FORTY-NINTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

St. Paul, Minnesota, Tuesday, March 17, 2026

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

CALL OF THE SENATE

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

The members of the Senate paused for a moment of silent prayer and reflection.

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

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

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

The President declared a quorum present.

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

EXECUTIVE AND OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received.

February 13, 2026

The Honorable Bobby Joe Champion
President of the Senate

Dear Senator Champion:

The following appointments are hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

BOARD OF THE PERPICH CENTER FOR ARTS EDUCATION

Paul Hustoles, Minnetonka, in the county of Hennepin, effective February 18, 2026, for a term expiring on January 7, 2030.

Elizabeth Winslow, Fridley, in the county of Anoka, effective February 18, 2026, for a term expiring on January 7, 2030.

Jeimmy Yusty Rojas, Red Wing, in the county of Goodhue, effective February 18, 2026, for a term expiring on January 7, 2030.

(Referred to the Committee on Education Policy.)

March 2, 2026

The Honorable Bobby Joe Champion
President of the Senate

Dear Senator Champion:

The following appointment is hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

OFFICE OF MN.IT SERVICES
COMMISSIONER

Jon Eichten, Saint Paul, in the county of Ramsey, effective March 16, 2026, for a term expiring on January 4, 2027.

(Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.)

Sincerely,
Tim Walz, Governor

March 4, 2026

The Honorable Bobby Joe Champion
President of the Senate

Dear Senator Champion:

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

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes

3.732: LCC Joint Subcommittee on Claims - Senator Bahr to serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority.

Sincerely,
Mark Johnson
Senate Republican Leader

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

Mr. President:

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

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 7: A Senate concurrent resolution relating to adjournment for more than three days.

Patrick Duffy Murphy, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Returned March 12, 2026

Mr. President:

I have the honor to announce the passage by the House of the following House Files, herewith transmitted: H.F. Nos. 3378, 3425, and 3556.

Patrick Duffy Murphy, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Transmitted March 12, 2026

Mr. President:

I have the honor to announce the passage by the House of the following House File, herewith transmitted: H.F. No. 3615.

Patrick Duffy Murphy, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Transmitted March 16, 2026

FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

The following bills were read the first time.

H.F. No. 3378: A bill for an act relating to human services; requiring commissioner of human services to release unredacted initial Optum reports; prohibiting dissemination and publication of certain data.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

H.F. No. 3425: A bill for an act relating to housing; appropriating money for grants to supportive housing providers; requiring a report; amending Laws 2023, chapter 37, article 1, section 2, subdivision 18, as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

H.F. No. 3556: A bill for an act relating to energy; naming the community solar garden program for Melissa Hortman; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 216B.1641, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration for comparison with S.F. No. 3800, now on General Orders.

H.F. No. 3615: A bill for an act relating to cannabis; extending laboratory testing requirements; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.61, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration for comparison with S.F. No. 3670, now on General Orders.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

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

Senator Putnam from the Committee on Agriculture, Veterans, Broadband, and Rural Development, to which was referred

S.F. No. 4056: A bill for an act relating to human rights; providing protection for veterans in the Minnesota Human Rights Act; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 363A.02, subdivision 1; 363A.03, by adding a subdivision; 363A.08, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4; 363A.09, subdivisions 1, 2; 363A.11, subdivision 1; 363A.12, subdivision 1; 363A.13, subdivision 2; 363A.20, by adding a subdivision.

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

Page 2, line 13, delete the second "or"

Page 2, line 14, after the period, insert ", or a veteran of the Secret War in Laos under section 197.448."

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

Senator Putnam from the Committee on Agriculture, Veterans, Broadband, and Rural Development, to which was referred

S.F. No. 3957: A bill for an act relating to veterans; modifying educational assistance for veterans' children and spouses; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 197.75, subdivisions 2, 3, 5, by adding a subdivision; 197.791, subdivision 8; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 197.75, subdivision 1; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 197.752.

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

Senator Putnam from the Committee on Agriculture, Veterans, Broadband, and Rural Development, to which was referred

S.F. No. 4072: A bill for an act relating to veterans; providing that certain veterans or former members of the armed forces who have forfeited federal benefits do not qualify for state-funded benefits, services, or programs; discontinuing the environmental hazards information and assistance program for veterans; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 196.021; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 197; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 196.19; 196.21; 196.22, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 5; 196.23; 196.24; 196.25; 196.26; 197.225.

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

Page 1, line 23, after "state-funded" insert "veterans" and after "programs" insert "under chapters 196 to 198"

Amend the title accordingly

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

Senator Putnam from the Committee on Agriculture, Veterans, Broadband, and Rural Development, to which was referred

S.F. No. 4075: A bill for an act relating to veterans affairs; modifying benefits available to veterans of the Secret War in Laos; directing the commissioner of veterans affairs to establish an eligibility process; making technical changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 171.07, subdivision 15; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 197.236, subdivision 9; 197.448, subdivisions 1, 2, by adding subdivisions.

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

Page 1, after line 7, insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 43A.11, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. **Ranking of veterans.** Applicants who meet the minimum qualifications for a vacant position and claim disabled veteran's preference shall be listed in the applicant pool ahead of all other applicants. Applicants who meet the minimum qualifications for a vacant position and claim nondisabled veteran's preference shall be listed in the applicant pool after those claiming disabled veteran's preference and ahead of nonveterans. Applicants who meet the minimum qualifications for a vacant position and claim disabled veteran's preference, and who are also veterans of the Secret War in Laos, shall be listed in the applicant pool after all others claiming nondisabled veteran's preference, and ahead of nonveterans. Applicants who meet the minimum qualifications for a vacant position and who claim nondisabled veteran's preference, and who are also veterans of the Secret War in Laos, shall be listed in the applicant pool after veterans of the Secret War in Laos claiming disabled veteran's preference, and ahead of nonveterans. Each recently separated veteran who meets minimum qualifications for a vacant position and has claimed a veterans or disabled veterans preference must be considered for the position. The top five recently separated veterans must be granted an interview for the position by the hiring authority.

The term "recently separated veteran" means a veteran, as defined in section 197.447, who has served in active military service, at any time on or after September 11, 2001, and who has been honorably discharged from active service, as shown by the person's form DD-214."

Page 5, after line 31, insert:

"Sec. 8. **APPROPRIATIONS.**

(a) $..... in fiscal year 2027 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of veterans affairs for the purposes of this act.

(b) $..... in fiscal year 2027 is appropriated from the driver and vehicle services operating account in the special revenue fund to the commissioner of public safety for the purposes of this act."

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 4, after the first semicolon, insert "including veterans of the Secret War in Laos in the ranking of state employment preference;" and after the third semicolon, insert "appropriating money;"

Amend the title numbers accordingly

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

Senator Putnam from the Committee on Agriculture, Veterans, Broadband, and Rural Development, to which was referred

S.F. No. 3956: A bill for an act relating to veterans; allowing the commissioner of veterans affairs to direct agency resources to veterans' initiatives; requiring reports; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 196.22, by adding a subdivision.

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

Page 1, line 8, after "direct" insert "nonmonetary"

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

Senator Putnam from the Committee on Agriculture, Veterans, Broadband, and Rural Development, to which was referred

S.F. No. 239: A bill for an act relating to agriculture; defining cell-cultured meat and cell-cultured poultry; requiring food labels to identify a product containing cell-cultured meat or cell-cultured poultry; amending the definition of meat food product and poultry food product to include cell-cultured meat and cell-cultured poultry; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 31.01, by adding subdivisions; 31.12; 31.633; 31A.02, subdivision 10.

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

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 31.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 33. **Cell-cultured food.** "Cell-cultured food" has the meaning given in section 34A.01, subdivision 1a.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 31.12, is amended to read:

31.12 LABELING.

(a) For the purpose of preventing fraud and deception in the manufacture, use, sale, and transportation of food, or for the purpose of protecting and preserving the public health, it shall be the duty of the commissioner, by rulings not inconsistent with law, to require that any article of food, or the package, receptacle, or container thereof, before it be sold, transported, used, offered for sale or transportation, or had in possession with intent to use, sell or transport within this state, shall be labeled, stamped, stenciled, marked, or branded in such manner as to plainly exhibit to the purchaser any or all of the following data or information: The percentages and true composition of such food article, its quality, strength, quantity, source of its manufacture or production or the person by or for whom the same is manufactured, produced, packed, or shipped. The commissioner shall also have authority to prescribe by such rulings the date on which the same shall take effect and be in force, and also the form, size, style, and wording of, and the place, time, method, means and manner of use of all such labels, stamps, stencils, brands, and markings, which rulings shall be made in the manner provided by law. Until such rulings are made and in effect the rulings heretofore made by the commissioner shall remain in full force and effect, except as otherwise prescribed by law. Any person who shall fail to comply with such ruling or rulings shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

(b) If a product contains cell-cultured food, a statement must be labeled, stamped, stenciled, marked, or branded in such a manner as to plainly exhibit to the purchaser on the package that the food contains cell-cultured food.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 31.633, is amended to read:

31.633 MEAT OR POULTRY SUBSTITUTES; INDICATION ON MENU~~; PENALTIES~~.

Subdivision 1. ~~**Menu requirement**~~ **Meat or poultry substitutes.** Any restaurant, eating place, or other establishment serving meat or poultry in any form to the public that has any filler or meat or poultry substitute added to it or incorporated in it, shall clearly and prominently indicate on its menu or bill of fare the meat entrees that contain filler or meat or poultry substitutes.

Subd. 3. **Cell-cultured food.** Any restaurant, eating place, or other establishment serving cell-cultured food to the public must clearly and prominently indicate on its menu or bill of fare the menu items that contain cell-cultured food.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 34A.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 1a. **Cell-cultured food.** "Cell-cultured food" means a food grown from animal or plant cells in a controlled environment."

Delete the title and insert:

"A bill for an act relating to agriculture; defining cell-cultured food; requiring food labels to identify a product containing cell-cultured food; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 31.01, by adding a subdivision; 31.12; 31.633; 34A.01, by adding a subdivision."

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

Senator Putnam from the Committee on Agriculture, Veterans, Broadband, and Rural Development, to which was referred

S.F. No. 3955: A bill for an act relating to veterans; allowing the commissioner of veterans affairs to close veterans homes under certain circumstances; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 198.01.

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

Page 1, line 10, after "not" insert "permanently"

Page 1, line 11, after "enacted" insert "by the legislature"

Page 1, line 13, delete "Notwithstanding paragraph (a)," and after "may" insert "temporarily"

Page 1, line 15, after "not" insert "temporarily"

Page 1, line 18, after "Before" insert "temporarily"

Amend the title accordingly

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

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

S.F. No. 3805: A bill for an act relating to public safety; authorizing a tax donation checkoff to benefit crime victims; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 270C.445, subdivisions 6a, 6b, 6c, 8, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 290.

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

Page 1, delete sections 1 and 2

Page 2, delete sections 3 to 5

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title numbers accordingly

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

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

S.F. No. 3484: A bill for an act relating to human services; expanding the definition of partnership policy for purposes of the Minnesota partnership for long-term care program; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.0571, subdivision 6.

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

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62S.23, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Inflation protection feature.** (a) No insurer may offer a long-term care insurance policy unless the insurer also offers to the policyholder, in addition to any other inflation protection, the option to purchase a policy that provides for benefit levels to increase with benefit maximums or reasonable durations which are meaningful to account for reasonably anticipated increases in the costs of long-term care services covered by the policy. In addition to other options that may be offered, insurers must offer to each policyholder, at the time of purchase, the option to purchase a policy with an inflation protection feature no less favorable than one of the following:

(1) increases benefit levels annually in a manner so that the increases are compounded annually at a rate not less than five percent;

(2) guarantees the insured individual the right to periodically increase benefit levels without providing evidence of insurability or health status so long as the option for the previous period has not been declined. The amount of the additional benefit shall be no less than the difference between the existing policy benefit and that benefit compounded annually at a rate of at least five percent for the period beginning with the purchase of the existing benefit and extending until the year in which the offer is made; or

(3) covers a specified percentage of actual or reasonable charges and does not include a maximum specified indemnity amount or limit.

(b) A long-term care partnership policy must provide the inflation protection described in this subdivision. If the policy is sold to an individual who:

(1) has not attained age 61 as of the date of purchase, the policy must provide compound annual inflation protection;

(2) has attained age 61, but has not attained age 76 as of such date, the policy must provide some level of inflation protection; and

(3) has attained the age of 76 as of such date, the policy may, but is not required to, provide some level of inflation protection.

(c) Inflation protection for a long-term care partnership policy may not be:

(1) for coverage sold on or after July 1, 2015, less than:

(i) one percent per year; or

(ii) a rate based on changes in the Consumer Price Index; or

(2) for coverage sold before July 1, 2015, less than:

(i) three percent per year;

(ii) a rate based on changes in the Consumer Price Index; or

(iii) one percent per year if the policyholder requests a reduction to the inflation protection rate.

The commissioner, however, may approve other types of inflation protection that comply with this section and further the goals of the partnership program.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective January 1, 2027, or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The commissioner of human services shall notify the revisor of statutes when federal approval is obtained."

Amend the title accordingly

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

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

S.F. No. 3861: A bill for an act relating to human services; expanding the list of services subject to electronic visit verification; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.073, subdivision 2.

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

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.01, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. **Controlling individual.** (a) "Controlling individual" means an owner of a program or service provider licensed under this chapter and the following individuals, if applicable:

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

(2) the individual designated as the authorized agent under section 142B.10, subdivision 1, paragraph (b);

(3) the individual designated as the compliance officer under section ~~256B.04, subdivision 21, paragraph (g)~~ 256B.044, subdivision 7, paragraph (b);

(4) each managerial official whose responsibilities include the direction of the management or policies of a program;

(5) the individual designated as the primary provider of care for a special family child care program under section 142B.41, subdivision 4, paragraph (d); and

(6) the president and treasurer of the board of directors of a nonprofit corporation.

(b) 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) an individual who is a state or federal official, or 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 programs, unless the individual is also an officer, owner, or managerial official of the program; receives remuneration from the program; or owns any of the beneficial interests not excluded in this subdivision;

(3) 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);

(4) 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 program 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

(5) 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 according to paragraph (a).

(c) For purposes of this subdivision, "managerial official" means an individual who has the decision-making authority related to the operation of the program, and the responsibility for the ongoing management of or direction of the policies, services, or employees of the program. A site director who has no ownership interest in the program is not considered to be a managerial official for purposes of this definition.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 245A.02, subdivision 5a, is amended to read:

Subd. 5a. **Controlling individual.** (a) "Controlling individual" means an owner of a program or service provider licensed under this chapter and the following individuals, if applicable:

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

(2) the individual designated as the authorized agent under section 245A.04, subdivision 1, paragraph (b);

(3) the individual designated as the compliance officer under section ~~256B.04, subdivision 21, paragraph (g)~~ 256B.044, subdivision 7, paragraph (b);

(4) each managerial official whose responsibilities include the direction of the management or policies of a program; and

(5) the president and treasurer of the board of directors of a nonprofit corporation.

(b) 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) an individual who is a state or federal official, or 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 programs, unless the individual is also an officer, owner, or managerial official of the program, receives remuneration from the program, or owns any of the beneficial interests not excluded in this subdivision;

(3) 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);

(4) 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 program 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

(5) 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 according to paragraph (a).

(c) For purposes of this subdivision, "managerial official" means an individual who has the decision-making authority related to the operation of the program, and the responsibility for the ongoing management of or direction of the policies, services, or employees of the program. A site director who has no ownership interest in the program is not considered to be a managerial official for purposes of this definition.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 245A.04, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Application for licensure.** (a) An individual, organization, or government entity that is subject to licensure under section 245A.03 must apply for a license. The application must be made on the forms and in the manner prescribed by the commissioner. The commissioner shall provide the applicant with instruction in completing the application and provide information about the rules and requirements of other state agencies that affect the applicant. An applicant seeking licensure in Minnesota with headquarters outside of Minnesota must have a program office located within 30 miles of the Minnesota border. An applicant who intends to buy or otherwise acquire a

program or services licensed under this chapter that is owned by another license holder must apply for a license under this chapter and comply with the application procedures in this section and section 245A.043.

