

STATE OF MINNESOTA

# Journal of the Senate

NINETY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

St. Paul, Minnesota, Monday, April 28, 2025

The Senate met at 12:00 noon 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. Dr. Genia Garrett.

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

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

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

The President declared a quorum present.

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

## MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

Mr. President:

I have the honor to announce the passage by the House of the following House Files, herewith transmitted: H.F. Nos. 1354, 2432, 2551, 2563, and 3022.

Patrick Duffy Murphy, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Transmitted April 25, 2025

### FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

The following bills were read the first time.

**H.F. No. 1354:** A bill for an act relating to public safety; requiring director of child sex trafficking prevention to submit program evaluation each odd-numbered year to legislature; enhancing penalties and establishing minimum fines for repeat violations of driving without a valid license; requiring reporting on active shooter incidents and active shooter threats; modifying reporting to Minnesota Fusion Center; providing for improved care in facilities licensed by Department of Corrections; clarifying scope of hometown heroes program; specifying conditions in which a missing person may be considered endangered; authorizing local units of government to conduct criminal background checks under certain circumstances; limiting scope of video made available by Bureau of Criminal Apprehension for officer-involved death investigations; prohibiting domestic abuse advocates from disclosing certain information; including children's advocacy centers as a victim assistance program entitled to a portion of certain fines; extending victim notification to order for protection and harassment restraining order violations not prosecuted; clarifying and updating victim notification requirements for law enforcement agencies and prosecutors; providing for reports; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 121A.038, subdivision 7; 121A.06; 145.4718; 171.24; 241.021, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 299A.477, subdivision 2; 299C.055; 299C.52, subdivision 1; 299C.80, subdivision 6; 595.02, subdivision 1; 609.101, subdivision 2; 611A.02; 611A.0315; 629.341, subdivision 3; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 299C.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

**H.F. No. 2432:** A bill for an act relating to state government; providing for judiciary, public safety, corrections, and government data practices policy; establishing Minnesota victims of crime account; modifying certain fees; establishing monetary assessments for certain corporate and individual offender convictions; transferring financial crimes and fraud investigations to the Financial Crimes and Fraud Section in the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension; clarifying Tribal Nation access and use of community services subsidy; amending real property judicial foreclosure law; providing for reports; transferring funds to the Minnesota victims of crime account; reducing certain appropriations; appropriating money for the supreme court, court of appeals, district courts, Board of Civil Legal Aid, State Guardian ad Litem Board, tax court, Uniform Laws Commission, Board on Judicial Standards, Board of Public Defense, Human Rights, Office of Appellate Counsel and Training, Competency Attainment Board, Cannabis Expungement Board, Secretary of State, Sentencing Guidelines Commission, public safety, Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Board, Private Detective Board, corrections, ombudsperson for corrections, Clemency Review Commission, children, youth, and families, and the Office of Higher Education; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 13.03, subdivision 3; 13.32, subdivisions 2, 5; 13.43, subdivision 2; 13.82, subdivision 1; 13.991; 43A.17, subdivision 13; 45.0135, subdivisions 2b, 6, 7, 8, 9, by adding a subdivision; 60A.951, subdivision 2; 60A.952, subdivisions 2, 4, 5; 60A.954, subdivision 2; 60A.956; 65B.84; 142A.76, subdivision 8; 144E.123, subdivision 3; 152.137, subdivisions 1, 2; 171.187, subdivisions 1, 3; 244.18, subdivisions 1, 7, 9; 244.19, subdivisions 1c, 1d, 5, 5a; 244.20; 260C.419, subdivisions 2, 3, 4; 268.19, subdivision 1; 268B.30; 297I.11, subdivision 2; 299A.01, by adding a

subdivision; 299C.40, subdivision 1; 299F.47, subdivision 2; 401.03; 401.10, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 401.11, subdivision 1; 401.14; 401.15, subdivision 2; 480.243, by adding a subdivision; 480.35, by adding a subdivision; 480.40, subdivisions 1, 3; 480.45, subdivision 2; 484.44; 484.51; 517.08, subdivisions 1b, 1c; 518.68, subdivision 1; 518B.01, subdivision 2; 524.5-420; 580.07, subdivisions 1, 2; 581.02; 595.02, by adding a subdivision; 609.2232; 609.322, subdivision 1; 609.531, subdivision 1; 609.78, subdivision 2c; 611.45, subdivision 3; 611.46, subdivision 2; 611.49, subdivisions 2, 3; 611.55, subdivision 3; 611.56, subdivision 1; 611.59, subdivisions 1, 4; 626.05, subdivision 2; 626.84, subdivision 1; 626.8516, subdivisions 4, 5, 6; 628.26; 629.344; Laws 2023, chapter 52, article 2, section 3, subdivision 3; article 11, section 31; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 13; 241; 299A; 299C; 401; 480; 609; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 45.0135, subdivisions 2a, 2c, 2d, 2e, 2f, 3, 4, 5; 325E.21, subdivision 2b.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration for comparison with S.F. No. 1417, now on General Orders.

**H.F. No. 2551:** A bill for an act relating to children; follow-up to 2024 children, youth, and families recodification; making technical changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 3.922, subdivision 1; 13.41, subdivision 1; 13.46, subdivisions 3, 4, 9, 10; 13.598, subdivision 10; 14.03, subdivision 3; 116L.881; 125A.15; 125A.744, subdivision 2; 127A.11; 127A.70, subdivision 2; 142A.607, subdivision 14; 142A.609, subdivision 21; 142B.41, subdivision 9; 144.061; 144.225, subdivision 2a; 145.895; 145.901, subdivisions 2, 4; 145.9255, subdivision 1; 145.9265; 174.285, subdivision 4; 214.104; 216C.266, subdivisions 2, 3; 241.021, subdivision 2; 242.09; 242.21; 242.32, subdivision 1; 245.697, subdivisions 1, 2a; 245.814, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4; 245C.02, subdivisions 7, 12, 13; 245C.031, subdivision 9; 245C.033, subdivision 2; 245C.05, subdivision 7; 245C.07; 256.88; 256.89; 256.90; 256.91; 256.92; 256G.01, subdivisions 1, 3; 256G.03, subdivision 2; 256G.04, subdivision 2; 256G.09, subdivisions 2, 3, 4, 5; 256G.10; 256G.11; 256G.12, subdivision 1; 260.762, subdivision 2a; 260B.171, subdivision 4; 260E.03, subdivision 6; 260E.11, subdivision 1; 260E.30, subdivision 4; 260E.33, subdivision 6; 261.232; 270B.14, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 299C.76, subdivision 1; 299F.011, subdivision 4a; 402A.10, subdivisions 1a, 2, 4c; 402A.12; 402A.16, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4; 402A.18, subdivisions 2, 3, by adding a subdivision; 402A.35, subdivisions 1, 4, 5; 462A.2095, subdivision 6; 466.131; 518.165, subdivision 5; 524.5-106; 524.5-118, subdivision 2; 595.02, subdivision 2; 626.5533; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 142A.15; 142E.50, subdivisions 2, 12; 245A.02, subdivision 6d; 256G.02, subdivisions 3, 5; 261.003.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration for comparison with S.F. No. 2706, now on General Orders.

**H.F. No. 2563:** A bill for an act relating to legacy; appropriating money from outdoor heritage, clean water, parks and trails, and arts and cultural heritage funds; extending prior appropriations; providing for leveraging federal grant money; modifying reporting requirements; modifying accountability provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 97A.056, by adding a subdivision; 114D.30, subdivision 7; 129D.17, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision; Laws 2023, chapter 40, article 4, section 2, subdivision 6.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration for comparison with S.F. No. 2865, now on General Orders.

**H.F. No. 3022:** A bill for an act relating to legislative enactments; making miscellaneous technical corrections to laws and statutes; correcting erroneous, obsolete, and omitted text and references; removing redundant, conflicting, and superseded provisions; making style and form changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 1.135, subdivision 2; 11A.04; 12B.50; 16C.16, subdivision 10; 17.354; 18F.02, subdivision 2a; 27.01, subdivision 8; 27.069; 27.10; 27.13; 27.19, subdivision 1; 45.0135, subdivision 8; 84.027, subdivisions 16, 19; 84.033, subdivision 1; 84.0835, subdivision 1; 84.0855, subdivision 3; 84.66, subdivision 12; 84.788, subdivision 2; 84.791, subdivision 5; 84.793, subdivision 1; 84.925, subdivision 1; 84A.02; 84A.33, subdivision 2; 84B.03, subdivisions 1, 4; 84D.02, subdivision 3; 85.055, subdivision 1a; 85.22, subdivision 3; 85.41, subdivision 3; 86A.05, subdivision 5; 88.79, subdivision 4; 89.018, subdivision 7; 89.19, subdivision 2; 89.21; 89.22, subdivision 1; 89.53, subdivision 1; 89.551; 90.02; 90.041, subdivision 10; 90.195; 93.47, subdivision 3; 97A.075, subdivisions 1, 7; 97A.101, subdivisions 2, 4; 97A.133, subdivision 3; 97A.445, subdivision 1; 97A.451, subdivision 3b; 97A.465, subdivision 5; 97B.015, subdivisions 4, 7; 97B.715, subdivision 1; 97B.801; 97C.005, subdivision 3; 97C.081, subdivision 10; 97C.205; 97C.342, subdivision 4; 97C.815, subdivision 2; 97C.855; 103A.341; 103B.101, subdivision 2; 103B.215, subdivision 4; 103B.311, subdivision 4; 103B.314, subdivision 4; 103C.201, subdivision 8; 103C.211; 103C.601, subdivision 4; 103C.611, subdivision 3; 103D.271, subdivision 1; 103D.335, subdivisions 19, 21; 103D.405, subdivision 1; 103D.905, subdivision 2; 103E.215, subdivision 3; 103E.291; 103E.325, subdivision 2; 103G.287, subdivision 4; 103G.412; 103H.105; 115.03, subdivision 1; 115A.03, subdivision 37; 115A.64, subdivisions 4, 6; 117.025, subdivision 10; 120B.024, subdivision 2; 120B.23, subdivision 3; 121A.15, subdivision 8; 122A.18, subdivision 1; 122A.26, subdivision 2; 122A.76, subdivision 6; 123A.26, subdivision 1; 123B.09, subdivision 5b; 124D.09, subdivision 19; 124D.42, subdivision 8; 124D.475; 124E.16, subdivision 3; 125A.63, subdivision 5; 126C.13, subdivision 4; 127A.20, subdivision 2; 127A.21, subdivision 5; 127A.41, subdivisions 8, 9; 127A.85; 142A.03, subdivision 1; 142A.609, subdivision 5; 142D.05, subdivision 3; 142D.06, subdivision 1; 142D.11, subdivisions 3, 4, 6; 142D.12, subdivision 1; 142D.25, subdivision 4; 142E.01, subdivision 26; 142G.01, subdivisions 3, 4; 142G.38; 144.291, subdivision 2; 144.966, subdivision 2; 144A.43, subdivision 28; 144E.101, subdivision 14; 144E.28, subdivision 5; 144E.50, subdivision 6; 144G.08, subdivision 64; 147.02, subdivision 6a; 147.09; 147.091, subdivisions 1, 6; 147.111, subdivision 6; 147A.01, subdivision 20; 147A.09, subdivision 3; 147A.13, subdivisions 4, 6, 7; 147A.14, subdivision 6; 147A.17, subdivision 1; 147B.02, subdivisions 1, 7, 9; 147B.06, subdivision 4; 147E.10, subdivision 1; 147E.15, subdivision 11; 147E.40, subdivision 1; 147F.05, subdivision 2; 148E.285, subdivision 4; 150A.055, subdivision 1; 150A.06, subdivision 12; 154.19; 161.125, subdivision 3; 161.45, subdivision 4; 161.46, subdivision 1; 162.09, subdivision 4; 163.161; 168.012, subdivision 13; 168.10, subdivision 1c; 168.1291, subdivision 5; 168.187, subdivision 17; 168.27, subdivision 2; 168.327, subdivision 6; 168.345, subdivision 2; 168A.01, subdivisions 18, 19, 20; 168A.14, subdivision 1a; 169.345, subdivisions 3c, 4; 169.58, subdivision 5; 169.781, subdivision 3; 169.81, subdivision 3; 171.017, subdivision 2; 171.06, subdivision 6; 171.0605, subdivision 3; 171.12, subdivision 7; 171.301, subdivision 1; 174.02, subdivision 5; 174.22, subdivision 7; 174.24, subdivision 1a; 174.29, subdivision 1; 174.30, subdivisions 1, 10; 181.953, subdivision 5a; 216B.023, subdivision 3; 216B.1691, subdivision 2h; 216B.241, subdivision 5a; 216C.377, subdivision 1; 216C.379; 216I.07, subdivision 3; 216I.19, subdivisions 2, 4; 218.011, subdivision 8; 219.015, subdivision 1; 219.055, subdivision 2a; 221.031, subdivisions 3b, 10; 221.0314, subdivision 2; 221.81, subdivision 4; 245.4905, subdivision 1; 245.495; 245.735, subdivision 4d; 245A.07, subdivision 3; 245C.02, subdivision 6a; 245D.091, subdivision 2; 245I.23, subdivision 15; 256.01, subdivision 2; 256.0451, subdivisions 3, 11, 19; 256B.0625, subdivision 5m; 256L.02, subdivision 1; 256P.001; 256P.04, subdivision 9; 256P.06, subdivision 3; 256P.10,

subdivision 3; 256R.02, subdivision 19; 257.0769, subdivision 1; 260.762, subdivision 2a; 260C.151, subdivision 2a; 260C.178, subdivision 1; 260C.71, subdivision 1; 260E.03, subdivision 23; 260E.14, subdivision 1; 260E.30, subdivision 6; 260E.36, subdivision 5; 270.075, subdivision 1; 270C.63, subdivision 13; 272.02, subdivision 104; 273.42, subdivision 1; 282.38, subdivisions 1, 2; 290.0132, subdivision 26; 290.06, subdivisions 2c, 23a; 297A.75, subdivision 1; 299F.051, subdivision 1a; 299J.05; 299K.08, subdivision 3a; 308C.301, subdivisions 8, 9, 13; 308C.411, subdivision 2; 308C.425, subdivision 3; 308C.545, subdivision 1; 308C.571, subdivision 1; 308C.721, subdivision 2; 308C.801, subdivision 2; 319B.40; 325D.44, subdivision 1a; 336.3-206; 336.9-301; 336.12-107; 352.91, subdivision 3c; 353D.07, subdivision 2; 353G.01, subdivisions 7b, 8b, 10a; 353G.09, subdivision 1a; 354B.31, subdivision 6; 360.013, subdivision 36; 360.031; 360.032, subdivision 1a; 360.62; 360.654; 360.915, subdivision 1; 393.07, subdivision 10; 403.36, subdivision 1; 446A.073, subdivisions 1, 2; 462A.051, subdivision 1; 462A.2096; 469.002, subdivision 25; 469.53; 469.54, subdivision 3; 473.4465, subdivision 3; 473J.23; 477A.0126, subdivision 3a; 477A.013, subdivision 14; 477A.0175, subdivision 1; 477A.24, subdivision 2; 518A.60; 518A.81, subdivision 8; 518A.82, subdivisions 1, 1a, 3, 5; 518B.01, subdivision 4; 576.22; 582.17; 582.18; Laws 2023, chapter 57, article 2, section 66; Laws 2024, chapter 115, article 4, section 3; article 11, section 6; Laws 2024, chapter 120, article 1, section 15; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 645; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 13.465, subdivision 3; 41B.0391, subdivision 6; 115A.1441, subdivision 38; 127A.50, subdivision 3; 148E.130, subdivision 1a; 245.4902; 245C.11, subdivision 4; 275.71, subdivision 5; 469.177, subdivision 1e; 473.4465, subdivision 5; 473J.09, subdivision 14; 473J.14; Laws 2024, chapter 115, article 12, section 5; Laws 2024, chapter 120, article 3, section 3.

Senator Murphy, Chair of the Committee on Rules and Administration, moved that H.F. No. 3022 be laid on the table. The motion prevailed.

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Senator Murphy moved that the Committee Reports at the Desk be now adopted, with the exception of the report on S.F. No. 3054. The motion prevailed.

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

**H.F. No. 2446** for comparison with companion Senate File, reports the following House File was found not identical with companion Senate File as follows:

<b>GENERAL ORDERS</b>		<b>CONSENT CALENDAR</b>		<b>CALENDAR</b>	
H.F. No.	S.F. No.	H.F. No.	S.F. No.	H.F. No.	S.F. No.
2446	2458				

Pursuant to Rule 45, the Committee on Rules and Administration recommends that H.F. No. 2446 be amended as follows:

Delete all the language after the enacting clause of H.F. No. 2446, the second engrossment; and insert the language after the enacting clause of S.F. No. 2458, the second engrossment; further, delete the title of H.F. No. 2446, the second engrossment; and insert the title of S.F. No. 2458, the second engrossment.

