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SIXTY-SIXTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

St. Paul, Minnesota, Wednesday, April 29, 2026

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

CALL OF THE SENATE

Senator Murphy 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. Melissa Schaser.

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

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 communication was received.

April 29, 2026

The Honorable Bobby Joe Champion
President of the Senate

Dear Senator Champion:

Pursuant to Senate Rule 8.2, the following appointment has been withdrawn from the following committee and placed on the Confirmation Calendar:

From the Committee on Housing and Homelessness Prevention, to which was referred the following appointment as reported in the Journal for February 24, 2025:

MINNESOTA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY
COMMISSIONER
Jennifer Ho

Sincerely,
Thomas S. Bottern
Secretary of the Senate

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Senator Murphy moved that the Committee Reports at the Desk be now adopted, with the exception of the report pertaining to appointments. The motion prevailed.

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

H.F. No. 4224 for comparison with companion Senate File, reports the following House File was found identical and recommends the House File be given its second reading and substituted for its companion Senate File as follows:

GENERAL ORDERS		CONSENT CALENDAR		CALENDAR	
H.F. No.	S.F. No.	H.F. No.	S.F. No.	H.F. No.	S.F. No.
4224	4525				

and that the above Senate File be indefinitely postponed.

Pursuant to Rule 45, this report was prepared and submitted by the Secretary of the Senate on behalf of the Committee on Rules and Administration. Report adopted.

Senator Rest from the Committee on Taxes, to which were referred the following appointments:

TAX COURT
JUDGE
Jane Bowman
Bradford Delapena
Beverly Luther Quast

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the appointments be confirmed.

Senator Murphy moved that the foregoing committee report be laid on the table. The motion prevailed.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS

H.F. No. 4224 was read the second time.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

The following bills were read the first time.

Senator Rest introduced--

S.F. No. 5239: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for a new public works facility in the city of Robbinsdale; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senator Lang introduced--

S.F. No. 5240: A bill for an act relating to taxation; local sales and use; authorizing Kandiyohi County to impose a local sales tax.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senator Farnsworth introduced--

S.F. No. 5241: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for street and water infrastructure in the city of McKinley; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senators Johnson Stewart and Port introduced--

S.F. No. 5242: A bill for an act relating to economic development; establishing a statewide public infrastructure grant program to support housing densification and economic development; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 116J.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs and Economic Development.

Senator Howe introduced--

S.F. No. 5243: A bill for an act relating to transportation; requiring reimbursement of certain utility facility relocations caused by transportation projects; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 161.45, subdivisions 2, 6; 161.46, subdivision 2; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 161.46, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 161.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Senators Koran, Bahr, and Mathews introduced--

S.F. No. 5244: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for infrastructure improvements along marked Trunk Highway 95 in the city of Cambridge; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senator Koran introduced--

S.F. No. 5245: A bill for an act relating to elections; requiring that the voter registration form include any requirements of federal law; requiring the secretary of state to ensure compliance with federal requirements related to elections; directing the secretary of state to allocate money to counties to assist them in complying with federal requirements; requiring a report; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 201.071, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

Senators Koran and Housley introduced--

S.F. No. 5246: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for reconstruction of marked U.S. Highway 8; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Senators Lucero, Holmstrom, Gruenhagen, Lieske, and Wesenberg introduced--

S.F. No. 5247: A bill for an act relating to public safety; protecting children and parental rights; prohibiting gender transition procedures for minors; establishing school transparency and parental consent requirements; prohibiting the sexualization of minors in educational settings; protecting therapeutic choice while prohibiting coercive, fraudulent, or aversive practices; creating the felony offense of grooming of a minor for sexual exploitation; requiring predatory offender registration for grooming; restoring home-state jurisdiction and removing certain sanctuary provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 62Q.585, by adding a subdivision; 243.166, subdivision 1b; 518D.201; 518D.204; 518D.207; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 120A; 145; 214; 260C; 609; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 214.078; 260.925; 543.23.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Senator Maye Quade moved that the name of Senator Marty be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 3210. The motion prevailed.

Senator Pha moved that the name of Senator Marty be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4736. The motion prevailed.

Senator Gustafson moved that the names of Senators Pappas and Oumou Verbeten be added as co-authors to S.F. No. 4745. The motion prevailed.

Senator Housley moved that the names of Senators Johnson Stewart and Seeberger be added as co-authors to S.F. No. 5180. The motion prevailed.

Senator Mann moved that the name of Senator Boldon be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 5217. The motion prevailed.

Senator Koran moved that the name of Senator Utke be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 5228. The motion prevailed.

Senator Hoffman moved that the name of Senator Abeler be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 5234. The motion prevailed.

Senator Murphy moved that H.F. No. 4239 be taken from the table and given a second reading. The motion prevailed.

H.F. No. 4239: A bill for an act relating to campaign finance; providing for certain noncampaign disbursements; providing for classification of certain data; providing for certain complaints; modifying certain requirements for reports, written communications, and disclaimers; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 10A.01, by adding subdivisions; 10A.022, subdivision 3; 10A.027; 10A.04, subdivision 6; 10A.09, subdivisions 5, 5b; 10A.20, subdivision 3; 10A.27, subdivision 10; 10A.275, subdivision 1; 204B.07, subdivision 1; 211A.01, by adding subdivisions; 211B.04, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 5; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 10A.01, subdivision 26; 10A.02, subdivision 11b; 10A.04, subdivision 4; 204B.06, subdivision 1b; 211A.02, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 10A; 204B; 211A; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 10A.09, subdivision 9; Minnesota Rules, part 4501.0100, subpart 2.

H.F. No. 4239 was read the second time.

Senator Murphy moved that H.F. No. 4239 be laid on the table. The motion prevailed.

Senator Port moved that the appointment withdrawn from the Committee on Housing and Homelessness Prevention and placed on the Confirmation Calendar under Senate Rule 8.2, reported in the Journal for April 29, 2026, be returned to the committee from which it was withdrawn.

MINNESOTA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY
COMMISSIONER
Jennifer Ho

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:

S.F. No. 4612; H.F. Nos. 4188, 3875, 4502, 1606, 4052, 3155, and 4075.

SPECIAL ORDER

S.F. No. 4612: A bill for an act relating to state government; modifying provisions relating to the Departments of Health, Human Services, and Children, Youth, and Families; making changes for federal compliance; establishing work or community engagement requirements; providing for pharmacy dispensing reimbursements; modifying reimbursement rates for mental health services; modifying mental health provider credentialing requirements; modifying the county share for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program costs; modernizing child care and family child care licensing; modifying the Minnesota African American Family Preservation and Child Welfare Disproportionality Act; establishing a committee, legislative commission, and advisory task force; establishing a hospital stabilization program; transferring regulatory oversight of health maintenance organizations to the commissioner of commerce; requiring coverage of infertility treatment; regulating gas resource development; requiring reports; authorizing rulemaking; requiring transfer; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 16A.103, by adding a subdivision; 60A.50, subdivision 3; 60A.951, subdivision 3; 60A.985, subdivision 8; 60A.9853, subdivision 1; 60A.9854; 60B.03, subdivision 2; 60G.01, subdivisions 2, 4; 62A.02, subdivision 8; 62A.021, subdivision 1; 62A.61; 62A.65, subdivisions 7, 8; 62D.08, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 7; 62D.12, subdivision 1; 62D.124, subdivision 5; 62D.221, subdivisions 1, 2; 62E.11, subdivisions 9, 13; 62J.60, subdivision 5; 62L.02, subdivision 8; 62L.08, subdivision 11; 62L.09, subdivision 3; 62L.10, subdivision 4; 62L.11, subdivision 2; 62M.11; 62Q.01, subdivision 2; 62Q.096; 62Q.106; 62Q.188, subdivision 2; 62Q.37, subdivision 2; 62Q.47; 62Q.51, subdivision 3; 62Q.556, subdivisions 3, 4; 62Q.679; 62Q.69, subdivisions 2, 3; 62Q.71; 62Q.73, subdivisions 3, 10; 62Q.81, subdivision 7; 62U.04, subdivision 13, by adding a subdivision; 103I.001; 103I.005, subdivisions 9, 21, by adding subdivisions; 103I.601, subdivision 1, by adding subdivisions; 142D.21, subdivision 3; 142F.05, by adding subdivisions; 144.1222, subdivision 4, by adding a subdivision; 144.1501, subdivision 2; 144.1503, subdivision 7; 144.1505, subdivisions 1, 2, 3; 144.1507, subdivisions 1, 2, 4, by adding a subdivision; 144.1911, subdivisions 1, 5, 6; 145A.14, subdivision 2a; 151.741, subdivision 4; 245.462, by adding a subdivision; 245.4711, subdivision 5; 245.4881, subdivision 5; 245A.211, subdivision 1; 256.01, by adding a subdivision; 256.017, subdivision 2; 256B.04, subdivision 27; 256B.056, subdivisions 1, 2a, 7, 7a; 256B.0561, subdivision 2; 256B.06, subdivision 4; 256B.0625, by adding a subdivision; 256B.076, subdivision 1, by adding subdivisions; 256B.094, subdivisions 2, 3, 6; 256B.75; 256B.76, subdivision 2; 260.63, subdivision 10; 260.64, subdivision 2; 260.67, subdivision 2; 260.68, subdivision 2; 260.69, subdivision 1; 260.693, subdivision 2; 295.52, subdivision 8; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 62D.21; 62D.211; 142A.03, subdivision 2; 144.125, subdivision 1; 151.741, subdivision 5; 245A.07, subdivision 3; 245C.02, subdivision 15a; 245C.05, subdivision 5; 256.043, subdivision 3; 256.9657, subdivision 2b; 256.969, subdivision 2f; 256B.0625, subdivisions 8, 20; 256B.0924, subdivision 6; 256B.1973, subdivision 9; 256B.69, subdivision 6d; 256B.761, by adding a subdivision; 260.691, subdivision 1; 260.692, subdivisions 1, 2, 3; Laws 2024, chapter 117, sections 21; 22; Laws 2024, chapter 127, article 67, section 7; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 62D; 62Q; 103I; 142D; 144; 245A; 256; 256B; 260; proposing coding for new law as Minnesota Statutes, chapters 142H; 142I; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 142B.01, subdivisions 11, 12, 13, 25, 26, 27; 142B.41, subdivisions 4, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13; 142B.54, subdivisions 1, 2, 3; 142B.62; 142B.65, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10; 142B.66, subdivisions 1, 2, 4, 5; 142B.70, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 12; 142B.71; 142B.72; 142B.74; 142B.75; 142B.76; 142B.77; 151.741, subdivisions 2, 3, 6; 256B.0625, subdivision 38; 256B.198; 260.63, subdivision 9; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 142B.41, subdivision 9; 142B.65, subdivisions 8, 9; 142B.66, subdivision 3; 142B.70, subdivisions 7, 8; 256B.69,

subdivision 6i; Minnesota Rules, parts 9502.0300; 9502.0315; 9502.0325; 9502.0335; 9502.0341; 9502.0345; 9502.0355; 9502.0365; 9502.0367; 9502.0375; 9502.0395; 9502.0405; 9502.0415; 9502.0425; 9502.0435; 9502.0445; 9503.0005; 9503.0010; 9503.0015; 9503.0030; 9503.0031; 9503.0032; 9503.0033; 9503.0034; 9503.0040; 9503.0045; 9503.0050; 9503.0055; 9503.0060; 9503.0065; 9503.0070; 9503.0075; 9503.0080; 9503.0085; 9503.0090; 9503.0095; 9503.0100; 9503.0105; 9503.0110; 9503.0115; 9503.0120; 9503.0125; 9503.0130; 9503.0140; 9503.0145; 9503.0150; 9503.0155; 9503.0170.

Senator Wiklund moved to amend S.F. No. 4612 as follows (A63):

Page 30, delete section 9

Page 32, line 22, delete "either"

Page 265, line 4, delete "(798,000)" and insert "34,000"

Page 265, line 20, delete the first "(407,000)" and insert "-0-"

Page 265, line 22, delete the first "(425,000)" and insert "-0-"

Page 267, line 21, delete "1,113,000" and insert "-0-"

Page 267, line 35, delete "281,000" and insert "-0-"

Page 269, line 12, delete "832,000" and insert "-0-"

Page 274, line 16, after the period, insert "Up to \$10,000 in fiscal year 2027 may be used for administration."