The commissioner shall act on the application within 90 working days after a complete application and any required reports have been received from other state agencies or departments, counties, municipalities, or other political subdivisions. The commissioner shall not consider an application to be complete until the commissioner receives all of the required information. If the applicant or a controlling individual is the subject of a pending administrative, civil, or criminal investigation, the application is not complete until the investigation has closed or the related legal proceedings are complete.

When the commissioner receives an application for initial licensure that is incomplete because the applicant failed to submit required documents or that is substantially deficient because the documents submitted do not meet licensing requirements, the commissioner shall provide the applicant written notice that the application is incomplete or substantially deficient. In the written notice to the applicant the commissioner shall identify documents that are missing or deficient and give the applicant 45 days to resubmit a second application that is substantially complete. An applicant's failure to submit a substantially complete application after receiving notice from the commissioner is a basis for license denial under section 245A.043.

(b) An application for licensure must identify all controlling individuals as defined in section 245A.02, subdivision 5a, and must designate one individual to be the authorized agent. The application must be signed by the authorized agent and must include the authorized agent's first, middle, and last name; mailing address; and email address. By submitting an application for licensure, the authorized agent consents to electronic communication with the commissioner throughout the application process. The authorized agent must be authorized to accept service on behalf of all of the controlling individuals. A government entity that holds multiple licenses under this chapter may designate one authorized agent for all licenses issued under this chapter or may designate a different authorized agent for each license. Service on the authorized agent is service on all of the controlling individuals. It is not a defense to any action arising under this chapter that service was not made on each controlling individual. The designation of a controlling individual as the authorized agent under this paragraph does not affect the legal responsibility of any other controlling individual under this chapter.

(c) An applicant or license holder must have a policy that prohibits license holders, employees, subcontractors, and volunteers, when directly responsible for persons served by the program, from abusing prescription medication or being in any manner under the influence of a chemical that impairs the individual's ability to provide services or care. The license holder must train employees, subcontractors, and volunteers about the program's drug and alcohol policy before the employee, subcontractor, or volunteer has direct contact, as defined in section 245C.02, subdivision 11, with a person served by the program.

(d) An applicant and license holder must have a program grievance procedure that permits persons served by the program and their authorized representatives to bring a grievance to the highest level of authority in the program.

(e) The commissioner may limit communication during the application process to the authorized agent or the controlling individuals identified on the license application and for whom a background study was initiated under chapter 245C. Upon implementation of the provider licensing and reporting hub, applicants and license holders must use the hub in the manner prescribed by the commissioner. The commissioner may require the applicant, except for child foster care, to demonstrate competence in the applicable licensing requirements by successfully completing a written examination. The commissioner may develop a prescribed written examination format.

(f) When an applicant is an individual, the applicant must provide:

(1) the applicant's taxpayer identification numbers including the Social Security number or Minnesota tax identification number, and federal employer identification number if the applicant has employees;

(2) at the request of the commissioner, a copy of the most recent filing with the secretary of state that includes the complete business name, if any;

(3) if doing business under a different name, the doing business as (DBA) name, as registered with the secretary of state;

(4) if applicable, the applicant's National Provider Identifier (NPI) number and Unique Minnesota Provider Identifier (UMPI) number; and

(5) at the request of the commissioner, the notarized signature of the applicant or authorized agent.

(g) When an applicant is an organization, the applicant must provide:

(1) the applicant's taxpayer identification numbers including the Minnesota tax identification number and federal employer identification number;

(2) at the request of the commissioner, a copy of the most recent filing with the secretary of state that includes the complete business name, and if doing business under a different name, the doing business as (DBA) name, as registered with the secretary of state;

(3) the first, middle, and last name, and address for all individuals who will be controlling individuals, including all officers, owners, and managerial officials as defined in section 245A.02, subdivision 5a, and the date that the background study was initiated by the applicant for each controlling individual;

(4) if applicable, the applicant's NPI number and UMPI number;

(5) the documents that created the organization and that determine the organization's internal governance and the relations among the persons that own the organization, have an interest in the organization, or are members of the organization, in each case as provided or authorized by the organization's governing statute, which may include a partnership agreement, bylaws, articles of organization, organizational chart, and operating agreement, or comparable documents as provided in the organization's governing statute; and

(6) the notarized signature of the applicant or authorized agent.

(h) When the applicant is a government entity, the applicant must provide:

(1) the name of the government agency, political subdivision, or other unit of government seeking the license and the name of the program or services that will be licensed;

(2) the applicant's taxpayer identification numbers including the Minnesota tax identification number and federal employer identification number;

(3) a letter signed by the manager, administrator, or other executive of the government entity authorizing the submission of the license application; and

(4) if applicable, the applicant's NPI number and UMPI number.

(i) At the time of application for licensure or renewal of a license under this chapter, the applicant or license holder must acknowledge on the form provided by the commissioner if the applicant or license holder elects to receive any public funding reimbursement from the commissioner for services provided under the license that:

(1) the applicant's or license holder's compliance with the provider enrollment agreement or registration requirements for receipt of public funding may be monitored by the commissioner as part of a licensing investigation or licensing inspection; and

(2) noncompliance with the provider enrollment agreement or registration requirements for receipt of public funding that is identified through a licensing investigation or licensing inspection, or noncompliance with a licensing requirement that is a basis of enrollment for reimbursement for a service, may result in:

(i) a correction order or a conditional license under section 245A.06, or sanctions under section 245A.07;

(ii) nonpayment of claims submitted by the license holder for public program reimbursement;

(iii) recovery of payments made for the service;

(iv) disenrollment in the public payment program; or

(v) other administrative, civil, or criminal penalties as provided by law.

(j) An applicant or license holder who acknowledges under paragraph (i) that the applicant or license holder elects to receive any publicly funded reimbursement from the commissioner for services provided under the license that are designated by the commissioner as high-risk under section 256B.044, subdivision 1, must provide an attestation with the notarized signature of the applicant or authorized agent stating whether the applicant or authorized agent received from an unaffiliated business or consultant any assistance preparing:

(1) the application;

(2) the renewal;

(3) any documentation or written policies submitted with the application;

(4) any documentation or written policies submitted with the renewal; or

(5) any documentation or written policies maintained as a requirement of licensure or enrollment as a medical assistance provider.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 245A.04, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. **Grant of license; license extension.** (a) If the commissioner determines that the program complies with all applicable rules and laws, the commissioner shall issue a license consistent with this section or, if applicable, a temporary change of ownership license under section 245A.043. At minimum, the license shall state:

(1) the name of the license holder;

(2) the address of the program;

(3) the effective date and expiration date of the license;

(4) the type of license and the specific service the license holder is licensed to provide;

(5) the maximum number and ages of persons that may receive services from the program; and

(6) any special conditions of licensure.

(b) The commissioner may issue a license for a period not to exceed two years if:

(1) the commissioner is unable to conduct the observation required by subdivision 4, paragraph (a), clause (3), because the program is not yet operational;

(2) certain records and documents are not available because persons are not yet receiving services from the program; and

(3) the applicant complies with applicable laws and rules in all other respects.

(c) A decision by the commissioner to issue a license does not guarantee that any person or persons will be placed or cared for in the licensed program.

(d) Except as provided in paragraphs (i) and (j), the commissioner shall not issue a license if the applicant, license holder, or an affiliated controlling individual has:

(1) been disqualified and the disqualification was not set aside and no variance has been granted;

(2) been denied a license under this chapter or chapter 142B within the past two years;

(3) had a license issued under this chapter or chapter 142B revoked within the past five years; or

(4) failed to submit the information required of an applicant under subdivision 1, paragraph (f), (g), ~~or~~ (h), or (j), after being requested by the commissioner.

When a license issued under this chapter or chapter 142B is revoked, the license holder and each affiliated controlling individual with a revoked license may not hold any license under chapter 245A for five years following the revocation, and other licenses held by the applicant or license holder or licenses affiliated with each controlling individual shall also be revoked.

(e) Notwithstanding paragraph (d), the commissioner may elect not to revoke a license affiliated with a license holder or controlling individual that had a license revoked within the past five years if the commissioner determines that (1) the license holder or controlling individual is operating the program in substantial compliance with applicable laws and rules and (2) the program's continued operation is in the best interests of the community being served.

(f) Notwithstanding paragraph (d), the commissioner may issue a new license in response to an application that is affiliated with an applicant, license holder, or controlling individual that had an application denied within the past two years or a license revoked within the past five years if the commissioner determines that (1) the applicant or controlling individual has operated one or more programs in substantial compliance with applicable laws and rules and (2) the program's operation would be in the best interests of the community to be served.

(g) In determining whether a program's operation would be in the best interests of the community to be served, the commissioner shall consider factors such as the number of persons served, the availability of alternative services available in the surrounding community, the management structure of the program, whether the program provides culturally specific services, and other relevant factors.

(h) The commissioner shall not issue or reissue a license under this chapter if an individual living in the household where the services will be provided as specified under section 245C.03, subdivision 1, has been disqualified and the disqualification has not been set aside and no variance has been granted.

(i) Pursuant to section 245A.07, subdivision 1, paragraph (b), when a license issued under this chapter has been suspended or revoked and the suspension or revocation is under appeal, the program may continue to operate pending a final order from the commissioner. If the license under suspension or revocation will expire before a final order is issued, a temporary provisional license may be issued provided any applicable license fee is paid before the temporary provisional license is issued.

(j) Notwithstanding paragraph (i), when a revocation is based on the disqualification of a controlling individual or license holder, and the controlling individual or license holder is ordered under section 245C.17 to be immediately removed from direct contact with persons receiving services or is ordered to be under continuous, direct supervision when providing direct contact services, the program may continue to operate only if the program complies with the order and submits documentation demonstrating compliance with the order. If the disqualified individual fails to submit a timely request for reconsideration, or if the disqualification is not set aside and no variance is granted, the order to immediately remove the individual from direct contact or to be under continuous, direct supervision remains in effect pending the outcome of a hearing and final order from the commissioner.

(k) Unless otherwise specified by statute, all licenses issued under this chapter expire at 12:01 a.m. on the day after the expiration date stated on the license. A license holder must comply with the requirements in section 245A.10 and be reissued a new license to operate the program or the

program must not be operated after the expiration date. Adult foster care, family adult day services, child foster residence setting, and community residential services license holders must apply for and be granted a new license to operate the program or the program must not be operated after the expiration date. Upon implementation of the provider licensing and reporting hub, licenses may be issued each calendar year.

(l) The commissioner shall not issue or reissue a license under this chapter if it has been determined that a Tribal licensing authority has established jurisdiction to license the program or service.

(m) The commissioner of human services may coordinate and share data with the commissioner of children, youth, and families to enforce this section.

(n) For substance use disorder treatment programs, for the purposes of paragraph (a), clause (5), the maximum number of persons who may receive services from the program includes persons served at satellite locations.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 245A.05, is amended to read:

245A.05 DENIAL OF APPLICATION.

(a) The commissioner may deny a license if an applicant or controlling individual:

(1) fails to submit a substantially complete application after receiving notice from the commissioner under section 245A.04, subdivision 1;

(2) fails to comply with applicable laws or rules;

(3) knowingly withholds relevant information from or gives false or misleading information to the commissioner in connection with an application for a license or during an investigation;

(4) has a disqualification that has not been set aside under section 245C.22 and no variance has been granted;

(5) has an individual living in the household who received a background study under section 245C.03, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clause (2), who has a disqualification that has not been set aside under section 245C.22, and no variance has been granted;

(6) is associated with an individual who received a background study under section 245C.03, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clause (6), who may have unsupervised access to children or vulnerable adults, and who has a disqualification that has not been set aside under section 245C.22, and no variance has been granted;

(7) fails to comply with section 245A.04, subdivision 1, paragraph (f) ~~or~~, (g), or (j);

(8) fails to demonstrate competent knowledge as required by section 245A.04, subdivision 6;

(9) has a history of noncompliance as a license holder or controlling individual with applicable laws or rules, including but not limited to this chapter and chapters 142E and 245C;

(10) is prohibited from holding a license according to section 245.095; or

(11) is the subject of a pending administrative, civil, or criminal investigation.

(b) An applicant whose application has been denied by the commissioner must be given notice of the denial, which must state the reasons for the denial in plain language. Notice must be given by certified mail, by personal service, or through the provider licensing and reporting hub. The notice must state the reasons the application was denied and must inform the applicant of the right to a contested case hearing under chapter 14 and Minnesota Rules, parts 1400.8505 to 1400.8612. The applicant may appeal the denial by notifying the commissioner in writing by certified mail, by personal service, or through the provider licensing and reporting hub. If mailed, the appeal must be postmarked and sent to the commissioner within 20 calendar days after the applicant received the notice of denial. If an appeal request is made by personal service, it must be received by the commissioner within 20 calendar days after the applicant received the notice of denial. If the order is issued through the provider hub, the appeal must be received by the commissioner within 20 calendar days from the date the commissioner issued the order through the hub. Section 245A.08 applies to hearings held to appeal the commissioner's denial of an application.

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 245D.081, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Program management and oversight.** (a) The license holder must designate a managerial staff person or persons to provide program management and oversight of the services provided by the license holder. The designated manager is responsible for the following:

(1) maintaining a current understanding of the licensing requirements sufficient to ensure compliance throughout the program as identified in section 245A.04, subdivision 1, paragraph (e), and when applicable, as identified in section ~~256B.04, subdivision 21, paragraph (g)~~ 256B.044, subdivision 7;

(2) ensuring the duties of the designated coordinator are fulfilled according to the requirements in subdivision 2;

(3) ensuring the program implements corrective action identified as necessary by the program following review of incident and emergency reports according to the requirements in section 245D.11, subdivision 2, clause (7). An internal review of incident reports of alleged or suspected maltreatment must be conducted according to the requirements in section 245A.65, subdivision 1, paragraph (b);

(4) evaluation of satisfaction of persons served by the program, the person's legal representative, if any, and the case manager, with the service delivery and progress toward accomplishing outcomes identified in sections 245D.07 and 245D.071, and ensuring and protecting each person's rights as identified in section 245D.04;

(5) ensuring staff competency requirements are met according to the requirements in section 245D.09, subdivision 3, and ensuring staff orientation and training is provided according to the requirements in section 245D.09, subdivisions 4, 4a, and 5;

(6) ensuring corrective action is taken when ordered by the commissioner and that the terms and conditions of the license and any variances are met; and

(7) evaluating the information identified in clauses (1) to (6) to develop, document, and implement ongoing program improvements.

(b) The designated manager must be competent to perform the duties as required and must minimally meet the education and training requirements identified in subdivision 2, paragraph (b), and have a minimum of three years of supervisory level experience in a program that provides care or education to vulnerable adults or children.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 256B.04, subdivision 21, is amended to read:

Subd. 21. **Provider enrollment.** ~~(a)~~ The commissioner shall enroll providers and conduct screening activities as required by Code of Federal Regulations, title 42, section 455, subpart E, and sections 256B.044 to 256B.0445.