And when so amended H.F. No. 2446 will be identical to S.F. No. 2458, and further recommends that H.F. No. 2446 be given its second reading and substituted for S.F. No. 2458, and that the 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. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

**Senator Marty from the Committee on Finance, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 3054:** A bill for an act relating to human services; modifying provisions relating to aging and older adult services, disability services, substance use disorder treatment, housing supports, health care, direct care and treatment services, and the Department of Health; establishing the Department of Direct Care and Treatment and the Advisory Council on Direct Care and Treatment; dissolving the Direct Care and Treatment executive board; establishing the Age-Friendly Minnesota Council; repealing the legislative task force on guardianship; extending the Mentally Ill and Dangerous Civil Commitment Reform Task Force; making conforming changes; establishing grants; requiring reports; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 10.65, subdivision 2; 15.01; 15.06, subdivision 1; 15A.0815, subdivision 2; 15A.082, subdivisions 1, 3, 7; 43A.08, subdivisions 1, 1a; 43A.241; 144A.071, subdivisions 4a, 4c, 4d; 144A.161, subdivision 10; 144A.1888; 144A.351, subdivision 1; 144A.474, subdivision 11; 144A.4799; 144G.31, subdivision 8; 144G.52, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10; 144G.53; 144G.54, subdivisions 2, 3, 7; 144G.55, subdivisions 1, 2; 179A.54, by adding a subdivision; 245.021; 245.073; 245A.042, by adding a subdivision; 245A.06, subdivisions 1a, 2; 245A.10, subdivision 3; 245C.16, subdivision 1; 245D.091, subdivisions 2, 3; 245D.12; 245G.01, subdivision 13b, by adding subdivisions; 245G.02, subdivision 2; 245G.05, subdivision 1; 245G.07, subdivisions 1, 3, 4, by adding subdivisions; 245G.11, subdivisions 6, 7, by adding a subdivision; 245G.22, subdivisions 11, 15; 246.13, subdivision 1; 246B.01, by adding a subdivision; 246C.01; 246C.015, subdivision 3, by adding a subdivision; 246C.02, subdivision 1; 246C.04, subdivisions 2, 3; 246C.07, subdivisions 1, 2, 8; 246C.08; 246C.09, subdivision 3; 246C.091, subdivisions 2, 3, 4; 252.021, by adding a subdivision; 252.32, subdivision 3; 252.50, subdivision 5; 253.195, by adding a subdivision; 253B.02, subdivisions 3, 4c, by adding a subdivision; 253B.03, subdivision 7; 253B.041, subdivision 4; 253B.09, subdivision 3a; 253B.18, subdivision 6; 253B.19, subdivision 2; 253B.20, subdivision 2; 253D.02, subdivision 3, by adding a subdivision; 254A.19, subdivision 4; 254B.01, subdivision 10; 254B.02, subdivision 5; 254B.03, subdivisions 1, 3; 254B.04, subdivisions 1a, 5, 6, 6a; 254B.05, subdivisions 1, 4, 5, by adding a subdivision; 254B.06, by adding a subdivision; 254B.09, subdivision 2; 254B.19, subdivision 1; 256.01, subdivision 29; 256.043, subdivision 3, by adding a subdivision; 256.045, subdivisions 6, 7, by adding a subdivision; 256.476, subdivision 4; 256.9657, subdivision 1; 256B.04, subdivision 21; 256B.0625, subdivisions 5m, 17; 256B.0659, subdivision 17a; 256B.0757, subdivision 4c; 256B.0761, subdivision 4; 256B.0911, subdivisions 24, 26, by adding subdivisions; 256B.0924, subdivision 6; 256B.0949, subdivisions 2, 15, 16, 16a, by adding a subdivision; 256B.19, subdivision 1; 256B.431, subdivision 30; 256B.434, subdivision 4; 256B.4914, subdivisions 3, 5, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 6c, 7a, 7b, 7c, 8, 9, by adding subdivisions; 256B.761; 256B.766; 256B.85, subdivisions 2, 5, 6, 7, 7a, 8, 8a, 11, 13, 16, 17, 17a, 20, by adding a subdivision; 256B.851, subdivisions 5, 6, 7, by adding subdivisions; 256G.08, subdivisions 1, 2; 256G.09, subdivisions 1, 2, 3; 256I.05, by adding subdivisions; 256R.02, subdivisions 18, 19, 22, by adding subdivisions; 256R.10, subdivision 8; 256R.23, subdivisions 5, 7, 8; 256R.24, subdivision 3; 256R.25; 256R.26, subdivision 9; 256R.27, subdivisions 2, 3; 256R.43; 260E.14, subdivision 1; 352.91, subdivisions 2a, 3c, 3d, 4a; 524.3-801;

611.43, by adding a subdivision; 611.46, subdivision 1; 611.55, by adding a subdivision; 611.57, subdivision 2; 626.5572, subdivision 13; Laws 2021, chapter 30, article 12, section 5, as amended; Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 7, article 13, sections 73; 75, subdivision 6, as amended; Laws 2023, chapter 61, article 1, section 61, subdivision 4; article 9, section 2, subdivisions 13, 16, as amended; Laws 2024, chapter 127, article 49, section 9, subdivisions 1, 8, 9, by adding a subdivision; article 50, section 41, subdivision 2; article 53, section 2, subdivisions 13, 15; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 245A; 245D; 246; 246C; 256; 256R; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 245A.042, subdivisions 2, 3, 4; 245G.01, subdivision 20d; 245G.07, subdivision 2; 246B.01, subdivision 2; 246C.015, subdivisions 5a, 6; 246C.06, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10; 246C.07, subdivisions 4, 5; 252.021, subdivision 2; 253.195, subdivision 2; 253B.02, subdivision 7b; 253D.02, subdivision 7a; 254B.01, subdivisions 5, 15; 256.045, subdivision 1a; 256G.02, subdivision 5a; 256R.02, subdivision 38; 256R.12, subdivision 10; 256R.23, subdivision 6; 256R.36; 256R.40; 256R.41; 256R.481; Laws 2023, chapter 59, article 3, section 11; Laws 2024, chapter 79, article 1, section 20; Laws 2024, chapter 125, article 5, sections 40; 41; Laws 2024, chapter 127, article 46, section 39; article 50, sections 40; 41, subdivisions 1, 3.

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

Page 10, delete section 2

Page 13, delete section 3 and insert:

"Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 144A.071, subdivision 4d, is amended to read:

Subd. 4d. **Consolidation of nursing facilities.** (a) The commissioner of health, in consultation with the commissioner of human services, may approve a request for net savings from a consolidation of nursing facilities which includes to be applied to reduce the costs of a moratorium exception project application under section 144A.073, subdivision 2. For purposes of this subdivision, "consolidation" means the closure of one or more facilities and the upgrading of the physical plant of the remaining nursing facility or facilities; the costs of which exceed the threshold project limit under subdivision 2, clause (a). ~~The commissioners shall consider the criteria in this section, section 144A.073, and section 256R.40, in approving or rejecting a consolidation proposal. In the event the commissioners approve the request, the commissioner of human services shall calculate an external fixed costs rate adjustment according to clauses (1) to (3):.~~

~~(1) the closure of beds shall not be eligible for a planned closure rate adjustment under section 256R.40, subdivision 5;~~

~~(2) the construction project permitted in this clause shall not be eligible for a threshold project rate adjustment under section 256B.434, subdivision 4f, or a moratorium exception adjustment under section 144A.073; and~~

~~(3) the payment rate for external fixed costs for a remaining facility or facilities shall be increased by an amount equal to 65 percent of the projected net cost savings to the state calculated in paragraph (b), divided by the state's medical assistance percentage of medical assistance dollars, and then divided by estimated medical assistance resident days, as determined in paragraph (c), of the remaining nursing facility or facilities in the request in this paragraph. The rate adjustment is effective on the first day of the month of January or July, whichever date occurs first following both the completion of the construction upgrades in the consolidation plan and the complete closure of the~~

~~facility or facilities designated for closure in the consolidation plan. If more than one facility is receiving upgrades in the consolidation plan, each facility's date of construction completion must be evaluated separately.~~

(b) For purposes of calculating the net ~~cost~~ savings ~~to the state~~, the commissioner shall consider clauses (1) to ~~(7)~~ (6):

(1) the annual savings from estimated medical assistance payments from the net number of beds closed taking into consideration only beds that are in active service on the date of the request and that have been in active service for at least three years;

(2) the estimated annual cost of increased case load of individuals receiving services under the elderly waiver;

(3) the estimated annual cost of elderly waiver recipients receiving support under housing support under chapter 256I;

(4) the estimated annual cost of increased case load of individuals receiving services under the alternative care program;

(5) the annual loss of license surcharge payments on closed beds; and

~~(6) the savings from not paying planned closure rate adjustments that the facilities would otherwise be eligible for under section 256R.40; and~~

~~(7)~~ (6) the savings from not ~~paying external fixed costs payment rate adjustments~~ providing a rate adjustment from submission of renovation costs that would otherwise be eligible as threshold projects under section 256B.434, subdivision 4f.

~~(e) For purposes of the calculation in paragraph (a), clause (3), the estimated medical assistance resident days of the remaining facility or facilities shall be computed assuming 95 percent occupancy multiplied by the historical percentage of medical assistance resident days of the remaining facility or facilities, as reported on the facility's or facilities' most recent nursing facility statistical and cost report filed before the plan of closure is submitted, multiplied by 365.~~

~~(d)~~ (c) For purposes of calculating net ~~cost~~ of savings ~~to the state~~ in paragraph (b), the average occupancy percentages will be those ~~reported~~ on the facility's or facilities' most recent nursing facility statistical and cost report filed before the plan of closure is submitted, and the average payment rates shall be calculated based on the approved payment rates in effect at the time the consolidation request is submitted.

~~(e) To qualify for the external fixed costs payment rate adjustment under this subdivision, the closing facilities shall:~~

~~(1) submit an application for closure according to section 256R.40, subdivision 2; and~~

~~(2) follow the resident relocation provisions of section 144A.161.~~

~~(f)~~ (d) The county or counties in which a facility or facilities are closed under this subdivision shall not be eligible for designation as a hardship area under subdivision 3 for five years from the



date of the approval of the proposed consolidation. The applicant shall notify the county of this limitation and the county shall acknowledge this in a letter of support.

~~(g) Projects approved on or after March 1, 2020, are not subject to paragraph (a), clauses (2) and (3), and paragraph (c). The 65 (c) Sixty-five percent of the projected net cost savings to the state calculated in paragraph (b) must be applied to the moratorium cost of the project and the remainder must be added to the moratorium funding under section 144A.073, subdivision 11.~~

~~(h) (f) Consolidation project applications not approved by the commissioner prior to March 1, 2020, are subject to the moratorium process under section 144A.073, subdivision 2. Upon request by the applicant, the commissioner may extend this deadline to August 1, 2020, so long as the facilities, bed numbers, and counties specified in the original application are not altered. Proposals from facilities seeking approval for a consolidation project prior to March 1, 2020, must be received by the commissioner no later than January 1, 2020. This paragraph expires August 1, 2020.~~

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

Page 20, after line 20, insert:

"Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256.9752, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Authority.** The Minnesota Board on Aging shall allocate to area agencies on aging the state and federal funds which are received for the senior nutrition programs of congregate dining and home-delivered meals in a manner consistent with federal requirements.

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

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256.9752, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Nutrition support services.** (a) Funds allocated to an area agency on aging for nutrition support services may be used for the following:

(1) transportation of home-delivered meals and purchased food and medications to the residence of a senior citizen;

(2) expansion of home-delivered meals into unserved and underserved areas;

(3) transportation to supermarkets or delivery of groceries from supermarkets to homes;

(4) vouchers for food purchases at selected restaurants in isolated rural areas;

(5) the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) outreach;

(6) transportation of seniors to congregate dining sites;

(7) nutrition screening assessments and counseling as needed by individuals with special dietary needs, performed by a licensed dietitian or nutritionist; ~~and~~

(8) other appropriate services which support senior nutrition programs, including new service delivery models; and

(9) innovative models of providing healthy and nutritious meals to seniors, including through partnerships with schools, restaurants, and other community partners.

(b) An area agency on aging may transfer unused funding for nutrition support services to fund congregate dining services and home-delivered meals, but state funds transferred under this paragraph are not subject to federal requirements."

Page 22, line 27, delete "increase" and insert "adjust"

Page 23, line 7, delete the new language

Page 23, line 21, strike everything after "means"

Page 23, lines 22 to 30, delete the new language and strike the old language

Page 23, line 31, before the period, insert "the items described in section 256R.25"

Page 26, line 17, delete "13" and insert "14"

Page 27, line 3, delete "Consultations" and insert "Consolidation" and strike "shall"

Page 27, line 4, delete the new language and strike the old language

Page 27, line 5, strike "and (6)" and delete the new language and strike ", and 4d" and insert "is the amount specified in section 256R.405"

Page 27, after line 30, insert:

"Subd. 14. **Workforce standards.** The portion related to implementation of the rules implemented by the Nursing Home Workforce Standards Board is the amount determined under section 256R.532."

Page 30, after line 21, insert:

"Sec. 26. **[256R.405] CONSOLIDATION RATES.**

Subdivision 1. **Consolidation rates; generally.** The external fixed costs payment rate for nursing facilities that have completed a state approved consolidation project must include a consolidation rate adjustment. A facility's consolidation rate adjustment expires upon transition to a fair rental value property payment rate under section 256R.26, subdivision 9. The commissioner must inform the revisor of statutes when a facility's consolidation rate adjustment specified under this section expires. This subdivision expires upon the expiration of all other subdivisions of this section.

Subd. 2. **Owatonna.** The consolidation rate for the nursing facility located at 2255 30th Street Northwest in Owatonna is \$33.88.

Subd. 3. **Red Wing.** The consolidation rate for the nursing facility located at 213 Pioneer Road in Red Wing is \$73.69.

Subd. 4. **White Bear Lake.** The consolidation rate for the nursing facility located at 1891 Florence Street in White Bear Lake is \$25.56.

Subd. 5. **St. Paul.** The consolidation rate for the nursing facility located at 200 Earl Street in St. Paul is \$68.01.

Subd. 6. **Cambridge.** The consolidation rate for the nursing facility located at 135 Fern Street North in Cambridge is \$24.30.

Subd. 7. **Maple Plain.** The consolidation rate for the nursing facility located at 4848 Gateway Boulevard in Maple Plain is \$38.76.

Subd. 8. **Maplewood.** The consolidation rate for the nursing facility located at 1438 County Road C East in Maplewood is \$55.63.

Subd. 9. **Apple Valley.** The consolidation rate for the nursing facility located at 14650 Garrett Avenue in Apple Valley is \$26.99."

Page 31, delete section 26 and insert:

"Sec. 28. **[256R.531] PATIENT DRIVEN PAYMENT MODEL PHASE-IN.**

Subdivision 1. **PDPM phase-in.** Effective October 1, 2025, through December 31, 2028, for each facility, the commissioner shall determine an adjustment to its total payment rate as determined under sections 256R.21 and 256R.27 to phase in the transition from the RUG-IV case mix classification system to the patient driven payment model (PDPM) case mix classification system.

Subd. 1a. **Definitions.** "Medical assistance facility average case mix index" means the facility average case mix index for the subset of a facility's residents that includes only medical assistance recipients.

Subd. 2. **PDPM phase-in rate adjustment.** A facility's PDPM phase-in rate adjustment to its total payment rate is equal to:

(1) the blended medical assistance case mix adjusted direct care payment rate determined in subdivision 6; minus

(2) the PDPM medical assistance case mix adjusted direct care payment rate determined in section 256R.23, subdivision 7.

Subd. 3. **RUG-IV standardized days and RUG-IV facility case mix index.** (a) Effective October 1, 2025, through December 31, 2027, for each facility the commissioner must determine the RUG-IV standardized days and RUG-IV medical assistance facility average case mix index.

(b) For the rate year beginning January 1, 2028, only:

(1) for each facility, the commissioner must determine both the RUG-IV facility average case mix index and the RUG-IV medical assistance facility average case mix index using resident days by the case mix classification on the facility's September 30, 2025, Minnesota Statistical and Cost Report; and

(2) for each facility, the commissioner must determine the RUG-IV standardized days by multiplying the facility's resident days on the facility's September 30, 2026, Minnesota Statistical

and Cost Report by the facility's RUG-IV facility average case mix index determined under clause (1).

Subd. 4. **RUG-IV medical assistance case mix adjusted direct care payment rate.** The commissioner must determine a facility's RUG-IV medical assistance case mix adjusted direct care payment rate as the product of:

(1) the facility's RUG-IV direct care payment rate determined in section 256R.23, subdivision 7, using the RUG-IV standardized days determined in subdivision 3; and

(2) the corresponding RUG-IV medical assistance facility average case mix index determined in subdivision 3.

Subd. 5. **PDPM medical assistance case mix adjusted direct care payment rate.** The commissioner must determine a facility's PDPM case mix adjusted direct care payment rate as the product of:

(1) the facility's direct care payment rate determined in section 256R.23, subdivision 7; and

(2) the corresponding medical assistance facility average case mix index.

Subd. 6. **Blended medical assistance case mix adjusted direct care payment rate.** The commissioner must determine a facility's blended medical assistance case mix adjusted direct care payment rate as the sum of:

(1) the RUG-IV medical assistance case mix adjusted direct care payment rate determined in subdivision 4 multiplied by the following percentages:

(i) after September 30, 2025, through December 31, 2026, 75 percent;

(ii) after December 31, 2026, through December 31, 2027, 50 percent; and

(iii) after December 31, 2027, through December 31, 2028, 25 percent; and

(2) the PDPM medical assistance case mix adjusted direct care payment rate determined in subdivision 5 multiplied by the following percentages:

(i) after September 30, 2025, through December 31, 2026, 25 percent;

(ii) after December 31, 2026, through December 31, 2027, 50 percent; and

(iii) after December 31, 2027, through December 31, 2028, 75 percent.

Subd. 7. **Expiration.** This section expires January 1, 2029.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective October 1, 2025."

Page 32, line 27, before the semicolon, insert ", through December 31, 2028"

Page 34, delete section 31, and insert:

"Sec. 33. **REPEALER.**

(a) Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 144A.071, subdivision 4c; 256R.02, subdivision 38; 256R.40; 256R.41; and 256R.481, are repealed.

(b) Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 256R.12, subdivision 10; and 256R.36, are repealed.

(c) Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256R.23, subdivision 6, is repealed.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** Paragraph (a) is effective January 1, 2026. Paragraph (b) is effective the day following final enactment. Paragraph (c) is effective October 1, 2025."

Page 39, delete section 6

Page 40, lines 5, 7, and 10, delete "April" and insert "June"

Page 40, line 12, delete everything after the period

Page 40, delete lines 13 to 16

Page 40, line 24, after "licensure" insert "pursuant to section 245A.05"

Renumber the subdivisions in sequence

Page 41, line 10, delete "section" and insert "sections 245A.65, 245A.66, and" and after "626.557" insert a comma

Page 41, line 12, delete "A provisional license holder" and insert "An EIDBI agency"

Page 41, delete subdivisions 7 to 9 and insert:

**"Subd. 7. Reconsideration requests and appeals.** An applicant or provisional license holder has reconsideration and appeal rights under sections 245A.05, 245A.06, and 245A.07."