Page 274, line 29, after the period, insert "Up to \$112,500 in fiscal year 2027 is for administration."

Page 276, line 18, after the period, insert "The state government special revenue fund base is decreased by \$1,163,000 in fiscal year 2028 and \$1,105,000 in fiscal year 2029."

Page 276, line 20, after "Rulemaking" insert "and Administration"

Page 276, line 21, after "rulemaking" insert "and administrative"

Page 282, line 5, delete "(281,000)" and insert "-0-"

Page 282, line 31, after the period, insert "The state government special revenue fund base is increased by \$1,836,000 in fiscal year 2028 and \$1,836,000 in fiscal year 2029."

Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

Amend the title accordingly

The motion prevailed. So the amendment was adopted.

Senator Wiklund moved to amend S.F. No. 4612 as follows (A59):

Page 210, line 7, delete "medical" and insert "Medicaid"

Page 214, line 21, delete "financial liquidity and a balance sheet analysis;"

Page 214, line 26, after "Healthcare" insert "System, Inc." and delete "the HCMC"

Page 214, line 27, delete "HCMC"

Page 214, line 28, delete the first "HCMC" and insert "Hennepin Healthcare System, Inc."

Page 215, lines 3 and 6, after "Healthcare" insert "System, Inc."

Page 215, line 5, after "(a)" insert "To ensure that Hennepin Healthcare System, Inc. is meeting the requirements of this section,"

Page 215, line 7, delete everything after "4" and insert "and:"

Page 215, line 8, delete everything after "the" and insert "financial stability of Hennepin Healthcare System, Inc. The report must consider the core financial metrics of Hennepin Healthcare System, Inc., including expenses and staffing data; revenue, including payer mix; utilization data; and other data determined by the commissioner;"

Page 215, delete line 9

Page 215, line 10, delete "reports" and insert "updates" delete everything after "information" and insert "submitted under the hospital annual report pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, sections 144.695 to 144.703, on a schedule to be determined by the commissioner;"

Page 215, delete lines 11 to 24

Page 215, line 29, delete "HCMC" and insert "Hennepin Healthcare System, Inc."

Page 216, lines 1, 4, and 27, delete "HCMC" and insert "Hennepin Healthcare System, Inc."

Page 216, line 3, before the period, insert "System, Inc"

Page 216, line 5, delete "HCMC's" and insert "Hennepin Healthcare System, Inc.'s"

Page 216, line 9, delete everything after the second comma

Page 216, line 10, delete everything before the first "the"

Page 216, line 11, delete the colon

Page 216, line 12, delete "(1)" and delete "and HCMC" and insert "System, Inc."

Page 216, line 13, delete everything after "stabilization" and insert a period

Page 216, delete lines 14 and 15

Page 216, line 16, delete "January 15" and insert "June 30" and delete "and annually thereafter until January 15, 2030,"

Page 216, lines 19, and 24, delete "and HCMC" and insert "System, Inc."

Page 216, lines 20 and 21, delete "have" and insert "has"

Page 216, line 23, delete "and HCMC" and insert "System, Inc"

Page 217, line 13, delete "14" and insert "15"

Page 217, line 23, delete "three" and insert "four"

Page 217, after line 25, insert:

"(b) The Legislative Coordinating Commission must submit to the governor recommendations of individuals to appoint to the advisory task force by July 1, 2026. The governor may consider such recommendations when making appointments."

Reletter the paragraphs in sequence

Page 217, line 26, delete "August" and insert "September"

Page 217, line 30, delete "September" and insert "October"

The question was taken on the adoption of the amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 33 and nays 32, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Boldon	Frentz	Klein	McEwen	Rest
Carlson	Gustafson	Kunesh	Mohamed	Seeberger
Champion	Hauschild	Kupec	Murphy	Westlin
Clark	Hawj	Latz	Oumou Verbeten	Wiklund
Cwodzinski	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Mann	Pappas	Xiong
Dibble	Hoffman	Marty	Pha	
Fateh	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Port	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Latz, Pha, and Rest.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Abeler	Duckworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Utke
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Mathews	Weber
Coleman	Green	Koran	Miller	Wesenberg
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Nelson	Westrom
Dornink	Heintzeman	Lang	Pratt	
Draheim	Holmstrom	Lieske	Rarick	
Drazkowski	Housley	Limmer	Rasmusson	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Jasinski cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Coleman and Weber.

The motion prevailed. So the amendment was adopted.

Senator Wiklund moved to amend S.F. No. 4612 as follows (A67):

Page 90, line 20, after "year" insert "or on a documented leave of absence"

Page 96, line 26, after the period, insert "A child care center may not withhold sleep or rest from a child, including at a parent's request, if such time is allowed in the child care center's naps and rest policy."

Page 102, lines 8 and 13, delete "6" and insert "5"

Page 102, delete subdivision 4

Renumber the subdivisions in sequence

Page 104, after line 7, insert:

"Sec. 15. [142H.141] NATURAL ELEMENTS AND MATERIALS.

Subdivision 1. Natural elements and materials. A license holder may provide children with access to natural elements and materials as equipment and play materials. Natural elements and materials and appropriate uses of natural elements and materials include, but are not limited to:

(1) natural loose parts, such as sticks, leaves, pinecones, acorns, seeds, pods, bark, and moss for construction, art, sensory exploration, and imaginative play;

(2) natural materials, such as dirt, mud, sand, water, ice, and snow for sensory play and exploration;

(3) plants, flowers, seeds, vegetables, and gardening materials for science exploration and learning;

(4) rocks, pebbles, stones, and minerals for counting, sorting, building, and art;

(5) natural areas such as gardens, prairie, forest, wetlands, and ponds for exploration and learning;
and

(6) other natural elements as appropriate to age and development of children.

Subd. 2. Supervision. A program staff person must supervise a child's use of natural elements and materials and provide guidance on safe and appropriate use. Natural elements and materials that are a choking hazard must not be accessible to children under the age of three without direct supervision of a program staff person.

Subd. 3. Other uses. Natural elements and materials may qualify as equipment and materials from interest areas under section 142H.14, subdivision 5."

Page 115, line 22, after "purposes" insert ", including on social media accounts or public digital platforms"

Page 119, line 3, delete "A shared"

Page 119, delete lines 4 and 5

Page 119, line 22, after "supervise" insert ", including restrooms with multiple entrances"

Page 133, line 9, after "feedings" insert "until the infant can independently sit up and feed themselves"

Page 148, line 1, delete "is" and insert "must be" and delete everything after "available" and insert "and in close enough proximity to provide in-person assistance and care to ensure"

Page 148, line 2, delete everything before "the" and after "protected" insert ". Electronic devices may be used to support supervision, but must not replace the caregiver's ability to provide assistance or care in person"

Page 148, line 7, delete "county licensing" and insert "commissioner"

Page 148, line 8, delete "unit" and after "(c)" insert a comma

Page 150, line 12, delete "county licensing unit" and insert "commissioner" and after the "chapter" insert ". Upon receipt of a variance request, the commissioner must make a determination on the variance request within 30 business days"

Page 150, delete lines 19 to 22 and insert:

"(2) changing from family child care to community-based family child care;

(3) changing from community-based family child care to family child care;

(4) changing between any class A and class C license type; or

(5) changing a current class C license to a higher class C license."

Page 155, line 5, after the semicolon, insert "and"

Page 155, delete line 9

Page 157, line 8, delete "12" and insert "10"

Page 183, line 26, delete "11" and insert "10"

Page 184, line 20, delete "11" and insert "10"

Page 185, line 8, delete "11" and insert "10"

Page 185, delete subdivision 10

Renumber the subdivisions in sequence

Page 186, after line 10, insert:

"Sec. 18. [142I.171] NATURAL ELEMENTS AND MATERIALS.

Subdivision 1. **Natural elements and materials.** A license holder may provide children with access to natural elements and materials as equipment and play materials. Natural elements and materials and appropriate uses of natural elements and materials include, but are not limited to:

(1) natural loose parts, such as sticks, leaves, pinecones, acorns, seeds, pods, bark, and moss for construction, art, sensory exploration, and imaginative play;

(2) natural materials, such as dirt, mud, sand, water, ice, and snow for sensory play and exploration;

(3) plants, flowers, seeds, vegetables, and gardening materials for science exploration and learning;

(4) rocks, pebbles, stones, and minerals for counting, sorting, building, and art;

(5) natural areas such as gardens, prairie, forest, wetlands, and ponds for exploration and learning;
and

(6) other natural elements as appropriate to age and development of children.

Subd. 2. **Supervision.** A caregiver must supervise a child's use of natural elements and materials and provide guidance on safe and appropriate use. Natural elements and materials that are a choking hazard must not be accessible to children under the age of three without direct supervision of a caregiver.

Subd. 3. **Other uses.** Natural elements and materials may qualify as equipment and materials under section 142I.17, subdivisions 4, 6, 8, and 9."

Page 191, line 1, after "(c)" insert "Before providing care," and delete "upon admission"

Page 195, line 25, delete "four" and insert "six"

Page 195, line 26, after "requirements" insert "and the program location site does not have an R-2 residential occupancy designation"

Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

Amend the title accordingly

Senator Koran moved to amend the Wiklund (A67) amendment to S.F. No. 4612 as follows (A74):

Page 2, line 22, delete "a current class C license to a higher class C license" and insert "the type of license from class C1, C2, or C3 to C4 or C5"

The motion prevailed. So the amendment to the amendment was adopted.

The question recurred on the adoption of the Wiklund (A67) amendment, as amended.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 56 and nays 9, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Duckworth	Johnson Stewart	McEwen	Rasmusson
Bahr	Farnsworth	Klein	Miller	Rest
Boldon	Fateh	Koran	Mohamed	Seeberger
Carlson	Frentz	Kreun	Murphy	Utke
Champion	Gustafson	Kunesh	Nelson	Weber
Clark	Hauschild	Kupec	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Coleman	Hawj	Lang	Pappas	Wiklund
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Draheim	Jasinski	Maye Quade	Rarick	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Latz, Marty, Mohamed, Murphy, and Pha.

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

Those who voted in the negative were:

Drazkowski	Gruenhagen	Lieske	Mathews	Westrom
Green	Holmstrom	Lucero	Wesenberg	

The motion prevailed. So the amendment, as amended, was adopted.

Senator McEwen moved to amend S.F. No. 4612 as follows (A69):

Page 253, after line 27, insert:

"ARTICLE 12

HEALTH CARE WORKER RETENTION AND PROTECTION

Section 1. [145D.50] HEALTH CARE WORKER RETENTION AND PROTECTION.

Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) For purposes of this section, the definitions in section 145D.01 apply and the following terms have the meanings given.

(b) "Affected health care entity" means a health care entity that has been the subject of a change in control.

(c) "Eligible employee" means any employee employed by an affected health care entity for a continuous period of at least 90 days.

(d) "Employee retention period" means a 120 day period beginning on the date of a transaction that results in a change in control from one health care entity to another health care entity.

Subd. 2. Health care worker retention and protection. (a) In the event of any transaction defined in section 145D.01, subdivision 1, paragraph (j), that results in a change in control from one health care entity to another health care entity, the following are required.

(b) Not less than 30 days before the effective date of the change in control, the predecessor health care entity must provide the successor health care entity with a full and accurate list containing the name, address, date of hire, phone number, wage rate, and employment classification of each employee employed by the predecessor health care entity. Upon providing the list, the predecessor health care entity must post the list in a notice to the employees that also sets forth the rights provided by this section in the same location and manner that other statutorily required notices to employees are posted. The notice must also be provided to the employees' collective bargaining representative or representatives, if any.

(c) A successor health care entity must, during the employee retention period, offer each eligible employee continued employment and, if an employee accepts the offer, continue the employee's employment under the terms and conditions established by the successor health care entity, with no reduction of wages or benefits, except that the wage and benefit rates offered and paid for the employee retention period may be higher than the rates last paid to the employee by the predecessor health care entity and must not be lower than any rate required by law. Such offers for continued employment must be made in writing and must remain open for at least ten business days from the date of the offer.

