdivision 2; 126C.45; 127A.47, subdivision 7; 268.085, subdivision 7, by

adding subdivisions; Laws 2023, chapter 18, section 4, subdivisions 2, as amended, 3, as amended; Laws 2023, chapter 54, section 20, subdivisions 7, as amended, 9, as amended, 17, as amended; Laws 2023, chapter 55, article 1, section 36, subdivisions 2, as amended, 3, as amended, 4, as amended, 5, as amended, 6, as amended, 7, as amended, 9, as amended, 12; article 2, section 64, subdivisions 2, as amended, 6, as amended, 16, as amended, 21, as amended, 23, as amended, 34; article 3, section 11, subdivision 2; article 4, section 21, subdivisions 2, as amended, 5, as amended; article 5, section 64, subdivisions 3, as amended, 14, as amended; article 7, section 18, subdivisions 2, as amended, 3, as amended, 4, as amended, 6, as amended, 7, as amended; article 8, section 19, subdivision 6, as amended; article 9, section 18, subdivisions 4, as amended, 8, as amended; article 11, section 11, subdivisions 2, as amended, 3, as amended, 10, as amended; Laws 2024, chapter 109, article 4, section 19; Laws 2024, chapter 115, article 3, section 8, subdivision 5; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 127A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 124D.992.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration for comparison with S.F. No. 2255, now on General Orders.

H.F. No. 1143: A bill for an act relating to state government; modifying certain appropriations; modifying expiration of certain aid accounts; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 124D.995, subdivision 6.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Senator Johnson was excused from the Session of today from 11:00 to 11:35 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Murphy moved that the Senate do now adjourn until 1:00 p.m., Saturday, May 17, 2025. The motion prevailed.

Thomas S. Bottern, Secretary of the Senate