Page 42, line 3, after "been" insert "suspended or" and delete "under subdivision 7" and insert "and, if the EIDBI agency appealed, the commissioner has issued the final order on the appeal"

Page 49, line 22, before "whose" insert "younger than 12 years of age" and delete "them" and insert "the dependent"

Page 51, line 3, before "whose" insert "younger than 12 years of age" and delete "them" and insert "the person"

Page 52, delete section 15

Page 54, line 17, delete "Medicaid-only" and insert "medical assistance"

Page 58, after line 21, insert:

"Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.0911, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Purpose and goal.** (a) The purpose of long-term care consultation services is to assist persons with long-term or chronic care needs in making care decisions and selecting support and service options that meet their needs and reflect their preferences. The availability of, and access to, information and other types of assistance, including long-term care consultation assessment and support planning, is also intended to prevent or delay institutional placements and to provide access to transition assistance after placement. Further, the goal of long-term care consultation services is to contain costs associated with unnecessary institutional admissions. Long-term care consultation services must be available to any person regardless of public program eligibility.

(b) The commissioner of human services shall seek to maximize use of available federal and state funds and establish the broadest program possible within the funding available.

(c) Long-term care consultation services must be coordinated with long-term care options counseling, long-term care options counseling ~~for assisted living~~ at critical care transitions, the Disability Hub, and preadmission screening.

(d) A lead agency providing long-term care consultation services shall encourage the use of volunteers from families, religious organizations, social clubs, and similar civic and service organizations to provide community-based services.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.0911, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

Subd. 10. **Definitions.** (a) For purposes of this section, the following definitions apply.

(b) "Available service and setting options" or "available options," with respect to the home and community-based waivers under chapter 256S and sections 256B.092 and 256B.49, means all services and settings defined under the waiver plan for which a waiver applicant or waiver participant is eligible.

(c) "Competitive employment" means work in the competitive labor market that is performed on a full-time or part-time basis in an integrated setting, and for which an individual is compensated at or above the minimum wage, but not less than the customary wage and level of benefits paid by the employer for the same or similar work performed by individuals without disabilities.

(d) "Cost-effective" means community services and living arrangements that cost the same as or less than institutional care. For an individual found to meet eligibility criteria for home and community-based service programs under chapter 256S or section 256B.49, "cost-effectiveness" has the meaning found in the federally approved waiver plan for each program.

(e) "Independent living" means living in a setting that is not controlled by a provider.

(f) "Informed choice" has the meaning given in section 256B.4905, subdivision 1a.

(g) "Lead agency" means a county administering or a Tribe or health plan under contract with the commissioner to administer long-term care consultation services.

(h) "Long-term care consultation services" means the activities described in subdivision 11.

(i) "Long-term care options counseling" means the services provided by sections 256.01, subdivision 24, and 256.975, subdivision 7, and also includes telephone assistance and follow-up after a long-term care consultation assessment has been completed.

(j) "Long-term care options counseling ~~for assisted living at critical care transitions~~" means the services provided under section 256.975, ~~subdivisions~~ subdivision 7e to 7g.

(k) "Minnesota health care programs" means the medical assistance program under this chapter and the alternative care program under section 256B.0913.

(l) "Person-centered planning" is a process that includes the active participation of a person in the planning of the person's services, including in making meaningful and informed choices about the person's own goals, talents, and objectives, as well as making meaningful and informed choices about the services the person receives, the settings in which the person receives the services, and the setting in which the person lives.

(m) "Preadmission screening" means the services provided under section 256.975, subdivisions 7a to 7c.

Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.0911, subdivision 13, is amended to read:

Subd. 13. **MnCHOICES assessor qualifications, training, and certification.** (a) The commissioner shall develop and implement a curriculum and an assessor certification process.

(b) MnCHOICES certified assessors must have received training and certification specific to assessment and consultation for long-term care services in the state and either:

(1) ~~either have a bachelor's~~ at least an associate's degree in social work, human services, or other closely related field;

(2) have at least an associate's degree in nursing with a public health nursing certificate, or other closely related field; or

(3) be a registered nurse; ~~and.~~

~~(2) have received training and certification specific to assessment and consultation for long-term care services in the state.~~

(c) Certified assessors shall demonstrate best practices in assessment and support planning, including person-centered planning principles, and have a common set of skills that ensures consistency and equitable access to services statewide.

(d) Certified assessors must be recertified every three years.

Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.0911, subdivision 14, is amended to read:

Subd. 14. **Use of MnCHOICES certified assessors required.** (a) Each lead agency shall use MnCHOICES certified assessors who have completed MnCHOICES training and the certification process determined by the commissioner in subdivision 13.

(b) Each lead agency must ensure that the lead agency has sufficient numbers of certified assessors to provide long-term consultation assessment and support planning within the timelines and parameters of the service.

(c) A lead agency may choose, according to departmental policies, to contract with a qualified, certified assessor to conduct assessments and reassessments on behalf of the lead agency.

(d) Tribes and health plans under contract with the commissioner must provide long-term care consultation services as specified in the contract.

(e) A lead agency must provide the commissioner with an administrative contact for communication purposes.

(f) A lead agency may contract under this subdivision with any hospital licensed under sections 144.50 to 144.56 to conduct assessments of patients in the hospital on behalf of the lead agency when the lead agency has failed to meet its obligations under subdivision 17. The contracted assessment must be conducted by a hospital employee who is a qualified, certified assessor. The hospital employees who perform assessments under the contract between the hospital and the lead agency may perform assessments in addition to other duties assigned to the employee by the hospital, except the hospital employees who perform the assessments under contract with the lead agency must not perform any waiver-related tasks other than assessments. Hospitals are not eligible for reimbursement under subdivision 33. The lead agency that enters into a contract with a hospital under this paragraph is responsible for oversight, compliance, and quality assurance for all assessments performed under the contract."

Page 59, line 28, delete "22 to 64" and insert "older than 21 years of age, under 65"

Page 59, line 29, after "age" insert a comma

Page 60, line 1, delete the first "and" and insert "or"

Page 60, line 2, delete "they have" and insert "the person has"

Page 61, after line 21, insert:

"Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.0911, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 35. **Dashboard on assessment completions.** (a) The commissioner shall maintain a dashboard on the department's public website containing summary data on the completion of assessments under this section. The commissioner must update the dashboard at least twice per year.

(b) The dashboard must include:

(1) the total number of assessments performed since the previous reporting period, by lead agency;

(2) the total number of initial assessments performed since the previous reporting period, by lead agency;



(3) the total number of reassessments performed since the previous reporting period, by lead agency;

(4) the number and percentage of assessments completed within the required timeline, by a lead agency;

(5) the average length of time to complete an assessment, by a lead agency;

(6) summary data of the location in which the assessments were performed, by lead agency;  
and

(7) other information the commissioner determines is valuable to assess the capacity of lead agencies to complete assessments within the timelines prescribed by law."

Page 73, delete section 30 and insert:

"Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.4914, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Base wage index; establishment and updates.** (a) The base wage index is established to determine staffing costs associated with providing services to individuals receiving home and community-based services. For purposes of calculating the base wage, Minnesota-specific wages taken from job descriptions and standard occupational classification (SOC) codes from the Bureau of Labor Statistics as defined in the Occupational Handbook must be used.

(b) The commissioner shall update the base wage index in subdivision 5a, publish these updated values, and load them into the rate management system as ~~follows:~~ required under subdivision 5b.

~~(1) on January 1, 2022, based on wage data by SOC from the Bureau of Labor Statistics available as of December 31, 2019;~~

~~(2) on January 1, 2024, based on wage data by SOC from the Bureau of Labor Statistics published in March 2022; and~~

~~(3) on January 1, 2026, and every two years thereafter, based on wage data by SOC from the Bureau of Labor Statistics published in the spring approximately 21 months prior to the scheduled update.~~

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 83, line 13, before the period, insert ", or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained"

Page 85, line 7, before the period, insert ", or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained"

Page 87, line 3, before the period, insert ", or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained"

Page 92, line 2, before the colon, insert ", including but not limited to"

Page 92, delete lines 3 to 5 and insert:

"(1) payroll records for direct care wages cited in the request;

(2) payment records or receipts for other costs cited in the request; and

(3) documentation of expenses paid that were identified as necessary for the initial rate exception."

Page 92, line 16, before the second period, insert ", or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained"

Page 99, line 3, before the period, insert "and participants must use consultation services to complete their orientation and selection of a service model"

Page 99, delete section 46

Page 101, line 22, before "whose" insert "younger than 12 years of age"

Page 107, delete lines 13 to 19

Page 110, delete section 54

Page 112, delete section 56

Page 114, strike lines 3 to 9

Reletter the paragraphs in sequence

Page 114, line 30, after "component" insert "under subdivision 5b or 5c"

Page 116, line 4, delete "for purposes of implementation,"

Page 116, line 5, delete "implementation" and insert "worker retention"

Page 119, line 18, after the second comma, insert "EIDBI agencies,"

Page 119, lines 21 and 22, delete the new language

Page 119, line 30, delete "2028" and insert "2027"

Page 121, after line 16, insert:

**"Sec. 68. DISABILITY SERVICES TECHNOLOGY AND ADVOCACY EXPANSION GRANT.**

Subdivision 1. Establishment. (a) A disability services technology and advocacy expansion grant is established to:

(1) support the expansion of assistive technology and remote support services for people with disabilities; and

(2) strengthen advocacy efforts for individuals with disabilities and the providers who serve individuals with disabilities.

(b) The commissioner of human services must award the grant to an eligible grantee. In awarding the grant, the commissioner must consult with the commissioner of administration's System of Technology to Achieve Results (STAR) Program under Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.055.

Subd. 2. **Eligible grantee.** An eligible grantee must:

(1) be a nonprofit organization with a statewide reach;

(2) have demonstrated knowledge of various forms of assistive technology and remote support for people with disabilities; and

(3) have proven capacity to provide education and training to multiple constituencies.

Subd. 3. **Allowable uses of grant money.** Grant money must be used to:

(1) develop and deliver comprehensive training programs for lead agencies, disability service providers, schools, employment support agencies, and individuals with disabilities and their families to ensure effective use of assistive technology and remote support tools. Training programs must be developed in consultation with the STAR Program to ensure alignment with national assistive technology standards and best practices. Training must address specific challenges faced by individuals with disabilities, such as accessibility, independence, and health monitoring;

(2) provide resources and support to advocacy organizations that work with individuals with disabilities and service providers. Resources and support must be used to promote the use of assistive technology to increase self-determination and community participation;

(3) maintain, distribute, and create accessible resources related to assistive technology and remote support. Resources must be developed in collaboration with the STAR Program to reflect current assistive technology tools and guidance that are tailored to Minnesota's disability community. Materials must be tailored to address the unique needs of individuals with disabilities and the people and organizations who support individuals with disabilities;

(4) conduct research to explore new and emerging assistive technology solutions that address the evolving needs of individuals with disabilities. The research must emphasize the role of technology in promoting independence, improving quality of life, and ensuring safety; and

(5) conduct outreach initiatives to engage disability communities, service providers, and advocacy groups across Minnesota to promote awareness of assistive technology and remote support services. Outreach initiatives must focus on reaching underserved and rural populations.

Subd. 4. **Evaluation and reporting requirements.** (a) The grant recipient must submit an annual report by June 30 each year to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over disability services. The annual report must include:

(1) the number of individuals with disabilities and service providers who received training during the reporting year;

(2) data on the impact of assistive technology and remote support in improving quality of life, safety, and independence for individuals with disabilities; and

(3) recommendations for further advancing technology-driven disability advocacy efforts based on feedback and research findings.

(b) No later than three months after the grant period has ended, a final evaluation must be submitted to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over disability services to assess the overall impact on expanding access to assistive technology and remote support, with a focus on lessons learned and future opportunities for Minnesota's disability communities and service providers.

Subd. 5. **Grant period.** The grant period under this section is from July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2030."

Page 126, line 5, after "lessons" insert "provided to a person younger than 12 years of age whose disability puts the person at a higher risk of drowning according to the Centers for Disease Control Vital Statistics System"

Page 126, line 9, before "whose" insert "younger than 12 years of age"

Page 126, line 27, before ""Guest" insert "(a)"

Page 126, lines 29 and 30, delete the new language

Page 127, line 1, before "Tribally" insert "(b)"

Page 127, after line 2, insert:

"**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 127, after line 7, insert:

"**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 127, after line 11, insert:

"**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 127, after line 15, insert:

"EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 127, after line 19, insert:

"EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 127, after line 23, insert:

"EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 130, after line 26, insert:

"EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 131, after line 29, insert:

"EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 132, after line 21, insert:

"EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 133, after line 9, insert:

"EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 133, after line 27, insert:

"EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 135, after line 25, insert:

**"EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 135, lines 27 and 28, delete the new language

Page 136, line 1, delete "is not qualified to" and insert "must not" and after "service" insert "unless qualified to do so"

Page 136, line 2, delete everything after the comma and insert "subdivision 3."

Page 136, delete section 16

Page 137, line 4, after "the" insert "mental health practitioner"

Page 137, after line 15, insert:

**"EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 137, after line 25, insert:

**"EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 137, line 28, strike "50 consecutive minutes" and insert "four units"

Page 137, line 30, strike "50 consecutive minutes" and insert "one unit"

Page 137, line 31, strike everything after the period

Page 137, line 32, strike the old language

Page 138, line 1, strike the old language

Page 138, line 2, strike everything before "The"

Page 138, after line 5, insert:

**"EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 138, line 14, delete "2025" and insert "2026"

Page 138, after line 20, insert:

"EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 138, line 28, delete "2025" and insert "2026"

Page 139, lines 24 and 30, delete "2025" and insert "2026"

Page 141, line 24, delete "This section is effective July 1, 2025." and insert "This section is effective July 1, 2026, except the amendments to paragraph (d) are effective July 1, 2025."

Page 141, after line 29, insert:

"EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2026."

Page 143, after line 19, insert:

"EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2026."

Page 143, after line 26, insert:

"EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2026."

Page 147, after line 5, insert:

"EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 151, after line 13, insert:

"EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective January 1, 2026."

Page 152, line 21, delete "2025" and insert "2026"

Page 154, after line 15, insert:

"EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 154, delete section 35

Page 156, delete section 36 and insert:

"Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256.042, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Grants.** (a) The commissioner of human services shall submit a report of the grants proposed by the advisory council to be awarded for the upcoming calendar year to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over health and human

services policy and finance, by December 1 of each year, beginning December 1, 2022. This paragraph expires upon the expiration of the advisory council.

(b) The grants shall be awarded to proposals selected by the advisory council that address the priorities in subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clauses (1) to (4), unless otherwise appropriated by the legislature. The advisory council shall determine grant awards and funding amounts based on the funds appropriated to the commissioner under section 256.043, subdivision 3, paragraph ~~(m)~~ (m), and subdivision 3a, paragraph (d). The commissioner shall award the grants from the opiate epidemic response fund and administer the grants in compliance with section 16B.97. No more than ten percent of the grant amount may be used by a grantee for administration.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment or retroactively from June 30, 2025, whichever is earlier.

Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256.043, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Appropriations from registration and license fee account.** (a) The appropriations in paragraphs (b) to ~~(m)~~ (m) shall be made from the registration and license fee account on a fiscal year basis in the order specified.

(b) The appropriations specified in Laws 2019, chapter 63, article 3, section 1, paragraphs (b), (f), (g), and (h), as amended by Laws 2020, chapter 115, article 3, section 35, shall be made accordingly.

(c) \$100,000 is appropriated to the commissioner of human services for grants for opiate antagonist distribution. Grantees may utilize funds for opioid overdose prevention, community asset mapping, education, and opiate antagonist distribution.

(d) \$2,000,000 is appropriated to the commissioner of human services for grants to Tribal nations and five urban Indian communities for traditional healing practices for American Indians and to increase the capacity of culturally specific providers in the behavioral health workforce.

(e) \$400,000 is appropriated to the commissioner of human services for competitive grants for opioid-focused Project ECHO programs.

(f) \$277,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$321,000 each year thereafter is appropriated to the commissioner of human services to administer the funding distribution and reporting requirements in paragraph ~~(n)~~ (n).

~~(g) \$3,000,000 in fiscal year 2025 and \$3,000,000 each year thereafter is appropriated to the commissioner of human services for safe recovery sites start-up and capacity building grants under section 254B.18.~~

~~(h)~~ (g) \$395,000 in fiscal year 2024 and \$415,000 each year thereafter is appropriated to the commissioner of human services for the opioid overdose surge alert system under section 245.891.

~~(i)~~ (h) \$300,000 is appropriated to the commissioner of management and budget for evaluation activities under section 256.042, subdivision 1, paragraph (c).



~~(j)~~ (i) \$261,000 is appropriated to the commissioner of human services for the provision of administrative services to the Opiate Epidemic Response Advisory Council and for the administration of the grants awarded under paragraph ~~(n)~~ (m).

~~(k)~~ (j) \$126,000 is appropriated to the Board of Pharmacy for the collection of the registration fees under section 151.066.

~~(l)~~ (k) \$672,000 is appropriated to the commissioner of public safety for the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension. Of this amount, \$384,000 is for drug scientists and lab supplies and \$288,000 is for special agent positions focused on drug interdiction and drug trafficking.

~~(m)~~ (l) After the appropriations in paragraphs (b) to ~~(k)~~ (k) are made, 50 percent of the remaining amount is appropriated to the commissioner of children, youth, and families for distribution to county social service agencies and Tribal social service agency initiative projects authorized under section 256.01, subdivision 14b, to provide prevention and child protection services to children and families who are affected by addiction. The commissioner shall distribute this money proportionally to county social service agencies and Tribal social service agency initiative projects through a formula based on intake data from the previous three calendar years related to substance use and out-of-home placement episodes where parental drug abuse is a reason for the out-of-home placement. County social service agencies and Tribal social service agency initiative projects receiving funds from the opiate epidemic response fund must annually report to the commissioner on how the funds were used to provide prevention and child protection services, including measurable outcomes, as determined by the commissioner. County social service agencies and Tribal social service agency initiative projects must not use funds received under this paragraph to supplant current state or local funding received for child protection services for children and families who are affected by addiction.