~~A provider must enroll each provider-controlled location where direct services are provided. The commissioner may deny a provider's incomplete application if a provider fails to respond to the commissioner's request for additional information within 60 days of the request. The commissioner must conduct a background study under chapter 245C, including a review of databases in section 245C.08, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clauses (1) to (5), for a provider described in this paragraph. The background study requirement may be satisfied if the commissioner conducted a fingerprint-based background study on the provider that includes a review of databases in section 245C.08, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clauses (1) to (5).~~

~~(b) The commissioner shall revalidate:~~

~~(1) each provider under this subdivision at least once every five years;~~

~~(2) each personal care assistance agency, CFSS provider agency, and CFSS financial management services provider under this subdivision at least once every three years;~~

~~(3) each EIDBI agency under this subdivision at least once every three years; and~~

~~(4) at the commissioner's discretion, any medical-assistance-only provider type the commissioner deems "high-risk" under this subdivision.~~

~~(c) The commissioner shall conduct revalidation as follows:~~

~~(1) provide 30-day notice of the revalidation due date including instructions for revalidation and a list of materials the provider must submit;~~

~~(2) if a provider fails to submit all required materials by the due date, notify the provider of the deficiency within 30 days after the due date and allow the provider an additional 30 days from the notification date to comply; and~~

~~(3) if a provider fails to remedy a deficiency within the 30-day time period, give 60-day notice of termination and immediately suspend the provider's ability to bill. The provider does not have the right to appeal suspension of ability to bill.~~

~~(d) If a provider fails to comply with any individual provider requirement or condition of participation, the commissioner may suspend the provider's ability to bill until the provider comes into compliance. The commissioner's decision to suspend the provider is not subject to an administrative appeal.~~

~~(e) Correspondence and notifications, including notifications of termination and other actions, may be delivered electronically to a provider's MN-ITS mailbox. This paragraph does not apply to correspondences and notifications related to background studies.~~

~~(f) If the commissioner or the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services determines that a provider is designated "high-risk," the commissioner may withhold payment from providers within that category upon initial enrollment for a 90-day period. The withholding for each provider must begin on the date of the first submission of a claim.~~

~~(g) An enrolled provider that is also licensed by the commissioner under chapter 245A, is licensed as a home care provider by the Department of Health under chapter 144A, or is licensed as an assisted living facility under chapter 144G and has a home and community-based services designation on the home care license under section 144A.484, must designate an individual as the entity's compliance officer. The compliance officer must:~~

~~(1) develop policies and procedures to assure adherence to medical assistance laws and regulations and to prevent inappropriate claims submissions;~~

~~(2) train the employees of the provider entity, and any agents or subcontractors of the provider entity including billers, on the policies and procedures under clause (1);~~

~~(3) respond to allegations of improper conduct related to the provision or billing of medical assistance services, and implement action to remediate any resulting problems;~~

~~(4) use evaluation techniques to monitor compliance with medical assistance laws and regulations;~~

~~(5) promptly report to the commissioner any identified violations of medical assistance laws or regulations; and~~

~~(6) within 60 days of discovery by the provider of a medical assistance reimbursement overpayment, report the overpayment to the commissioner and make arrangements with the commissioner for the commissioner's recovery of the overpayment.~~

~~The commissioner may require, as a condition of enrollment in medical assistance, that a provider within a particular industry sector or category establish a compliance program that contains the core elements established by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.~~

~~(h) The commissioner may revoke the enrollment of an ordering or rendering provider for a period of not more than one year, if the provider fails to maintain and, upon request from the commissioner, provide access to documentation relating to written orders or requests for payment for durable medical equipment, certifications for home health services, or referrals for other items or services written or ordered by such provider, when the commissioner has identified a pattern of a lack of documentation. A pattern means a failure to maintain documentation or provide access to~~

~~documentation on more than one occasion. Nothing in this paragraph limits the authority of the commissioner to sanction a provider under the provisions of section 256B.064.~~

~~(i) The commissioner shall terminate or deny the enrollment of any individual or entity if the individual or entity has been terminated from participation in Medicare or under the Medicaid program or Children's Health Insurance Program of any other state. The commissioner may exempt a rehabilitation agency from termination or denial that would otherwise be required under this paragraph, if the agency:~~

~~(1) is unable to retain Medicare certification and enrollment solely due to a lack of billing to the Medicare program;~~

~~(2) meets all other applicable Medicare certification requirements based on an on-site review completed by the commissioner of health; and~~

~~(3) serves primarily a pediatric population.~~

~~(j) As a condition of enrollment in medical assistance, the commissioner shall require that a provider designated "moderate" or "high-risk" by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services or the commissioner permit the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, its agents, or its designated contractors and the state agency, its agents, or its designated contractors to conduct unannounced on-site inspections of any provider location. The commissioner shall publish in the Minnesota Health Care Program Provider Manual a list of provider types designated "limited," "moderate," or "high-risk," based on the criteria and standards used to designate Medicare providers in Code of Federal Regulations, title 42, section 424.518. The list and criteria are not subject to the requirements of chapter 14. The commissioner's designations are not subject to administrative appeal.~~

~~(k) As a condition of enrollment in medical assistance, the commissioner shall require that a high-risk provider, or a person with a direct or indirect ownership interest in the provider of five percent or higher, consent to criminal background checks, including fingerprinting, when required to do so under state law or by a determination by the commissioner or the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services that a provider is designated high-risk for fraud, waste, or abuse.~~

~~(l)(1) Upon initial enrollment, reenrollment, and notification of revalidation, all durable medical equipment, prosthetics, orthotics, and supplies (DMEPOS) medical suppliers meeting the durable medical equipment provider and supplier definition in clause (3), operating in Minnesota and receiving Medicaid funds must purchase a surety bond that is annually renewed and designates the Minnesota Department of Human Services as the obligee, and must be submitted in a form approved by the commissioner. For purposes of this clause, the following medical suppliers are not required to obtain a surety bond: a federally qualified health center, a home health agency, the Indian Health Service, a pharmacy, and a rural health clinic.~~

~~(2) At the time of initial enrollment or reenrollment, durable medical equipment providers and suppliers defined in clause (3) must purchase a surety bond of $50,000. If a revalidating provider's Medicaid revenue in the previous calendar year is up to and including $300,000, the provider agency must purchase a surety bond of $50,000. If a revalidating provider's Medicaid revenue in the previous calendar year is over $300,000, the provider agency must purchase a surety bond of $100,000. The surety bond must allow for recovery of costs and fees in pursuing a claim on the bond. Any action to obtain monetary recovery or sanctions from a surety bond must occur within six years from the~~

~~date the debt is affirmed by a final agency decision. An agency decision is final when the right to appeal the debt has been exhausted or the time to appeal has expired under section 256B.064.~~

~~(3) "Durable medical equipment provider or supplier" means a medical supplier that can purchase medical equipment or supplies for sale or rental to the general public and is able to perform or arrange for necessary repairs to and maintenance of equipment offered for sale or rental.~~

~~(m) The Department of Human Services may require a provider to purchase a surety bond as a condition of initial enrollment, reenrollment, reinstatement, or continued enrollment if: (1) the provider fails to demonstrate financial viability, (2) the department determines there is significant evidence of or potential for fraud and abuse by the provider, or (3) the provider or category of providers is designated high-risk pursuant to paragraph (f) and as per Code of Federal Regulations, title 42, section 455.450. The surety bond must be in an amount of $100,000 or ten percent of the provider's payments from Medicaid during the immediately preceding 12 months, whichever is greater. The surety bond must name the Department of Human Services as an obligee and must allow for recovery of costs and fees in pursuing a claim on the bond. This paragraph does not apply if the provider currently maintains a surety bond under the requirements in section 256B.051, 256B.0659, 256B.0701, or 256B.85.~~

Sec. 8. **[256B.044] PROVIDER ENROLLMENT.**

Subdivision 1. **Designating categorical risk levels.** (a) The commissioner shall publish in the Minnesota Health Care Program Provider Manual a list of provider types designated "limited-risk," "moderate-risk," or "high-risk," based on the criteria and standards used by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to designate Medicare providers in Code of Federal Regulations, title 42, section 424.518.

(b) The list and criteria are not subject to the requirements of chapter 14, and section 14.386 does not apply.

(c) The commissioner's designations are not subject to administrative appeal.

Subd. 2. **Service location enrollment.** A provider must enroll each provider-controlled location where direct services are provided.

Subd. 3. **Incomplete provider enrollment applications.** The commissioner may deny a provider's incomplete enrollment application if a provider fails to respond to the commissioner's request for additional information within 60 days of the request.

Subd. 4. **Required background studies.** (a) The commissioner must conduct a background study under chapter 245C, including a review of databases in section 245C.08, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clauses (1) to (5), for a provider applying for enrollment under section 256B.04, subdivision 21. The background study requirement may be satisfied if the commissioner conducted a fingerprint-based background study on the provider that included a review of databases in section 245C.08, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), clauses (1) to (5).

(b) As a condition of enrollment in medical assistance, the commissioner must require that a high-risk provider, or a person with a direct or indirect ownership interest in the provider of five percent or higher, consent to criminal background checks, including fingerprinting, when required

to do so under state law or by a determination by the commissioner or CMS that a provider is designated high-risk.

Subd. 5. **Surety bonds.** (a) The commissioner may require a provider to purchase a surety bond as a condition of initial enrollment, revalidation, reenrollment, reinstatement, or continued enrollment if:

(1) the provider fails to demonstrate financial viability;

(2) the commissioner determines there is significant evidence of or potential for fraud and abuse by the provider; or

(3) the provider or category of providers is designated high-risk pursuant to subdivision 1 and Code of Federal Regulations, title 42, section 455.450.

(b) The surety bond must be in an amount of $100,000 or ten percent of the provider's payments from Medicaid during the immediately preceding 12 months, whichever is greater. The surety bond must name the Department of Human Services as an obligee and must allow for recovery of costs and fees in pursuing a claim on the bond.

(c) This subdivision does not apply if the provider currently maintains a surety bond under the requirements in section 256B.051, 256B.0659, 256B.0701, or 256B.85.

Subd. 6. **Required permission to conduct on-site inspection.** As a condition of enrollment in medical assistance, the commissioner shall require that a provider designated moderate-risk or high-risk by CMS or the commissioner permit CMS, CMS's agents, or CMS's designated contractors and the state agency, the state agency's agents, or the state agency's designated contractors to conduct unannounced on-site inspections of any provider location.

Subd. 7. **Compliance programs.** (a) The commissioner may require, as a condition of enrollment in medical assistance, that a provider within a particular industry sector or category establish a compliance program that contains the core elements established by CMS.

(b) If an enrolled provider is required by the commissioner or by law to designate an individual as the provider's compliance officer, the compliance officer must:

(1) develop policies and procedures to ensure adherence to medical assistance laws and regulations and to prevent inappropriate claims submissions;

(2) train the employees of the provider entity and any agents or subcontractors of the provider entity including billers on the policies and procedures under clause (1);

(3) respond to allegations of improper conduct related to the provision or billing of medical assistance services and implement action to remediate any resulting problems;

(4) use evaluation techniques to monitor compliance with medical assistance laws and regulations;

(5) promptly report to the commissioner any identified violations of medical assistance laws or regulations; and

(6) within 60 days of discovery by the provider of a medical assistance reimbursement overpayment, report the overpayment to the commissioner and make arrangements with the commissioner for the commissioner's recovery of the overpayment.

Subd. 8. **Correspondence and notification.** The commissioner may deliver correspondence and notifications, including notifications of termination and other actions, electronically to a provider's MN-ITS mailbox. This subdivision does not apply to correspondence and notifications related to background studies.

Sec. 9. **[256B.0441] PROVIDER REVALIDATION.**

Subdivision 1. **Provider revalidation schedule.** The commissioner shall revalidate:

(1) each provider at least once every five years;

(2) each personal care assistance agency, community first services and supports (CFSS) provider-agency, and CFSS financial management services provider at least once every three years;

(3) each early intensive developmental and behavioral intervention agency at least once every three years; and

(4) at the commissioner's discretion, any medical-assistance-only provider type the commissioner deems high-risk under section 256B.044, subdivision 1.

Subd. 2. **Revalidation procedures.** The commissioner shall conduct revalidation as follows:

(1) provide 30 days' notice of the revalidation due date including instructions for revalidation and a list of materials the provider must submit;

(2) if a provider fails to submit all required materials by the due date, notify the provider of the deficiency within 30 days after the due date and allow the provider an additional 30 days from the notification date to comply; and

(3) if a provider fails to remedy a deficiency within the 30-day time period, give 60 days' notice of termination and immediately suspend the provider's ability to bill. The provider does not have the right to appeal suspension of ability to bill.

Sec. 10. **[256B.0442] PROVIDER ENROLLMENT SUSPENSIONS AND TERMINATIONS.**

Subdivision 1. **Commissioner's general authority to suspend individual provider's enrollment.** (a) If a provider fails to comply with any individual provider requirement or condition of participation, the commissioner may suspend the provider's ability to bill until the provider comes into compliance.

(b) The commissioner's decision to suspend the provider is not subject to an administrative appeal.

Subd. 2. **Commissioner's authority to revoke enrollment of certain providers for lack of documentation.** (a) The commissioner may revoke the enrollment of an ordering or rendering provider for a period of not more than one year if the provider fails to maintain and, upon request

from the commissioner, provide access to documentation relating to written orders or requests for payment for durable medical equipment, certifications for home health services, or referrals for other items or services written or ordered by the provider, when the commissioner has identified a pattern of a lack of documentation. A pattern means a failure to maintain documentation or provide access to documentation on more than one occasion.

(b) Nothing in this subdivision limits the authority of the commissioner to sanction a provider under section 256B.064.

Subd. 3. **Commissioner's duty to terminate provider enrollment.** (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), the commissioner must terminate or deny the enrollment of any individual or entity if the individual or entity has been terminated from participation in Medicare or under the Medicaid program or Children's Health Insurance Program of any other state.

(b) The commissioner may exempt a rehabilitation agency from termination or denial that would otherwise be required under paragraph (a) if the agency:

(1) is unable to retain Medicare certification and enrollment solely due to a lack of billing to the Medicare program;

(2) meets all other applicable Medicare certification requirements based on an on-site review completed by the commissioner of health; and

(3) serves primarily a pediatric population.

Sec. 11. **[256B.0443] PROVIDER PAYMENT WITHHOLDS UPON INITIAL ENROLLMENT.**

(a) If the commissioner or the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services designates a provider type as high-risk, the commissioner may withhold payment from providers within that category upon initial enrollment for a 90-day period.

(b) The withholding for each provider must begin on the date of the first submission of a claim.

Sec. 12. **[256B.0444] ADDITIONAL PROVIDER ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR HIGH-RISK PROVIDERS.**

Subdivision 1. **Applicability.** This section applies to any agency that provides a service designated by the commissioner as high-risk under section 256B.044, subdivision 1. For purposes of this section, "agency" means the legal entity that is applying to be or is enrolled with Minnesota health care programs as a medical assistance provider according to Minnesota Rules, part 9505.0195.

Subd. 2. **Mandatory training compliance.** (a) Effective January 1, 2027, before applying for enrollment or reenrollment as a medical assistance provider, an agency applying to provide services designated by the commissioner as high-risk must require all owners of the agency who are active in the day-to-day management and operations of the agency and managerial and supervisory employees to complete compliance training. All individuals who must complete training under this subdivision must repeat the training prior to revalidation of the agency as a medical assistance provider.

(b) New owners active in day-to-day management and operations of the agency and new managerial and supervisory employees of the agency must complete compliance training under this subdivision within 30 calendar days of becoming an owner of or employed by the agency and prior to conducting any management and operations activities for the agency. If an individual moves to another agency providing the same service and serves in a similar ownership or employment capacity, the individual is not required to repeat the training required under this subdivision. If the individual chooses not to repeat the compliance training, the individual must provide the agency with documentation proving the individual completed the compliance training within the provider revalidation schedule for the relevant provider type as determined by the commissioner under section 256B.0441.

(c) The commissioner must determine the format and content of the compliance training. The training must include the following topics, adapted as necessary for each provider type subject to the requirements of this subdivision:

(1) state and federal program billing, documentation, and service delivery requirements;

(2) enrollment requirements;

(3) provider program integrity, including fraud prevention, detection, and penalties;

(4) fair labor standards;

(5) workplace safety requirements; and

(6) recent changes in service requirements.

Subd. 3. **Individual provider number.** (a) Effective January 1, 2027, all individuals subject to a background study as a result of being employed by or an owner of a high-risk agency must enroll individually as a medical assistance provider.