(d) Except as provided in this section, an eligible employee retained pursuant to this section must not be discharged without just cause during the employee retention period.

(e) If at any time during the employee retention period the successor health care entity determines that fewer employees are required than were employed by the predecessor health care entity, a successor health care entity must retain eligible employees by seniority within each continued job classification. In the event that positions are subsequently restored, a successor health care entity must offer to rehire any laid off employees by seniority.

(f) A successor health care entity must retain written verification of each offer of employment made pursuant to this section. The verification must include the name, address, date of hire, phone number, wage rate, and employment classification of the eligible employee to whom the offer was made. A successor health care entity must retain verification records for no less than three years from the date that the offer was made.

(g) At the end of the employee retention period, a successor health care entity must perform a written performance evaluation for each employee retained pursuant to this section. If the employee's performance during the retention period is satisfactory, the successor health care entity must offer the employee continued employment under the terms and conditions established by the successor health care entity. A successor health care entity must retain the written performance evaluation for no less than three years from the date of issuance.

(h) In the event that the successor health care entity discharges, lays off, or otherwise elects not to retain or employ any eligible employee at any time during the employee retention period, except in cases of discharge for just cause, a successor health care entity shall be liable to the affected employee for severance pay at the rate of one week's pay for each year of employment with the predecessor health care entity. For purposes of this subdivision, a week's pay is equal to the employee's gross earnings during the 12-month period prior to the change of control, divided by the number of weeks in which the employee received gross earnings during that 12-month period. The

severance pay to eligible employees is owed in addition to any wages earned by the employee, and the severance pay must be paid within 15 days following the affected employee's last day of work.

Subd. 3. **Enforcement.** Any employee who has been injured by a violation of this section may bring a civil action in any court of competent jurisdiction. In any such action, the court shall have authority to order preliminary and permanent injunctive relief, including reinstatement of any employee who has been discharged or otherwise not retained in violation of this section. In the event that a court finds that a health care entity has violated any provision of this section, the court must award to the employee:

(1) back pay for all lost earnings, plus an additional equal amount as liquidated damages, which shall be calculated at a rate of compensation not less than the higher of the average regular rate of pay received by the employee during the last three years of the employee's employment in the same classification, or the final regular rate of pay received by the employee. Back pay shall apply to the period commencing on the date of the discharge or refusal to retain by the successor health care entity and ending on the effective date of any offer or reinstatement of the employee;

(2) damages equal to the value of any benefits the successor health care entity would have been obligated to provide to the employee;

(3) compensatory damages for any other direct and foreseeable pecuniary losses resulting from the violation; and

(4) the employee's reasonable attorney fees and costs.

Subd. 4. **Exception; assume existing collective bargaining agreement.** The requirements of this section shall not apply to any successor health care entity who, on or before the change in control, agrees to assume or to be bound by an existing collective bargaining agreement or agreements of the predecessor health care entity. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to diminish any health care entity's obligation to comply with or otherwise affect the applicability or enforceability of any terms of any collective bargaining agreement."

Renumber the articles in sequence and correct the internal references

Amend the title accordingly

Senator Rasmusson questioned whether the amendment was germane.

The President ruled that the amendment was not germane.

Senator Hauschild moved to amend S.F. No. 4612 as follows (A76):

Page 248, after line 13, insert:

"Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 103I.005, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 11a. **Hydraulic fracturing treatment.** "Hydraulic fracturing treatment" means all stages of the treatment of a gas well by the application of fluid under pressure that is expressly intended to initiate or propagate fractures in a target geologic formation to enhance production of oil and gas."

Page 249, line 27, delete everything after "sealed" and insert "according to rules adopted by the commissioner."

Page 249, delete line 28

Page 250, line 11, delete "constructed before enactment" and insert "may be converted to a gas well if the exploratory boring was constructed."

Page 250, delete lines 12 and 13

Page 250, line 14, delete everything after "(1)" and insert "with innermost casing meeting API Specification 5CT;"

Page 250, line 15, delete everything after "(2)" and insert "before July 1, 2025; and"

Page 250, line 16, delete everything after "(3)" and insert "in compliance with provisions of this chapter."

Page 250, delete line 17

Page 250, line 20, after the second "for" insert "exploratory borings for gas, and"

Page 250, line 22, after the period, insert "These rules must include a prohibition against hydraulic fracturing treatment and a prohibition against the injection or disposal of surface water, groundwater, or any other liquid, gas, or chemical except for approved drilling fluids."

Page 250, line 23, after the period, insert "These rules must distinguish between types of gas based on the risks they pose to groundwater quality, health, and safety, and must specify the requirements that apply when an exploratory boring or gas well encounters a gas different from that for which exploration, prospecting, location, extraction, or production was proposed."

Page 253, delete sections 12 and 13 and insert:

"Sec. 13. [103I.707] MORATORIUM ON GAS WELL CONVERSION AND CONSTRUCTION.

A person shall not drill, convert under section 103I.601, subdivision 12, or construct a gas well for the primary purpose of extracting or producing gas until:

(1) rules are adopted under section 103I.706;

(2) the legislature enacts a statute specifically authorizing the issuance of gas resource development permits; and

(3) the legislature enacts fees for gas resource development permits.

Sec. 14. [103I.708] WELLS; RESTRICTIONS.

(a) Notwithstanding any provision of chapter 93 or 103I, or the rules adopted thereunder, to the contrary, a person shall not explore, prospect, or construct an oil well.

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of chapter 93 or 103I, or the rules adopted thereunder, to the contrary, a person shall not construct a gas well for the primary purpose of extracting or producing a gas other than helium. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to prevent:

- (1) the drilling or construction of an exploratory boring; or
- (2) the sale of carbon dioxide extracted in the ordinary course of extracting or producing helium.

Sec. 15. **[103I.709] GAS WELLS; PROHIBITIONS.**

Subdivision 1. **Injection prohibited.** A gas well must not be used to inject or dispose surface water, groundwater, or any other liquid, gas, or chemical. This does not prohibit the injection:

- (1) of approved drilling fluids; or
- (2) if a class 2 injection well permit is obtained for a gas well, as authorized by the Environmental Protection Agency.

Subd. 2. **Hydraulic fracturing treatment prohibited.** Hydraulic fracturing treatment is prohibited in a gas well."

Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

Amend the title accordingly

The motion prevailed. So the amendment was adopted.

Senator Boldon moved to amend S.F. No. 4612 as follows (A65):

Page 74, after line 12, insert:

"Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 260C.451, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 10. **Reports.** Beginning July 15, 2027, and annually thereafter, the commissioner must submit a report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over children, youth, and families on youth who exit extended foster care. The report must include summary data on:

(1) the number and demographics of youth who exited extended foster care in the preceding calendar year; and

(2) the reasons youth exited from extended foster care in the preceding calendar year, which may include voluntary discharge, loss of eligibility, or administrative closure."

Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

Amend the title accordingly

The motion prevailed. So the amendment was adopted.

Senator Dibble moved to amend S.F. No. 4612 as follows (A47):

Page 48, line 1, delete "Notwithstanding paragraph" and insert "Except for paragraphs" and before the comma insert "and (j)"

Pursuant to Rule 7.4, Senator Rasmusson questioned whether the Dibble (A47) amendment was in order. The President ruled the amendment was in order.

The question was taken on the adoption of the Dibble (A47) amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 35 and nays 31, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Fateh	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Port
Boldon	Frentz	Klein	McEwen	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kunesh	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Kupec	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Latz	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Mann	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Hoffman	Marty	Pha	Xiong

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Fateh, Frentz, Latz, Marty, Mohamed, Murphy, and Pha.

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

Those who voted in the negative were:

Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Mathews	Weber
Coleman	Green	Koran	Miller	Wesenberg
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Nelson	Westrom
Dornink	Heintzeman	Lang	Pratt	
Draheim	Holmstrom	Lieske	Rarick	
Drazkowski	Housley	Limmer	Rasmusson	
Duckworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Utke	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Jasinski cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Coleman, Miller, and Weber.

The motion prevailed. So the amendment was adopted.

Senator Boldon moved to amend S.F. No. 4612 as follows (A51):

Page 35, after line 21, insert:

"Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.01, is amended to read:

256B.01 POLICY.

(a) Medical assistance for needy persons whose resources are not adequate to meet the cost of such care is hereby declared to be a matter of state concern. To provide such care, a statewide program of medical assistance, with free choice of vendor, is hereby established.

(b) It is the state's medical assistance policy to protect access to health care for the Affordable Care Act expansion population by ending duplicative bureaucratic requirements mandated by Public Law 199-21, section 71119, as soon as legally possible. The commissioner must follow section 256B.0562, subdivisions 5 and 6, to prevent increases in health care coverage loss and uncompensated care for providers."

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title accordingly

The question was taken on the adoption of the amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 34 and nays 32, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Boldon	Frentz	Klein	McEwen	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kunesh	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Kupec	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Latz	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Mann	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Hoffman	Marty	Pha	Xiong
Fateh	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Port	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Fateh, Frentz, Marty, Murphy, Pappas, and Pha.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Abeler	Duckworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Utke
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Mathews	Weber
Coleman	Green	Koran	Miller	Wesenberg
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Nelson	Westrom
Dornink	Heintzeman	Lang	Pratt	
Draheim	Holmstrom	Lieske	Rarick	
Drazkowski	Housley	Limmer	Rasmusson	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Jasinski cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Abeler, Coleman, Holmstrom, Lieske, and Wesenberg.

The motion prevailed. So the amendment was adopted.

Senator Dibble moved to amend S.F. No. 4612 as follows (A49):

Page 40, after line 27, insert:

"(iv) has been diagnosed with HIV or AIDS;"

Renumber the items in sequence

Pursuant to Rule 7.4, Senator Pratt questioned whether the Dibble (A49) amendment was in order. The President ruled the amendment was in order.

The question was taken on the adoption of the Dibble (A49) amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 36 and nays 30, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Fateh	Klein	Mohamed	Seeberger
Boldon	Frentz	Kunesh	Murphy	Westlin
Carlson	Gustafson	Kupec	Oumou Verbeten	Wiklund
Champion	Hauschild	Latz	Pappas	Xiong
Clark	Hawj	Mann	Pha	
Cwodzinski	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Marty	Port	
Dibble	Hoffman	Maye Quade	Putnam	
Duckworth	Johnson Stewart	McEwen	Rest	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Fateh, Gustafson, Johnson Stewart, Marty, Murphy, Pappas, Pha, and Port.

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

Those who voted in the negative were:

Bahr	Farnsworth	Jasinski	Limmer	Rarick
Coleman	Green	Johnson	Lucero	Rasmusson
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Koran	Mathews	Utke
Dornink	Heintzeman	Kreun	Miller	Weber
Draheim	Holmstrom	Lang	Nelson	Wesenberg
Drazkowski	Housley	Lieske	Pratt	Westrom

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Jasinski cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Coleman and Johnson.

The motion prevailed. So the amendment was adopted.

Senator Koran moved to amend S.F. No. 4612 as follows (A72):

Page 190, delete subdivision 7

Renumber the subdivisions in sequence

Page 196, delete section 24 and insert:

"Sec. 24. **REPEALER.**

(a) Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 142B.01, subdivision 13; 142B.41, subdivisions 4 and 8; 142B.62; 142B.70, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, and 12; 142B.71; 142B.72; 142B.74; 142B.75; 142B.76; and 142B.77, are repealed.

(b) Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 142B.41, subdivision 9; and 142B.70, subdivisions 7 and 8, are repealed.

(c) Minnesota Rules, parts 9502.0300; 9502.0315; 9502.0325; 9502.0335; 9502.0341; 9502.0345; 9502.0355; 9502.0365; 9502.0367; 9502.0375; 9502.0395; 9502.0405; 9502.0415; 9502.0425; 9502.0435, subparts 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16; and 9502.0445, are repealed."

Amend the title accordingly

The motion prevailed. So the amendment was adopted.

Senator Heintzeman moved to amend S.F. No. 4612 as follows (A44):

Page 256, after line 28, insert:

"Sec. 3. [62Q.601] COVERAGE OF RESTORATIVE REPRODUCTIVE MEDICINE.

Subdivision 1. **Scope.** This section applies to all health plans that provide maternity benefits to Minnesota residents, including but not limited to health plans offered under chapters 256B and 256L.