~~(n)~~ (m) After the appropriations in paragraphs (b) to ~~(m)~~ (l) are made, the remaining amount in the account is appropriated to the commissioner of human services to award grants as specified by the Opiate Epidemic Response Advisory Council in accordance with section 256.042, unless otherwise appropriated by the legislature.

~~(o)~~ (n) Beginning in fiscal year 2022 and each year thereafter, funds for county social service agencies and Tribal social service agency initiative projects under paragraph ~~(m)~~ (l) and grant funds specified by the Opiate Epidemic Response Advisory Council under paragraph ~~(n)~~ (m) may be distributed on a calendar year basis.

~~(p)~~ (o) Notwithstanding section 16A.28, subdivision 3, funds appropriated in paragraphs (c), (d), (e), ~~(g)~~ (h), ~~(m)~~ (l), and ~~(n)~~ (m) are available for three years after the funds are appropriated.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment or retroactively from June 30, 2025, whichever is earlier.

Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256.043, subdivision 3a, is amended to read:

Subd. 3a. **Appropriations from settlement account.** (a) The appropriations in paragraphs (b) to (e) shall be made from the settlement account on a fiscal year basis in the order specified.

(b) If the balance in the registration and license fee account is not sufficient to fully fund the appropriations specified in subdivision 3, paragraphs (b) to ~~(k)~~ (k), an amount necessary to meet any

insufficiency shall be transferred from the settlement account to the registration and license fee account to fully fund the required appropriations.

(c) \$209,000 in fiscal year 2023 and \$239,000 in fiscal year 2024 and subsequent fiscal years are appropriated to the commissioner of human services for the administration of grants awarded under paragraph (e). \$276,000 in fiscal year 2023 and \$151,000 in fiscal year 2024 and subsequent fiscal years are appropriated to the commissioner of human services to collect, collate, and report data submitted and to monitor compliance with reporting and settlement expenditure requirements by grantees awarded grants under this section and municipalities receiving direct payments from a statewide opioid settlement agreement as defined in section 256.042, subdivision 6.

(d) After any appropriations necessary under paragraphs (b) and (c) are made, an amount equal to the calendar year allocation to Tribal social service agency initiative projects under subdivision 3, paragraph ~~(m)~~ (l), is appropriated from the settlement account to the commissioner of children, youth, and families for distribution to Tribal social service agency initiative projects to provide child protection services to children and families who are affected by addiction. The requirements related to proportional distribution, annual reporting, and maintenance of effort specified in subdivision 3, paragraph ~~(m)~~ (l), also apply to the appropriations made under this paragraph.

(e) After making the appropriations in paragraphs (b), (c), and (d), the remaining amount in the account is appropriated to the commissioner of human services to award grants as specified by the Opiate Epidemic Response Advisory Council in accordance with section 256.042.

(f) Funds for Tribal social service agency initiative projects under paragraph (d) and grant funds specified by the Opiate Epidemic Response Advisory Council under paragraph (e) may be distributed on a calendar year basis.

(g) Notwithstanding section 16A.28, subdivision 3, funds appropriated in paragraphs (d) and (e) are available for three years after the funds are appropriated.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment or retroactively from June 30, 2025, whichever is earlier."

Page 159, after line 23, insert:

**"EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 160, after line 18, insert:

**"EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Page 163, line 30, after the period, insert "The commissioner must identify reimbursement rates for the newly defined codes and update the substance use disorder fee schedule."

Page 163, line 32, before the period, insert ", or upon federal approval, whichever is later"

Page 166, delete section 46 and insert:

"Sec. 46. **REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 245G.01, subdivision 20d; 245G.07, subdivision 2; 254B.01, subdivision 5; and 254B.18, are repealed.

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

Page 166, line 13, delete everything after "operates" and insert "a long-term residential facility that opened in 2007 in Garden City with a"

Page 166, line 14, delete "serve" and insert "serves" and delete "provide" and insert "provides"

Page 176, delete lines 10 to 14

Page 176, after line 14, insert:

"Sec. 4. **SINGLE ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE AND DELIVERY SYSTEM PILOT PROGRAM.**

(a) By January 1, 2026, the commissioner of human services, in coordination with the commissioner of transportation, must implement one or two pilot programs for a web-based single administrative structure and delivery system for nonemergency medical transportation under medical assistance and MinnesotaCare. The administrative structure and delivery system must meet the requirements in paragraph (b). Each pilot program must include at least two counties. Metropolitan counties, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 473.121, subdivision 4, are not eligible to participate. Each pilot program shall operate for three years from the date of implementation.

(b) The web-based single administrative structure and delivery system must provide for the following:

(1) bidirectional communication between payers and transportation providers;

(2) client and client advocate access to ride scheduling and real-time trip monitoring;

(3) real-time eligibility and level of service determination;

(4) on-demand reporting;

(5) expedited payments for transportation providers; and

(6) the ability to collect feedback, including but not limited to complaints regarding inappropriate level of needs determinations, utilization of inappropriate transportation modes, and interference with accessing nonemergency medical transportation.

(c) By February 1, 2027, and each year thereafter that a pilot program is in effect, the commissioner must submit a report on the pilot programs to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over nonemergency medical transportation under medical assistance and MinnesotaCare."

Page 178, line 9, delete "residing in the county from which" and insert "issuing"

Page 178, line 10, delete "was issued"

Page 188, line 22, strike everything after the period

Page 188, strike line 23

Page 189, after line 9, insert:

"EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2025, except the amendment to subdivision 1, paragraph (b), is effective retroactively from July 1, 2024."

Page 190, line 25, strike everything after "(b)"

Page 190, lines 26 to 32, strike the old language

Page 190, line 33, strike "in its April 1, 2025, report, the" and insert "The initial"

Page 191, after line 2, insert:

"EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2025, except the amendment to paragraph (b) is effective retroactively from July 1, 2024."

Page 191, line 16, delete "chief executive officer of direct care and treatment" and insert "commissioner of human services"

Page 194, after line 20, insert:

"EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2025, except the amendment striking "Chief Executive Officer, Direct Care and Treatment;" is effective retroactively from July 1, 2024."

Page 218, after line 18, insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 144A.01, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Controlling person.** (a) "Controlling person" means an owner and the following individuals and entities, if applicable:

(1) each officer of the organization, including the chief executive officer and the chief financial officer;

(2) the nursing home administrator; ~~and~~

(3) any managerial official; and

(4) if no individual has at least a five percent ownership interest, every individual with an ownership interest in a privately held corporation, limited liability company, or other business entity, including a business entity that is publicly traded or nonpublicly traded, that collects capital investments from individuals or entities.

(b) "Controlling person" also means any entity or natural person who has any direct or indirect ownership interest in:

- (1) any corporation, partnership or other business association which is a controlling person;
- (2) the land on which a nursing home is located;
- (3) the structure in which a nursing home is located;
- (4) any entity with at least a five percent mortgage, contract for deed, deed of trust, or other security interest in the land or structure comprising a nursing home; or
- (5) any lease or sublease of the land, structure, or facilities comprising a nursing home.

(c) "Controlling person" does not include:

(1) a bank, savings bank, trust company, savings association, credit union, industrial loan and thrift company, investment banking firm, or insurance company unless the entity directly or through a subsidiary operates a nursing home;

(2) government and government-sponsored entities such as the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, Ginnie Mae, Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, and the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency which provide loans, financing, and insurance products for housing sites;

(3) an individual who is a state or federal official, a state or federal employee, or a member or employee of the governing body of a political subdivision of the state or federal government that operates one or more nursing homes, unless the individual is also an officer, owner, or managerial official of the nursing home, receives any remuneration from a nursing home, or who is a controlling person not otherwise excluded in this subdivision;

(4) a natural person who is a member of a tax-exempt organization under section 290.05, subdivision 2, unless the individual is also a controlling person not otherwise excluded in this subdivision; and

(5) a natural person who owns less than five percent of the outstanding common shares of a corporation:

(i) whose securities are exempt by virtue of section 80A.45, clause (6); or

(ii) whose transactions are exempt by virtue of section 80A.46, clause (7)."

Page 223, after line 29, insert:

"Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 144G.08, subdivision 15, is amended to read:

Subd. 15. **Controlling individual.** (a) "Controlling individual" means an owner and the following individuals and entities, if applicable:

(1) each officer of the organization, including the chief executive officer and chief financial officer;

(2) each managerial official; ~~and~~

(3) any entity with at least a five percent mortgage, deed of trust, or other security interest in the facility; and

(4) if no individual has at least a five percent ownership interest, every individual with an ownership interest in a privately held corporation, limited liability company, or other business entity, including a business entity that is publicly traded or nonpublicly traded, that collects capital investments from individuals or entities.

(b) "Controlling individual" also means any entity or natural person who has any direct or indirect ownership interest in:

(1) any corporation, partnership, or other business association such as a limited liability company that is a controlling individual;

(2) the land on which an assisted living facility is located; or

(3) the structure in which an assisted living facility is located.

~~(b)~~ (c) Controlling individual does not include:

(1) a bank, savings bank, trust company, savings association, credit union, industrial loan and thrift company, investment banking firm, or insurance company unless the entity operates a program directly or through a subsidiary;

(2) government and government-sponsored entities such as the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Ginnie Mae, Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, and the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency which provide loans, financing, and insurance products for housing sites;

(3) an individual who is a state or federal official, a state or federal employee, or a member or employee of the governing body of a political subdivision of the state or federal government that operates one or more facilities, unless the individual is also an officer, owner, or managerial official of the facility, receives remuneration from the facility, or owns any of the beneficial interests not excluded in this subdivision;

(4) an individual who owns less than five percent of the outstanding common shares of a corporation:

(i) whose securities are exempt under section 80A.45, clause (6); or

(ii) whose transactions are exempt under section 80A.46, clause (2);

(5) an individual who is a member of an organization exempt from taxation under section 290.05, unless the individual is also an officer, owner, or managerial official of the license or owns any of the beneficial interests not excluded in this subdivision. This clause does not exclude from the definition of controlling individual an organization that is exempt from taxation; or

(6) an employee stock ownership plan trust, or a participant or board member of an employee stock ownership plan, unless the participant or board member is a controlling individual."

Page 227, delete lines 22 to 26

Page 230, after line 21, insert:

"(d) When a facility used good faith efforts to substantially comply with the content or timing requirements of section 144G.52, subdivision 8, or corresponding rules, and the noncompliance did not prejudice the resident, a failure to comply does not invalidate the termination process and is not permissible grounds for appeal of a termination."

Page 233, after line 25, insert:

"Sec. 20. **[145D.40] DEFINITIONS.**

Subdivision 1. **Application.** For purposes of sections 145D.40 to 145D.43, the following terms have the meanings given.

Subd. 2. **Assisted living facility.** "Assisted living facility" has the meaning given in section 144G.08, subdivision 7. Assisted living facility includes an assisted living facility with dementia care as defined in section 144G.08, subdivision 8.

Subd. 3. **Health care professional.** "Health care professional" means an individual who is licensed or registered by the state to provide health care services within the professional's scope of practice and in accordance with state law.

Subd. 4. **Nursing home.** "Nursing home" means a facility licensed as a nursing home under chapter 144A.

Subd. 5. **Ownership or control.** "Ownership or control" means the assumption of governance or the acquisition of an ownership interest or direct or indirect control by a for-profit entity over the operations of a nonprofit nursing home or a nonprofit assisted living facility through any means, including but not limited to a purchase, lease, transfer, exchange, option, conveyance, creation of a joint venture, or other manner of acquisition of assets, governance, an ownership interest, or direct or indirect control of a nonprofit nursing home or a nonprofit assisted living facility.

Sec. 21. **[145D.41] NOTICE, INFORMATION, AND AFFIDAVIT REQUIRED.**

Subdivision 1. **Notice and information.** (a) At least 120 days prior to the transfer of ownership or control of a nonprofit nursing home or nonprofit assisted living facility to a for-profit entity, the nursing home or assisted living facility must provide written notice to the attorney general, the commissioner of health, and the commissioner of human services of its intent to transfer ownership or control to a for-profit entity.

(b) Together with the notice, the for-profit entity seeking to acquire ownership or control of the nonprofit nursing home or nonprofit assisted living facility must provide the following information to the attorney general, commissioner of health, and commissioner of human services:

(1) the names of each individual with an interest in the for-profit entity and the percentage of interest each individual holds in the for-profit entity;

(2) a complete and detailed description of the for-profit entity's corporate structure;

(3) the names of each individual holding an interest in, and the percentage of interest held in, any affiliate, subsidiary, or otherwise related entity that the for-profit entity has a contract to provide goods or services for the operation or maintenance of the nursing home or assisted living facility or has a contract for goods and services to be provided to residents, including any real estate investment trusts;

(4) for the previous five years, any filings required to be made to any federal or state agency;

(5) the for-profit entity's current balance sheet;

(6) all application materials required under section 144A.03 or 144G.12, as applicable;

(7) a description of the condition of the buildings the for-profit entity seeks to acquire or manage, identifying any cooling problems, electric medical devices present, recent exterior additions and replacements, external building conditions, recent flush toilet breakdowns, foreclosure status in the last 12 months, heat risk, heating problems, indoor air quality, recent interior additions and replacements, and mold, as those terms are defined and described in Appendix A of the American Housing Survey for the United States: 2023;

(8) an affidavit and evidence as required under subdivision 2; and

(9) other information required by the attorney general, commissioner of health, and commissioner of human services.

Subd. 2. **Affidavit and evidence.** In addition to the notice required under subdivision 1, a for-profit entity seeking to acquire ownership or control of a nonprofit nursing home or nonprofit assisted living facility must submit to the attorney general an affidavit and evidence sufficient to demonstrate that:

(1) the for-profit entity has the financial, managerial, and operational ability to operate or manage the nursing home or assisted living facility consistent with the requirements of (i) for a nursing home, sections 144A.01 to 144A.1888, chapter 256R, and Minnesota Rules, chapter 4658; or (ii) for an assisted living facility, chapter 144G and Minnesota Rules, chapter 4659;

(2) neither the for-profit entity nor any of its owners, managerial officials, or managers have committed a crime listed in, or been found civilly liable for an offense listed in section 144A.03, subdivision 1, clause (13), or 144G.12, subdivision 1, clause (13), as applicable;

(3) in the preceding ten years, there have been no judgments and no filed, pending, or completed public or private litigations, tax liens, written complaints, administrative actions, or investigations by a government agency against the for-profit entity or any of its owners, managerial officials, or managers;

(4) in the preceding ten years, the for-profit entity has not defaulted in the payment of money collected for others and has not discharged debts through bankruptcy proceedings;

(5) the for-profit entity will invest sufficient capital in the nursing home or assisted living facility to maintain or improve the facility's infrastructure and staffing;



(6)(i) housing costs or costs for services in a nursing home or assisted living facility in the United States over which the for-profit entity acquired ownership or control have not increased by more than the increase in the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers published by the federal Bureau of Labor Statistics for the 12 months preceding the month in which the increase became effective; or (ii) if housing costs or costs for services in the nursing home or assisted living facility increased by more than the increase in the Consumer Price Index as described in item (i), the increase was justified;

(7) within five years after acquiring ownership or control of any other nursing home or assisted living facility in the United States, the for-profit entity did not sell or otherwise transfer ownership or control of the nursing home or assisted living facility to another person; and

(8) after acquiring ownership or control of another nursing home in the United States, that nursing home, with respect to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services rating system:

(i) maintained or improved the nursing home's rating if upon acquisition of ownership or control the rating was three or more stars; or

(ii) improved the nursing home's rating to at least three stars if upon acquisition of ownership or control the rating was one or two stars.

**Sec. 22. [145D.43] PROHIBITED PRACTICES.**

A for-profit entity that acquires ownership or control of a nonprofit nursing home or nonprofit assisted living facility is prohibited from:

(1) interfering with the professional judgment of a health care professional providing care in the nursing home or assisted living facility or with a health care professional's diagnosis or treatment of residents in the nursing home or assisted living facility;

(2) providing unequal treatment with regard to charges for housing or services based on whether the resident pays for housing or services with private funds or through a public program;

(3) engaging in any act, practice, or course of business that would strip an asset from an acquired nursing home or assisted living facility or that would otherwise undermine the quality of, safety of, or access to care and services provided by the nursing home or assisted living facility;

(4) engaging in self-dealing;

(5) engaging in any acts, practices, or courses of business that result in an adverse impact on the health, safety, and well-being and quality of care of the residents of the nursing home or assisted living facility;

(6) spending less than 75 percent of the funds received by the nursing home or assisted living facility from public programs and state appropriations on the direct care of residents;

(7) raising resident housing costs beyond the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers published by the federal Bureau of Labor Statistics for the 12 months preceding the month in which the increase became effective unless the for-profit entity can demonstrate that the increase was justified by legitimate business expenses;

(8) allowing a diminution of maintenance or a deterioration in the operations and infrastructure of the nursing home or assisted living facility that results in unsafe conditions or violations of building and other relevant codes, diminishes the property value of the facility, or jeopardizes the health and well-being of the residents; or

(9) for a nursing home:

(i) failing to improve in the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services rating if the nursing home's current rating is one or two stars; or

(ii) allowing a decline in the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services rating if the nursing home's current rating is at least three stars.

Sec. 23. **ATTORNEY GENERAL ENFORCEMENT.**

A violation of Minnesota Statutes, section 145D.43, is an unfair and unconscionable practice in violation of Minnesota Statutes, section 325F.69, subdivision 1. The attorney general may enforce this section under Minnesota Statutes, section 8.31."