(b) The commissioner must issue a unique Minnesota provider identifier to each individual who satisfies the background study requirements, satisfies the individual enrollment requirements, and does not have either a national provider identifier or a unique Minnesota provider identifier. The commissioner must ensure that no individual is issued multiple unique Minnesota provider identifiers. If the commissioner mistakenly issues multiple unique Minnesota provider identifiers to the same individual, the commissioner must provide a means for the numbers to be consolidated.

(c) If an individual provides false or misleading information to the commissioner in an attempt to cause the commissioner to issue to the individual an additional unique Minnesota provider identifier, the commissioner may terminate the enrollment of the individual.

Subd. 4. **Required use of an electronic visit verification system.** Effective January 1, 2027, an individual providing a high-risk service must electronically verify the provision of the services using an electronic visit verification system meeting the requirements of section 256B.073.

Subd. 5. **Signatures required for provision of service verifications.** (a) Effective January 1, 2027, an individual providing a high-risk service must sign and obtain the signature of the service recipient, or of the service recipient's representative, on a provision of service verification form.

The provision of service verification form must include a statement that by signing the form, the signatory is attesting to the accuracy of all data entered in the electronic visit verification system. The provision of service verification form must also include a statement that it is a federal crime to provide false information regarding the provision of medical assistance services.

(b) The commissioner must determine a minimum frequency at which the required signatures on a provision of service verification form must be obtained.

Subd. 6. **Documentation of travel time.** Effective January 1, 2027, an individual providing a high-risk service must document any travel or driving time that is eligible for reimbursement and for which the individual or high-risk agency seeks a medical assistance payment. The documentation must include:

(1) start and stop times with a.m. and p.m. designations;

(2) the origination site; and

(3) the destination site.

Sec. 13. **[256B.0445] ADDITIONAL PROVIDER ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR SPECIFIC PROVIDER TYPES.**

Subdivision 1. **Durable medical equipment provider or supplier.** (a) For the purposes of this subdivision, "durable medical equipment provider or supplier" means a medical supplier that can purchase medical equipment or supplies for sale or rent to the general public and is able to perform or arrange for necessary repairs to and maintenance of equipment offered for sale or rent.

(b) Upon initial enrollment, reenrollment, and notification of revalidation, all durable medical equipment, prosthetics, orthotics, and supplies medical suppliers meeting the durable medical equipment provider or supplier definition in paragraph (a), operating in Minnesota, and receiving Medicaid money must purchase a surety bond that is annually renewed, designates the Department of Human Services as the obligee, and is submitted in a form approved by the commissioner. For purposes of this paragraph, the following medical suppliers are not required to obtain a surety bond: a federally qualified health center, a home health agency, the Indian Health Service, a pharmacy, and a rural health clinic.

(c) At the time of initial enrollment or reenrollment, durable medical equipment providers or suppliers defined in paragraph (a) must purchase a surety bond of $50,000. If a revalidating provider's Medicaid revenue in the previous calendar year is up to and including $300,000, the provider agency must purchase a surety bond of $50,000. If a revalidating provider's Medicaid revenue in the previous calendar year is over $300,000, the provider agency must purchase a surety bond of $100,000. The surety bond must allow for recovery of costs and fees in pursuing a claim on the bond. Any action to obtain monetary recovery or sanctions from a surety bond must occur within six years from the date the debt is affirmed by a final agency decision. An agency decision is final when the right to appeal the debt has been exhausted or the time to appeal has expired under section 256B.064.

Subd. 2. **Providers licensed by the commissioner of human services.** An enrolled provider that is also licensed by the commissioner under chapter 245A must designate an individual as the licensee's compliance officer under section 256B.044, subdivision 7, paragraph (b).

Subd. 3. **Providers licensed by the commissioner of health.** An enrolled provider that is also licensed by the commissioner of health as a home care provider under chapter 144A with a home and community-based services designation on the home care license or as an assisted living facility under chapter 144G must designate an individual as the licensee's compliance officer under section 256B.044, subdivision 7, paragraph (b).

Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 256B.051, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **Agency qualifications and duties.** An agency is eligible for reimbursement under this section only if the agency:

(1) is confirmed by the commissioner as an eligible provider after a pre-enrollment risk assessment under subdivision 6a;

(2) is enrolled as a medical assistance Minnesota health care program provider and meets all applicable provider standards and requirements;

(3) demonstrates compliance with federal and state laws and policies for housing stabilization services as determined by the commissioner;

(4) complies with background study requirements under chapter 245C and maintains documentation of background study requests and results;

(5) provides at the time of enrollment, reenrollment, and revalidation in a format determined by the commissioner, proof of surety bond coverage for each business location providing services. Upon new enrollment, or if the provider's medical assistance revenue in the previous calendar year is $300,000 or less, the provider agency must purchase a surety bond of $50,000. If the provider's medical assistance revenue in the previous year is over $300,000, the provider agency must purchase a surety bond of $100,000. The surety bond must be in a form approved by the commissioner, must be renewed annually, and must allow for recovery of costs and fees in pursuing a claim on the bond. Any action to obtain monetary recovery or sanctions from a surety bond must occur within six years from the date the debt is affirmed by a final agency decision. An agency decision is final when the right to appeal the debt has been exhausted or the time to appeal has expired under section 256B.064;

(6) directly provides housing stabilization services using employees of the agency and not by using a subcontractor or reporting agent;

(7) ensures all controlling individuals and employees of the agency complete annual vulnerable adult training; and

(8) completes compliance training as required under section 256B.0444, subdivision ~~6b~~ 2.

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 256B.0701, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. **Provider qualifications and duties.** A provider is eligible for reimbursement under this section only if the provider:

(1) is confirmed by the commissioner as an eligible provider after a pre-enrollment risk assessment under subdivision 10;

(2) is enrolled as a medical assistance Minnesota health care program provider and meets all applicable provider standards and requirements;

(3) demonstrates compliance with federal and state laws and policies for housing stabilization services as determined by the commissioner;

(4) complies with background study requirements under chapter 245C and maintains documentation of background study requests and results;

(5) provides at the time of enrollment, reenrollment, and revalidation in a format determined by the commissioner, proof of surety bond coverage for each business location providing services. Upon new enrollment, or if the provider's medical assistance revenue in the previous calendar year is $300,000 or less, the provider agency must purchase a surety bond of $50,000. If the provider's medical assistance revenue in the previous year is over $300,000, the provider agency must purchase a surety bond of $100,000. The surety bond must be in a form approved by the commissioner, must be renewed annually, and must allow for recovery of costs and fees in pursuing a claim on the bond. Any action to obtain monetary recovery or sanctions from a surety bond must occur within six years from the date the debt is affirmed by a final agency decision. An agency decision is final when the right to appeal the debt has been exhausted or the time to appeal has expired under section 256B.064;

(6) ensures all controlling individuals and employees of the agency complete annual vulnerable adult training;

(7) completes compliance training as required under section 256B.0444, subdivision ~~11~~ 2; and

(8) complies with the habitability inspection requirements in subdivision 13.

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.073, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

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

(b) "Electronic visit verification" means the electronic documentation of the:

(1) type of service performed;

(2) individual receiving the service;

(3) date of the service;

(4) location of the service delivery;

(5) individual providing the service; and

(6) time the service begins and ends.

(c) "Electronic visit verification system" means a system that provides electronic verification of services that complies with the 21st Century Cures Act, Public Law 114-255, and the requirements of subdivision 3.

(d) "Service" ~~means one of the following~~ includes:

(1) personal care assistance services as defined in section 256B.0625, subdivision 19a, and provided according to section 256B.0659;

(2) community first services and supports under section 256B.85;

(3) home health services under section 256B.0625, subdivision 6a; ~~or~~

(4) other medical supplies and equipment or home and community-based services that are required to be electronically verified by the 21st Century Cures Act, Public Law 114-255~~.~~;

(5) services provided by a provider type designated by the commissioner as high-risk under section 256B.044, subdivision 1; and

(6) home and community-based services reimbursed at an hourly or specified minute-based rate and provided according to a federally approved waiver plan as authorized under chapter 256S and sections 256B.0913, 256B.092, and 256B.49.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 256B.0759, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Provider payment rates.** (a) Payment rates for participating providers must be increased for services provided to medical assistance enrollees. To receive a rate increase, participating providers must meet demonstration project requirements and provide evidence of formal referral arrangements with providers delivering step-up or step-down levels of care. Providers that have enrolled in the demonstration project but have not met the provider standards under subdivision 3 as of July 1, 2022, are not eligible for a rate increase under this subdivision until the date that the provider meets the provider standards in subdivision 3. Services provided from July 1, 2022, to the date that the provider meets the provider standards under subdivision 3 shall be reimbursed at rates according to section 254B.0505, subdivision 1. Rate increases paid under this subdivision to a provider for services provided between July 1, 2021, and July 1, 2022, are not subject to recoupment when the provider is taking meaningful steps to meet demonstration project requirements that are not otherwise required by law, and the provider provides documentation to the commissioner, upon request, of the steps being taken.

(b) The commissioner may temporarily suspend payments to the provider according to section ~~256B.04, subdivision 21, paragraph (d)~~ 256B.0442, subdivision 1, if the provider does not meet the requirements in paragraph (a). Payments withheld from the provider must be made once the commissioner determines that the requirements in paragraph (a) are met.

(c) For outpatient individual and group substance use disorder services under section 254B.0505, subdivision 1, clause (1), and adolescent treatment programs that are licensed as outpatient treatment programs according to sections 245G.01 to 245G.18, provided on or after January 1, 2021, payment rates must be increased by 20 percent over the rates in effect on December 31, 2020.

(d) Effective January 1, 2021, and contingent on annual federal approval, managed care plans and county-based purchasing plans must reimburse providers of the substance use disorder services meeting the criteria described in paragraph (a) who are employed by or under contract with the plan an amount that is at least equal to the fee-for-service base rate payment for the substance use disorder services described in paragraph (c). The commissioner must monitor the effect of this requirement on the rate of access to substance use disorder services and residential substance use disorder rates. Capitation rates paid to managed care organizations and county-based purchasing plans must reflect the impact of this requirement. This paragraph expires if federal approval is not received at any time as required under this paragraph.

(e) Effective July 1, 2021, contracts between managed care plans and county-based purchasing plans and providers to whom paragraph (d) applies must allow recovery of payments from those providers if, for any contract year, federal approval for the provisions of paragraph (d) is not received, and capitation rates are adjusted as a result. Payment recoveries must not exceed the amount equal to any decrease in rates that results from this provision.

(f) For substance use disorder services with medications for opioid use disorder under section 254B.0505, subdivision 1, clause (7), provided on or after January 1, 2021, payment rates must be increased by 20 percent over the rates in effect on December 31, 2020. Upon implementation of new rates according to section 254B.121, the 20 percent increase will no longer apply.

Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 256B.0949, subdivision 16, is amended to read:

Subd. 16. **Agency duties.** (a) An agency delivering an EIDBI service under this section must:

(1) enroll as a medical assistance Minnesota health care program provider according to Minnesota Rules, part 9505.0195, and ~~section 256B.04, subdivision 21~~ sections 256B.044 to 256B.0445, and meet all applicable provider standards and requirements;

(2) designate an individual as the agency's compliance officer who must perform the duties described in section ~~256B.04, subdivision 21, paragraph (g)~~ 256B.044, subdivision 7, paragraph (b);

(3) demonstrate compliance with federal and state laws for the delivery of and billing for EIDBI service;

(4) verify and maintain records of a service provided to the person or the person's legal representative as required under Minnesota Rules, parts 9505.2175 and 9505.2197;

(5) demonstrate that while enrolled or seeking enrollment as a Minnesota health care program provider the agency did not have a lead agency contract or provider agreement discontinued because of a conviction of fraud; or did not have an owner, board member, or manager fail a state or federal criminal background check or appear on the list of excluded individuals or entities maintained by the federal Department of Human Services Office of Inspector General;

(6) have established business practices including written policies and procedures, internal controls, and a system that demonstrates the organization's ability to deliver quality EIDBI services,

appropriately submit claims, conduct required staff training, document staff qualifications, document service activities, and document service quality;

(7) have an office located in Minnesota or a border state;

(8) initiate a background study as required under subdivision 16a;

(9) report maltreatment according to section 626.557 and chapter 260E;

(10) comply with any data requests consistent with the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act, sections 256B.064 and 256B.27;

(11) provide training for all agency staff on the requirements and responsibilities listed in the Maltreatment of Minors Act, chapter 260E, and the Vulnerable Adult Protection Act, section 626.557, including mandated and voluntary reporting, nonretaliation, and the agency's policy for all staff on how to report suspected abuse and neglect;

(12) have a written policy to resolve issues collaboratively with the person and the person's legal representative when possible. The policy must include a timeline for when the person and the person's legal representative will be notified about issues that arise in the provision of services;

(13) provide the person's legal representative with prompt notification if the person is injured while being served by the agency. An incident report must be completed by the agency staff member in charge of the person. A copy of all incident and injury reports must remain on file at the agency for at least five years from the report of the incident;

(14) before starting a service, provide the person or the person's legal representative a description of the treatment modality that the person shall receive, including the staffing certification levels and training of the staff who shall provide a treatment;

(15) provide clinical supervision for a minimum of one hour for every 16 hours of direct treatment per person, unless otherwise authorized in the person's individual treatment plan; and

(16) provide required EIDBI intervention observation and direction at least once per month. Notwithstanding subdivision 13, paragraph (l), required EIDBI intervention observation and direction under this clause may be conducted via telehealth provided that no more than two consecutive monthly required EIDBI intervention observation and direction sessions under this clause are conducted via telehealth.

(b) Upon request of the commissioner, an agency delivering services under this section must:

(1) identify the agency's controlling individuals, as defined under section 245A.02, subdivision 5a;

(2) provide disclosures of the use of billing agencies and other consultants who do not provide EIDBI services; and

(3) provide copies of any contracts with consultants or independent contractors who do not provide EIDBI services, including hours contracted and responsibilities.

(c) When delivering the ITP, and annually thereafter, an agency must provide the person or the person's legal representative with:

(1) a written copy and a verbal explanation of the person's or person's legal representative's rights and the agency's responsibilities;

(2) documentation in the person's file the date that the person or the person's legal representative received a copy and explanation of the person's or person's legal representative's rights and the agency's responsibilities; and

(3) reasonable accommodations to provide the information in another format or language as needed to facilitate understanding of the person's or person's legal representative's rights and the agency's responsibilities.

Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.0949, subdivision 17, is amended to read:

Subd. 17. **Provider shortage; authority for exceptions.** (a) In consultation with the Early Intensive Developmental and Behavioral Intervention Advisory Council and stakeholders, including agencies, professionals, parents of people with ASD or a related condition, and advocacy organizations, the commissioner shall determine if a shortage of EIDBI providers exists. For the purposes of this subdivision, "shortage of EIDBI providers" means a lack of availability of providers who meet the EIDBI provider qualification requirements under subdivision 15 that results in the delay of access to timely services under this section, or that significantly impairs the ability of a provider agency to have sufficient providers to meet the requirements of this section. The commissioner shall consider geographic factors when determining the prevalence of a shortage. The commissioner may determine that a shortage exists only in a specific region of the state, multiple regions of the state, or statewide. The commissioner shall also consider the availability of various types of treatment modalities covered under this section.

(b) The commissioner, in consultation with the Early Intensive Developmental and Behavioral Intervention Advisory Council and stakeholders, must establish processes and criteria for granting an exception under this paragraph. The commissioner may grant an exception only if the exception would not compromise a person's safety and not diminish the effectiveness of the treatment. The commissioner may establish an expiration date for an exception granted under this paragraph. The commissioner may grant an exception for the following:

(1) EIDBI provider qualifications under this section;

(2) medical assistance provider enrollment requirements under ~~section 256B.04, subdivision 21~~ sections 256B.044 to 256B.0445; or

(3) EIDBI provider or agency standards or requirements.