Subd. 2. **Required Coverage.** Every health plan under subdivision 1 must provide comprehensive coverage for restorative reproductive medicine including:

- (1) fertility-awareness-based methods of family planning;
- (2) diagnostic procedures to identify underlying causes of infertility and other health-condition-related symptoms;
- (3) treatments such as natural procreative technology aimed at restoring natural fertility; and
- (4) educational resources on restorative reproductive medicine.

Subd. 3. **Definitions.** (a) For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given.

(b) "Fertility-awareness-based methods" means modern, evidence-based methods of tracking the menstrual cycle through observable biological signs in a woman, such as body temperature, cervical fluid, and hormone production in the reproductive system, including luteinizing hormone and estrogen. Such methods include fertility education and medical management, the sympto-thermal method, the Marquette method, the Creighton method, and the Billings ovulation method.

(c) "Fertility education and medical management" means the program developed in collaboration with the Reproductive Health Research Institute for medical research, protocols, and medical training for health care professionals in order to enable the clinical application of important research advances in reproductive endocrinology, by providing education for women about their bodies and hormonal health and medical support, as appropriate.

(d) "Natural procreative technology" or "naprotechnology" means an approach to health care that monitors and maintains a woman's reproductive and gynecological health, including laparoscopic gynecologic surgery to reconstruct the uterus, fallopian tubes, ovaries, and other organ structures to eliminate endometriosis and other reproductive health conditions.

(e) "Reproductive health conditions" includes endometriosis; adenomyosis; polycystic ovary syndrome; uterine fibroids; blocked fallopian tubes; hormone imbalances; hyperprolactinemia; thyroid conditions; ovulation dysfunctions; male-factor infertility, including low sperm count, low sperm motility, low testosterone, and lifestyle and environment factors; and other health conditions that make it difficult or impossible to successfully conceive a child where conception should otherwise be possible.

(f) "Restorative reproductive health" includes empowering women and men to know and understand their bodies and appreciate the importance of natural reproductive health to overall health and well-being, including through the use of body literacy programs that incorporate science-based charting methods, teacher lead reproductive health education, restorative reproductive medicine, natural procreative technology, fertility-awareness-based methods, and fertility education and medical management.

(g) "Restorative reproductive medicine" means any scientific approach to reproductive medicine that seeks to cooperate with, or restore the normal physiology and anatomy of, the human reproductive system without the use of methods that are inherently suppressive, circumventive, or destructive to natural human functions. Restorative reproductive medicine includes, but is not limited to, ultrasounds, blood tests, hormone panels, laparoscopic and exploratory surgeries, examining the man's or woman's overall health and lifestyle, eliminating environmental endocrine disruptors, and assessing the health and fertility of the individual's partner, natural procreative technology, fertility-awareness-based methods, and fertility education and medical management.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to all health plans issued or renewed on or after that date."

Renumber the sections in sequence

Pursuant to Rule 7.4, Senator Wiklund questioned whether the Heintzeman (A44) amendment was in order. The President ruled the amendment was out of order.

Senator McEwen moved to amend S.F. No. 4612 as follows (A101):

Page 253, after line 27, insert:

"ARTICLE 12

HEALTH CARE WORKER RETENTION AND PROTECTION

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 144.555, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 4. **Health care worker retention and protection; Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this subdivision and subdivisions 5, 6, and 7, the definitions in section 145D.01 apply and the following terms have the meanings given.

(b) "Affected health care entity" means a health care entity that has been the subject of a change in control.

(c) "Eligible employee" means any employee employed by an affected health care entity for a continuous period of at least 90 days.

(d) "Employee retention period" means a 120 day period beginning on the date of a transaction that results in a change in control from one health care entity to another health care entity.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 144.555, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 5. Health care worker retention and protection. (a) In the event of any transaction defined in section 145D.01, subdivision 1, paragraph (j), that results in a change in control from one health care entity to another health care entity, the following are required.

(b) Not less than 30 days before the effective date of the change in control, the predecessor health care entity must provide the successor health care entity with a full and accurate list containing the name, address, date of hire, phone number, wage rate, and employment classification of each employee employed by the predecessor health care entity. Upon providing the list, the predecessor health care entity must post the list in a notice to the employees that also sets forth the rights provided by this section in the same location and manner that other statutorily required notices to employees are posted. The notice must also be provided to the employees' collective bargaining representative or representatives, if any.

(c) A successor health care entity must, during the employee retention period, offer each eligible employee continued employment and, if an employee accepts the offer, continue the employee's employment under the terms and conditions established by the successor health care entity, with no reduction of wages or benefits, except that the wage and benefit rates offered and paid for the employee retention period may be higher than the rates last paid to the employee by the predecessor health care entity and must not be lower than any rate required by law. Such offers for continued employment must be made in writing and must remain open for at least ten business days from the date of the offer.

(d) Except as provided in this section, an eligible employee retained pursuant to this section must not be discharged without just cause during the employee retention period.

(e) If at any time during the employee retention period the successor health care entity determines that fewer employees are required than were employed by the predecessor health care entity, a successor health care entity must retain eligible employees by seniority within each continued job classification. In the event that positions are subsequently restored, a successor health care entity must offer to rehire any laid off employees by seniority.

(f) A successor health care entity must retain written verification of each offer of employment made pursuant to this section. The verification must include the name, address, date of hire, phone number, wage rate, and employment classification of the eligible employee to whom the offer was made. A successor health care entity must retain verification records for no less than three years from the date that the offer was made.

(g) At the end of the employee retention period, a successor health care entity must perform a written performance evaluation for each employee retained pursuant to this section. If the employee's performance during the retention period is satisfactory, the successor health care entity must offer the employee continued employment under the terms and conditions established by the successor health care entity. A successor health care entity must retain the written performance evaluation for no less than three years from the date of issuance.

(h) In the event that the successor health care entity discharges, lays off, or otherwise elects not to retain or employ any eligible employee at any time during the employee retention period, except in cases of discharge for just cause, a successor health care entity shall be liable to the affected employee for severance pay at the rate of one week's pay for each year of employment with the

predecessor health care entity. For purposes of this subdivision, a week's pay is equal to the employee's gross earnings during the 12-month period prior to the change of control, divided by the number of weeks in which the employee received gross earnings during that 12-month period. The severance pay to eligible employees is owed in addition to any wages earned by the employee, and the severance pay must be paid within 15 days following the affected employee's last day of work.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 144.555, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 6. **Enforcement.** Any employee who has been injured by a violation of subdivision 5 may bring a civil action in any court of competent jurisdiction. In any such action, the court shall have authority to order preliminary and permanent injunctive relief, including reinstatement of any employee who has been discharged or otherwise not retained in violation of subdivision 5. In the event that a court finds that a health care entity has violated any provision of subdivision 5, the court must award to the employee:

(1) back pay for all lost earnings, plus an additional equal amount as liquidated damages, which shall be calculated at a rate of compensation not less than the higher of the average regular rate of pay received by the employee during the last three years of the employee's employment in the same classification, or the final regular rate of pay received by the employee. Back pay shall apply to the period commencing on the date of the discharge or refusal to retain by the successor health care entity and ending on the effective date of any offer or reinstatement of the employee;

(2) damages equal to the value of any benefits the successor health care entity would have been obligated to provide to the employee;

(3) compensatory damages for any other direct and foreseeable pecuniary losses resulting from the violation; and

(4) the employee's reasonable attorney fees and costs.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 144.555, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 7. **Exception; assume existing collective bargaining agreement.** The requirements of this subdivision and subdivisions 4 to 6 shall not apply to any successor health care entity who, on or before the change in control, agrees to assume or to be bound by an existing collective bargaining agreement or agreements of the predecessor health care entity. Nothing in this subdivision or subdivisions 4 to 6, shall be interpreted to diminish any health care entity's obligation to comply with or otherwise affect the applicability or enforceability of any terms of any collective bargaining agreement."

Renumber the articles in sequence and correct the internal references

Amend the title accordingly

Senator Rasmusson questioned whether the amendment was germane.

The President ruled that the amendment was germane.

The question was taken on the adoption of the McEwen (A101) amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 35 and nays 31, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Fateh	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Port
Boldon	Frentz	Klein	McEwen	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kunesh	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Kupec	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Latz	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Mann	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Hoffman	Marty	Pha	Xiong

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Fateh, Gustafson, Marty, Pappas, Pha, Port, and Putnam.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Mathews	Weber
Coleman	Green	Koran	Miller	Wesenberg
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Nelson	Westrom
Dornink	Heintzeman	Lang	Pratt	
Draheim	Holmstrom	Lieske	Rarick	
Drazkowski	Housley	Limmer	Rasmusson	
Duckworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Utke	

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

The motion prevailed. So the amendment was adopted.

President Champion called President Pro Tem Rest to preside.

Senator Lucero moved to amend S.F. No. 4612 as follows (A79):

Page 215, line 23, delete "and"

Page 215, line 24, after the semicolon, insert "and"

Page 215, after line 24, insert:

"(ix) total spending on charity care as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 144.587, subdivision 1, paragraph (b), provided to undocumented noncitizens;"

Senator Maye Quade moved to amend the Lucero (A79) amendment to S.F. No. 4612 as follows (A103):

Page 1, line 6, delete everything after "(b)" and insert a period

The question was taken on the adoption of the Maye Quade (A103) amendment to the Lucero (A79) amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 34 and nays 32, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Boldon	Carlson	Champion	Clark	Cwodzinski
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Dibble	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Latz	Murphy	Rest
Fateh	Hoffman	Mann	Oumou Verbeten	Seeberger
Frentz	Johnson Stewart	Marty	Pappas	Westlin
Gustafson	Klein	Maye Quade	Pha	Wiklund
Hauschild	Kunesh	McEwen	Port	Xiong
Hawj	Kupec	Mohamed	Putnam	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Champion, Kupec, Marty, McEwen, Pha, Port, and Putnam.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Abeler	Duckworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Utke
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Mathews	Weber
Coleman	Green	Koran	Miller	Wesenberg
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Nelson	Westrom
Dornink	Heintzeman	Lang	Pratt	
Draheim	Holmstrom	Lieske	Rarick	
Drazkowski	Housley	Limmer	Rasmusson	

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

The motion prevailed. So the amendment to the amendment was adopted.

Senator Lucero moved to amend the Lucero (A79) amendment to S.F. No. 4612 as follows (A104):

Page 1, line 6, after "(b)" insert ", expended on illegal immigrants"

Pursuant to Sec. 401 of Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure, Senator Klein raised a point of order that the Lucero (A104) amendment to the Lucero (A79) amendment was out of order. The President ruled the point of order well taken.

Senator Lucero 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 32, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Boldon	Frentz	Klein	McEwen	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kunesh	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Kupec	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Latz	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Mann	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Hoffman	Marty	Pha	Xiong
Fateh	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Port	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Champion, Clark, Marty, McEwen, Pha, Port, and Putnam.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Abeler	Dahms	Drazkowski	Green	Holmstrom
Bahr	Dornink	Duckworth	Gruenhagen	Housley
Coleman	Draheim	Farnsworth	Heintzeman	Jasinski

Johnson	Lieske	Miller	Rasmusson	Westrom
Koran	Limmer	Nelson	Utke	
Kreun	Lucero	Pratt	Weber	
Lang	Mathews	Rarick	Wesenberg	

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

So the decision of the President was sustained.

Senator Lucero withdrew his (A79) amendment, as amended.

Senator Westrom moved to amend S.F. No. 4612 as follows (A78):

Page 215, after line 4, insert:

"Subd. 3. **Eligibility requirements.** Hennepin Healthcare is eligible for a grant under this section only if Hennepin Healthcare ceases spending on all of the following:

(1) diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) initiatives; and

(2) initiatives on climate change, climate justice, and environmental sustainability."

Renumber the subdivisions in sequence

The question was taken on the adoption of the amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 32 and nays 34, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Duckworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Utke
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Mathews	Weber
Coleman	Green	Koran	Miller	Wesenberg
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Nelson	Westrom
Dornink	Heintzeman	Lang	Pratt	
Draheim	Holmstrom	Lieske	Rarick	
Drzkowski	Housley	Limmer	Rasmusson	

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

Those who voted in the negative were:

Boldon	Frentz	Klein	McEwen	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kunesh	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Kupec	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Latz	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Mann	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Hoffman	Marty	Pha	Xiong
Fateh	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Port	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Champion, Clark, Dibble, Fateh, Johnson Stewart, Latz, Marty, McEwen, Pha, Port, and Putnam.