Page 233, line 26, delete everything after the semicolon

Page 233, line 27, delete everything before the period and insert "COMPLIANCE COSTS AND REIMBURSEMENT RATES"

Page 234, line 11, delete "2026" and insert "2027"

Page 236, line 27, delete the second "order" and insert "as mentally ill and dangerous"

Page 237, line 4, after "commitments" insert "as mentally ill and dangerous"

Page 237, line 7, delete "commitment" and insert "commitments as mentally ill and dangerous"

Page 237, line 8, delete "orders"

Page 237, lines 10 and 13, after "commitment" insert "as mentally ill and dangerous"

Page 237, line 15, after "committed" insert "as mentally ill and dangerous"

Page 238, line 12, delete "7,767,480,000" and insert "7,764,972,000" and delete "7,917,705,000" and insert "7,919,683,000"

Page 238, line 16, delete "7,765,519,000" and insert "7,763,011,000" and delete "7,915,516,000" and insert "7,917,494,000"

Page 239, line 17, delete "3,452,000" and insert "4,309,000" and delete "4,056,000" and insert "5,281,000"

Page 239, after line 17, insert:

**"Subdivision 1. Budget and Legislative Staff**

\$805,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$955,000 in fiscal year 2027 are for five additional full-time budget and legislative staff.

**Subd. 2. Base Level Adjustment"**

Page 239, line 19, delete "\$2,435,000" and insert "\$3,536,000" and delete "\$2,251,000" and insert "\$3,352,000"

Page 239, line 21, delete "887,000" and insert "279,000" and delete "1,017,000" and insert "448,000"

Page 239, after line 21, insert:

**"Single Administrative Structure and Delivery System Pilot Program**

\$102,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$204,000 in fiscal year 2027 are for a contract to implement a web-based single administrative structure and delivery system for the delivery of nonemergency medical transportation. The base for this appropriation is \$204,000 in fiscal year 2028, \$204,000 in fiscal year 2029, and \$0 in fiscal year 2030."

Page 239, line 23, delete "4,981,000" and insert "5,513,000" and delete "3,022,000" and insert "3,245,000"

Page 240, after line 15, insert:

**"Subd. 5. Budget and Legislative Analysis**

\$458,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$540,000 in fiscal year 2027 are for three additional full-time budget and legislative analysis staff."

Renumber the subdivisions in sequence

Page 240, line 18, delete "\$3,164,000" and insert "\$3,219,000" and delete "\$3,164,000" and insert "\$3,219,000"

Page 240, line 21, delete "193,000" and insert "(39,000)" and delete "244,000" and insert "12,000"

Page 240, line 30, after "is" insert "reduced by"

Page 240, line 31, delete "\$194,000" and insert "\$38,000" and delete "\$194,000" and insert "\$38,000"

Page 240, line 34, delete "4,113,000" and insert "4,257,000" and delete "4,853,000" and insert "5,105,000"

Page 241, line 4, delete "3,885,000" and insert "4,029,000" and delete "4,397,000" and insert "4,649,000"

Page 241, line 9, delete "\$4,396,000" and insert "\$4,648,000" and delete "\$4,396,000" and insert "\$4,648,000"

Page 241, line 12, delete "180,000" and insert "323,000" and delete "180,000" and insert "323,000"

Page 241, line 14, delete "7,440,006,000" and insert "7,440,131,000" and delete "7,652,756,000" and insert "7,656,740,000"

Page 241, line 16, delete "56,354,000" and insert "56,382,000"

Page 241, delete section 12 and insert:

<u>"Sec. 12. GRANT PROGRAMS; CHILD AND COMMUNITY SERVICE GRANTS</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>(5,405,000)</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>(5,405,000)</u>
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Subdivision 1. Seeds Worth Sowing

\$250,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$250,000 in fiscal year 2027 are for a grant to Seeds Worth Sowing to provide culturally specific supports for African American Native and African immigrant mothers, children, and families in Minnesota. Money must be used to deliver family-centered, community-based services that promote early intervention, caregiver support, health and developmental well-being, and connection to home and community-based services. Activities may include culturally grounded parenting education, caregiver training, peer support, and programs that strengthen family stability, child development, and community connectedness. Priority must be given to programs serving families impacted by poverty, disability, or systemic barriers to care. The base for this appropriation is \$500,000 in fiscal year 2028 and \$500,000 in fiscal year 2029.

**Subd. 2. Base Level Adjustment**

The general fund base for this section is reduced by \$5,155,000 in fiscal year 2028 and \$5,155,000 in fiscal year 2029."

Page 243, line 4, delete "43,880,000" and insert "40,804,000" and delete "43,631,000" and insert "40,805,000"

Page 243, delete lines 6 and 12

Page 243, lines 7 and 13, delete everything before "for" and insert "The base for this appropriation"

Page 243, line 9, before the period, insert ", is \$882,000 in fiscal year 2028 and \$882,000 in fiscal year 2029"

Page 243, line 15, before the period, insert ", is \$507,000 in fiscal year 2028 and \$507,000 in fiscal year 2029"

Page 243, line 17, delete "\$1,575,000" and insert "\$788,000" and delete "\$1,575,000" and insert "\$788,000"

Page 243, line 20, delete "18"

Page 243, delete subdivisions 4 and 5

Renumber the subdivisions in sequence

Page 244, line 4, delete "\$400,000" and insert "\$250,000" and delete "\$400,000" and insert "\$250,000"

Page 244, line 7, after the period, insert "The base for this appropriation is \$400,000 in fiscal year 2028 and \$400,000 in fiscal year 2029."

Page 245, line 19, delete "\$750,000" and insert "\$1,000,000" and delete "\$750,000" and insert "\$1,000,000"

Page 245, line 22, after the period, insert "The base for this appropriation is \$1,500,000 in fiscal year 2028 and \$1,500,000 in fiscal year 2029."

Page 247, line 9, delete everything after "is" and insert "\$2,820,000"

Page 247, line 10, delete "for" and insert "in" and delete "by \$125,000 for" and insert "\$2,820,000"

Page 247, lines 28 and 29, delete "\$43,756,000" and insert "\$42,969,000"

Page 248, delete subdivisions 1 to 4

Page 248, line 34, delete "68,415,000" and insert "68,022,000"

Page 251, line 28, delete "\$239,000" and insert "\$230,000"

Page 252, delete subdivision 10

Renumber the subdivisions in sequence

Page 258, line 25, delete "650,000" and insert "600,000"

Page 258, line 28, delete "\$450,000" and insert "\$400,000"

Page 259, line 31, delete "5,526,000" and insert "5,826,000"

Page 260, line 1, delete "3,793,000" and insert "4,093,000"

Page 262, after line 31, insert:

**"Subd. 9. Peer Specialists**

\$300,000 in fiscal year 2026 is for peer specialists grants first established under Laws 2016, chapter 189, article 23, section 2, subdivision 4, paragraph (f). This is a onetime appropriation."

Renumber the subdivisions in sequence

Page 273, line 9, delete "fiscal year"

Page 273, line 10, delete "2026 and" and delete "appropriations" and insert "appropriation"

Page 273, line 12, delete "are" and insert "is" and delete "\$1,364,000" and insert "\$725,000"

Page 274, after line 20, insert:

**"Subd. 12. Transfer from the opiate epidemic response fund to the general fund. The commissioner of management and budget must transfer \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the registration and license fee account in the opiate epidemic response fund under Minnesota Statutes, section 256.043, subdivision 3, to the general fund. For fiscal years 2028 to 2031, the commissioner of management and budget must include a transfer of \$1,000,000 each year from the registration and license fee account in the opiate epidemic response fund to the general fund when preparing each forecast under Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.103, from the effective date of this subdivision through the February 2027 forecast."**

Page 275, line 32, delete "577,884,000" and insert "577,915,000" and delete "603,230,000" and insert "603,261,000"

Page 276, delete section 7 and insert:

"Sec. 7. **ADMINISTRATION**

**\$ 85,938,000 \$ 98,806,000**

**Subdivision 1. Locked Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility Planning**

(a) \$100,000 in fiscal year 2026 is for planning a build out of a locked psychiatric residential treatment facility operated by Direct Care and Treatment. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2027.

(b) By March 1, 2026, the executive board must report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over human services finance and policy on the plan developed using the appropriation in this section to build out a locked psychiatric residential treatment facility (PRTF) operated by Direct Care and Treatment.

(c) The report must include but is not limited to the following information:

(1) the risks and benefits of locating the locked PRTF in a metropolitan or rural location;

(2) the estimated cost for the build out of the locked PRTF;

(3) the estimated ongoing cost of maintaining the locked PRTF; and

(4) the estimated amount of costs that can be recouped from medical assistance, MinnesotaCare, and private insurance payments.

**Subd. 2. Mentally Ill and Dangerous Commitment Reform Task Force Extension, Report, and Recommendations**

\$31,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$31,000 in fiscal year 2027 are for the administrative costs associated with the extension of the Mentally Ill and Dangerous Commitment Reform Task Force and preparing the recommendations and report of the task force. This is a onetime appropriation.

**Subd. 3. Base Level Adjustment**

The general fund base for this section is \$98,775,000 in fiscal year 2028 and \$98,775,000 in fiscal year 2029."

Page 278, line 13, delete "2,431,000" and insert "2,592,000" and delete "2,339,000" and insert "2,496,000"

Page 278, line 21, delete "95,000" and insert "256,000" and delete "3,000" and insert "160,000"

Page 278, delete lines 22 and 23 and insert:

**Subdivision 1. Beautywell Project**

\$100,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$100,000 in fiscal year 2027 are for the Beautywell Project for public awareness and education activities to address issues of colorism, skin-lightening products, and chemical exposures from skin-lightening products. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2027.

**Subd. 2. Base Level Adjustment**

The general fund base for this section is \$60,000 in fiscal year 2028 and \$60,000 in fiscal year 2029."

Page 280, after line 20, insert:

**"Sec. 9. COMMISSIONER OF CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES**

**\$ 100,000 \$ 100,000**

**Subdivision 1. Families and Children Opiate Epidemic Grant to Beltrami County**

\$100,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$100,000 in fiscal year 2027 are for a grant to Beltrami County to support families and children affected by the opiate epidemic who are in the child welfare system or at risk of entering the child welfare system. This is a onetime appropriation.



**Subd. 2. General Fund Base**

The general fund base for this section is \$0 in fiscal year 2028 and \$0 in fiscal year 2029."

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title accordingly

And when so amended the bill do pass.

Senator Rasmusson questioned the reference thereon and, under Rule 21, the bill was referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

**Senator Marty from the Committee on Finance, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 2077:** A bill for an act relating to state government; appropriating money for environment and natural resources; appropriating money from environment and natural resources trust fund; modifying prior appropriations; modifying fees and surcharges; modifying disposition of certain funds; modifying permitting and environmental review provisions; establishing a stewardship program for circuit boards, batteries, and electrical products; modifying and establishing duties, authorities, and prohibitions regarding environment and natural resources; modifying and creating environment and natural resources programs; modifying and creating grant programs; providing civil and criminal penalties; authorizing rulemaking; modifying requirements for recreational vehicles; modifying state trail, state forest, and state park provisions; authorizing sales, conveyances, and leases of certain state lands; modifying forestry provisions; modifying game and fish provisions; making technical changes; requiring reports; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 84.027, by adding a subdivision; 84.03; 84.8035, subdivision 1; 84D.01, by adding a subdivision; 84D.05, subdivision 1; 86B.415, subdivision 7; 97A.223, subdivision 1; 97A.421, by adding a subdivision; 97A.465, by adding a subdivision; 97A.475, subdivisions 2, 6; 97B.001, subdivision 4; 97B.037; 97B.318, subdivision 1; 97B.405; 97B.667, subdivision 3; 97B.945; 97C.395; 97C.835, subdivision 2; 103G.005, subdivision 15; 103G.201; 103G.271, subdivision 6; 103G.301, subdivision 2; 115.01, by adding a subdivision; 115.071, subdivision 1; 115.542; 115A.121; 115A.554; 115B.421; 116.03, subdivision 2b; 116.07, subdivisions 4a, 4d, by adding a subdivision; 116.073, subdivisions 1, 2; 116.182, subdivision 5; 116.92, subdivision 6, by adding a subdivision; 116.943, subdivisions 1, 5; 116D.04, subdivisions 2a, 2b, 5a; 116D.045, subdivision 1; 325E.3892, subdivisions 1, 2; 325F.072, subdivision 3; 446A.07, subdivision 8; 473.355, subdivision 2; 473.859, subdivision 2; Laws 2023, chapter 60, article 1, sections 2, subdivisions 2, 7, 10; 3, subdivision 6; Laws 2024, chapter 83, section 2, subdivisions 3, 8; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 84; 86B; 97B; 115; 115A; 325F; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 103E.067; 115A.1310, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 12a, 12b, 12c, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20; 115A.1312; 115A.1314; 115A.1316; 115A.1318; 115A.1320; 115A.1322; 115A.1323; 115A.1324; 115A.1326; 115A.1328; 115A.1330; 115A.9155; 115A.9157, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9; 115A.961, subdivisions 1, 2, 3; 116C.04, subdivision 11; 116C.991; 116D.04, subdivision 5b; 325E.125; 325E.1251.

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

Page 30, line 21, delete "....." and insert "\$20,000"

Page 104, delete section 2

Page 105, delete sections 3 and 4

Page 107, delete sections 6 and 7

Page 113, delete section 15

Page 114, delete section 16

Page 115, delete sections 17 and 18

Page 116, delete sections 19 and 20

Page 117, delete sections 21 and 22

Page 118, delete sections 23 and 24

Page 119, delete section 25

Page 123, delete sections 28 and 29

Page 129, delete sections 34 and 35

Page 132, delete section 36

Page 133, delete section 37

Page 134, delete section 38

Page 135, delete section 39

Page 136, delete section 41

Page 137, delete section 42

Page 138, delete section 43

Page 156, delete section 49

Page 157, delete sections 50 to 52

Page 160, after line 15, insert:

**"Sec. 5. PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND BORDERING PUBLIC WATER;  
SIBLEY COUNTY.**

(a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, sections 92.45 and 282.018, subdivision 1, and the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, Sibley County may sell by private sale

the tax-forfeited land bordering public water that is described in paragraph (c), under the remaining provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282.

(b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make changes to the land description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.

(c) The land to be sold is located in Sibley County and is described as: that part of Government Lot 3, Section 27, Township 114 North, Range 28 West, described as follows: commencing at the center of said Section 27; thence due South along the north-south quarter line of said Section 27, 559.30 feet; thence South 86 degrees 46 minutes 30 seconds West, 572.20 feet; thence South 30 degrees 04 minutes 33 seconds West, 541.52 feet; thence South 12 degrees 41 minutes 30 seconds West, 163.17 feet more or less to a point on the high bank line of High Island Lake, said point being the point of beginning; thence North 12 degrees 41 minutes 30 seconds East, 163.17 feet; thence South 71 degrees 05 minutes 30 seconds West, 199.05 feet to a point on the high bank line of High Island Lake; thence southeasterly along said high bank line to the point of beginning (0.35 acres) (parcel number 20.2712.000).

(d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would best be served if the lands were returned to private ownership."

Page 161, delete article 6

Page 192, delete article 7

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 5, delete everything after the semicolon

Page 1, delete line 6

Page 1, line 7, delete everything before "modifying"

Page 1, line 10, delete everything after the second semicolon

Page 1, line 11, delete everything before "modifying"

Amend the title numbers accordingly

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

## **SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS**

S.F. No. 2077 was read the second time.

## **SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS**

H.F. No. 2446 was read the second time.

**INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS**

The following bills were read the first time.

**Senators Clark, Latz, and Carlson introduced--**

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

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

**Senator Hauschild introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3447:** A bill for an act relating to state government; creating the Office of the Inspector General; creating an advisory committee; requiring reports; transferring certain agency duties; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 3.971, by adding a subdivision; 15A.0815, subdivision 2; 142A.03, by adding a subdivision; 142A.12, subdivision 5; 144.05, by adding a subdivision; 245.095, subdivision 5; 256.01, by adding a subdivision; 609.456, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law as Minnesota Statutes, chapter 15D; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 13.321, subdivision 12; 127A.21.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

**Senator Hauschild introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3448:** A bill for an act relating to capital investment; precluding use of state funds to relocate the United States Hockey Hall of Fame Museum from the city of Eveleth; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 16A.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

**Senator Port introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3449:** A bill for an act relating to taxation; corporate franchise; providing for a contingent increase in the tax rate; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 290.06, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

**Senator Port introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3450:** A bill for an act relating to capital investment; amending a previous appropriation for road and bridge improvements in the city of Savage; amending Laws 2023, chapter 72, article 1, section 16, subdivision 15.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

**Senator Pappas introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3451:** A bill for an act relating to capital investment; modifying an appropriation for capital projects at Open Arms of Minnesota; amending Laws 2023, chapter 71, article 1, section 14, subdivision 81, as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

**Senator Hoffman introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3452:** A bill for an act relating to capital investment; modifying an appropriation for a capital project grant to Isuroon; amending Laws 2023, chapter 71, article 1, section 14, subdivision 67, as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

**Senator Pappas introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3453:** A bill for an act relating to retirement; modifying the method for amortizing unfunded liabilities; adding a definition for standards for actuarial work; making conforming changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 356.215, subdivisions 1, 4, 8, 11, 17.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

**Senator Frentz introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3454:** A bill for an act relating to retirement; firefighter relief associations; repealing the investment business recipient disclosure annual reporting requirement; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 356A.06, subdivision 5.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

**Senator Pappas introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3455:** A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for the Science Museum of Minnesota; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

**Senators Lucero, Wesenberg, Lieske, Gruenhagen, and Green introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3456:** A bill for an act relating to public safety; designating mRNA injections and products as weapons of mass destruction; prohibiting mRNA injections and products; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 609.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

**Senators Latz, Limmer, and Rest introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3457:** A bill for an act relating to state government; precluding naming laws after people; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 10.49.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

**Senators Rasmusson and Drazkowski introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3458:** A bill for an act relating to campaign finance; repealing the political contribution refund program; making conforming changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 289A.37, subdivision 2; 289A.50, subdivision 1; 290.01, subdivision 6; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 10A.322, subdivision 4; 13.4967, subdivision 2; 290.06, subdivision 23.