(c) If the commissioner, in consultation with the Early Intensive Developmental and Behavioral Intervention Advisory Council and stakeholders, determines that a shortage no longer exists, the commissioner must submit a notice that a shortage no longer exists to the chairs and ranking minority members of the senate and the house of representatives committees with jurisdiction over health and human services. The commissioner must post the notice for public comment for 30 days. The commissioner shall consider public comments before submitting to the legislature a request to end

the shortage declaration. The commissioner shall not declare the shortage of EIDBI providers ended without direction from the legislature to declare it ended.

Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 256B.4912, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Provider qualifications.** (a) For the home and community-based waivers providing services to seniors and individuals with disabilities under chapter 256S and sections 256B.0913, 256B.092, and 256B.49, the commissioner shall establish:

(1) agreements with enrolled waiver service providers to ensure providers meet Minnesota health care program requirements;

(2) regular reviews of provider qualifications, ~~and~~ including requests ~~of~~ for proof of documentation; and

(3) processes to gather the necessary information to determine provider qualifications.

(b) A provider shall not require or coerce any service recipient to change waiver programs or move to a different location, consistent with the informed choice and independent living policies under section 256B.4905, subdivisions 1a, 2a, 3a, 7, and 8.

(c) For staff that provide direct contact, as defined in section 245C.02, subdivision 11, for services specified in the federally approved waiver plans, providers must meet the requirements of chapter 245C and maintain documentation of background study requests and results. This requirement also applies to consumer-directed community supports.

(d) Service owners and managerial officials overseeing the management or policies of services that provide direct contact as specified in the federally approved waiver plans must meet the requirements of chapter 245C prior to reenrollment or revalidation or, for new providers, prior to initial enrollment if they have not already done so as a part of service licensure requirements.

Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.4912, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 10a. **Individual provider identifier.** (a) Effective January 1, 2027, staff that provide direct contact, as defined in section 245C.02, subdivision 11, for services specified in the federally approved waiver plans must enroll individually with Minnesota health care programs as a medical assistance provider. This requirement also applies to consumer-directed community supports.

(b) For individuals enrolling individually under this subdivision, the commissioner must conform with the requirements of section 256B.0444, subdivision 3.

Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.4912, subdivision 12, is amended to read:

Subd. 12. **Home and community-based service documentation requirements.** (a) Unless the provider is required to use an electronic visit verification system authorized under section 256B.073, the provider must collect and maintain documentation ~~may be collected and maintained~~ electronically or in paper form ~~by providers and must be produced~~. The provider must produce all documentation upon request by the commissioner.

(b) Documentation of a delivered service must be in English and must be legible according to the standard of a reasonable person.

(c) If the service is reimbursed at an hourly or specified minute-based rate, each documentation of the provision of a service, unless otherwise specified, must include:

(1) the date the documentation occurred;

(2) the day, month, and year when the service was provided;

(3) the start and stop times with a.m. and p.m. designations, except for case management services as defined under chapter 256S and sections 256B.0913, subdivision 7; 256B.092, subdivision 1a; and 256B.49, subdivision 13;

(4) the service name or description of the service provided; and

(5) the name, individual provider identifier, signature, and title, if any, of the provider of service. If the service is provided by multiple staff members, the provider may designate a staff member responsible for verifying services and completing the documentation required by this paragraph.

(d) If the service is reimbursed at a daily rate or does not meet the requirements in paragraph (c), each documentation of the provision of a service, unless otherwise specified, must include:

(1) the date the documentation occurred;

(2) the day, month, and year when the service was provided;

(3) the service name or description of the service provided; and

(4) the name, individual provider identifier, signature, and title, if any, of the person providing the service. If the service is provided by multiple staff, the provider may designate a staff member responsible for verifying services and completing the documentation required by this paragraph. The designated staff member verifying the services must include in the documentation of the provision of a service the names and individual provider identifiers of all staff who provided the service.

Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.4912, subdivision 14, is amended to read:

Subd. 14. **Equipment and supply documentation requirements.** (a) ~~In addition to~~ An equipment and supply services provider must follow the requirements in subdivision 12, except for the requirement to provide an individual provider identifier. An equipment and supply services provider must also include for each documentation of the provision of a service ~~include~~:

(1) the recipient's assessed need for the equipment or supply;

(2) the reason the equipment or supply is not covered by the Medicaid state plan;

(3) the type and brand name of the equipment or supply delivered to or purchased by the recipient, including whether the equipment or supply was rented or purchased;

(4) the quantity of the equipment or supply delivered or purchased; and

(5) the cost of the equipment or supply if the amount paid for the service depends on the cost.

(b) A provider must maintain a copy of the shipping invoice or a delivery service tracking log or other documentation showing the date of delivery that proves the equipment or supply was delivered to the recipient or a receipt if the equipment or supply was purchased by the recipient.

Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.4912, subdivision 15, is amended to read:

Subd. 15. **Adult day service documentation and billing requirements.** (a) In addition to the requirements in subdivision 12, a provider of adult day services as defined in section 245A.02, subdivision 2a, and licensed under Minnesota Rules, parts 9555.9600 to 9555.9730, must maintain documentation of:

(1) a needs assessment and current plan of care according to section 245A.143, subdivisions 4 to 7, or Minnesota Rules, part 9555.9700, for each recipient, if applicable;

(2) attendance records as specified under section 245A.14, subdivision 14, paragraph (a), including the date of attendance with the day, month, and year; and the pickup and drop-off time in hours and minutes with a.m. and p.m. designations;

(3) the monthly and quarterly program requirements in Minnesota Rules, part 9555.9710, subparts 1, items E and H; 3; 4; and 6, if applicable;

(4) the name, individual provider identifier, and qualification of each registered physical therapist, registered nurse, and registered dietitian who provides services to the adult day services or nonresidential program; and

(5) the location where the service was provided. If the location is an alternate location from the usual place of service, the documentation must include the address, or a description if the address is not available, of both the origin site and destination site; the length of time at the alternate location with a.m. and p.m. designations; and a list of participants who went to the alternate location.

(b) A provider must not exceed the provider's licensed capacity. If a provider exceeds the provider's licensed capacity, the ~~department~~ commissioner must recover all Minnesota health care programs payments from the date the provider exceeded licensed capacity.

Sec. 25. **MANDATORY COMPLIANCE TRAINING FOR CURRENTLY ENROLLED HIGH-RISK MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDERS.**

The owners and employees of any medical assistance provider agency subject to the requirements of Minnesota Statutes, section 256B.0444, subdivision 2, and enrolled before January 1, 2027, must complete initial compliance training by January 1, 2028. Owners and employees of PCA and CFSS agencies who enrolled before January 1, 2027, and have previously completed training under Minnesota Statutes, section 256B.0659, subdivision 21, paragraph (c), or 256B.85, subdivision 12, paragraph (c), are not subject to the initial training requirements of this section but must repeat the compliance training prior to revalidation as a medical assistance provider.

Sec. 26. **DIRECTION TO THE COMMISSIONER OF HUMAN SERVICES; UNREDACTED INITIAL OPTUM REPORTS.**

(a) For the purposes of this section, "initial Optum reports" means the reports produced by Optum, Inc., under contract with the Department of Human Services and announced in the news release from the department on February 6, 2026.

(b) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the commissioner of human services must immediately release the initial Optum reports to the public in the reports' entirety without redactions or edits, except for redactions requested by Optum to protect proprietary information.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective 14 days following final enactment.

Sec. 27. **REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 256B.051, subdivision 6b; and 256B.0701, subdivision 11, are repealed."

Delete the title and insert:

"A bill for an act relating to human services; modifying medical assistance provider enrollment requirements for high-risk providers and certain home and community-based providers; making technical corrections; requiring compliance training for high-risk medical assistance providers; requiring disclosure of the use of consultants to prepare certain license applications; requiring commissioner of human services to release unredacted initial Optum reports; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 142B.01, subdivision 8; 245A.02, subdivision 5a; 245D.081, subdivision 3; 256B.073, subdivision 2; 256B.0949, subdivision 17; 256B.4912, subdivisions 12, 14, 15, by adding a subdivision; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 245A.04, subdivisions 1, 7; 245A.05; 256B.04, subdivision 21; 256B.051, subdivision 6; 256B.0701, subdivision 9; 256B.0759, subdivision 4; 256B.0949, subdivision 16; 256B.4912, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 256B; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 256B.051, subdivision 6b; 256B.0701, subdivision 11."

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

Senator Xiong from the Committee on State and Local Government, to which was re-referred

S.F. No. 1201: A bill for an act relating to health insurance; requiring a report on school district and charter school health insurance; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 471.6161, by adding a subdivision.

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

Page 3, delete section 2 and insert:

"Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION.**

$18,000 in fiscal year 2026 and $74,000 in fiscal year 2027 are appropriated from the general fund to the Legislative Coordinating Commission for the Legislative Budget Office to complete the

annual report required by section 1. The base for this appropriation is $36,000 in fiscal year 2028 and later."

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

Senator Xiong from the Committee on State and Local Government, to which was re-referred

S.F. No. 3859: A bill for an act relating to health insurance; mandating coverage without cost-sharing of immunizations for routine use without a prescription; requiring the commissioner of commerce to make defrayal payments to health plan companies; establishing the Minnesota Science-Based Vaccine Advisory Council; establishing advisory council duties; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62Q.46, subdivision 1, by adding subdivisions; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 145.

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

Page 4, line 16, delete everything after "Council"

Page 4, delete lines 17 to 23

Page 4, line 24, delete everything before the period

Page 4, line 25, delete "16" and insert "14"

Page 5, delete lines 16 and 19

Page 5, line 20, after "department" insert "appointed by the Minnesota Indian Affairs Council"

Page 5, line 23, after the semicolon, insert "and"

Page 5, line 24, delete "from" and insert "appointed by the director of"

Page 5, line 25, delete "; and" and insert "who is employed by or who is conducting research for the center."

Page 5, delete line 26

Page 6, after line 12, insert:

"Subd. 3. **Terms.** Members appointed under subdivision 2, clauses (2) to (14), serve a four-year term."

Page 6, line 13, delete everything after "(a)"

Page 6, line 14, delete everything before the third "the"

Page 6, line 15, after the period, insert "The chair serves as chair for a two-year term."

Page 6, line 17, delete "Meetings must be open to the public."

Page 7, after line 12, insert:

"Subd. 7. **Reports.** The council must submit a report by July 1, in each even-numbered year, to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with primary jurisdiction over health policy. The report must describe the committee's work to fulfill the duties prescribed in subdivision 5.

Subd. 8. **Expiration.** This section expires July 1, 2036."

Page 7, before line 13, insert:

"Sec. 5. **MINNESOTA SCIENCE-BASED VACCINE ADVISORY COUNCIL; FIRST APPOINTMENTS AND FIRST MEETING.**

Subdivision 1. **First appointments.** The first members appointed to the Minnesota Science-Based Vaccine Advisory Council under Minnesota Statutes, section 145.675, subdivision 2, clauses (2) to (8), serve a term of two years.

Subd. 2. **First meeting.** The commissioner of health must convene the first meeting of the Minnesota Science-Based Vaccine Advisory Council by January 1, 2027. At the first meeting, the advisory council must select a chair from among its members."

Renumber the clauses, subdivisions, and sections in sequence

Amend the title accordingly

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

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

S.F. No. 3616: A bill for an act relating to child care; limiting access to child care center facilities; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 142B.

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

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"Section 1. **[142B.665] CHILD CARE CENTER ACCESS.**

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

(b) "Child care center" means:

(1) a child care center licensed under chapter 142B and Minnesota Rules, chapter 9503; and

(2) a certified license-exempt child care center authorized under chapter 142C.

(c) "Employee" means the license holder, authorized agent, controlling individual, director, staff persons, substitutes, and unsupervised volunteers of a licensed child care center or a certified license-exempt child care center.

(d) "Judicial officer" means a judge or justice of the United States, a United States magistrate judge, or a clerk of the court authorized to sign a warrant pursuant to rule 9 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

Subd. 2. **Limits on access by officials engaged in immigration enforcement.** (a) An employee of a child care center must not consent to a federal, state, or local official entering a child care center for the purposes of civil immigration enforcement unless the official provides the employee with a warrant signed by a judicial officer. The employee must request that the federal, state, or local official provide valid identification and a written statement of purpose.

(b) If a federal, state, or local official engaged in civil immigration enforcement enters a child care center, an on-duty employee must immediately notify the child care center license holder or authorized agent.

(c) This section does not prohibit entry to a child care center by a state, federal, or local official administering a state or federally supported child care program.

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

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

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

S.F. No. 4242: A bill for an act relating to health; requiring health facilities to limit access to premises in certain circumstances; requiring health care facilities to develop and implement policies regarding civil immigration enforcement; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144.

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

Senator McEwen from the Committee on Labor, to which was referred

S.F. No. 4060: A bill for an act relating to employment; requiring a quality service wage for covered airport or related location workers; providing penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 177.27, subdivision 4; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 181.

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

Page 1, delete section 1

Page 2, line 11, delete everything after the second comma

Page 2, line 12, delete everything before "including"

Page 3, line 2, delete "commissioner" and insert "Metropolitan Airports Commission"

Page 3, line 12, delete "commissioner of labor and industry" and insert "Metropolitan Airports Commission"

Page 3, lines 16 and 29, delete "commissioner" and insert "Metropolitan Airports Commission"

Page 3, line 18, delete "....." and insert "July 1"

Page 3, line 26, delete everything after "(a)"

Page 3, line 27, delete everything before "may" and insert "The Metropolitan Airports Commission"

Page 3, after line 32, insert:

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

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title numbers accordingly

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

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

S.F. No. 3705: A bill for an act relating to health insurance; extending a requirement that health plan companies must credential and contract with certain providers of mental health services; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62Q.096.

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

Page 2, delete line 15

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

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

S.F. No. 4157: A bill for an act relating to insurance; providing for and regulating short-term rental guarantees and reimbursement insurance policies; proposing coding for new law as Minnesota Statutes, chapter 59E.

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

Page 3, after line 2, insert:

"(d) Each person handling rental home marketplace guarantee losses on behalf of a provider must be trained in property damage and loss assessment and interpretation of the rental home marketplace guarantee terms before handling losses. The training must be adequate for each person handling rental home marketplace guarantee losses to provide knowledgeable, fair, and objective service. Providers must maintain records demonstrating completion of the training under this paragraph by each person handling rental home marketplace guarantee losses."

Page 3, line 28, delete "180" and insert "90"

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

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

S.F. No. 4135: A bill for an act relating to elections; requiring the secretary of state to prepare and distribute a voter information guide prior to each statewide general election; authorizing rulemaking; proposing coding for new law as Minnesota Statutes, chapter 213.

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

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"Section 1. **[213.01] DEFINITIONS.**

(a) For purposes of this chapter, the terms in this section have the meanings given.

(b) "Candidate" means an individual whose name is or is expected to be printed on the official ballot.

(c) "Guide" means the voter information guide as prescribed in this section.

(d) "Measure" means a proposed amendment to the Minnesota Constitution submitted to the people for their approval or rejection at an election.

Sec. 2. **[213.02] DISTRIBUTION AND POSTING OF VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE.**

Subdivision 1. **Distribution.** (a) The secretary of state shall print and distribute a voter information guide for every statewide general election as provided in this section. Not less than 53 days before the general election, the secretary of state shall mail:

(1) one printed copy of the voter information guide to every household where at least one registered voter resides, as indicated by the statewide voter registration system at the time of the mailing;

(2) at least one copy to each public library in the state;

(3) copies to each public college and university in the state; and

(4) one or more copies to any other location the secretary deems appropriate.

(b) A voter information guide is not required to be mailed to a voter who registered after the 29th day before an election.

(c) The secretary must make additional printed copies available upon request.

Subd. 2. **Posting.** (a) Not less than 53 days before the general election, the secretary of state must post a copy of the voter information guide on the secretary's website.

(b) Consistent with section 213.03, the secretary of state must make the material required to be distributed by this chapter available to the public in electronic form.