The motion did not prevail. So the amendment was not adopted.

Senator Heintzeman moved to amend S.F. No. 4612 as follows (A102):

Page 256, after line 28, insert:

"Sec. 3. **[62Q.601] COVERAGE OF RESTORATIVE REPRODUCTIVE MEDICINE.**

Subdivision 1. **Scope.** This section applies, and only applies, to all large group health plans, except for the state employees group insurance program, that provide maternity benefits to Minnesota residents.

Subd. 2. **Required Coverage.** Every health plan under subdivision 1 must provide comprehensive coverage for restorative reproductive medicine including:

- (1) fertility-awareness-based methods of family planning;
- (2) diagnostic procedures to identify underlying causes of infertility and other health-condition-related symptoms;
- (3) treatments such as natural procreative technology aimed at restoring natural fertility; and
- (4) educational resources on restorative reproductive medicine.

Subd. 3. **Definitions.** (a) For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given.

(b) "Fertility-awareness-based methods" means modern, evidence-based methods of tracking the menstrual cycle through observable biological signs in a woman, such as body temperature, cervical fluid, and hormone production in the reproductive system, including luteinizing hormone and estrogen. Such methods include fertility education and medical management, the sympto-thermal method, the Marquette method, the Creighton method, and the Billings ovulation method.

(c) "Fertility education and medical management" means the program developed in collaboration with the Reproductive Health Research Institute for medical research, protocols, and medical training for health care professionals in order to enable the clinical application of important research advances in reproductive endocrinology, by providing education for women about their bodies and hormonal health and medical support, as appropriate.

(d) "Natural procreative technology" or "naprotechnology" means an approach to health care that monitors and maintains a woman's reproductive and gynecological health, including laparoscopic gynecologic surgery to reconstruct the uterus, fallopian tubes, ovaries, and other organ structures to eliminate endometriosis and other reproductive health conditions.

(e) "Reproductive health conditions" includes endometriosis; adenomyosis; polycystic ovary syndrome; uterine fibroids; blocked fallopian tubes; hormone imbalances; hyperprolactinemia; thyroid conditions; ovulation dysfunctions; male-factor infertility, including low sperm count, low sperm motility, low testosterone, and lifestyle and environment factors; and other health conditions that make it difficult or impossible to successfully conceive a child where conception should otherwise be possible.

(f) "Restorative reproductive health" includes empowering women and men to know and understand their bodies and appreciate the importance of natural reproductive health to overall health and well-being, including through the use of body literacy programs that incorporate science-based charting methods, teacher lead reproductive health education, restorative reproductive medicine, natural procreative technology, fertility-awareness-based methods, and fertility education and medical management.

(g) "Restorative reproductive medicine" means any scientific approach to reproductive medicine that seeks to cooperate with, or restore the normal physiology and anatomy of, the human reproductive system without the use of methods that are inherently suppressive, circumventive, or destructive to natural human functions. Restorative reproductive medicine includes, but is not limited to, ultrasounds, blood tests, hormone panels, laparoscopic and exploratory surgeries, examining the man's or woman's overall health and lifestyle, eliminating environmental endocrine disruptors, and assessing the health and fertility of the individual's partner, natural procreative technology, fertility-awareness-based methods, and fertility education and medical management.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to all health plans issued or renewed on or after that date."

Renumber the sections in sequence

The question was taken on the adoption of the amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 32 and nays 34, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Duckworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Utke
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Mathews	Weber
Coleman	Green	Koran	Miller	Wesenberg
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Nelson	Westrom
Dornink	Heintzeman	Lang	Pratt	
Draheim	Holmstrom	Lieske	Rarick	
Drazkowski	Housley	Limmer	Rasmusson	

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

Those who voted in the negative were:

Boldon	Frentz	Klein	McEwen	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kunesh	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Kupec	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Latz	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Mann	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Hoffman	Marty	Pha	Xiong
Fateh	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Port	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Champion, Clark, Dibble, Fateh, Johnson Stewart, Latz, Marty, McEwen, Pha, Port, and Putnam.

The motion did not prevail. So the amendment was not adopted.

S.F. No. 4612 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 34 and nays 32, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Boldon	Frentz	Klein	McEwen	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kunesh	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Kupec	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Latz	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Mann	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Hoffman	Marty	Pha	Xiong
Fateh	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Port	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Boldon cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Champion, Clark, Dibble, Fateh, Hauschild, Latz, Marty, McEwen, Pha, and Port.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Abeler	Duckworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Utke
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Mathews	Weber
Coleman	Green	Koran	Miller	Wesenberg
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Nelson	Westrom
Dornink	Heintzeman	Lang	Pratt	
Draheim	Holmstrom	Lieske	Rarick	
Drazkowski	Housley	Limmer	Rasmusson	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Jasinski cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Coleman and Miller.

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

SPECIAL ORDER

H.F. No. 4188: A bill for an act relating to commerce; modifying various consumer protections for insurance and financial products; prohibiting virtual-currency kiosks; modifying various provisions governing securities broker-dealers and broker-dealers' agents; making technical changes to various provisions governed or administered by the Department of Commerce; modifying and adding provisions governing unclaimed property; providing penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 46.044, subdivision 1; 48.195; 49.37; 53B.69, subdivision 10; 58.14, subdivisions 3, 4, 5, by adding a subdivision; 58.18, subdivision 4; 58B.02, by adding subdivisions; 58B.03, subdivisions 10, 11; 58B.051; 58B.06, subdivisions 4, 6; 60A.13, subdivisions 1, 6; 72A.061, subdivision 5; 72A.18, subdivision 2, by adding subdivisions; 72A.20, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision; 80A.50; 80A.69; 80C.12, subdivision 1; 80G.01, subdivision 5a; 325E.21, subdivisions 1b, 2c; 332.32; 345.31, by adding a subdivision; 345.43, by adding a subdivision; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 58B.02, subdivision 8a; 80A.66; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 53B; 80A; 82B; 82C; 345; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 48.158; 53B.69, subdivisions 3b, 3c; 53B.75, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.

Senator Klein moved to amend H.F. No. 4188, as amended pursuant to Rule 45, adopted by the Senate April 28, 2026, as follows (A-1):

(The text of the amended House File is identical to S.F. No. 4365.)

Page 17, line 24, delete "of commerce"

Page 17, line 25, delete "of"

Page 17, line 26, delete "commerce"

Page 25, line 10, delete "Notwithstanding any"

Page 25, line 11, delete "other law to the contrary,"

Page 25, line 14, delete "Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary,"

Page 25, line 29, delete "Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary,"

The motion prevailed. So the amendment was adopted.

Senator Dahms moved to amend H.F. No. 4188, as amended pursuant to Rule 45, adopted by the Senate April 28, 2026, as follows (A-6):

(The text of the amended House File is identical to S.F. No. 4365.)

Page 5, delete section 2 and insert:

"Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 62E.23, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

Subd. 1a. **2028 Assessment on group health carriers.** (a) An assessment is imposed ~~in~~ each calendar year ~~2028~~ on group health carriers operating under the Minnesota premium security plan ~~in~~ during the previous benefit year ~~2027~~. ~~This is a onetime assessment.~~

(b) By May 1, ~~2028~~ each year, the association must provide each group health carrier with an estimate of the carrier's assessment under paragraph (a).

(c) By June 30, ~~2028~~ each year, the association must ~~notify each group health carrier of the carrier's assessment amount under paragraph (a). The association must determine~~ propose each carrier's assessment amount, in consultation with the commissioner, based on the group health carrier's portion of the total premiums for group health plans written in Minnesota for the previous benefit year ~~2027~~. The commissioner must approve the carrier's assessment amount. ~~The association must establish the final~~ assessment amount for each group health plan ~~so~~ must ensure that the aggregate assessment amount collected from group health plans under this subdivision equals the amount necessary for the appropriations and transfers under section 62E.25, subdivision 1. By July 25 each year, the association must notify each group health carrier of the carrier's proposed assessment amount under paragraph (a).

(d) Subject to paragraph (e), each group health carrier must pay the assessment under paragraph (a) ~~to the association commissioner~~ by August 1, 2028 each year, for deposit in the premium security plan account created under section 62E.25. A group health plan must pay the assessment in the manner determined by the commissioner.

(e) A group health carrier may apply to the commissioner to defer all or part of the assessment imposed under paragraph (a). The application must be submitted to the commissioner by May 15, 2028 of the calendar year after the applicable benefit year. The commissioner may defer all or part of the assessment if the commissioner determines the payment of the assessment places the group health carrier in a financially impaired condition. The commissioner may deny an application for deferral under this paragraph. No later than June 15, 2028 of the calendar year after the applicable benefit year, the commissioner must notify the association and the group health carrier whether the assessment deferral is approved or denied. If the commissioner approves the deferral request, the notice must include the amount of and due date for the deferred portion of the assessment. If all or part of the assessment is deferred, the association must include the amount deferred in the other group health carriers' assessments in a proportionate manner consistent with this subdivision. ~~The~~ A group health carrier that receives a deferral is liable to the ~~association~~ commissioner for the amount deferred and is prohibited from receiving or becoming entitled to a reinsurance payment under the Minnesota premium security plan until the group health carrier has paid the deferred assessment.

(f) If the association determines the assessment imposed under paragraph (a) exceeds or is less than the amount necessary to operate and administer the Minnesota premium security plan and issue reinsurance payments, the association must require group health carriers to pay an additional amount or the association must issue a refund to the group health carriers. The association must determine the accuracy of the assessment by May 30, 2029 within two years of the assessment.

(g) By August 15, 2028 of the year after the applicable benefit year, the association must remit the assessments collected under this subdivision to the commissioner for deposit in the premium security plan account created under section 62E.25."

Page 6, delete section 3 and insert:

"Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 62E.23, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Payment parameters.** (a) The board must design and adjust the payment parameters to ensure the payment parameters:

- (1) will stabilize or reduce premium rates in the individual market;
- (2) will increase participation in the individual market;
- (3) will improve access to health care providers and services for those in the individual market;
- (4) mitigate the impact high-risk individuals have on premium rates in the individual market;
- (5) take into account any federal funding available for the plan;
- (6) ~~for benefit year 2027~~, take into account the assessment under subdivision 1a;

(7) ensure the premium security plan account created under section 62E.25, subdivision 1, has sufficient money to ensure MNsure's stable operation after taking into account the Minnesota premium security plan's effect on MNsure's funding; and

- (8) take into account the total amount available to fund the plan.

(b) The attachment point for the plan is the threshold amount for claims costs incurred by an eligible health carrier for an enrolled individual's covered benefits in a benefit year, beyond which the claims costs for benefits are eligible for reinsurance payments. The attachment point shall be set by the board at \$50,000 or more, but not exceeding the reinsurance cap.

(c) The coinsurance rate for the plan is the rate at which the association will reimburse an eligible health carrier for claims incurred for an enrolled individual's covered benefits in a benefit year above the attachment point and below the reinsurance cap. The coinsurance rate shall be set by the board at a rate between 50 and 80 percent.

(d) The reinsurance cap is the threshold amount for claims costs incurred by an eligible health carrier for an enrolled individual's covered benefits, after which the claims costs for benefits are no longer eligible for reinsurance payments. The reinsurance cap shall be set by the board at \$250,000 or less.

(e) The board may adjust the payment parameters to the extent necessary to secure federal approval of the state innovation waiver request in Laws 2017, chapter 13, article 1, section 8.

(f) For purposes of paragraph (a), clause (7), the ~~association~~ commissioner must consult with the commissioner of management and budget and the board of directors of MNSure to determine the amount of funding necessary to ensure MNSure's stable operation.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 62E.23, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Operation.** (a) The board shall propose to the commissioner the payment parameters for the next benefit year by January 15 of the year before the applicable benefit year. The commissioner shall approve or reject the payment parameters no later than 14 days following the board's proposal. If the commissioner fails to approve or reject the payment parameters within 14 days following the board's proposal, the proposed payment parameters are final and effective.