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

**Senators Rasmusson and Drazkowski introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3459:** A bill for an act relating to campaign finance; repealing the public subsidy program; making conforming changes; transferring money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 10A.022, subdivision 3; 10A.15, subdivision 2a; 10A.20, subdivision 15; 10A.275, subdivision 1; 10A.28, subdivisions 3, 4; 10A.322, subdivision 4; 290.06, subdivision 23; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 10A.25, subdivisions 1, 2, 2a, 3, 3a, 5, 10; 10A.255, subdivisions 1, 3; 10A.257; 10A.27, subdivision 10; 10A.28, subdivision 1; 10A.30; 10A.31, subdivisions 1, 3, 3a, 4, 5, 5a, 6, 6a, 7, 7a, 7b, 10, 10a, 10b, 11; 10A.315; 10A.321; 10A.322, subdivisions 1, 2; 10A.323; 10A.324, subdivisions 1, 3; 10A.38.

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

**Senators Kreun and Limmer introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3460:** A bill for an act relating to public safety; providing that certain felons are ineligible to serve as jurors in criminal cases; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 593.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

**Senator Pappas introduced--**

**S.F. No. 3461:** A bill for an act relating to state government; proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article I, by adding a section; providing for equal rights under the law and prohibiting discrimination based on the listed characteristics.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

**MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

Senator Lucero moved that the name of Senator Oumou Verbeten be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 760. The motion prevailed.

Senator Oumou Verbeten moved that the name of Senator Lucero be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1797. The motion prevailed.

Senator Westrom moved that the name of Senator Hoffman be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2849. The motion prevailed.

Senator Utke moved that the name of Senator Johnson be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 3404. The motion prevailed.

Senator Westrom moved that the names of Senators Gruenhagen and Draheim be added as co-authors to S.F. No. 3409. The motion prevailed.

Senator Murphy, for Senator Champion, moved that S.F. No. 1832, No. 36 on General Orders, be stricken and re-referred to the Committee on Finance. 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. Nos. 2370, 2511, and H.F. No. 1163.

**SPECIAL ORDER**

**S.F. No. 2370:** A bill for an act relating to cannabis; including the Office of Cannabis Management as an agency for the purpose of having a government-to-government relationship with Tribal governments; modifying provisions regarding the sale of cannabinoids derived from hemp; modifying medical cannabis provisions; modifying hemp-derived topical product provisions; modifying cannabis license application requirements; modifying the limits of delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol in edible cannabinoid products and lower-potency hemp edibles when intended to be consumed as beverages; allowing samples at cannabis events; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 10.65, subdivision 2; 151.72, subdivisions 3, 5a; 152.22, subdivisions 4, 7, 10, 13; 152.24; 152.25; 152.26; 152.261; 152.27, subdivisions 2, 7; 152.28, subdivisions 1, 3; 152.29, subdivisions 1, 2, 3a, 4; 152.31; 152.32, subdivision 2; 152.33, subdivisions 1a, 4; 152.35; 152.37; 342.01, subdivisions 9, 47, 50, 71, by adding subdivisions; 342.02, subdivision 3; 342.09, subdivision 2; 342.12; 342.14, subdivisions 1, 3, 6; 342.151, subdivisions 2, 3; 342.22, subdivision 3; 342.28, subdivisions 1, 8; 342.29, subdivisions 1, 7; 342.30, subdivision 1; 342.32, subdivisions 4, 5; 342.33, subdivision 1; 342.40, subdivision 7, by adding a subdivision; 342.43, by adding a subdivision; 342.44, subdivision 1; 342.45, by adding a subdivision; 342.46, subdivision 6; 342.51, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision; 342.52, subdivision 9, by adding a subdivision; 342.56, subdivision 2; 342.57; 342.59, subdivision 2; 342.61, subdivision 4; 342.63, subdivisions 2, 3, 5, 6; 342.66, subdivision 6; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 152.22, subdivision 2; 342.151, subdivision 1.

Senator Port moved to amend S.F. No. 2370 as follows (A16):

Page 58, after line 4, insert:

"Sec. 70. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 609A.06, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Eligibility; cannabis offense.** (a) A person is eligible for an expungement or resentencing to a lesser offense if:

(1) the person was convicted of, or adjudication was stayed for, a violation of any of the following a first-, second-, third-, fourth-, or fifth-degree controlled substance crime involving the sale or possession of marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinols:

~~(i) section 152.021, subdivision 1, clause (6);~~

~~(ii) section 152.021, subdivision 2, clause (6);~~

~~(iii) section 152.022, subdivision 1, clause (5), or clause (7), item (iii);~~

~~(iv) section 152.022, subdivision 2, clause (6);~~

~~(v) section 152.023, subdivision 1, clause (5);~~

~~(vi) section 152.023, subdivision 2, clause (5);~~

~~(vii) section 152.024, subdivision (4); or~~

~~(viii) section 152.025, subdivision 2, clause (1) under Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 152.021, 152.022, 152.023, 152.024, or 152.025, or a previous version of those or any other statutes criminalizing the possession, sale, transportation, or cultivation of marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinols;~~

(2) the offense did not involve a dangerous weapon, the intentional infliction of bodily harm on another, an attempt to inflict bodily harm on another, or an act committed with the intent to cause fear in another of immediate bodily harm or death;

(3) the act on which the charge was based would either be a lesser offense or no longer be a crime after August 1, 2023; and

(4) the person did not appeal the conviction, any appeal was denied, or the deadline to file an appeal has expired.

(b) A person is eligible for an expungement for any other offense charged along with the underlying crime described in paragraph (a) if the charge was either dismissed or eligible for expungement under section 609A.055.

(c) For purposes of this subdivision, a "lesser offense" means a nonfelony offense if the person was charged with a felony.

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



Sec. 71. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 609A.06, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. **Review and determination.** (a) The Cannabis Expungement Board shall review all available records to determine whether the conviction or stay of adjudication or charge is eligible for an expungement or resentencing to a lesser offense. An expungement under this section is presumed to be in the public interest unless there is clear and convincing evidence that an expungement or resentencing to a lesser offense would create a risk to public safety.

(b) If the Cannabis Expungement Board determines that an expungement is in the public interest, the board shall determine whether a person's conviction should be vacated and charges should be dismissed.

(c) If the Cannabis Expungement Board determines that an expungement is in the public interest, the board shall determine whether the limitations under section 609A.03, subdivision 5a, apply.

(d) If the Cannabis Expungement Board determines that an expungement is in the public interest, the board shall determine whether the limitations under section 609A.03, subdivision 7a, paragraph (b), clause (5), apply.

(e) If the Cannabis Expungement Board determines that an expungement is not in the public interest, the board shall determine whether the person is eligible for resentencing to a lesser offense.

(f) In making a determination under this subdivision, the Cannabis Expungement Board shall consider:

(1) the nature and severity of the underlying crime, including but not limited to the total amount of marijuana or tetrahydrocannabinols possessed by the person and whether the offense involved a dangerous weapon, the intentional infliction of bodily harm on another, an attempt to inflict bodily harm on another, or an act committed with the intent to cause fear in another of immediate bodily harm or death;

(2) whether an expungement or resentencing the person a lesser offense would increase the risk, if any, the person poses to other individuals or society;

(3) if the person is under sentence, whether an expungement or resentencing to a lesser offense would result in the release of the person and whether release earlier than the date that the person would be released under the sentence currently being served would present a danger to the public or would be compatible with the welfare of society;

(4) aggravating or mitigating factors relating to the underlying crime, including the person's level of participation and the context and circumstances of the underlying crime;

(5) statements from victims and law enforcement, if any;

(6) if an expungement or resentencing the person to a lesser offense is considered, whether there is good cause to restore the person's right to possess firearms and ammunition;

(7) if an expungement is considered, whether an expunged record of a conviction or stay of adjudication may be opened for purposes of a background check required under section 122A.18, subdivision 8; and

(8) whether the person was also charged with other offenses in addition to the underlying crime, the disposition of those other charges, and other factors deemed relevant by the Cannabis Expungement Board.

(g) In making a determination under this subdivision, the Cannabis Expungement Board shall not consider the impact the expungement would have on the offender based on any records held by the Department of Health; Department of Children, Youth, and Families; or Department of Human Services.

(h) The affirmative vote of three members is required for action taken at any meeting.

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

Sec. 72. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 609A.06, subdivision 10, is amended to read:

Subd. 10. **Notice to judicial branch and offenders.** (a) The Cannabis Expungement Board shall identify any conviction or stay of adjudication or charge that qualifies for an order of expungement or resentencing to a lesser offense and notify the judicial branch of:

(1) the name and date of birth of a person whose conviction or stay of adjudication is eligible for an order of expungement or resentencing to a lesser offense;

(2) the court file number of the eligible conviction or stay of adjudication;

(3) whether the person is eligible for an expungement;

(4) if the person is eligible for an expungement, whether the person's conviction should be vacated and charges should be dismissed;

(5) if the person is eligible for an expungement, whether there is good cause to restore the offender's right to possess firearms and ammunition;

(6) if the person is eligible for an expungement, whether the limitations under section 609A.03, subdivision 7a, paragraph (b), clause (5), apply; ~~and~~

(7) if the person is eligible for an expungement, whether the expungement should also apply to any other offenses charged in addition to the underlying crime; and

(8) if the person is eligible for resentencing to a lesser offense, the lesser sentence to be imposed.

(b) The Cannabis Expungement Board shall make a reasonable and good faith effort to notify any person whose conviction or stay of adjudication qualifies for an order of expungement that the offense qualifies and notice is being sent to the judicial branch. Notice sent pursuant to this paragraph shall inform the person that, following the order of expungement, any records of an arrest, conviction, or incarceration should not appear on any background check or study.

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

Sec. 73. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 609A.06, subdivision 12, is amended to read:

Subd. 12. **Order of expungement.** (a) Upon receiving notice that an offense qualifies for expungement, the court shall issue an order sealing all records relating to an arrest, indictment or information, trial, verdict, or dismissal and discharge for an offense described in subdivision 3, and any other offenses charged in addition to the underlying crime if identified by the Cannabis Expungement Board as eligible for expungement. In addition, the court shall order all records, including those pertaining to probation, incarceration, or supervision, held by the Department of Corrections or local correctional officials sealed. The courts shall not order the Department of Health; the Department of Children, Youth, and Families; or the Department of Human Services to seal records under this section. If the Cannabis Expungement Board determined that the person's conviction should be vacated and charges should be dismissed, the order shall vacate and dismiss the charges.

(b) If the Cannabis Expungement Board determined that there is good cause to restore the person's right to possess firearms and ammunition, the court shall issue an order pursuant to section 609.165, subdivision 1d.

(c) If the Cannabis Expungement Board determined that an expunged record of a conviction or stay of adjudication may not be opened for purposes of a background check required under section 122A.18, subdivision 8, the court shall direct the order specifically to the Professional Educator Licensing and Standards Board.

(d) The court administrator shall send a copy of an expungement order issued under this section to each agency and jurisdiction whose records are affected by the terms of the order and send a letter to the last known address of the person whose offense has been expunged identifying each agency to which the order was sent.

(e) In consultation with the commissioner of human services, the court shall establish a schedule on which it shall provide the commissioner of human services a list identifying the name and court file number or, if no court file number is available, the citation number of each record for a person who received an expungement under this section.

(f) Data on the person whose offense has been expunged in a letter sent under this subdivision are private data on individuals as defined in section 13.02, subdivision 12.

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

Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

Amend the title accordingly

The motion prevailed. So the amendment was adopted.

Senator Nelson moved to amend S.F. No. 2370 as follows (A12):

Page 27, after line 13, insert:

"Sec. 37. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.13, is amended to read:

**342.13 LOCAL CONTROL.**

(a) A local unit of government may not prohibit the possession, transportation, or use of cannabis flower, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products authorized under this chapter.

(b) ~~Except as provided~~ In addition to the registration of cannabis microbusinesses, cannabis mezzobusinesses, cannabis retailers, and medical cannabis combination businesses as provided in section 342.22, a local unit of government may not prohibit the retail sale of cannabis flower, cannabis products, or hemp-derived consumer products and the establishment or operation of a cannabis business or hemp business licensed under this chapter microbusinesses with a retail operations endorsement, cannabis mezzobusinesses with a retail operations endorsement, cannabis retailers, and medical cannabis combination businesses operating retail locations.

(c) A local unit of government may adopt reasonable restrictions on the time, place, and manner of the operation of a cannabis business provided that such restrictions do not prohibit the establishment or operation of cannabis businesses. A local unit of government may prohibit the operation of a cannabis business within 1,000 feet of a school, or 500 feet of a day care, residential treatment facility, or an attraction within a public park that is regularly used by minors, including a playground or athletic field.

(d) The office shall work with local units of government to:

(1) develop model ordinances for reasonable restrictions on the time, place, and manner of the operation of a cannabis business;

(2) develop standardized forms and procedures for the issuance of a retail registration pursuant to section 342.22; and

(3) develop model policies and procedures for the performance of compliance checks required under section 342.22.

(e) If a local unit of government is conducting studies or has authorized a study to be conducted or has held or has scheduled a hearing for the purpose of considering adoption or amendment of reasonable restrictions on the time, place, and manner of the operation of a cannabis business, the governing body of the local unit of government may adopt an interim ordinance applicable to all or part of its jurisdiction for the purpose of protecting the planning process and the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens. Before adopting the interim ordinance, the governing body must hold a public hearing. The interim ordinance may regulate, restrict, or prohibit the operation of a cannabis business within the jurisdiction or a portion thereof ~~until January 1, 2025~~ for two years from the date on which the ordinance was adopted.

(f) Within 30 days of receiving a copy of an application from the office, a local unit of government shall certify on a form provided by the office whether a proposed cannabis business complies with local zoning ordinances and, if applicable, whether the proposed business complies with the state fire code and building code. The office may not issue a license if the local unit of government informs the office that the cannabis business does not meet local zoning and land use laws. If the local unit of government does not provide the certification to the office within 30 days of receiving a copy of an application from the office, the office may issue a license.

(g) The office by rule shall establish an expedited complaint process to receive, review, and respond to complaints made by a local unit of government about a cannabis business. At a minimum, the expedited complaint process shall require the office to provide an initial response to the complaint within seven days and perform any necessary inspections within 30 days. Nothing in this paragraph prohibits a local unit of government from enforcing a local ordinance. If a local unit of government notifies the office that a cannabis business other than a cannabis retailer, cannabis microbusiness or cannabis mezzobusiness with a retail operations endorsement, lower-potency hemp edible retailer, or medical cannabis combination business operating a retail location poses an immediate threat to the health or safety of the public, the office must respond within one business day and may take any action described in section 342.19 or 342.21.

(h) A local government unit that issues a cannabis retailer registration under section 342.22 may, by ordinance, limit the number of licensed cannabis retailers, cannabis mezzobusinesses with a retail operations endorsement, and cannabis microbusinesses with a retail operations endorsement to no fewer than one registration for every 12,500 residents.

(i) If a county has one active registration for every 12,500 residents, a city or town within the county is not obligated to register a cannabis business.

(j) Nothing in this section shall prohibit a local government unit from allowing licensed cannabis retailers in excess of the minimums set in paragraph (h).

(k) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, the state shall not issue a license to any cannabis business to operate in Indian country, as defined in United States Code, title 18, section 1151, of a Minnesota Tribal government without the consent of the Tribal government."

Page 58, after line 4, insert:

"Sec. 71. **LICENSE PREAPPROVAL; REIMBURSEMENT OF APPLICATION FEE.**

The Office of Cannabis Management must reimburse any application fee paid by a person who received license preapproval pursuant to Laws 2024, chapter 121, article 2, section 148, or a cannabis business license if:

(1) the person engaged in, or intended to engage in, the retail sale of cannabis flower, cannabis products, or hemp-derived consumer products from a cannabis microbusiness with a retail operations endorsement, cannabis mezzobusiness with a retail operations endorsement, cannabis retailer, or medical cannabis combination businesses operating retail location;

(2) a local unit of government either:

(i) prohibited the operation of cannabis businesses or the retail sale of cannabis flower, cannabis products, or hemp-derived consumer products in the location where the business was located or intended to locate; or

(ii) adopted an interim ordinance after January 1, 2025, prohibiting the operation of cannabis businesses in the location where the business was located or intended to locate; and

(3) the person identified the location where the business operated or intended to operate to the Office of Cannabis Management before the local unit of government took any action described in clause (2)."

Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

Amend the title accordingly

### CALL OF THE SENATE

Senator Dibble imposed a call of the Senate for the balance of the proceedings on S.F. No. 2370. The Sergeant at Arms was instructed to bring in the absent members.

The question was taken on the adoption of the Nelson (A12) amendment.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 29 and nays 34, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Drazkowski	Howe	Limmer	Rarick
Anderson	Duckworth	Jasinski	Lucero	Rasmusson
Coleman	Farnsworth	Johnson	Mathews	Utke
Dahms	Green	Koran	Miller	Weber
Dornink	Gruenhagen	Kreun	Nelson	Westrom
Draheim	Housley	Lang	Pratt	

Those who voted in the negative were:

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

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Fateh and Rest.

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

Senator Nelson moved to amend S.F. No. 2370 as follows (A13):

Page 26, after line 1, insert:

"Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.06, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Approval of cannabis flower and products.** (a) For the purposes of this section, "product category" means a type of product that may be sold in different sizes, distinct packaging, or at various prices but is still created using the same manufacturing or agricultural processes. A new or additional stock keeping unit (SKU) or Universal Product Code (UPC) shall not prevent a product from being considered the same type as another unit. All other terms have the meanings provided in section 342.01.

(b) The office shall approve product categories of cannabis flower, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, and hemp-derived consumer products for retail sale.

(c) The office may establish limits on the total THC of cannabis flower, cannabis products, and hemp-derived consumer products. As used in this paragraph, "total THC" means the sum of the percentage by weight of tetrahydrocannabinolic acid multiplied by 0.877 plus the percentage by weight of all tetrahydrocannabinols.