Sec. 3. **[213.03] ACCESSIBILITY.**

(a) The guide must, to the extent reasonably practicable:

(1) be written in English and the three most commonly spoken non-English languages as determined by the state demographer;

(2) explain in each language that an electronic copy of the guide is publicly available in those languages; and

(3) provide the website address where the guide in each language can be found.

(b) The statements required or permitted by paragraph (a) must be clearly readable. The secretary of state must post an electronic version of the voter information guide on the secretary's website.

(c) The secretary of state shall prepare a recording of the voter information guide and must make the recording available in English to any voter upon request, without cost.

Sec. 4. **[213.04] FORMAT; CONTENTS.**

Subdivision 1. **Format and layout.** (a) The secretary of state shall determine the format and layout of the voter information guide. The guide must be printed in clear, readable type on a size, quality, and weight of paper that, in the judgment of the secretary of state, best serves the voters. The guide must contain a table of contents.

(b) The secretary of state shall allocate space in the guide based on the number of candidates or nominees for each office.

(c) Pages on which candidates' photographs or statements appear must be clearly identified with the words "Images and statements provided by the candidate."

Subd. 2. **Voter and election information.** (a) The voter information guide must include the following information:

(1) the eligibility requirements for voting;

(2) when a voter is required to register or update a voter registration;

(3) a statement on the front or back cover of the voter information guide that voters may take the guide into the polling place; and

(4) any other information the secretary of state considers relevant to the conduct of the election.

(b) The voter information guide may include the following information:

(1) maps showing the boundaries of state senate and state house of representatives districts;

(2) a voter registration form;

(3) an absentee ballot application form; and

(4) a copy of the Voter's Bill of Rights in section 204C.08, subdivision 1d.

Subd. 3. **Candidate and constitutional amendment information.** (a) The voter information guide must contain:

(1) information about each proposed state constitutional amendment as required by section 213.05;

(2) a candidate statement and contact information, if submitted, from each candidate for the offices of president and vice president of the United States, United States senator, United States representative, governor and lieutenant governor, secretary of state, state auditor, attorney general, state senator, state representative, justice of the supreme court, judge of the state court of appeals, and judge of the district court;

(3) contact information for the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board, including the following statement: "For a list of the people and organizations that donated to statewide, legislative and judicial campaigns, visit cfb.mn.gov." The statement must be placed in a prominent position, such as the first two pages of the voter information guide. The secretary of state may modify the wording as is necessary for accuracy and clarity and consistent with the intent of this section;

(4) contact information for each major political party;

(5) a list of each college and university in Minnesota, and their campus vote coordinator and their contact information;

(6) information on accessing an electronic copy of the voter information guide; and

(7) any additional information pertaining to elections as may be required by law or rule.

(b) If a candidate does not submit a candidate statement pursuant to this section, the document shall include with the candidate's listing the words "No statement submitted."

Subd. 4. **Party preference.** The voter information guide must list the political party affiliation or political principle for each candidate appearing on the ballot, as identified on the candidate's affidavit of candidacy or nominating petition. This subdivision does not apply to judicial candidates.

Subd. 5. **Name of secretary of state, county auditor, or municipal clerk.** The name of the secretary of state, county auditor, or municipal clerk may not appear in the voter information guide in their official capacity if the secretary, county auditor, or municipal clerk is a candidate at the election for which the voter information guide is printed.

Sec. 5. **[213.05] CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROVISIONS.**

(a) A state constitutional amendment proposal must be printed in the voter information guide so that language proposed for deletion is enclosed by double parentheses and has a line through it. Proposed new language must be underlined. A statement explaining the deletion and addition of language must appear as follows: "Any language in double parentheses with a line through it is the existing state constitution and will be taken out of the constitution if this measure is approved by voters. Any underlined language does not appear in the existing state constitution but will be added to the constitution if this measure is approved by voters."

(b) The voter information guide must provide the following information for each state constitutional amendment proposal:

(1) the bill numbers from the senate and house of representatives;

(2) the official ballot title of the constitutional amendment proposal;

(3) the total number of votes cast for and against the measure in the senate and house of representatives, broken down by political party; and

(4) the full text of the measure.

Sec. 6. **[213.06] ELECTRONIC FILING SYSTEM.**

The secretary of state by rule shall adopt an electronic filing system to allow photographs and statements to be filed electronically.

Sec. 7. **[213.07] PHOTOGRAPHS; REQUIREMENTS.**

(a) All photographs of candidates submitted for publication must conform to standards established by the secretary of state by rule. No photograph may reveal clothing or insignia suggesting the holding of a public office. A candidate may not submit for inclusion in the voter information guide a photograph that was taken more than four years before the date the photograph is filed with the secretary of state. A photograph submitted for inclusion in the guide must:

(1) be a conventional photograph with a plain background;

(2) show the face or the head, neck, and shoulders of the candidate; and

(3) be prepared and processed for printing as prescribed by the secretary of state.

(b) A photograph submitted for inclusion in the voter information guide may not:

(1) include the hands or anything held in the hands of the candidate;

(2) show the candidate wearing a judicial robe, a hat, or a military, police, or fraternal uniform; or

(3) show the uniform or insignia of any organization.

(c) A photograph may include a hat or head covering that is religious in nature.

(d) The secretary of state shall prescribe by rule the size and manner of placement of the photograph printed in the voter information guide, except that the size of the printed photograph shall not be smaller than 1.5 inches by 1.75 inches. The rule shall apply in the same manner to all candidates for the same nomination or office.

(e) All photographs shall be printed in black and white, but may be submitted by candidates to the secretary of state in color.

(f) Candidates for governor and lieutenant governor must submit two photographs as a combined ticket: one of the candidate for governor and one of the candidate for lieutenant governor. Candidates for president and vice president must submit two photographs as a combined ticket: one of the candidate for president and one of the candidate for vice president.

Sec. 8. **[213.08] CANDIDATE STATEMENTS.**

(a) The maximum number of words for statements submitted by candidates is as follows:

(1) state representative, state senator, district court judge, 100 words;

(2) judge of the court of appeals, justice of the supreme court, secretary of state, attorney general, state auditor, 200 words; and

(3) president and vice president, United States senator, United States representative, governor and lieutenant governor, 300 words.

(b) Governor and lieutenant governor candidates shall submit one statement as a combined ticket. President and vice president candidates shall submit one statement as a combined ticket.

Sec. 9. **[213.10] DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF CANDIDATE STATEMENTS AND PHOTOGRAPHS.**

The secretary of state may, by rule, set a deadline for submission of candidate statements and photographs for inclusion in the voter information guide. The deadline for submission of candidate statements and photographs must not be earlier than ten days immediately following the deadline for filing affidavits of candidacy.

Sec. 10. **[213.11] REJECTION OR DISPUTE OF CANDIDATE STATEMENTS.**

Subdivision 1. **References to other candidates.** A candidate must not identify or reference another candidate running for office at the same election in their candidate statement. The secretary of state shall not include any portion of a candidate statement that violates this subdivision.

Subd. 2. **Obscene or other prohibited material.** If in the opinion of the secretary of state any candidate statement submitted for inclusion in the voter information guide is obscene or contains matter that is otherwise prohibited by law from distribution through the mail, the secretary may petition the Minnesota Court of Administrative Hearings for a determination that the argument or statement may be rejected for publication or edited to delete the matter. The court shall not enter such an order unless it concludes that the matter is obscene or otherwise prohibited for distribution through the mail.

Subd. 3. **Resolution of disputes.** Parties to a dispute under this section may agree to resolve the dispute by rephrasing the statement. The secretary shall promptly provide any such revision to all parties of the dispute.

Subd. 4. **Court of Administrative Hearings procedure.** In an action under this section the campaign committee or candidate must be named as a defendant and may be served with process by certified mail directed to the address contained in the secretary's records for that party. The Court of Administrative Hearings shall give such an action priority on its calendar.

Sec. 11. **[213.12] RULEMAKING.**

The secretary of state may adopt rules necessary to facilitate the administration of this chapter.

Sec. 12. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This act is effective January 1, 2027."

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 3, after the semicolon, insert "providing a dispute resolution procedure;"

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

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

S.F. No. 4196: A bill for an act relating to campaign finance; requiring the campaign finance and public disclosure board to impose fees and civil penalties for various violations; allowing fees and civil penalties to be waived for good cause only in certain circumstances; requiring an annual report; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 10A.01, by adding subdivisions; 10A.02, subdivision 15; 10A.025, subdivisions 2, 3, 4, 5; 10A.12, subdivision 1b; 10A.14, subdivision 4; 10A.20, subdivision 12; 10A.244, subdivision 4; 10A.27, subdivision 13; 10A.29.

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

Page 1, line 12, delete "mandatory"

Page 1, line 13, after "$25,000" insert "or $250,000" and delete the second "or" and insert "and"

Page 2, line 28, after "(d)" insert "The board must impose a civil penalty on" and strike everything after "(c)"

Page 2, line 29, delete the new language and reinstate the stricken language and strike "the board of" and insert ". For reports that include contributions and disbursements, the penalty is four times the sum of the following amounts that were knowingly false or omitted: the beginning cash balance, total contributions, and total disbursements. For all other reports, the penalty is"

Page 2, line 30, delete the new language

Page 3, line 4, after the second "the" insert "beginning cash balances," and after "contributions" insert a comma

Page 3, line 5, after "knowingly" insert "false or"

Page 4, line 1, after "(b)" insert "The board must impose a civil penalty on" and strike everything after "correction"

Page 4, line 2, delete the new language and reinstate the stricken language and strike everything before "up" and insert ". For reports that include contributions and disbursements, the penalty is four times the amount of the required change or correction in the report. For all other reports, the penalty is"

Page 4, line 3, delete the new language

Page 4, line 31, after "(c)" insert "The board must impose a civil penalty on"

Page 4, line 32, strike "is subject to a civil penalty imposed by the board of" and before "an" insert "in"

Page 5, line 19, delete "subdivision" and insert "subdivisions"

Page 5, line 20, after "1" insert "and 1a"

Page 6, line 3, delete "or 5a" and insert "5a, 6, or 14"

Page 6, line 19, after the period, insert "If a late filing fee and civil penalty are related to the same report or statement, the late filing fee and civil penalty count as a single penalty for purposes of this paragraph."

Page 6, line 27, after the period, insert "If a late filing fee and civil penalty are related to the same report or statement, the late filing fee and civil penalty count as a single penalty for purposes of this paragraph."

Page 7, delete section 12

Page 7, line 27, delete "an election" and insert "a two-year election cycle"

Page 8, line 2, delete "an election" and insert "a two-year election cycle"

Page 8, line 6, delete "election" and insert "two-year election cycle"

Page 8, delete section 15

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 2, after "requiring" insert "and authorizing"

Page 1, line 3, delete "fees and civil" and insert "enhanced" and delete everything after the semicolon

Page 1, delete line 4

Page 1, line 5, delete everything before the semicolon and insert "prohibiting the board from waiving enhanced penalties; depositing fee and civil penalties into the state elections campaign account; providing definitions"

Amend the title numbers accordingly

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

Senator Fateh from the Committee on Higher Education, to which was re-referred

S.F. No. 1474: A bill for an act relating to education; requiring public high schools to participate in the direct admissions program; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 120B.

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

Page 1, line 8, before the period, insert "unless the school board has adopted a written resolution exempting one or more high schools from participating in the program"

Page 1, line 9, delete "2025" and insert "2026"

Page 1, after line 9, insert:

"Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION.**

$253,000 in fiscal year 2027 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of the Office of Higher Education for the direct admissions program under Minnesota Statutes, section 136A.84."

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 3, after "program" insert "unless granted an exemption; appropriating money"

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

Senator Fateh from the Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred

S.F. No. 3570: A bill for an act relating to higher education; limiting access by federal immigration officers to public postsecondary campuses; modifying access to educational data; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 13.32, subdivision 3; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 13.32, subdivision 5; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 135A.

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

Page 1, line 20, after "made" insert "for purposes of civil immigration enforcement"

Page 5, line 14, after the period, insert "The Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota is requested to comply with this section."

Page 5, delete subdivision 2 and insert:

"Subd. 2. **Definitions.** For purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings given:

(1) "campus" means:

(i) any building or property owned or controlled by a postsecondary institution within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area of the institution and used by the institution in direct support of, or in a manner related to, the institution's educational purposes, including but not limited to residence halls; and

(ii) property within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area of the institution that is owned by the institution but controlled by another person, is used by students, and supports institutional purposes, including but not limited to a food or other retail vendor; and

(2) "federal immigration officer" means a person acting in their official capacity as an officer or employee of a United States agency that enforces civil immigration law, including but not limited to United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement and United States Customs and Border Protection."

Page 5, line 19, delete "required by state or federal law or as required" and insert "provided in paragraph (d)"

Page 5, line 20, delete "to administer a state or federally supported educational program"

Page 6, after line 3, insert:

"(d) Paragraph (a) does not restrict campus access by a federal immigration officer that is:

(1) required by state or federal law;

(2) required to administer a state or federally supported education program; or

(3) for purposes of voluntary training, outreach, and support provided through the federal student exchange and visitor program."

Page 6, before line 4, insert:

"Subd. 4. **Information to students.** (a) During student registration, a postsecondary institution must provide each student with information regarding:

(1) a student's constitutional rights with regard to civil immigration enforcement;

(2) recommended best practices for student safety when interacting with a federal immigration officer; and

(3) the requirements imposed on the postsecondary institution by this section.

A copy of this information also shall be posted at appropriate locations on campus at all times.

(b) The commissioner of the Office of Higher Education, in consultation with the attorney general, must develop standardized language that a postsecondary institution may use to meet the requirements of paragraph (a).

Subd. 5. **Liability limited.** Nothing in this section shall be construed to create any personal liability for an official, staff member, or other employee of a postsecondary institution acting in good faith."

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

Senator Hawj from the Committee on Environment, Climate, and Legacy, to which was referred

S.F. No. 4187: A bill for an act relating to infectious waste; requiring notice of unlawfully transported infectious waste; requiring inspections of infectious waste generators; assessing financial penalties for unlawfully transporting infectious waste; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 116.78, by adding a subdivision; 116.79, by adding a subdivision; 116.83, by adding a subdivision.

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

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 116.78, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 7a. **Unlawful shipment of infectious or pathological waste.** The operator of a solid waste management facility that has not been approved by the agency to accept infectious or pathological waste must immediately notify the agency on receipt of any waste the operator reasonably believes to be infectious or pathological waste. The notice must include the date of receipt, a description of the suspected infectious or pathological waste, its volume, and the suspected generator of the infectious or pathological waste.

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

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 116.79, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 2a. **Inspections and audits; infectious or pathological waste generators.** The commissioner, in coordination with the commissioner of health, must conduct unannounced inspections of infectious or pathological waste generators to ensure compliance with management plans and sections 116.76 to 116.835. Infectious or pathological waste generators must annually conduct internal audits to ensure compliance with sections 116.76 to 116.835 and must make the audits available to the commissioner for review.

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

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 116.83, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 4. **Unlawful transport of infectious or pathological waste; penalties.** (a) Notwithstanding any other law, a generator of infectious or pathological waste who is determined to have unlawfully arranged for infectious or pathological waste to be transported to a solid waste management facility that has not been approved by the agency to accept infectious or pathological waste is subject to the following penalties:

(1) for a first violation, a fine of not less than $200,000 and up to $500,000;

(2) for a second violation, a fine of not less than $500,000 and up to $1,000,000; and

(3) for a third and subsequent violation, a fine of not less than $1,000,000 and up to $2,000,000 and the establishment of additional conditions in the generator's license by the commissioner of health designed to prevent future violations.

(b) Notwithstanding sections 16A.531, subdivision 1a, clause (3), and 115.073, paragraph (a), the commissioner must remit 50 percent of the fines collected under this subdivision to the solid waste management facility that received the infectious or pathological waste under paragraph (a). The commissioner must deposit the balance of the fines collected in the environmental fund.