(b) If the amount in the premium security plan account in section 62E.25, subdivision 1, is not anticipated to be adequate to fully fund the approved payment parameters as of July 1 of the year before the applicable benefit year, the board, in consultation with the commissioner and the commissioner of management and budget, shall propose payment parameters within the available appropriations or, ~~for benefit year 2027,~~ assess group health carriers to obtain the necessary funding. The commissioner must permit an eligible health carrier to revise an applicable rate filing based on the final payment parameters for the next benefit year.

(c) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), the payment parameters for benefit years 2023 through 2027 are:

- (1) an attachment point of \$50,000;
- (2) a coinsurance rate of 80 percent; and
- (3) a reinsurance cap of \$250,000.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 62E.24, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Accounting.** The board must keep an accounting for each benefit year of all:

- (1) funds appropriated for reinsurance payments and administrative and operational expenses;
- (2) requests for reinsurance payments received from eligible health carriers;
- (3) ~~for benefit year 2027~~, assessments collected and deferred under section 62E.23, subdivision 1a;
- (4) reinsurance payments made to eligible health carriers; and
- (5) administrative and operational expenses incurred for the plan.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 62E.24, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Reports.** (a) The board must submit to the commissioner and to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over commerce and health and make available to the public quarterly reports on plan operations and an annual report summarizing the plan operations for each benefit year. All reports must be made public by posting the report on the Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association website. The annual summary must be made available by November 1 of the year following the applicable benefit year or 60 calendar days following the final disbursement of reinsurance payments for the applicable benefit year, whichever is later.

(b) The reports must include information about:

- (1) the reinsurance parameters used;
- (2) the metal levels affected;
- (3) the number of claims payments estimated and submitted for payment per products offered on-exchange and off-exchange and per eligible health carrier;
- (4) the estimated reinsurance payments by plan type based on carrier-submitted templates;
- (5) funds appropriated for reinsurance payments and administrative and operational expenses for each year, including: (i) the federal and state contributions received; (ii) investment income; (iii) ~~for benefit year 2027~~, assessments collected under section 62E.23, subdivision 1a; and (iv) any other revenue or funds received;
- (6) the total amount of reinsurance payments made to each eligible health carrier; and
- (7) administrative and operational expenses incurred for the plan, including the total amount incurred and as a percentage of the plan's operational budget."

Page 8, after line 2, insert:

"Sec. 8. **CONTINUATION OF STATE INNOVATION WAIVER.**

Subdivision 1. Waiver application submission. The commissioner of commerce must apply to the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services under United States Code, title 42, section 18052, for continuation of the state innovation waiver previously granted to

implement the Minnesota premium security plan under Minnesota Statutes, section 62E.23, for benefit years beginning January 1, 2028, and in subsequent benefit years, to maximize federal funding. The commissioner must submit the application by December 31, 2026. The waiver application must clearly state that operation of the Minnesota premium security plan after the 2027 benefit year is contingent on approval of the waiver request. The commissioner of commerce shall reapply for the waiver as necessary to continue the operation of the Minnesota premium security plan under Minnesota Statutes, section 62E.23.

Subd. 2. **Notification.** The commissioner must notify the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over health and human services and insurance, and the board of directors of the Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association, regarding (1) the commissioner's intent to submit a waiver application, and (2) federal action taken with respect to the waiver request."

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title accordingly

President Champion resumed the Chair.

The question was taken on the adoption of the Dahms (A-6) amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 29 and nays 37, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Farnsworth	Jasinski	Limmer	Rasmusson
Coleman	Green	Johnson	Mathews	Utke
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Koran	Miller	Weber
Dornink	Heintzeman	Kreun	Nelson	Wesenberg
Draheim	Holmstrom	Lang	Pratt	Westrom
Duckworth	Housley	Lieske	Rarick	

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

Those who voted in the negative were:

Bahr	Fateh	Klein	McEwen	Rest
Boldon	Frentz	Kunesh	Mohamed	Seeberger
Carlson	Gustafson	Kupec	Murphy	Westlin
Champion	Hauschild	Latz	Oumou Verbeten	Wiklund
Clark	Hawj	Lucero	Pappas	Xiong
Cwodzinski	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Mann	Pha	
Dibble	Hoffman	Marty	Port	
Drazkowski	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Putnam	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Clark, Dibble, Fateh, Gustafson, Latz, Marty, McEwen, and Pha.

The motion did not prevail. So the amendment was not adopted.

Senator Dahms moved to amend H.F. No. 4188, as amended pursuant to Rule 45, adopted by the Senate April 28, 2026, as follows (A-4):

(The text of the amended House File is identical to S.F. No. 4365.)

Page 9, delete section 4

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title accordingly

The question was taken on the adoption of the amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 30 and nays 35, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Bahr	Duckworth	Housley	Lieske	Rarick
Coleman	Farnsworth	Jasinski	Limmer	Rasmusson
Dahms	Green	Johnson	Lucero	Utke
Dornink	Gruenhagen	Koran	Mathews	Weber
Draheim	Heintzeman	Kreun	Nelson	Wesenberg
Drazkowski	Holmstrom	Lang	Pratt	Westrom

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

Those who voted in the negative were:

Abeler	Fateh	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Port
Boldon	Frentz	Klein	McEwen	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kunesh	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Kupec	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Latz	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Mann	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Hoffman	Marty	Pha	Xiong

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Clark, Dibble, Fateh, Gustafson, Latz, Marty, McEwen, and Pha.

The motion did not prevail. So the amendment was not adopted.

Senator Dahms moved to amend H.F. No. 4188, as amended pursuant to Rule 45, adopted by the Senate April 28, 2026, as follows (A-5):

(The text of the amended House File is identical to S.F. No. 4365.)

Page 24, after line 26, insert:

"Sec. 15. Laws 2025, First Special Session chapter 4, article 5, section 1, the effective date, is amended to read:

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, ~~2026~~ 2028.

Sec. 16. Laws 2025, First Special Session chapter 4, article 5, section 2, the effective date, is amended to read:

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, ~~2026~~ 2028.

Sec. 17. Laws 2025, First Special Session chapter 4, article 5, section 3, the effective date, is amended to read:

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, ~~2026~~ 2028.

Sec. 18. Laws 2025, First Special Session chapter 4, article 5, section 4, the effective date, is amended to read:

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, ~~2026~~ 2028.

Sec. 19. Laws 2025, First Special Session chapter 4, article 5, section 5, the effective date, is amended to read:

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, ~~2026~~ 2028.

Sec. 20. Laws 2025, First Special Session chapter 4, article 5, section 6, the effective date, is amended to read:

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, ~~2026~~ 2028.

Sec. 21. Laws 2025, First Special Session chapter 4, article 5, section 7, the effective date, is amended to read:

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, ~~2026~~ 2028.

Sec. 22. Laws 2025, First Special Session chapter 4, article 5, section 8, the effective date, is amended to read:

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, ~~2026~~ 2028.

Sec. 23. Laws 2025, First Special Session chapter 4, article 5, section 9, the effective date, is amended to read:

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, ~~2026~~ 2028."

Amend the title accordingly

The question was taken on the adoption of the amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 30 and nays 34, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Bahr	Duckworth	Housley	Lieske	Rarick
Coleman	Farnsworth	Jasinski	Limmer	Rasmusson
Dahms	Green	Johnson	Lucero	Utke
Dornink	Gruenhagen	Koran	Mathews	Weber
Draheim	Heintzeman	Kreun	Nelson	Wesenberg
Drazkowski	Holmstrom	Lang	Pratt	Westrom

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

Those who voted in the negative were:

Abeler	Fateh	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Putnam
Boldon	Frentz	Klein	McEwen	Rest
Carlson	Gustafson	Kunesh	Murphy	Seeberger
Champion	Hauschild	Kupec	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Clark	Hawj	Latz	Pappas	Wiklund
Cwodzinski	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Mann	Pha	Xiong
Dibble	Hoffman	Marty	Port	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Clark, Dibble, Fateh, Gustafson, Latz, Marty, McEwen, and Pha.

The motion did not prevail. So the amendment was not adopted.

Senator Rasmusson moved to amend H.F. No. 4188, as amended pursuant to Rule 45, adopted by the Senate April 28, 2026, as follows (A-7):

(The text of the amended House File is identical to S.F. No. 4365.)

Page 64, lines 5 and 16, delete "fiduciary or"

Page 64, line 15, delete "Fiduciary" and insert "Custodial"

Page 64, line 26, delete "or fiduciary"

Page 67, lines 6 and 17, delete "fiduciary or"

Page 67, line 16, delete "Fiduciary" and insert "Custodial"

Page 67, line 26, delete "or"

Page 67, line 27, delete "fiduciary"

The motion prevailed. So the amendment was adopted.

Senator Gruenhagen moved to amend H.F. No. 4188, as amended pursuant to Rule 45, adopted by the Senate April 28, 2026, as follows (A-8):

(The text of the amended House File is identical to S.F. No. 4365.)

Page 17, after line 30, insert:

"Sec. 8. **[62J.809] HOSPITAL-ASSOCIATED INFECTION COSTS.**

Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given.

(b) "Health care facility" means any hospital, ambulatory surgical center, or other inpatient or outpatient facility where patients receive medical treatment.

(c) "Hospital-associated infection" or "HAI" means any infection that a patient acquires during the course of receiving treatment in a health care facility that was not present or incubating at the time of admission, including but not limited to:

(1) surgical site infections;

(2) catheter-associated urinary tract infections;

(3) central line-associated bloodstream infections;

(4) ventilator-associated pneumonia;

(5) clostridioides difficile infections; and

(6) other health care-associated infections, as defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

(d) "Treatment costs" means all costs associated with diagnosing, treating, and managing an HAI, including but not limited to extended hospitalization, additional procedures, medications, laboratory tests, and follow-up care.

Subd. 2. **Prohibition on charging for HAI treatment.** (a) No health care facility shall charge, bill, or seek payment from any patient or payer for the treatment costs of any HAI.

(b) This prohibition applies regardless of whether the patient has private health insurance, is self-pay, or has any other form of nongovernmental coverage.

(c) The prohibition in paragraph (a) includes:

(1) all facility charges associated with extended hospitalization due to HAI;

(2) all professional services rendered to treat the HAI;

(3) all medications, laboratory tests, imaging, and other diagnostic services related to HAI treatment;

(4) all rehabilitation or follow-up care necessitated by the HAI; and

(5) any charges from subcontractors treating the HAI.

(d) The health care facility where the HAI was acquired shall bear full financial responsibility for all treatment costs, regardless of where subsequent treatment is provided. If the facility where the HAI was acquired is not qualified to treat the HAI in its facility, the facility is financially liable for the cost of treatment at another facility.

Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.81, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 3. **Prohibition on open-ended promise-to-pay contracts.** (a) For purposes of this subdivision, "open-ended promise-to-pay contract" means any agreement that obligates a patient to pay for health care services without prior disclosure of the specific amount to be charged.

(b) A health care provider is prohibited from requesting a patient to sign an open-ended promise-to-pay contract.

(c) All open-ended promise-to-pay contracts are void and unenforceable, except that open-ended promise-to-pay contracts executed before July 1, 2026, are not enforceable for services rendered on or after that date.

(d) Notwithstanding this subdivision, health care providers are permitted to require patients to sign agreements acknowledging financial responsibility only if the agreements:

(1) specify the provider's number, as defined in section 62J.826, subdivision 4;

(2) identify any services that may not be covered by insurance; and

(3) disclose the estimated patient responsibility based on the provider's number and the patient's insurance coverage.

Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.826, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) The definitions in this subdivision apply to this section.

(b) "Baseline" means the allowable reimbursement amount for any health care service or item in the medical assistance program as established by the commissioner of human services.

~~(b)~~ (c) "CDT code" means a code value drawn from the Code on Dental Procedures and Nomenclature published by the American Dental Association.

~~(c)~~ (d) "Chargemaster" means the list of all individual items and services maintained by a medical or dental practice for which the medical or dental practice has established a charge.

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

~~(e)~~ (f) "CPT code" means a code value drawn from the Current Procedural Terminology published by the American Medical Association.

~~(f)~~ (g) "Dental service" means a service charged using a CDT code.