(d) The office shall not approve any cannabis product, lower-potency hemp edible, or hemp-derived consumer product that:

(1) is or appears to be a lollipop or ice cream;

(2) bears the likeness or contains characteristics of a real or fictional person, animal, or fruit;

(3) is modeled after a type or brand of products primarily consumed by or marketed to children;

(4) is substantively similar to a meat food product; poultry food product as defined in section 31A.02, subdivision 10; or a dairy product as defined in section 32D.01, subdivision 7;

(5) contains a synthetic cannabinoid;

(6) is made by applying a cannabinoid, including but not limited to an artificially derived cannabinoid, to a finished food product that does not contain cannabinoids and is sold to consumers, including but not limited to a candy or snack food; or

(7) if the product is an edible cannabis product or lower-potency hemp edible, contains an ingredient, other than a cannabinoid, that is not approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for use in food;

(8) if the product is an inhaled natural or synthetic product, contains an added flavor such as fruit, mint, menthol, vanilla, chocolate, spice, or another common food flavor; or

(9) has images or language that could lead consumers to believe that the product has a flavor other than the flavor of cannabis."

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 19 and nays 46, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Duckworth	Housley	Limmer	Rasmusson
Coleman	Farnsworth	Howe	Mann	Utke
Dahms	Green	Johnson	Nelson	Weber
Dornink	Gruenhagen	Kupec	Pratt	

Those who voted in the negative were:

Anderson	Fateh	Kunesh	Mitchell	Seeberger
Bahr	Frentz	Lang	Mohamed	Wesenberg
Boldon	Gustafson	Latz	Murphy	Westlin
Carlson	Hauschild	Lieske	Oumou Verbeten	Westrom
Champion	Hawj	Lucero	Pappas	Wiklund
Clark	Hoffman	Marty	Pha	Xiong
Cwodzinski	Johnson Stewart	Mathews	Port	
Dibble	Klein	Maye Quade	Putnam	
Draheim	Koran	McEwen	Rarick	
Drazkowski	Kreun	Miller	Rest	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Fateh and Rest.

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

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

Senator Abeler moved to amend S.F. No. 2370 as follows (A14):

Page 47, after line 18, insert:

"(e) This subdivision does not apply to sober homes under section 254B.181."

The motion prevailed. So the amendment was adopted.

Senator Gruenhagen moved to amend S.F. No. 2370 as follows (A15):

Page 26, after line 1, insert:

"Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.09, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Personal adult use, possession, and transportation of cannabis flower and cannabinoid products.** (a) An individual 21 years of age or older may:

- (1) use, possess, or transport cannabis paraphernalia;
- (2) possess or transport two ounces or less of adult-use cannabis flower in a public place;
- (3) possess two pounds or less of adult-use cannabis flower in the individual's private residence;
- (4) possess or transport eight grams or less of adult-use cannabis concentrate;
- (5) possess or transport edible cannabis products or lower-potency hemp edibles infused with a combined total of 800 milligrams or less of tetrahydrocannabinol;
- (6) give for no remuneration to an individual who is at least 21 years of age:
  - (i) two ounces or less of adult-use cannabis flower;
  - (ii) eight grams or less of adult-use cannabis concentrate; or



(iii) an edible cannabis product or lower-potency hemp edible infused with 800 milligrams or less of tetrahydrocannabinol; and

(7) use adult-use cannabis flower and adult-use cannabis products in the following locations:

(i) a private residence, including the individual's curtilage or yard;

(ii) on private property, not generally accessible by the public, unless the individual is explicitly prohibited from consuming cannabis flower, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products on the property by the owner of the property; or

(iii) on the premises of an establishment or event licensed to permit on-site consumption.

(b) Except as provided in paragraph (c), an individual may not:

(1) use, possess, or transport cannabis flower, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products if the individual is under 21 years of age;

(2) use cannabis flower, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products in a motor vehicle as defined in section 169A.03, subdivision 15;

(3) use cannabis flower, cannabis products, or hemp-derived consumer products in a manner that involves the inhalation of smoke, aerosol, or vapor at any location where smoking is prohibited under section 144.414;

(4) use or possess cannabis flower, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products ~~in~~ within 1,000 feet of a public school, as defined in section 120A.05, subdivisions 9, 11, and 13, or ~~in~~ within 1,000 feet of a charter school governed by chapter 124E, including all facilities, whether owned, rented, or leased, and all vehicles that a school district owns, leases, rents, contracts for, or controls;

(5) use or possess cannabis flower, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products in a state correctional facility;

(6) operate a motor vehicle while under the influence of cannabis flower, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products;

(7) give for no remuneration cannabis flower, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products to an individual under 21 years of age;

(8) give for no remuneration cannabis flower or cannabis products as a sample or promotional gift if the giver is in the business of selling goods or services; or

(9) vaporize or smoke cannabis flower, cannabis products, artificially derived cannabinoids, or hemp-derived consumer products in any location where the smoke, aerosol, or vapor would be inhaled by a minor.

(c) The prohibitions under paragraph (b), clauses (1) to (4), do not apply to use other than by smoking or by a vaporized delivery method, possession, or transportation of medical cannabis flower

or medical cannabinoid products by a patient; a registered designated caregiver; or a parent, legal guardian, or spouse of a patient.

(d) The possession limits in paragraph (a), clauses (2) to (5), do not apply to a person enrolled in the medical cannabis patient registry program under section 342.52 if the person possesses cannabis flower or cannabinoid products that include patient-specific labeling according to sections 342.51, subdivision 2, and 342.63, subdivision 4.

(e) A proprietor of a family or group family day care program must disclose to parents or guardians of children cared for on the premises of the family or group family day care program, if the proprietor permits the smoking or use of cannabis flower, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products on the premises outside of its hours of operation. Disclosure must include posting on the premises a conspicuous written notice and orally informing parents or guardians. Cannabis flower or cannabis products must be inaccessible to children and stored away from food products."

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 27 and nays 39, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Drazkowski	Howe	Mathews	Utke
Anderson	Duckworth	Jasinski	Miller	Weber
Coleman	Farnsworth	Johnson	Nelson	Westrom
Dahms	Green	Lang	Pratt	
Dornink	Gruenhagen	Limmer	Rarick	
Draheim	Housley	Lucero	Rasmusson	

Those who voted in the negative were:

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

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Hauschild cast the negative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Fateh and Rest.

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

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

S.F. No. 2370 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	Kunesh	Mitchell	Putnam
Carlson	Gustafson	Kupec	Mohamed	Rest
Champion	Hauschild	Latz	Murphy	Seeberger
Clark	Hawj	Mann	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin
Cwodzinski	Hoffman	Marty	Pappas	Wiklund
Dibble	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Pha	Xiong
Fateh	Klein	McEwen	Port	

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

Those who voted in the negative were:

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

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

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

### SPECIAL ORDER

**S.F. No. 2511:** A bill for an act relating to liquor; authorizing various municipalities to issue liquor licenses; modifying certain requirements of liquor licenses issued to the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota; modifying wine transfer provisions; establishing a social district license; establishing a food truck license pilot program; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 340A.404, subdivisions 2b, 4a; 340A.412, subdivision 4; 340A.417; Laws 2017, First Special Session chapter 4, article 5, section 12; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 340A.

S.F. No. 2511 was read the third time and placed on its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill.

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

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Bahr	Drazkowski	Jasinski	Limmer	Pappas
Boldon	Duckworth	Johnson Stewart	Mann	Pha
Carlson	Farnsworth	Klein	Marty	Port
Champion	Fateh	Koran	Maye Quade	Pratt
Clark	Frentz	Kreun	McEwen	Putnam
Coleman	Gustafson	Kunesh	Miller	Rarick
Cwodzinski	Hauschild	Kupec	Mitchell	Seeberger
Dahms	Hawj	Lang	Murphy	Weber
Dibble	Hoffman	Latz	Nelson	Wesenberg
Draheim	Housley	Lieske	Oumou Verbeten	Westlin

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

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

Those who voted in the negative were:

Abeler	Green	Johnson	Rasmusson
Anderson	Gruenhagen	Lucero	Rest
Dornink	Howe	Mathews	Utke

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

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

### SPECIAL ORDER

**H.F. No. 1163:** A bill for an act relating to public safety; clarifying the scope of the hometown heroes assistance program; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 299A.477, subdivision 2.

H.F. No. 1163 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 66 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

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

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

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

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

**RECESS**

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

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

**MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS - CONTINUED**

Without objection, remaining on the Order of Business of Motions and Resolutions, the Senate reverted to the Orders of Business of Reports of Committees and Second Reading of Senate Bills.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

Senator Murphy moved that the Committee Reports at the Desk be now adopted, with the exception of the reports on S.F. Nos. 1393 and 2068. The motion prevailed.

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

**S.F. No. 1393:** A bill for an act relating to energy; providing for data center energy generation redundancy; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 116D.04, subdivision 4a; 216B.02, by adding subdivisions; 216B.243, subdivision 8; 216I.02, by adding a subdivision; 216I.07, subdivisions 2, 3.

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

Pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4, the bill was referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

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

**S.F. No. 2068:** A bill for an act relating to public safety; extending the length of driver's license revocations related to certain offenses; modifying the length of time certain individuals must participate in the ignition interlock program; requiring all ignition interlock participants to complete a treatment or rehabilitation program before reinstatement of full driving privileges; imposing criminal penalties for ignition interlock program participants who operate vehicles not equipped with an interlock device; making criminal vehicular homicide offenders eligible for the ignition interlock program; providing for judicial review of an extension of a person's driver's license revocation for a violation of the ignition interlock program; modifying how license plates are impounded and reissued under the DWI law; expanding the time period that a temporary driver's license issued after a DWI is valid; modifying the exception to the DWI vehicle forfeiture law relating to drivers who become ignition interlock device program participants; providing criminal penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 169A.37, subdivision 1; 169A.52, subdivisions 3, 4, 7; 169A.54, subdivision 1; 169A.60, subdivisions 4, 5, 6; 169A.63, subdivision 13; 171.177, subdivisions 4, 5; 171.187, subdivision 3; 171.19; 171.306, subdivisions 1, 4, 5, 6; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 171; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 169A.54, subdivisions 2, 3, 4; 169A.55, subdivisions 4, 5; 171.17, subdivision 4.

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

Page 12, line 8, after "(2)" insert "or (9), for conviction of an offense in another state that would be grounds for revocation in this state under section 169A.54, subdivision 1"

Page 15, line 4, after "two" insert "or more" and delete the second "or"

Page 15, line 5, after the second comma, insert "or" and delete ", or 6"

Page 15, line 6, after the semicolon, insert "or"

Page 15, after line 6, insert:

"(iii) subdivision 6 when the violation resulted in bodily harm or substantial bodily harm to another and the person has three or more qualified prior impaired driving incidents;"

Page 15, line 12, after "two" insert "or more"

Page 16, line 23, after "of" insert "the date on"

Page 16, line 24, after "commissioner's" insert "notice of" and delete "determination"

Page 16, after line 32, insert:

"Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 171.24, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Driving after revocation; misdemeanor penalties.** (a) A person is guilty of a misdemeanor if:

(1) the person's driver's license or driving privilege has been revoked;

(2) the person has been given notice of or reasonably should know of the revocation; and

(3) the person disobeys the order by operating in this state any motor vehicle, the operation of which requires a driver's license, while the person's license or privilege is revoked.

(b) A person who violates paragraph (a) is guilty of a gross misdemeanor if the person is prohibited from operating a motor vehicle unless the person participates in the ignition interlock device program.

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

Page 17, line 12, after "(10)" insert "; 171.17, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clause (9), for conviction of an offense in another state that would be grounds for revocation in this state under section 169A.54, subdivision 1"

Page 18, line 22, strike "or"

Page 18, after line 22, insert:

"(iii) 171.17, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clause (9), for conviction of an offense in another state that would be grounds for revocation in this state under section 169A.54, subdivision 1; or"

Page 18, line 23, delete "(iii)" and insert "(iv)"

Reorder the sections in sequence

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 6, delete everything after "penalties" and insert "on certain persons"

Amend the title numbers accordingly

And when so amended the bill do pass.

Pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4, the bill was referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

**Senator Marty from the Committee on Finance, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 2082:** A bill for an act relating to transportation; establishing a budget for transportation; appropriating money for transportation purposes, including Department of Transportation, Department of Public Safety, and Metropolitan Council activities; modifying various transportation policy provisions relating to drivers' licenses, traffic safety, speed limits, the Advisory Council on Traffic Safety, cost participation policy development, commercial drivers' instructional permits, autonomous mower research, electronic aircraft attestation, pedestrian citations, work zone safety incorporated into driver's education and driver's examination, reintegration drivers' licenses, resilient pavement and asset sustainability programming, courtesy use of dealer plates and extension of expiration for certain temporary license plates, driver's license agents and deputy registrars, and various project development and design policies for the Department of Transportation State Aid for Local Transportation Office; delaying the effective date of when a motorcycle may lane filter and removing the authorization to split lanes; modifying various transportation finance policy provisions; increasing the surcharge for all-electric vehicles and instituting a surcharge for plug-in hybrid vehicles, all-electric motorcycles, and plug-in hybrid electric vehicles; requiring rulemaking; repealing state-aid design standards and certain provisions related to state-aid design variances; requiring reports; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 4.076, subdivisions 4, 5; 16A.88, subdivision 1a; 160.165; 161.045; 161.088, subdivision 2; 161.115, subdivision 177; 161.14, by adding a subdivision; 162.02, subdivision 3a, by adding subdivisions; 162.09, subdivision 3a, by adding subdivisions; 162.155; 168.013, subdivision 1m, by adding subdivisions; 168.091; 168.27, subdivision 16; 168.33, subdivision 7; 168A.10, by adding a subdivision; 168A.11, subdivision 1; 169.011, subdivision 36, by adding subdivisions; 169.06, subdivisions 5, 6; 169.09, subdivision 8; 169.14, by adding subdivisions; 169.21, subdivision 3; 169.71, subdivision 4a; 171.01, by adding a subdivision; 171.05, subdivision 1; 171.0605, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision; 171.061, subdivision 4; 171.0701, by adding a subdivision; 171.0705, by adding a subdivision; 171.071, subdivision 2; 171.13, subdivisions 1, 7; 171.17, subdivision 1; 171.301, subdivisions 5, 6; 171.306, subdivision 8; 174.03, by adding subdivisions; 174.53; 174.634, subdivision 2; 174.75, subdivisions 2, 2a; 297A.94; 299A.55, subdivisions 2, 4; 360.511, by adding subdivisions; 360.55, subdivisions 4, 4a, 8, 9, by adding a subdivision; 473.129, by adding a subdivision; 473.13, subdivisions 1, 6; 473.142; 473.1425;

473.386, subdivision 10; 473.408, by adding a subdivision; 473.412, subdivision 3; 473.4465, by adding a subdivision; Laws 2020, Fifth Special Session chapter 3, article 1, section 16, subdivision 34; Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 5, article 1, section 2, subdivision 2, as amended; Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 14, article 11, section 45; Laws 2023, chapter 60, article 10, section 9; Laws 2023, chapter 68, article 1, sections 2, subdivisions 2, 3; 4, subdivision 5; article 2, section 2, subdivision 9, as amended; article 4, section 109; Laws 2024, chapter 127, article 1, sections 2, subdivision 3; 4, subdivision 3; article 3, section 61; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 137; 160; 161; 162; 171; 174; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 473.452; Laws 2019, First Special Session chapter 3, article 2, section 34, as amended; Minnesota Rules, parts 8820.2500; 8820.3300, subparts 1, 1a, 3, 4; 8820.3400; 8820.9926, subpart 1; 8820.9936; 8820.9946; 8820.9956; 8820.9995.

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

Page 2, line 36, delete "4,931,001,000" and insert "4,935,074,000" and delete "4,035,169,000" and insert "4,041,745,000"

Page 2, line 39, delete "40,018,000" and insert "40,063,000"

Page 3, line 2, delete "1,110,688,000" and insert "1,113,878,000" and delete "1,142,263,000" and insert "1,147,471,000"

Page 3, line 3, delete "281,906,000" and insert "282,744,000" and delete "288,221,000" and insert "289,589,000"

Page 4, line 22, delete the first "18,376,000" and insert "18,421,000"

Page 4, after line 22, insert:

"\$50,000 in each year is for grants to the city of Rochester to implement demand response transit service using electric transit vehicles. The money is available for mobile software application development; vehicles and equipment, including accessible vehicles; associated charging infrastructure; and capital and operating costs.

\$45,000 in fiscal year 2026 is for a grant to the city of Chatfield for the next phase of development of a transportation management organization in southeastern Minnesota. This appropriation is for: (1) the development of organizational structure, including staffing, an oversight committee, and responsibilities of the host organization; and (2) community outreach and education. Up to \$1,000 of the appropriation is for related administrative costs for the city of Chatfield.



Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.98, subdivision 14, the commissioner must not use any amount of this appropriation for administrative costs. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2027."

Page 5, after line 3, insert:

"\$4,754,000 in each year is for a match to federal aid for capital and operating costs for expanded Amtrak train service between Minneapolis and St. Paul and Chicago."

Page 5, after line 10, insert:

"\$1,001,000 in each year is from the general fund for staff, operating costs, and maintenance related to weight and safety enforcement systems."

Page 5, after line 12, insert:

"\$248,000 in each year is for living snow fence implementation and maintenance activities."

\$300,000 in each year is for rumble strips under Minnesota Statutes, section 161.1258.

\$1,000,000 in each year is for landscaping improvements located within trunk highway rights-of-way, with prioritization of tree planting as feasible.

\$105,000 in each year is for the cost of staff time to coordinate with the Public Utilities Commission relating to placement of high voltage transmission lines along trunk highways."

Page 5, lines 27 and 30, delete "available"

Page 6, lines 1 and 24, delete "available"

Page 6, after line 22, insert:

"\$2,000,000 in each year is from the general fund for implementation of climate-related programs as provided under the federal

Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act,  
Public Law 117-58."