(c) A penalty may not be assessed under this subdivision if waste is identified as infectious waste solely as a result of the presence of sharps that are determined to be self-administered by individuals who are not employees or contractors of the suspected generator.

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

Sec. 4. **APPROPRIATION.**

$..... in fiscal year 2027 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency to develop, in consultation with the commissioner of health, in-person or online training courses and materials regarding the appropriate management and disposal of infectious and pathological waste. This is a onetime appropriation.

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

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 2, after "infectious" insert "or pathological" and after the second "infectious" insert "or pathological"

Page 1, lines 3 and 4, after "infectious" insert "or pathological"

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

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

S.F. No. 513: A bill for an act relating to health; establishing an office of gun violence prevention in the Department of Health; requiring a report; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144.

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

Page 1, line 17, delete "coordinate, promote, and conduct" and insert "analyze, evaluate, and review"

Page 1, delete line 21

Renumber the clauses in sequence

Page 2, line 13, delete everything after "funding" and insert "containing policy and funding recommendations to prevent gun violence."

Page 2, delete line 14

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

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

S.F. No. 3572: A bill for an act relating to public safety; modifying circumstances when firearms are permitted on school property; establishing uniform storage requirements for firearms permitted on school property; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 609.66, subdivision 1d.

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

Page 3, after line 25 insert:

"**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2026, and applies to crimes committed on or after that date."

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

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS

S.F. Nos. 3957, 4072, 3956, 239, and 3955 were read the second time.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

The following bills were read the first time.

Senators Hauschild and Lang introduced--

S.F. No. 4441: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; designating the Core Moose Range; establishing a Moose Co-Stewardship Committee and moose restoration and research account; requiring a report; providing rulemaking authority; transferring and appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 97B.505; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 97B.

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

Senator Maye Quade introduced--

S.F. No. 4442: A bill for an act relating to air pollution; funding a grant for purchasing and installing a continuous emission monitoring system to measure lead emissions from a permitted facility.

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

Senator Maye Quade introduced--

S.F. No. 4443: A bill for an act relating to taxation; sustainable aviation fuel credit; excluding certain taxpayers from qualifying for the credit; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 41A.30, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Frentz, Nelson, and Housley introduced--

S.F. No. 4444: A bill for an act relating to financial institutions; authorizing credit unions to obtain insurance from a credit union share insurance provider; regulating credit union share guaranty corporations; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 52.063, subdivision 3; 52.24, subdivisions 1, 2, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senator Clark introduced--

S.F. No. 4445: A bill for an act relating to education; establishing an Interagency Council on Student Attendance; requiring a report; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 120A.

Referred to the Committee on Education Policy.

Senator Hawj introduced--

S.F. No. 4446: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; modifying provisions for soil and water conservation; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 103C.005; 103C.201, subdivision 7; 103C.225, subdivision 4; 103C.331, subdivisions 5, 6, 7, 9, 15; 103C.335; 103C.501, subdivisions 5, 7; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 103C.101, subdivision 8.

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

Senator Hawj introduced--

S.F. No. 4447: A bill for an act relating to arts and cultural heritage; appropriating money for Asian Minnesotan history.

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

Senator Champion introduced--

S.F. No. 4448: A bill for an act relating to public safety; prohibiting federal officers exercising certain federal immigration authority from wearing face coverings; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 626.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

Senators Abeler, Pappas, Dibble, Marty, and Hoffman introduced--

S.F. No. 4449: A bill for an act relating to children, youth, and families; appropriating money for Rally to Read.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senators Dibble, Marty, and Frentz introduced--

S.F. No. 4450: A bill for an act relating to energy; transferring renewable development account funds to the preweatherization account.

Referred to the Committee on Energy, Utilities, Environment, and Climate.

Senators Fateh, Dibble, Clark, Port, and Boldon introduced--

S.F. No. 4451: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for a grant to Our Saviour's Community Services in the city of Minneapolis.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senators Hoffman and Champion introduced--

S.F. No. 4452: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for a group residential facility in the metropolitan area.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senators Abeler and Cwodzinski introduced--

S.F. No. 4453: A bill for an act relating to education; modifying requirements for site-governed schools; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 123B.045.

Referred to the Committee on Education Policy.

Senators Lang, Koran, Mathews, Drazkowski, and Bahr introduced--

S.F. No. 4454: A bill for an act relating to state government; requiring inclusion of the impacts of fraud in budget forecasts; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 16A.103, subdivision 1b, by adding a subdivision; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 16A.103, subdivision 1a.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

Senator Drazkowski introduced--

S.F. No. 4455: A bill for an act relating to local government; modifying the port authority powers of the city of Lake City; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 469.0773.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

Senator Mann introduced--

S.F. No. 4456: A bill for an act relating to human services; establishing and appropriating money for specific or culturally responsive adult mental health grants and children's mental health grants; appropriating money for mobile crisis grants and school-linked mental health grants prioritizing geographic areas most impacted by the United States Department of Homeland Security Operation Metro Surge; amending Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 245.4661, subdivision 9; 245.4889, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senator Johnson introduced--

S.F. No. 4457: A bill for an act relating to health; appropriating money to counties, municipalities, and townships for planning and assistance to support drinking water regionalization; requiring a report.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senator Mann introduced--

S.F. No. 4458: A bill for an act relating to education; prohibiting use of an exemption to immunization due to conscientiously held beliefs; modifying immunization schedules; prohibiting use of a substitute immunization statement; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 121A.15, subdivisions 1, 3, 3a, 10, 12, by adding a subdivision; 135A.14, subdivisions 3, 7; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 121A.15, subdivision 8; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 121A.15, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Education Policy.

Senator Housley introduced--

S.F. No. 4459: A bill for an act relating to housing; providing criminal penalty for assaulting housing and redevelopment authority employees; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 609.2231, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

Senators Pratt, Jasinski, and Howe introduced--

S.F. No. 4460: A bill for an act relating to transportation; authorizing third-party commercial driver's license road tests; authorizing rulemaking; requiring a report; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 171.13, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 171; repealing Minnesota Rules, part 7411.0630, subpart 6.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Senators Wesenberg, Johnson, Drazkowski, Green, and Lieske introduced--

S.F. No. 4461: A bill for an act relating to agriculture; removing prohibition on new white-tailed deer farms; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 35.155, subdivision 10.

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

Senator Lang introduced--

S.F. No. 4462: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; establishing requirements for hiring executive director of the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 97A.056, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision.

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

Senators Mathews, Rarick, Green, Weber, and Gruenhagen introduced--

S.F. No. 4463: A bill for an act relating to energy; repealing the 100 percent carbon free by 2040 standard; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 216B.1691, subdivision 2g.

Referred to the Committee on Energy, Utilities, Environment, and Climate.

Senator Howe introduced--

S.F. No. 4464: A bill for an act relating to retirement; continued health insurance coverage for peace officers and firefighters disabled in the line of duty; modifying eligibility to receive continued health insurance coverage for which the employer must pay the employer contribution; amending Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 299A.465, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

Senator Mathews introduced--

S.F. No. 4465: A bill for an act relating to taxes; creating an exemption from the motor vehicle sales tax for the sale of preowned motor vehicles; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 297A.67, by adding a subdivision; 297B.01, by adding a subdivision; 297B.03.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Senators Mohamed, Boldon, Marty, Clark, and Maye Quade introduced--

S.F. No. 4466: A bill for an act relating to public safety; regulating visitor carrying of firearms on campuses of public postsecondary institutions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.714, subdivision 18.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

Senator Boldon introduced--

S.F. No. 4467: A bill for an act relating to dogs; allowing dog parks to be established in restaurants and breweries; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 157.175, subdivision 5, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senator Dornink introduced--

S.F. No. 4468: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for a new water tower in the city of Easton; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senators Dahms, Weber, Nelson, Lang, and Hoffman introduced--

S.F. No. 4469: A bill for an act relating to taxation; estate; increasing the amount excluded from the Minnesota taxable estate; making conforming changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 289A.10, subdivision 1; 291.016, subdivision 3; 291.03, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Dahms, Duckworth, Utke, and Housley introduced--

S.F. No. 4470: A bill for an act relating to commerce; requiring the commissioner of commerce to submit a Minnesota premium security plan continuation waiver; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62E.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senators Dahms, Weber, Jasinski, Lang, and Kupec introduced--

S.F. No. 4471: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for capital projects at Southwest Minnesota State University; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senators Dahms, Duckworth, Rarick, and Putnam introduced--

S.F. No. 4472: A bill for an act relating to higher education; removing expiration date for exemption to reporting and marketing requirements for institutions contracting with online program management companies; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 135A.195, subdivision 6.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

Senators Kreun and Seeberger introduced--

S.F. No. 4473: A bill for an act relating to child care; modifying requirements for child care centers to use video security cameras; amending Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 142B.68, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senators Rasmusson, Marty, Maye Quade, Limmer, and Klein introduced--

S.F. No. 4474: A bill for an act relating to commerce; prohibiting online sweepstakes games; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 325F.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senators Abeler, Housley, and Clark introduced--

S.F. No. 4475: A bill for an act relating to public safety; requiring federal law enforcement officers performing duties in Minnesota to meet minimum qualifications of a Peace Officer Standards and Training Board licensed peace officer; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 626.863.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

Senators Hoffman and Rasmusson introduced--

S.F. No. 4476: A bill for an act relating to health care facilities; modifying the parties who may be awarded fees and expenses in certain proceedings involving the state; modifying requirements for assisted living facilities to provide residents with a means to request assistance; exempting assisted living facilities from the provider tax; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 144G.41, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 295.50, subdivision 4; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 15.471, subdivision 6; 295.50, subdivision 9b.

Referred to the Committee on Human Services.

Senator Seeberger introduced--

S.F. No. 4477: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for intersection improvements in the city of Lake Elmo; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senator Kupec introduced--

S.F. No. 4478: A bill for an act relating to taxation; local sales and use; authorizing the city of Audubon to impose a local sales and use tax.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Kupec, Dornink, Frentz, and Putnam introduced--

S.F. No. 4479: A bill for an act relating to local government; allowing counties to designate certain agricultural lands as unsuitable for electric power facilities; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 394.

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

Senator Oumou Verbeten introduced--

S.F. No. 4480: A bill for an act relating to public safety; requiring lost and stolen firearms to be reported promptly to law enforcement; providing criminal penalties; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 624.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

Senator Oumou Verbeten introduced--

S.F. No. 4481: A bill for an act relating to higher education; appropriating money for the Minnesota P-20 Education Partnership.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

Senator Oumou Verbeten introduced--

S.F. No. 4482: A bill for an act relating to transportation; establishing survivor support special license plates; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 168.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Senator Koran introduced--

S.F. No. 4483: A bill for an act relating to taxation; imposing a tax on certain remittance transfers; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 295.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senator Koran introduced--

S.F. No. 4484: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for an interchange at Interstate Highway 35 and 400th Street in the city of North Branch; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senators Koran, Putnam, Abeler, and Bahr introduced--

S.F. No. 4485: A bill for an act relating to health; establishing a psilocybin therapeutic use program; establishing protections for registered patients, registered suppliers, registered facilitators, and health care practitioners; authorizing rulemaking; authorizing civil actions; establishing fees; classifying data; establishing an advisory committee; providing criminal penalties; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.02, subdivisions 2, 5; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 152.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senator Hoffman introduced--

S.F. No. 4486: A bill for an act relating to health occupations; authorizing pharmacists to initiate, prescribe, administer, and dispense certain drugs for the treatment of opioid use disorder; modifying grounds for disciplinary action for pharmacists and pharmacist interns; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 151.01, subdivision 27; 151.071, subdivision 2; 151.37, by adding a subdivision; 152.11, subdivision 2; 152.12, by adding a subdivision; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 151.01, subdivision 23.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senator Putnam introduced--

S.F. No. 4487: A bill for an act relating to higher education; directing the Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities to convene a workgroup on adjunct faculty health care eligibility; requiring a report.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

Senator Rarick introduced--

S.F. No. 4488: A bill for an act relating to labor and industry; modifying who can supervise electrical work; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 326B.33, subdivisions 2, 7, 12.

Referred to the Committee on Labor.

Senator Miller introduced--

S.F. No. 4489: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for a new multimodal shared-use trail from the city of La Crescent to the cities of Hokah and Houston to complete the Root River State Trail; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senator Miller introduced--

S.F. No. 4490: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for a new public library in the city of Caledonia; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senators Heintzeman and Rest introduced--

S.F. No. 4491: A bill for an act relating to children; regulating traditional and gestational surrogacy arrangements; creating a crime to operate a for-profit surrogacy agency; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 257.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

Senator Howe introduced--

S.F. No. 4492: A bill for an act relating to employment; allowing a small business employer with a private paid leave plan to receive assistance grants; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 268B.29.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs and Economic Development.

Senators Duckworth, Howe, Putnam, Gustafson, and Lang introduced--

S.F. No. 4493: A bill for an act relating to public safety; appropriating money for a grant to Bolder Options youth mentoring program.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

Senator Limmer introduced--

S.F. No. 4494: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for railroad crossing safety improvements in Hennepin County and the cities of Medina, Independence, and Loretto; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senator Utke introduced--

S.F. No. 4495: A bill for an act relating to money transmission; prohibiting individuals participating in certain public assistance programs from using money transmission to send money to a foreign country; requiring money transmitters to report certain information on individuals; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 142A.03, by adding a subdivision; 256.01, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 53B.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senator Rasmusson introduced--

S.F. No. 4496: A bill for an act relating to telecommunications; modifying and clarifying various provisions governing telephone company regulation, infrastructure and railroad crossings, pricing plans, service classification, and reporting requirements; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 237.069; 237.11; 237.164; 237.66, by adding subdivisions; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 237.036; 237.06; 237.065; 237.066; 237.067; 237.07; 237.071; 237.072; 237.075, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11; 237.14; 237.15; 237.16, subdivision 9; 237.22; 237.231; 237.46; 237.59, subdivisions 1, 1a, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10; 237.626; 237.66, subdivisions 1, 1a, 1c, 1d, 2, 2a, 3; 237.75; 237.766; 237.768; 237.772; 237.775.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senator Green introduced--

S.F. No. 4497: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; requiring rule amendments on boat storage structures in public waters.

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

Senator Seeberger introduced--

S.F. No. 4498: A bill for an act relating to health; modifying strategies in the comprehensive drug overdose and morbidity program administered by the commissioner of health; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 144.0528, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senator Seeberger introduced--

S.F. No. 4499: A bill for an act relating to retirement; public employees police and fire retirement plan; authorizing payment of a retirement annuity without reduction or suspension upon reemployment; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 353.37, subdivisions 1, 5, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 353.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

Senators Kreun, Duckworth, and Abeler introduced--

S.F. No. 4500: A bill for an act relating to education finance; restoring lease levy authority for space necessary for graduation ceremonies; amending Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 126C.40, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Education Finance.

Senators Koran, Rest, Drazkowski, and Bahr introduced--

S.F. No. 4501: A bill for an act relating to state government; allowing the legislative auditor or state auditor to access expunged criminal records for hiring purposes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 364.09; 609A.03, subdivision 7a.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

Senators Boldon, Limmer, Abeler, Klein, and Utke introduced--

S.F. No. 4502: A bill for an act relating to health insurance; prohibiting quantity limits on coverage for home care nursing services; defining home care nursing services; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62Q.545.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senators Johnson Stewart and Frentz introduced--

S.F. No. 4503: A bill for an act relating to local government; designating thermal energy networks as public improvements and waterworks; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 429.021, subdivision 1; 444.075, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

Senator Frentz introduced--

S.F. No. 4504: A bill for an act relating to energy; clarifying the use of certain money provided to the Minnesota Climate Innovation Finance Authority; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 216C.441, subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Energy, Utilities, Environment, and Climate.

Senators Mohamed, Maye Quade, and Clark introduced--

S.F. No. 4505: A bill for an act relating to education finance; increasing student support personnel aid; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 124D.901, subdivision 3; Laws 2025, First Special Session chapter 10, article 3, section 15, subdivision 13.