~~(g)~~ (h) "Diagnostic laboratory testing" means a service charged using a CPT code within the CPT code range of 80047 to 89398.

~~(h)~~ (i) "Diagnostic radiology service" means a service charged using a CPT code within the CPT code range of 70010 to 79999 and includes the provision of x-rays, computed tomography scans, positron emission tomography scans, magnetic resonance imaging scans, and mammographies.

~~(i)~~ (j) "Hospital" means an acute care institution licensed under sections 144.50 to 144.58, but does not include a health care institution conducted for those who rely primarily upon treatment by prayer or spiritual means in accordance with the creed or tenets of any church or denomination.

~~(j)~~ (k) "Medical or dental practice" means a business that:

(1) earns revenue by providing medical care or dental services to the public;

- (2) issues payment claims to health plan companies and other payers; and
- (3) may be identified by its federal tax identification number.

(l) "Number" means the percentage of the baseline that a provider accepts as full payment for all services and items, expressed as a whole number, calculated in accordance with subdivision 4.

~~(k)~~ (m) "Outpatient surgical center" means a health care facility other than a hospital offering elective outpatient surgery under a license issued under sections 144.50 to 144.58.

~~(j)~~ (n) "Standard charge" means the regular rate established by the medical or dental practice for an item or service provided to a specific group of paying patients. This includes all of the following:

(1) the charge for an individual item or service that is reflected on a medical or dental practice's chargemaster, absent any discounts;

(2) the charge that a medical or dental practice has negotiated with a third-party payer for an item or service;

(3) the lowest charge that a medical or dental practice has negotiated with all third-party payers for an item or service;

(4) the highest charge that a medical or dental practice has negotiated with all third-party payers for an item or service; and

(5) the charge that applies to an individual who pays cash, or cash equivalent, for an item or service.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.826, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 4. **Provider numbers.** (a) By January 1, 2028, and each year thereafter, the commissioner of health must, for each provider subject to this section, determine and publicly publish the provider's number calculated in accordance with this subdivision.

(b) The commissioner of health must calculate a provider's number by dividing each of a provider's current standard charges under subdivision 2 by each charge's baseline, multiplying the quotients by the percentage of the provider's total charges for which each standard charge accounts, and adding the products.

(c) For providers that render both facility-based and professional services, the commissioner of health must calculate and disclose two separate numbers as follows:

(1) a facility number for all hospital and facility charges, including inpatient, outpatient, emergency room, and surgical facility services; and

(2) a professional services number for all services provided by medical professionals, including ambulatory surgical centers and clinical services.

(d) Each provider must post the provider's number prominently in locations easily accessible to and visible by patients, including on the provider's website.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.826, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 5. **Consumer health information exchanges.** (a) Privately operated online platforms are authorized to aggregate data generated and provided to consumers and the commissioner of health under this section and to display health care provider information, including numbers, quality metrics, and patient reviews for consumer use.

(b) Consumer health information exchanges under paragraph (a) must be owned, controlled, and operated by private entities. Ownership, control, and operation by a health care provider, health care system, health plan company, pharmaceutical manufacturer, or medical device manufacturer is prohibited.

(c) The commissioner of health must register consumer health information exchanges under paragraph (a). To be registered as a consumer health information exchange under this subdivision, an exchange must:

(1) demonstrate technical capability to securely receive, store, and display health care pricing and quality data;

(2) meet the independence requirements in paragraph (b);

(3) agree to display all provider data without bias or preferential treatment;

(4) implement consumer privacy protections; and

(5) maintain public accessibility to basic search functions without charge to consumers.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.826, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 6. **Rulemaking.** (a) The commissioner of health must promulgate rules to implement subdivision 4. Rules promulgated under this paragraph must promote the following goals:

(1) establish a simple, universally understood number pricing system for all health care services and items based on a single number representing the percentage of medical assistance baseline rates;

(2) expose the current hidden tax paid by private pay patients through public disclosure of each provider's number;

(3) create a consumer-friendly health care marketplace where patients can easily compare prices and choose the patients' preferred providers;

(4) enable competition among health care providers and health plan companies; and

(5) eliminate surprise medical billing and price gouging.

(b) The commissioner of health must promulgate rules to implement subdivision 5. Rules promulgated under this paragraph must promote the following goals:

- (1) establish a framework for privately operated consumer health information exchanges;
- (2) require health care providers to submit standardized data to registered exchanges;
- (3) enable consumers to compare health care providers based on price, quality, and patient reviews; and
- (4) protect consumer privacy while facilitating information sharing."

Page 18, after line 20, insert:

"Sec. 15. **[62K.16] REFERENCE-BASED PRICING HEALTH PLAN.**

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given.

(b) "Provider" has the meaning given in section 62J.03, subdivision 8.

(c) "Reference-based pricing health plan" means a health plan in which the payer pays a set price for each service instead of negotiating prices with providers.

Subd. 2. **General.** Notwithstanding any law to the contrary and upon any necessary federal approval, a health carrier that offers a health plan in the individual, small, or large group market must also offer in the market a reference-based pricing health plan that meets the requirements of this section.

Subd. 3. **Provider participation.** (a) An enrollee of a reference-based pricing health plan may access any health care provider who has agreed to: (1) a reimbursement rate up to but not greater than the reimbursement rate specified in the enrollee's reference-based pricing plan; and (2) any other terms and conditions offered by the health carrier. Any terms and conditions offered by the health carrier must be the same for all health care providers who agree to participate in the health plan.

(b) A health carrier may require a participating provider to meet reasonable data, utilization review, and quality assurance requirements.

(c) A provider who agrees to participate must provide services to all enrollees of the reference-based pricing plan if the provider's reimbursement rates are equal to or less than the reimbursement rate specified in the enrollee's reference-based pricing plan.

Subd. 4. **Reimbursement rates.** (a) The reimbursement rates offered to providers that agree to participate in a reference-based pricing health plan must be based on a percentage relative to the rates defined by the most recent medical assistance fee-for-service reimbursement fee schedules promulgated by the Department of Human Services.

(b) For services that do not have a corresponding medical assistance fee-for-service reimbursement value, the health carrier must negotiate the rates based on other fee schedules used within the health care market.

(c) If a reference-based pricing health plan's reimbursement rate is at least 190 percent above the medical assistance fee-for-service rate and the health plan is offered in all counties in Minnesota, the health plan is exempt from the geographic and network adequacy requirements under section 62K.10.

(d) A provider who agrees to participate in the reference-based pricing plan agrees to accept the reimbursement rate as payment in full under the terms of the plan in accordance with section 62K.11.

Subd. 5. **Conditions.** (a) Nothing in this section requires a provider to participate in a reference-based pricing health plan. A health carrier is prohibited from requiring the provider to participate in a reference-based pricing health plan as a condition of participation in any other health plan, product, or other arrangement offered by the health carrier.

(b) Nothing in this section requires a health carrier to provide coverage for a service or treatment that is not covered under the enrollee's health plan.

(c) A reference-based pricing health plan may impose cost-sharing requirements, including co-payments, deductibles, and coinsurance and reasonable referral and prior authorization requirements.

(d) Reference-based pricing health plans must cover all chiropractic services and items provided to enrollees who are 21 years of age or younger."

Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

Amend the title accordingly

The question was taken on the adoption of the amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 32 and nays 33, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Duckworth	Housley	Limmer	Utke
Bahr	Farnsworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Weber
Coleman	Green	Johnson	Mathews	Wesenberg
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Koran	Nelson	Westrom
Dornink	Heintzeman	Kreun	Pratt	
Draheim	Hoffman	Lang	Rarick	
Drazkowski	Holmstrom	Lieske	Rasmusson	

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

Those who voted in the negative were:

Boldon	Frentz	Kunesh	Mohamed	Rest
Carlson	Gustafson	Kupec	Murphy	Seeberger
Champion	Hauschild	Latz	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Clark	Hawj	Mann	Pappas	Wiklund
Cwodzinski	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Marty	Pha	Xiong
Dibble	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Port	
Fateh	Klein	McEwen	Putnam	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Clark, Dibble, Fateh, Gustafson, Latz, Marty, McEwen, Pha, and Port.

The motion did not prevail. So the amendment was not adopted.

Senator Nelson moved to amend H.F. No. 4188, as amended pursuant to Rule 45, adopted by the Senate April 28, 2026, as follows (A-2):

(The text of the amended House File is identical to S.F. No. 4365.)

Page 46, lines 4 to 15, delete the new language and reinstate the stricken language

Senator Nelson moved to amend the Nelson (A-2) amendment to H.F. No. 4188 as follows (A-3):

Page 1, delete line 4 and insert:

"Page 46, delete lines 5 to 14 and insert:

"(3) an investment adviser who does not have any employees is exempt from the written supervisory procedures required by this section and Minnesota Rules, chapter 2876. An investment adviser who hires an employee must establish and maintain a set of written supervisory procedures that are in compliance with this section and Minnesota Rules, chapter 2876, within 30 days of hiring the employee; and"

The motion prevailed. So the amendment to the amendment was adopted.

The question recurred on the adoption of the Nelson (A-2) amendment, as amended. The motion prevailed. So the amendment, as amended, was adopted.

Senator Lieske moved to amend H.F. No. 4188, as amended pursuant to Rule 45, adopted by the Senate April 28, 2026, as follows (A13):

(The text of the amended House File is identical to S.F. No. 4365.)

Page 31, delete section 6

Page 122, after line 9, insert:

"Sec. 36. [617.265] NUDIFICATION.

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** For the purposes of this section, "nudify" means the process by which:

(1) an image or video is altered or generated to depict an intimate part not depicted in an original unaltered image or video of an identifiable individual; and

(2) the altered or generated image or video is so realistic that a reasonable person would believe that the intimate part belongs to the identifiable individual.

Subd. 2. **Criminal penalty.** A person who intentionally nudifies an image or video of another knowing or having reason to know that the subject of the image or video did not consent to the nudification is guilty of a felony and may be sentenced to imprisonment for not more than two years or to payment of a fine of not more than \$4,000, or both."

Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

Amend the title accordingly

The question was taken on the adoption of the amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 31 and nays 34, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Duckworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Weber
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Mathews	Wesenberg
Coleman	Green	Koran	Nelson	Westrom
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Pratt	
Dornink	Heintzeman	Lang	Rarick	
Draheim	Holmstrom	Lieske	Rasmusson	
Drazkowski	Housley	Limmer	Utke	

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

Those who voted in the negative were:

Boldon	Frentz	Klein	McEwen	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kunesh	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Kupec	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Latz	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Mann	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Hoffman	Marty	Pha	Xiong
Fateh	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Port	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Clark, Dibble, Fateh, Gustafson, McEwen, Pha, and Port.

The motion did not prevail. So the amendment was not adopted.

Senator Lucero moved to amend H.F. No. 4188, as amended pursuant to Rule 45, adopted by the Senate April 28, 2026, as follows (A14):

(The text of the amended House File is identical to S.F. No. 4365.)

Page 32, line 18, before "Penalties" insert "Civil"

Page 33, after line 8, insert:

"Subd. 6. **Criminal penalty.** A person who intentionally nudifies an image or video of another knowing or having reason to know that the subject of the image or video did not consent to the nudification is guilty of a gross misdemeanor."

Renumber the subdivisions in sequence

Page 33, line 18, after "to" insert "crimes and"

The question was taken on the adoption of the amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 31 and nays 33, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Duckworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Weber
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Mathews	Wesenberg
Coleman	Green	Koran	Nelson	Westrom
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Pratt	
Dornink	Heintzeman	Lang	Rarick	
Draheim	Holmstrom	Lieske	Rasmusson	
Drazkowski	Housley	Limmer	Utke	

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

Those who voted in the negative were:

Boldon	Frentz	Klein	Mohamed	Rest
Carlson	Gustafson	Kupec	Murphy	Seeberger
Champion	Hauschild	Latz	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Clark	Hawj	Mann	Pappas	Wiklund
Cwodzinski	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Marty	Pha	Xiong
Dibble	Hoffman	Maye Quade	Port	
Fateh	Johnson Stewart	McEwen	Putnam	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Clark, Dibble, Fateh, Gustafson, McEwen, Pha, and Port.

The motion did not prevail. So the amendment was not adopted.