Page 7, line 7, delete "of fiscal years 2026 and" and insert "year"

Page 7, line 8, delete "2027"

Page 9, line 18, delete "1,110,688,000" and insert "1,113,878,000" and delete "1,142,263,000" and insert "1,147,471,000"

Page 10, line 12, delete "281,906,000" and insert "282,744,000" and delete "288,221,000" and insert "289,589,000"

Page 11, line 8, delete "of fiscal years 2026 and" and insert "year"

Page 11, line 9, delete "2027"

Page 11, line 18, delete "of fiscal years 2026 and" and insert "year"

Page 11, line 19, delete "2027"

Page 12, after line 21, insert:

"\$191,000 in each year is from the general fund for staff costs for the electric vehicle infrastructure program under Minnesota Statutes, section 174.47.

\$900,000 in each year is from the general fund for the Tribal affairs construction workforce training program.

\$4,000,000 in each year is from the general fund for information technology projects and implementation.

\$243,000 in each year is from the general fund for complete streets implementation training under Minnesota Statutes, section 174.75, subdivision 2a."

Page 16, after line 7, insert:

"\$1,483,000 in each year is from the general fund for staff and operating costs related to public engagement activities."

Page 17, after line 19, insert:

"\$1,700,000 in each year is from the trunk highway fund for staff and equipment costs of pilots for the State Patrol."

Page 17, after line 23, insert:

"\$352,000 in each year is from the trunk highway fund to support the State Patrol's accreditation process under the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies."

Page 17, after line 27, insert:

"\$5,248,000 in each year is for a match for federal grants for additional troopers and nonsworn commercial vehicle inspectors."

Page 18, after line 29, insert:

"\$120,000 in each year is for reimbursement to driver's license agents for the purchase and maintenance of equipment necessary for a full-service provider, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 171.01, subdivision 33a, following application to the commissioner."

\$109,000 in each year is for staff costs to manage, review, and audit online driver education programs.

\$81,000 in each year is for implementation of race and ethnicity information collection from applicants for drivers' licenses and identification cards.

\$5,567,000 in each year is to staff, maintain, and operate driver's license examination stations. The commissioner must keep open all driver's license examination stations that are open on the effective date of this section."

Page 19, after line 8, insert:

"\$192,000 in each year is for staff costs related to monitoring and auditing records issued by full-service providers."

\$1,300,000 in each year is for staff and operating costs related to additional vehicle inspection sites.

\$96,000 in each year is for the appeals process for information technology system data access revocations, including costs of staff and equipment."

Page 20, after line 4, insert:

"\$98,000 in each year is from the general fund to coordinate a statewide traffic safety equity program, including staff costs."

Page 20, after line 11, insert:

"\$560,000 in each year is from the general fund for staff and operating costs related to oversight of the excavation notice system under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 216D, including education, investigation, and enforcement activities."

Page 20, after line 19, insert:

"(c) \$45,000 of the appropriation in fiscal year 2024 from the general fund for grants to the city of Chatfield to develop a transportation management organization in southeastern Minnesota under Laws 2023, chapter 68, article 1, section 9, paragraph (d), is canceled to the general fund."

Page 21, delete section 7

Page 44, delete section 19

Page 47, after line 30, insert:

"Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 13.6905, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. **Driver's license photograph; exceptions.** Allowing headwear or a medically required covering in a driver's license photograph or allowing driver's license identification other than a photograph, under certain circumstances, are governed under section 171.071.

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

Page 48, line 21, delete "partnerships on" and insert "partnership support and assistance for"

Page 48, line 22, delete "and provide support and assistance for" and insert "in"

Page 50, line 24, delete "paragraph (b)" and insert "paragraphs (b) and (c)" and delete "small business and technical assistance"

Page 55, line 17, delete everything after "identifies" and insert "all potential options with the purpose of narrowing the number of alternatives to those that should be evaluated in the environmental impact statement"

Page 55, line 18, delete "built"

Page 57, line 3, delete everything after "42" and insert ", chapter 55"

Page 57, line 4, delete "seq"

Page 65, line 10, after "section" insert "16A.88,"

Page 65, line 11, delete "297A.815,"

Page 79, line 6, delete "5l" and insert "5k"

Page 80, delete section 39 and insert:

"Sec. 40. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 169A.55, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

**Subd. 5. Reinstatement of driving privileges; certain criminal vehicular operation offenses.** A person whose driver's license has been revoked under section 171.17, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clause ~~(1)~~ (2) (revocation, criminal vehicular operation), or suspended under section 171.187 (suspension, criminal vehicular operation), for a violation of section 609.2113, subdivision 1, clause (2), item (i) or (iii), (3), or (4), subdivision 2, clause (2), item (i) or (ii), (3), or (4), or subdivision 3, clause (2), item (i) or (iii), (3), or (4); or section 609.2114, subdivision 2, clause (2), item (i) or (iii) (criminal vehicular operation, alcohol-related provisions), resulting in bodily harm, substantial bodily harm, or great bodily harm, shall not be eligible for reinstatement of driving privileges until the person has submitted to the commissioner verification of the use of ignition interlock for the applicable time period specified in those sections. To be eligible for reinstatement under this subdivision, a person shall utilize an ignition interlock device that meets the performance standards and certification requirements under subdivision 4, paragraph (c)."

Page 90, after line 13, insert:

"Sec. 52. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 171.2405, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

**Subdivision 1. Establishment.** (a) A city or county may establish a license reinstatement diversion program for holders of class D drivers' licenses who have been charged with violating section 171.24, subdivision 1 or 2. An individual charged with driving after revocation under section 171.24, subdivision 2, is eligible for diversion only if the revocation was due to a violation of section 169.791; 169.797; 169A.52; 169A.54; 171.17, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clause ~~(6)~~ (7); or 171.177. An individual who is a holder of a commercial driver's license or who has committed an offense in a commercial motor vehicle is not eligible to participate in the diversion program. Nothing in this section authorizes the issuance of a driver's license to a diversion program participant during the underlying suspension or revocation period at issue in the violation of section 171.24, subdivision 1 or 2.

(b) Notwithstanding any law or ordinance to the contrary, a city or county may contract with a third party to create and administer the diversion program under this section. Any participating city or county, at its own expense, may request an audit of the administrator.

(c) For purposes of this section, "administrator" means the city, county, or administrator of the program.

Sec. 53. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 171.301, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Conditions of issuance.** (a) The commissioner may issue a reintegration driver's license to any person:

(1) who is 18 years of age or older;

(2) who has been released from a period of at least 180 consecutive days of confinement or incarceration in:

(i) an adult correctional facility under the control of the commissioner of corrections or licensed by the commissioner of corrections under section 241.021;

(ii) a federal correctional facility for adults; or

(iii) an adult correctional facility operated under the control or supervision of any other state; and

(3) whose license has been suspended or revoked under the circumstances listed in section 171.30, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clauses (1) to (4), for a violation that occurred before the individual was incarcerated for the period described in clause (2).

(b) If the person's driver's license or permit to drive has been revoked under section 169.792 or 169.797, the commissioner may only issue a reintegration driver's license to the person after the person has presented an insurance identification card, policy, or written statement indicating that the driver or owner has insurance coverage satisfactory to the commissioner.

(c) If the person's driver's license or permit to drive has been suspended under section 171.186, the commissioner may only issue a reintegration driver's license to the person after the commissioner receives notice of a court order provided pursuant to section 518A.65, paragraph (e), showing that the person's driver's license or operating privileges should no longer be suspended.

(d) If the person's driver's license has been revoked under section 171.17, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clause (1) or (2), the commissioner may only issue a reintegration driver's license to the person after the person has completed the applicable revocation period.

(e) The commissioner must not issue a reintegration driver's license:

(1) to any person described in section 171.04, subdivision 1, clause (7), (8), (10), or (11);

(2) to any person described in section 169A.55, subdivision 5;

(3) if the person has committed a violation after the person was released from custody that results in the suspension, revocation, or cancellation of a driver's license, including suspension for nonpayment of child support or maintenance payments as described in section 171.186, subdivision 1; or

(4) if the issuance would conflict with the requirements of the nonresident violator compact.

(f) The commissioner must not issue a class A, class B, or class C reintegration driver's license."

Page 91, after line 4, insert:

"Sec. 56. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 171.306, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) As used in this section, the terms in this subdivision have the meanings given them.

(b) "Ignition interlock device" or "device" means equipment that is designed to measure breath alcohol concentration and to prevent a motor vehicle's ignition from being started by a person whose breath alcohol concentration measures 0.02 or higher on the equipment.

(c) "Location tracking capabilities" means the ability of an electronic or wireless device to identify and transmit its geographic location through the operation of the device.

(d) "Program participant" means a person who has qualified to take part in the ignition interlock program under this section, and whose driver's license has been:

(1) revoked, canceled, or denied under section 169A.52; 169A.54; 171.04, subdivision 1, clause (10); or 171.177; or

(2) revoked under section 171.17, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clause ~~(1)~~ (2), or suspended under section 171.187, for a violation of section 609.2113, subdivision 1, clause (2), item (i) or (iii), (3), or (4); subdivision 2, clause (2), item (i) or (iii), (3), or (4); or subdivision 3, clause (2), item (i) or (iii), (3), or (4); or 609.2114, subdivision 2, clause (2), item (i) or (iii), (3), or (4), resulting in bodily harm, substantial bodily harm, or great bodily harm.

(e) "Qualified prior impaired driving incident" has the meaning given in section 169A.03, subdivision 22.

Sec. 57. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 171.306, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Issuance of restricted license.** (a) The commissioner shall issue a class D driver's license, subject to the applicable limitations and restrictions of this section, to a program participant who meets the requirements of this section and the program guidelines. The commissioner shall not issue a license unless the program participant has provided satisfactory proof that:

(1) a certified ignition interlock device has been installed on the participant's motor vehicle at an installation service center designated by the device's manufacturer; and

(2) the participant has insurance coverage on the vehicle equipped with the ignition interlock device. If the participant has previously been convicted of violating section 169.791, 169.793, or

169.797 or the participant's license has previously been suspended, revoked, or canceled under section 169.792 or 169.797, the commissioner shall require the participant to present an insurance identification card that is certified by the insurance company to be noncancelable for a period not to exceed 12 months.

(b) A license issued under authority of this section must contain a restriction prohibiting the program participant from driving, operating, or being in physical control of any motor vehicle not equipped with a functioning ignition interlock device certified by the commissioner. A participant may drive an employer-owned vehicle not equipped with an interlock device while in the normal course and scope of employment duties pursuant to the program guidelines established by the commissioner and with the employer's written consent.

(c) A program participant whose driver's license has been: (1) revoked under section 169A.52, subdivision 3, paragraph (a), clause (1), (2), or (3), or subdivision 4, paragraph (a), clause (1), (2), or (3); 169A.54, subdivision 1, clause (1), (2), (3), or (4); or 171.177, subdivision 4, paragraph (a), clause (1), (2), or (3), or subdivision 5, paragraph (a), clause (1), (2), or (3); or (2) revoked under section 171.17, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clause ~~(1)~~ (2), or suspended under section 171.187, for a violation of section 609.2113, subdivision 1, clause (2), item (i) or (iii), (3), or (4); subdivision 2, clause (2), item (i) or (iii), (3), or (4); or subdivision 3, clause (2), item (i) or (iii), (3), or (4); or 609.2114, subdivision 2, clause (2), item (i) or (iii), (3), or (4), resulting in bodily harm, substantial bodily harm, or great bodily harm, where the participant has fewer than two qualified prior impaired driving incidents within the past ten years or fewer than three qualified prior impaired driving incidents ever; may apply for conditional reinstatement of the driver's license, subject to the ignition interlock restriction.

(d) A program participant whose driver's license has been: (1) revoked, canceled, or denied under section 169A.52, subdivision 3, paragraph (a), clause (4), (5), or (6), or subdivision 4, paragraph (a), clause (4), (5), or (6); 169A.54, subdivision 1, clause (5), (6), or (7); or 171.177, subdivision 4, paragraph (a), clause (4), (5), or (6), or subdivision 5, paragraph (a), clause (4), (5), or (6); or (2) revoked under section 171.17, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clause ~~(1)~~ (2), or suspended under section 171.187, for a violation of section 609.2113, subdivision 1, clause (2), item (i) or (iii), (3), or (4); subdivision 2, clause (2), item (i) or (iii), (3), or (4); or subdivision 3, clause (2), item (i) or (iii), (3), or (4); or 609.2114, subdivision 2, clause (2), item (i) or (iii), (3), or (4), resulting in bodily harm, substantial bodily harm, or great bodily harm, where the participant has two or more qualified prior impaired driving incidents within the past ten years or three or more qualified prior impaired driving incidents ever; may apply for conditional reinstatement of the driver's license, subject to the ignition interlock restriction, if the program participant is enrolled in a licensed substance use disorder treatment or rehabilitation program as recommended in a chemical use assessment. As a prerequisite to eligibility for eventual reinstatement of full driving privileges, a participant whose chemical use assessment recommended treatment or rehabilitation shall complete a licensed substance use disorder treatment or rehabilitation program. If the program participant's ignition interlock device subsequently registers a positive breath alcohol concentration of 0.02 or higher, the commissioner shall extend the time period that the participant must participate in the program until the participant has reached the required abstinence period described in section 169A.55, subdivision 4.

(e) Notwithstanding any statute or rule to the contrary, the commissioner has authority to determine when a program participant is eligible for restoration of full driving privileges, except that the commissioner shall not reinstate full driving privileges until the program participant has



met all applicable prerequisites for reinstatement under section 169A.55 and until the program participant's device has registered no positive breath alcohol concentrations of 0.02 or higher during the preceding 90 days."

Page 92, line 17, after "year" insert "beginning in fiscal year 2030"

Page 92, line 23, delete "2027" and insert "2031"

Page 92, line 24, delete "2029" and insert "2033"

Page 92, line 25, delete "2031" and insert "2035"

Page 92, after line 28, insert:

**"EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2029."**

Page 96, line 17, after "metrics" insert "with available data"

Page 96, line 18, after "mobility" insert "and accessibility"

Page 114, line 27, after the first "to" insert "make a zero-interest"

Page 121, line 20, delete "project design" and insert "concept"

Page 123, line 5, delete the comma and insert "as appropriate, including"

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title numbers accordingly

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

### **Senator Marty from the Committee on Finance, to which was re-referred**

**S.F. No. 1832:** A bill for an act relating to state government; establishing a biennial budget for jobs, labor, and economic development; appropriating money for the Department of Employment and Economic Development, Department of Labor and Industry, Bureau of Mediation Services, and Workers' Compensation Court of Appeals; modifying economic development provisions; modifying Explore Minnesota provisions; making labor policy changes; modifying provisions governing the certification of underground telecommunications installers; creating accounts; requiring reports; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 116J.431, subdivision 2; 116J.659, subdivisions 4, 5; 116J.8733, subdivision 4; 116J.8752, subdivision 2; 116L.04, subdivisions 1, 1a; 116L.05, subdivision 5; 116L.98, subdivision 2; 116M.18, subdivision 3; 116U.05; 116U.06; 116U.15; 116U.30; 116U.35; 177.253, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 177.254, subdivisions 1, 2, by adding a subdivision; 177.27, subdivision 5; 248.07, subdivisions 7, 8; 268.085, subdivision 15; 268.184, subdivision 1; 326B.103, by adding subdivisions; 326B.184, subdivisions 1a, 2; 326B.198, subdivisions 2, 3; 326B.31, subdivision 29; 326B.33, subdivision 21; 326B.37, subdivisions 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, by adding a subdivision; 326B.49, subdivisions 2, 3; 326B.986, subdivision 9; 327.31, by adding a subdivision; 327.32, subdivisions 1a, 1e, 7; 327.33, subdivisions 1, 2, 2a, 2b, 2c, by adding subdivisions; 327B.01, subdivisions 1, 7, 19, by adding subdivisions; 327B.04, subdivisions 3, 4,

6, 7a; 327B.041; 327B.05, subdivision 1; 469.54, subdivision 4; Laws 2023, chapter 53, article 15, section 33, subdivision 4, as amended; article 18, sections 2, subdivisions 1, 4; 3, subdivisions 1, 4, 5; article 20, section 2, subdivision 2, as amended; article 21, section 7, as amended; Laws 2024, chapter 127, article 14, section 3; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 116J; 326B; repealing Laws 2024, chapter 120, article 1, section 13.

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

Page 35, line 19, after the period, insert "The Minnesota STEM Ecosystem must provide notification to the commissioner prior to issuing any subgrant under this paragraph. The commissioner must add to the report required in section 4 for this grant a summary of the subgrants awarded by the Minnesota STEM Ecosystem."

Page 47, line 23, delete "8,776,000" and insert "8,381,000" and delete "8,755,000" and insert "8,595,000"

Page 47, line 27, delete "2,091,000" and insert "1,696,000" and delete "1,856,000" and insert "1,696,000"

Page 47, line 28, delete "(a)"

Page 47, delete lines 31 to 35

Page 48, delete lines 1 to 8

Page 49, line 10, delete "3,019,000" and insert "3,414,000" and delete "2,944,000" and insert "3,104,000"

Page 49, line 13, delete "\$2,599,000" and insert "\$2,759,000"

Page 131, delete section 6 and insert:

"Sec. 6. **MISCLASSIFICATION FRAUD IMPACT ANALYSIS.**

The commissioner of labor and industry may coordinate with the commissioners of revenue and employment and economic development to conduct an analysis of the costs of misclassification to illustrate how misclassification impacts misclassified workers, tax collections, and other government programs."

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 8, after the first semicolon, insert "canceling prior appropriations;"

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

## SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS

S.F. Nos. 2082 and 1832 were read the second time.

26TH DAY]

MONDAY, APRIL 28, 2025

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**MEMBERS EXCUSED**

Senator Wesenberg was excused from the Session of today from 12:00 noon to 1:10 p.m. Senator Jasinski was excused from the Session of today from 1:05 to 1:15 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Senator Murphy moved that the Senate do now adjourn until 12:00 noon, Tuesday, April 29, 2025. The motion prevailed.

Thomas S. Bottern, Secretary of the Senate



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