Referred to the Committee on Education Finance.

Senator Abeler introduced--

S.F. No. 4506: A bill for an act relating to human services; modifying reimbursement rates for high-intensity residential substance use disorder services; amending Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 254B.0509, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Human Services.

Senator Maye Quade introduced--

S.F. No. 4507: A bill for an act relating to state government; proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 5; authorizing state debt for digital infrastructure.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

Senators Maye Quade and Hoffman introduced--

S.F. No. 4508: A bill for an act relating to human services; modifying senior nutrition programs; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256.9752, as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Human Services.

Senator Maye Quade introduced--

S.F. No. 4509: A bill for an act relating to commerce; establishing artificial intelligence safety and disclosure requirements; providing civil remedies; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 325M.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senator Maye Quade introduced--

S.F. No. 4510: A bill for an act relating to education; modifying provisions of the Read Act; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 120B.123, by adding a subdivision; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 120B.12, subdivisions 1, 2, 4, 4a; 120B.123, subdivisions 1, 5; 120B.124, subdivision 5.

Referred to the Committee on Education Policy.

Senators Marty, Rasmusson, Kunesh, Maye Quade, and Klein introduced--

S.F. No. 4511: A bill for an act relating to public safety; prohibiting certain wagers and other activities regarding prediction markets; providing criminal penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 609.75, subdivision 3; 609.76, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

Senators Hoffman and Abeler introduced--

S.F. No. 4512: A bill for an act relating to human services; delaying implementation of Waiver Reimagine by one year; amending Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 7, article 13, section 73, as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Human Services.

Senators Marty, Latz, and Dibble introduced--

S.F. No. 4513: A bill for an act relating to civil law; prohibiting corporation and limited liability company powers related to election activity; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 302A.011, by adding a subdivision; 302A.161, subdivision 24; 302A.165; 317A.011, by adding a subdivision; 317A.161, subdivision 28; 317A.165, subdivision 1; 322C.0102, by adding a subdivision; 322C.0105, subdivision 1; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 302A.166, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

Senators Marty, Rest, Hawj, Boldon, and Latz introduced--

S.F. No. 4514: A bill for an act relating to taxation; aids to local governments; establishing a onetime emergency rental assistance aid for counties and Tribal governments; requiring the claims administrator to return unused funds; canceling a prior appropriation; temporarily extending time period to correct delinquent rent; appropriating money; requiring a report.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Duckworth, Koran, and Utke introduced--

S.F. No. 4515: A bill for an act relating to lawful gambling; modifying certain prize and ticket limits; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 349.211, subdivision 2b.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

Senators Maye Quade, McEwen, and Abeler introduced--

S.F. No. 4516: A bill for an act relating to human services; requiring wage remediation following delayed federal approval of retroactive rate increases.

Referred to the Committee on Human Services.

Senators Kupec and Utke introduced--

S.F. No. 4517: A bill for an act relating to health occupations; establishing licensure for anesthesiologist assistants; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 147.012; proposing coding for new law as Minnesota Statutes, chapter 147G.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senators Dibble, Miller, and Champion introduced--

S.F. No. 4518: A bill for an act relating to taxation; sales and use; providing for businesses to collect tourism improvement district charges from purchasers; modifying certain definitions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 297A.61, subdivision 7; 428B.02, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senator Dibble introduced--

S.F. No. 4519: A bill for an act relating to cannabis; modifying provisions relating to local unit of government's regulation of cannabis businesses; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.22, subdivision 4; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 342.13; 342.14, subdivision 6.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senator Boldon introduced--

S.F. No. 4520: A bill for an act relating to children; allowing nonprofit limited liability companies to apply for a license to be a child-placing agency; modifying the timing for a child care background study; modifying provisions on foster care, child placement, and child maltreatment; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 142B.10, subdivision 18; 245C.04, subdivision 1; 259.83, subdivision 1; 260.67, subdivision 1; 260C.190, subdivision 1; 260C.212, subdivision 4a; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 142B.01, subdivision 15.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senators Boldon and Coleman introduced--

S.F. No. 4521: A bill for an act relating to health care; modifying provisions governing hospital reimbursement for certain biological products to treat rare diseases; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256.969, subdivision 32.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senator Boldon introduced--

S.F. No. 4522: A bill for an act relating to taxation; individual income; requiring taxpayers who earned Minnesota-source income while participating in immigration enforcement activities to file an income tax return; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 289A.08, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senator Boldon introduced--

S.F. No. 4523: A bill for an act relating to health professions; modifying pharmacy-related license and registration renewal and application procedures; modifying inspection requirements for pharmacy licensure; authorizing rulemaking; establishing fees; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 151.065, subdivisions 4a, 4b, by adding subdivisions; 151.14; 151.19, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 151; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 151.13; Minnesota Rules, parts 6800.0400; 6800.1150.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senator Gustafson introduced--

S.F. No. 4524: A bill for an act relating to education; appropriating money for greenhouse equipment upgrades.

Referred to the Committee on Education Finance.

Senators Kunesh, McEwen, Hawj, and Lang introduced--

S.F. No. 4525: A bill for an act relating to environment; modifying notice requirements for water discharges; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 115.061.

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

Senators McEwen and Hauschild introduced--

S.F. No. 4526: A bill for an act relating to tourism; appropriating money for the 2027 International Ice Hockey Federation U18 Men's World Championship.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs and Economic Development.

Senator Pha introduced--

S.F. No. 4527: A bill for an act relating to economic development; establishing a relief program for small businesses negatively impacted by federal enforcement activity; requiring a report; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs and Economic Development.

Senators Dibble and Farnsworth introduced--

S.F. No. 4528: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for forests and forestry capital projects; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senator Westlin introduced--

S.F. No. 4529: A bill for an act relating to education finance; modifying student support personnel aid allowances; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 124D.901, subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Education Finance.

Senator Wiklund introduced--

S.F. No. 4530: A bill for an act relating to child care; modifying the basic sliding fee allocation formula; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 142E.04, subdivisions 6, 7; 142E.17, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senator Wiklund introduced--

S.F. No. 4531: A bill for an act relating to mental health; appropriating money for mental health grants.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senator Mathews introduced--

S.F. No. 4532: A bill for an act relating to state government; repealing the attorney general's duty to represent certain utility customers in matters before the Public Utilities Commission and in certain federal proceedings; making a conforming statutory change; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 216B.241, subdivision 2; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 8.33.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

Senators Xiong, McEwen, Rarick, and Abeler introduced--

S.F. No. 4533: A bill for an act relating to environment; prohibiting new disposal facilities near schools; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 115A.

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

Senator Mathews introduced--

S.F. No. 4534: A bill for an act relating to energy; allowing expenditures on fuel-switching improvements made to low-income households to apply to the low-income conservation spending requirement for municipal utilities and cooperative electric associations; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 216B.2403, subdivision 5.

Referred to the Committee on Energy, Utilities, Environment, and Climate.

Senator Champion introduced--

S.F. No. 4535: A bill for an act relating to economic development; establishing a Minnesota business recovery loan program; appropriating money; requiring a report.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs and Economic Development.

Senator Champion introduced--

S.F. No. 4536: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for a grant to the Center for Communication and Development in the city of Minneapolis.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senators Seeberger and Putnam introduced--

S.F. No. 4537: A bill for an act relating to housing; modifying the requirements in an expedited eviction process; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 504B.321, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

Senator Kreun introduced--

S.F. No. 4538: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for the local road wetland replacement program; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senator Westrom introduced--

S.F. No. 4539: A bill for an act relating to taxation; local sales and use; modifying the Sauk Centre local sales tax authorization; amending Laws 2019, First Special Session chapter 6, article 6, section 28, subdivisions 3, 4, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senator Dibble introduced--

S.F. No. 4540: A bill for an act relating to cannabis; modifying cannabis business license and endorsement provisions; providing civil penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 342.07, subdivision 3; 342.09, subdivision 6; 342.15, subdivisions 2, 5; 342.19, subdivision 5; 342.25, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7; 342.26, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5; 342.27, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 342.28, subdivisions 6, 7, 9, 11; 342.29, subdivisions 5, 6, 8, 8a, 10; 342.30, subdivision 3; 342.31, subdivisions 3, 5; 342.32, subdivision 3; 342.45, subdivision 3; 342.515, subdivisions 2, 4, 6; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 342.12; 342.28, subdivision 8; 342.29, subdivision 7; 342.30, subdivision 1; 342.32, subdivision 1; 342.44, subdivision 1; 342.515, subdivisions 1, 7; 342.62, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 342.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senator Dibble introduced--

S.F. No. 4541: A bill for an act relating to cannabis; modifying cannabis business licensing provisions; establishing a cannabis macrobusiness license; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 342.01, subdivisions 14, 52, 54; 342.09, subdivision 3; 342.175; 342.22, subdivisions 1, 5; 342.27, subdivision 12; 342.35, subdivision 1; 342.37, subdivision 1; 342.41, subdivision 1; 342.51, by adding subdivisions; 342.515, as amended; 342.61, subdivision 5; 342.63, subdivision 4; 342.80; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 342.01, subdivision 48; 342.10; 342.11; 342.12; 342.13; 342.18, subdivision 2; 342.22, subdivision 3; 342.40, subdivision 7; 342.51, subdivision 2; 342.61, subdivision 4; 342.63, subdivisions 2, 3, 6; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 342.51, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senator Dibble introduced--

S.F. No. 4542: A bill for an act relating to cannabis; modifying cannabis event provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 342.39, as amended; 342.40, subdivision 1; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 342.11; 342.40, subdivision 7.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senator Koran introduced--

S.F. No. 4543: A bill for an act relating to public safety; requiring the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension to perform background checks at the request of the Office of the Legislative Auditor; amending Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 299C.76, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

Senator Cwodzinski introduced--

S.F. No. 4544: A bill for an act relating to taxation; tax increment financing; authorizing special rules for the city of Eden Prairie; amending Laws 2025, First Special Session chapter 13, article 5, section 11, subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senator Boldon introduced--

S.F. No. 4545: A bill for an act relating to child care; modifying the great start compensation support payments grant program; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142D.21, subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Senator Kupec moved that the name of Senator Green be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 895. The motion prevailed.

Senator Howe moved that the name of Senator Johnson Stewart be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 992. The motion prevailed.

Senator Kunesh moved that the name of Senator Cwodzinski be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1201. The motion prevailed.

Senator Boldon moved that the name of Senator Port be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1509. The motion prevailed.

Senator Green moved that his name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 2143. The motion prevailed.

Senator Rarick moved that the name of Senator Gustafson be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2143. The motion prevailed.

Senator Cwodzinski moved that the name of Senator Abeler be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2970. The motion prevailed.

Senator Boldon moved that the name of Senator Weber be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 3049. The motion prevailed.

Senator Clark moved that the name of Senator Oumou Verbeten be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 3347. The motion prevailed.

Senator Pappas moved that the name of Senator Boldon be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 3356. The motion prevailed.

Senator Rest moved that the name of Senator Coleman be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 3405. The motion prevailed.

Senator Kupec moved that the name of Senator Gruenhagen be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 3484. The motion prevailed.

Senator Clark moved that the name of Senator Boldon be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 3570. The motion prevailed.

Senator Cwodzinski moved that the name of Senator Mann be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 3572. The motion prevailed.

Senator Draheim moved that the name of Senator Utke be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 3651. The motion prevailed.

Senator Johnson Stewart moved that the name of Senator Cwodzinski be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 3694. The motion prevailed.

Senator Frentz moved that the name of Senator Draheim be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 3718. The motion prevailed.

Senator Kupec moved that the name of Senator Westrom be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 3752. The motion prevailed.

Senator Johnson Stewart moved that her name be stricken as chief author, shown as a co-author, and the name of Senator Xiong be added as chief author to S.F. No. 3860. The motion prevailed.

Senator Hemmingsen-Jaeger moved that the name of Senator Housley be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 3868. The motion prevailed.

Senator Dibble moved that the name of Senator Marty be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4003. The motion prevailed.

Senator McEwen moved that the name of Senator Marty be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4060. The motion prevailed.

Senator Pappas moved that the name of Senator Dibble be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4124. The motion prevailed.

Senator Boldon moved that the name of Senator Rest be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4147. The motion prevailed.

Senator Oumou Verbeten moved that the name of Senator McEwen be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4154. The motion prevailed.

Senator Hoffman moved that his name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 4187. The motion prevailed.

Senator Maye Quade moved that the name of Senator Boldon be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4203. The motion prevailed.

Senator Putnam moved that the name of Senator Champion be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4205. The motion prevailed.

Senator Westlin moved that the name of Senator Boldon be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4231. The motion prevailed.

Senator Maye Quade moved that the name of Senator Boldon be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4233. The motion prevailed.

Senator Hoffman moved that the name of Senator Howe be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4274. The motion prevailed.

Senator Gustafson moved that the name of Senator Kreun be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4297. The motion prevailed.

Senator Abeler moved that his name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 4326. The motion prevailed.

Senator Housley moved that her name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 4326. The motion prevailed.

Senator Maye Quade moved that her name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 4326. The motion prevailed.

Senator Pha moved that the name of Senator Dibble be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4329. The motion prevailed.

Senator Hemmingsen-Jaeger moved that the name of Senator Oumou Verbeten be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4337. The motion prevailed.

Senator Rasmusson moved that the name of Senator Abeler be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4342. The motion prevailed.

Senator Abeler moved that the name of Senator Utke be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4354. The motion prevailed.

Senator Boldon moved that the name of Senator Hemmingsen-Jaeger be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4359. The motion prevailed.

Senator Hauschild moved that the name of Senator Kunesh be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4374. The motion prevailed.

Senator Maye Quade moved that the name of Senator Boldon be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4379. The motion prevailed.

Senator Maye Quade moved that the name of Senator Boldon be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4380. The motion prevailed.

Senator Dibble moved that the name of Senator Port be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4401. The motion prevailed.

Senator Dibble moved that the name of Senator Port be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4402. The motion prevailed.

Senator Dibble moved that the name of Senator Port be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4403. The motion prevailed.

Senator Port moved that the name of Senator Dibble be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4429. The motion prevailed.

Senator Pha moved that S.F. No. 4075 be withdrawn from the Committee on Transportation and re-referred to the Committee on State and Local Government. The motion prevailed.

Senator Hemmingsen-Jaeger moved that S.F. No. 4177 be withdrawn from the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection and re-referred to the Committee on State and Local Government. The motion prevailed.

Senator Putnam moved that S.F. No. 4262 be withdrawn from the Committee on Taxes and re-referred to the Committee on State and Local Government. The motion prevailed.

Senator Wiklund moved that S.F. No. 4418 be withdrawn from the Committee on Health and Human Services and re-referred to the Committee on Human Services. The motion prevailed.

Pursuant to Rule 26, Senator Murphy, Chair of the Committee on Rules and Administration, designated S.F. No. 3832 a Special Order to be heard immediately.

SPECIAL ORDER

S.F. No. 3832: A bill for an act relating to agriculture; modifying eligibility for the Dairy Assistance, Investment, Relief Initiative (DAIRI) program; amending Laws 2023, chapter 43, article 1, section 2, subdivision 4, as amended.

S.F. No. 3832 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	Cwodzinski	Farnsworth	Hawj	Johnson
Bahr	Dahms	Fateh	Heintzeman	Johnson Stewart
Boldon	Dibble	Frentz	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Klein
Carlson	Dornink	Green	Hoffman	Koran
Champion	Draheim	Gruenhagen	Holmstrom	Kreun
Clark	Drazkowski	Gustafson	Howe	Kunesh
Coleman	Duckworth	Hauschild	Jasinski	Kupec

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

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

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

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Senator Housley was excused from the Session of today.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Murphy moved that the Senate do now adjourn until 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 18, 2026. The motion prevailed.

Thomas S. Bottern, Secretary of the Senate