Senator Maye Quade moved to amend H.F. No. 4188, as amended pursuant to Rule 45, adopted by the Senate April 28, 2026, as follows (A11):

(The text of the amended House File is identical to S.F. No. 4365.)

Page 27, after line 17, insert:

"Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 325D.53, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Price fixing, production control, allocation of markets, collusive bidding, and concerted refusals to deal.** Without limiting section 325D.51, the following shall be deemed to restrain trade or commerce unreasonably and are unlawful:

(1) A contract, combination, or conspiracy between two or more persons in competition:

(a) for the purpose or with the effect of affecting, fixing, controlling or maintaining the market price, rate, or fee of any commodity or service;

(b) affecting, fixing, controlling, maintaining, limiting, or discontinuing the production, manufacture, mining, sale or supply of any commodity, or the sale or supply of any service, for the

purpose or with the effect of affecting, fixing, controlling, or maintaining the market price, rate, or fee of the commodity or service; ~~or~~

(c) allocating or dividing customers or markets, functional or geographical, for any commodity or service; or

(d) using or distributing a common pricing algorithm to set or adopt a recommended price or commercial term recommended by the common pricing algorithm for the same or similar products or services in the jurisdiction of this state.

(2) A contract, combination, or conspiracy between two or more persons whereby, in the letting of any public contract, (a) the price quotation of any bid is fixed or controlled, (b) one or more persons refrains from the submission of a bid, or (c) competition is in any other manner restrained.

(3) A contract, combination, or conspiracy between two or more persons refusing to deal with another person, except a refusal to deal by associations, trading boards, or exchanges when predicated upon a failure to comply with rules of membership."

Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

Amend the title accordingly

Senator Rasmusson questioned whether the amendment was germane.

The President ruled that the amendment was not germane.

H.F. No. 4188 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 41 and nays 23, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Frentz	Klein	Mohamed	Seeberger
Boldon	Gustafson	Kunesh	Murphy	Utke
Carlson	Hauschild	Kupec	Nelson	Westlin
Champion	Hawj	Latz	Oumou Verbeten	Wiklund
Clark	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Limmer	Pappas	Xiong
Coleman	Hoffman	Mann	Pha	
Cwodzinski	Housley	Marty	Port	
Dibble	Johnson	Maye Quade	Putnam	
Fateh	Johnson Stewart	McEwen	Rest	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Fateh, McEwen, Pha, and Port.

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

Those who voted in the negative were:

Bahr	Dornink	Drazkowski	Farnsworth	Gruenhagen
Dahms	Draheim	Duckworth	Green	Heintzeman

Holmstrom	Kreun	Lucero	Rasmusson	Westrom
Jasinski	Lang	Mathews	Weber	
Koran	Lieske	Pratt	Wesenberg	

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

SPECIAL ORDER

H.F. No. 3875: A bill for an act relating to judiciary; clarifying publication process for court notices and provisions regarding restitution and conciliation court; clarifying certain notices to public authorities in dissolution cases; modifying expiration of the Supreme Court Council on Child Protection; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 331A.03, subdivision 1; 518A.44; 611A.04, subdivision 3; Laws 2024, chapter 115, article 12, section 30, subdivisions 6, 7; article 22, section 6; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 484.

Senator Westlin moved that the amendment made to H.F. No. 3875 by the Committee on Rules and Administration in the report adopted April 28, 2026, pursuant to Rule 45, be stricken. The motion prevailed. So the amendment was stricken.

H.F. No. 3875 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 64 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

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

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Fateh, Klein, McEwen, Pha, and Port.

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Jasinski cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Coleman and Dahms.

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

SPECIAL ORDER

H.F. No. 4502: A bill for an act relating to financial institutions; establishing a trusted contact program to mitigate financial exploitation and fraud; limiting liability; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 45A.

Senator Duckworth moved to amend H.F. No. 4502 as follows (A-1):

Page 1, line 13, delete "Notwithstanding any"

Page 1, line 14, delete "other law to the contrary,"

Page 1, line 17, delete "Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary,"

Page 2, line 9, delete "Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary,"

The motion prevailed. So the amendment was adopted.

H.F. No. 4502 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 65 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

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

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Fateh, Klein, McEwen, Pha, and Port.

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

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

SPECIAL ORDER

H.F. No. 1606: A bill for an act relating to commerce; prohibiting access to nudification technology; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 325E.

Senator Maye Quade moved that the amendment made to H.F. No. 1606 by the Committee on Rules and Administration in the report adopted April 28, 2026, pursuant to Rule 45, be stricken. The motion prevailed. So the amendment was stricken.

Senator Holmstrom moved to amend H.F. No. 1606 as follows (A-1):

Page 2, line 18, before "Penalties" insert "Civil"

Page 3, after line 8, insert:

"Subd. 6. **Criminal penalty.** A person who intentionally nudifies an image or video of another knowing or having reason to know that the subject of the image or video did not consent to the nudification is guilty of a gross misdemeanor."

Renumber the subdivisions in sequence

Page 3, line 16, after "to" insert "crimes and"

The question was taken on the adoption of the amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 31 and nays 34, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Duckworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Weber
Bahr	Farnsworth	Johnson	Mathews	Wesenberg
Coleman	Green	Koran	Miller	Westrom
Dahms	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Nelson	
Dornink	Heintzeman	Lang	Pratt	
Draheim	Holmstrom	Lieske	Rasmusson	
Drazkowski	Housley	Limmer	Utke	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Lang cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Coleman, Jasinski, Johnson, Miller, and Pratt.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Boldon	Frentz	Klein	McEwen	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kunesh	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Kupec	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Latz	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Mann	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Hoffman	Marty	Pha	Xiong
Fateh	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Port	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Fateh, Klein, McEwen, Pappas, Pha, and Port.

The motion did not prevail. So the amendment was not adopted.

H.F. No. 1606 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 65 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Dahms	Frentz	Hoffman	Kreun
Bahr	Dibble	Green	Holmstrom	Kunesh
Boldon	Dornink	Gruenhagen	Housley	Kupec
Carlson	Draheim	Gustafson	Jasinski	Lang
Champion	Drazkowski	Hauschild	Johnson	Latz
Clark	Duckworth	Hawj	Johnson Stewart	Lieske
Coleman	Farnsworth	Heintzeman	Klein	Limmer
Cwodzinski	Fateh	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Koran	Lucero

Mann	Miller	Pappas	Rasmusson	Wesenberg
Marty	Mohamed	Pha	Rest	Westlin
Mathews	Murphy	Port	Seeberger	Westrom
Maye Quade	Nelson	Pratt	Utke	Wiklund
McEwen	Oumou Verbeten	Putnam	Weber	Xiong

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Fateh, Klein, McEwen, Pappas, Pha, and Port.

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Lang cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Coleman, Jasinski, Johnson, Miller, and Pratt.

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

SPECIAL ORDER

H.F. No. 4052: A bill for an act relating to telecommunications; modifying and clarifying various provisions governing telephone company regulation, facilities and property, pricing plans, service classification, and reporting requirements; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 237.035; 237.036; 237.069; 237.07, subdivision 1; 237.11; 237.164; 237.626, subdivisions 1, 3; 237.66, by adding subdivisions; 237.70, subdivision 7; 237.762, subdivision 5; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 237.065; 237.066; 237.067; 237.071; 237.072; 237.075, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11; 237.14; 237.15; 237.16, subdivision 9; 237.22; 237.231; 237.59, subdivisions 1, 1a, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10; 237.66, subdivisions 1, 1a, 1c, 1d, 2, 2a, 3; 237.75; 237.766; 237.768; 237.772; 237.775.

H.F. No. 4052 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 65 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Duckworth	Housley	Lucero	Port
Bahr	Farnsworth	Jasinski	Mann	Pratt
Boldon	Fateh	Johnson	Marty	Putnam
Carlson	Frentz	Johnson Stewart	Mathews	Rasmusson
Champion	Green	Klein	Maye Quade	Rest
Clark	Gruenhagen	Koran	McEwen	Seeberger
Coleman	Gustafson	Kreun	Miller	Utke
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Dahms	Hawj	Kupec	Murphy	Wesenberg
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Draheim	Hoffman	Lieske	Pappas	Wiklund
Drazkowski	Holmstrom	Limmer	Pha	Xiong

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Fateh, Klein, Maye Quade, McEwen, Pappas, Pha, and Port.

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Lang cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Coleman, Jasinski, Johnson, Miller, and Pratt.

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

SPECIAL ORDER

H.F. No. 3155: A bill for an act relating to public safety; including gift card fraud in organized retail theft; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 609.522, subdivisions 1, 2.

Senator Duckworth moved that the amendment made to H.F. No. 3155 by the Committee on Rules and Administration in the report adopted April 28, 2026, pursuant to Rule 45, be stricken. The motion prevailed. So the amendment was stricken.

H.F. No. 3155 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 65 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

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

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Fateh, Klein, Maye Quade, McEwen, Pappas, Pha, and Port.

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Lang cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Coleman, Jasinski, Johnson, Miller, and Pratt.

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

SPECIAL ORDER

H.F. No. 4075: A bill for an act relating to public safety; establishing a uniform procedure for imposition, implementation, and oversight of firearm restrictions resulting from certain criminal convictions and judicial orders; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 260C.201, subdivision 3; 518B.01, subdivisions 6, 14; 609.2242, subdivision 3; 609.749, subdivision 8; 629.715, subdivision 2; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 260C.141, subdivision 1; 518B.01, subdivision 4; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 518B.

Senator Abeler moved to amend H.F. No. 4075 as follows (A-1):

Page 16, line 17, after the period, insert "No fee may be charged if the subject has, in the past year, qualified for a public defender or been approved to proceed in forma pauperis in a court proceeding." and after "who" insert "is charged a storage fee and"

Page 16, line 18, delete "storage"

The question was taken on the adoption of the amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 33 and nays 33, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Duckworth	Housley	Limmer	Rasmusson
Bahr	Farnsworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Utke
Coleman	Green	Johnson	Mathews	Weber
Dahms	Gruehagen	Koran	Miller	Wesenberg
Dornink	Heintzeman	Kreun	Nelson	Westrom
Draheim	Hoffman	Lang	Pratt	
Draskowski	Holmstrom	Lieske	Rarick	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Lang cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Coleman, Jasinski, Johnson, Miller, Pratt, and Rarick.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Boldon	Frentz	Kunesh	Mohamed	Rest
Carlson	Gustafson	Kupec	Murphy	Seeberger
Champion	Hauschild	Latz	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Clark	Hawj	Mann	Pappas	Wiklund
Cwodzinski	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Marty	Pha	Xiong
Dibble	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Port	
Fateh	Klein	McEwen	Putnam	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Fateh, Klein, Maye Quade, McEwen, Pappas, Pha, and Port.

The motion did not prevail. So the amendment was not adopted.

H.F. No. 4075 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 40 and nays 25, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Duckworth	Housley	Marty	Pha
Boldon	Fateh	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Port
Carlson	Frentz	Klein	McEwen	Putnam
Champion	Gustafson	Kunesh	Mohamed	Rest
Clark	Hauschild	Kupec	Murphy	Seeberger
Coleman	Hawj	Latz	Nelson	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Limmer	Oumou Verbeten	Wiklund
Dibble	Hoffman	Mann	Pappas	Xiong

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Carlson, Fateh, Klein, Latz, Maye Quade, McEwen, Pappas, Pha, and Port.

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Lang cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senator: Coleman.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Bahr	Farnsworth	Jasinski	Lieske	Rasmusson
Dahms	Green	Johnson	Lucero	Utke
Dornink	Gruenhagen	Koran	Mathews	Weber
Draheim	Heinzeman	Kreun	Miller	Wesenberg
Drazkowski	Holmstrom	Lang	Pratt	Westrom

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Lang cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Jasinski, Johnson, Miller, and Pratt.

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Senator Howe was excused from the Session of today. Senator Johnson was excused from the Session of today from 12:20 to 12:40 p.m. Senator Miller was excused from the Session of today from 4:05 to 6:00 p.m. Senator Rarick was excused from the Session of today from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Murphy moved that the Senate do now adjourn until 11:00 a.m., Thursday, April 30, 2026. The motion prevailed.

Thomas S. Bottern, Secretary of the Senate

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