St. Paul, Minnesota, Thursday, March 5, 2026

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

CALL OF THE SENATE

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

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Rabbi Esther Adler.

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:

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

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

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

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

S.F. No. 2533: A bill for an act relating to employment; providing that stay-or-pay provisions are prohibited, unenforceable, and against public policy; 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 2, line 7, delete "2025" and insert "2026"

Page 2, line 24, after the period, insert "A stay-or-pay provision does not include an employee's agreement to repay the cost of training the employee received from an apprenticeship program constituted pursuant to United States Code, title 29, section 186(c)(6), back to that apprenticeship program."

Page 3, line 5, before the period, insert ", payable to the employee aggrieved"

Page 3, after line 8, insert:

"Subd. 4. **Exception.** The prohibition in this section does not apply to an agreement related to the repayment of the cost of tuition for a transferable credential that meets all of the following requirements:

(1) the agreement is made separately from any contract for employment;

(2) the agreement does not require obtaining the transferable credential as a condition of employment;

(3) the agreement specifies the repayment amount before the worker agrees to the agreement, and the repayment amount does not exceed the cost to the employer of the transferable credential received by the worker;

(4) the agreement provides for a prorated repayment amount during any required employment period that is proportional to the total repayment amount and the length of the required employment period and does not require an accelerated payment schedule if the worker separates from the employment; and

(5) the agreement does not require repayment to the employer by the worker if the worker is terminated, except if the worker is terminated for misconduct.

Subd. 5. **Choice of law; venue.** (a) An employer must not require an employee who primarily resides and works in Minnesota, as a condition of employment, to agree to a provision in an agreement or contract that would do either of the following:

(1) require the employee to adjudicate outside of Minnesota a claim arising in Minnesota; or

(2) deprive the employee of the substantive protection of Minnesota law with respect to a controversy arising in Minnesota.

(b) Any provision of a contract or agreement that violates paragraph (a) is voidable at any time by the employee and if a provision is rendered void at the request of the employee, the matter shall be adjudicated in Minnesota and Minnesota law shall govern the dispute.

(c) In addition to injunctive relief and any other remedies available, a court may award an employee who is enforcing rights under this section reasonable attorney fees.

(d) For purposes of this section, adjudication includes litigation and arbitration.

(e) This subdivision applies only to claims arising under this section."

Renumber the subdivisions in sequence

Page 3, line 19, delete "2025" and insert "2026"

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 3, after the semicolon, insert "providing exceptions;"

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

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

S.F. No. 3650: A bill for an act relating to commerce; prohibiting manufacturers from advertising prescription drugs on television; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 325F.

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

Page 1, delete line 9

Page 1, line 10, delete "(c)" and insert "(b)"

Page 1, after line 10, insert:

"(c) "Television advertisement" means a form of paid marketing communication designed to promote products, services, or brands through an over-the-air broadcast or an internet-based, nonbroadcast stream of an over-the-air broadcast."

Page 1, line 11, delete "A manufacturer is prohibited from using televised" and insert "Television"

Page 1, line 12, delete "to advertise" and insert "for" and delete "direct" and before the period, insert "are prohibited"

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 2, delete "manufacturers from advertising" and insert "the advertisement of"

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

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

S.F. No. 3769: A bill for an act relating to health care; continuing to disallow drug manufacturers from restricting delivery of 340B prescription drugs; providing for enforcement; removing an expiration date; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.96, by adding a subdivision; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62J.96, subdivision 3.

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

S.F. No. 1943: A bill for an act relating to commerce; prohibiting pet shops from selling cats and dogs; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 325F.79; 325F.791, subdivisions 1, 5; 325F.792, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 325F.

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 325F.79, is amended to read:

325F.79 DEFINITIONS.

For purposes of sections 325F.79 to 325F.792, the following definitions apply:

(a) "Advertisement" means an oral, written, graphic, or pictorial statement made in the course of soliciting business. Advertisement includes without limitation a statement or representation:

(1) made in a newspaper, magazine, or other public publication;

(2) contained in a notice, sign, billboard, poster, display, circular, pamphlet, or letter; or

(3) made on radio, television, or the Internet.

~~(a)~~ (b) "Animal" means a dog, wholly or in part of the species Canis familiaris, or a cat, wholly or in part of the species Felis domesticus.

~~(b)~~ (c) "Pet dealer" means any person, firm, partnership, corporation, or association, including breeders, that is required to collect sales tax for the sale of animals to the public. Pet dealer does not include humane societies, nonprofit organizations performing the functions of humane societies, or animal control agencies.

~~(c)~~ (d) "Breeder" means any person, firm, partnership, corporation, or association that breeds animals for direct or indirect sale to the public.

~~(d)~~ (e) "Broker" means a person, firm, partnership, corporation, or association that purchases animals for resale to other brokers or pet dealers.

~~(e)~~ (f) "Health problem" means any disease, illness, or congenital or hereditary condition which would impair the health or function of the animal that is apparent at the time of sale, or which should have been apparent to the seller from the veterinary history of the animal.

(g) "Pet shop" means a pet dealer that operates a physical retail store from which animals are sold or offered for sale to the general public, whether through an appointment or otherwise.

~~(f)~~ (h) "Veterinarian" means a licensed veterinarian in the state of Minnesota.

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

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 325F.791, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Disclosure.** (a) Every pet dealer shall deliver to each retail purchaser of an animal written disclosure as follows:

~~(a)~~ (1) the name, address, and USDA license number of the breeder and any broker who has had possession of the animal; the date of the animal's birth; the date the pet dealer received the animal; the breed, sex, color, and identifying marks of the animal; the individual identifying tag, tattoo, or collar number; the name and registration number of the sire and dam and the litter number; and a record of inoculations, worming treatments, and medication received by the animal while in the possession of the pet dealer~~.~~;

~~(b)~~ (2) a statement signed by the pet dealer that the animal has no known health problem, or a statement signed by the pet dealer disclosing any known health problem and a statement signed by a veterinarian that recommends necessary treatment~~.~~; and

(3) a copy of all available state or federal inspection reports for the animal's breeder for all inspections that occurred during the three years preceding the date the animal was purchased.

(b) The disclosure shall be made part of the statement of consumer rights set forth in subdivision 10. The disclosure required in paragraph (a), clause (1), need not be made for mixed breed animals if the information is not available and cannot be determined by the pet dealer.

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

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 325F.791, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Responsibilities of purchaser.** (a) To obtain the remedies provided in subdivision 6, the purchaser shall with respect to an animal with a health problem:

~~(a)~~ (1) notify the pet dealer, within two business days, of the diagnosis by a veterinarian of the purchaser's choosing of a health problem and provide the pet dealer with the name and telephone number of the veterinarian and a copy of the veterinarian's report on the animal~~.~~; and

~~(b)~~ (2) if the purchaser wishes to receive a full refund for the animal, return the animal no later than two business days after receipt of a written statement from a veterinarian indicating the animal is unfit due to a health problem.

(b) With respect to a dead animal the purchaser must provide the pet dealer a written statement from a veterinarian, indicating the animal died from a health problem which existed on or before the receipt of the animal by the purchaser.

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

Sec. 4. **[325F.7915] SALE OF DOGS AND CATS PROHIBITED.**

Subdivision 1. **Prohibition.** A pet shop must not sell, offer to sell, barter, auction, or otherwise transfer ownership of an animal.

Subd. 2. **Adoption of animals.** A pet shop may provide space to a nonprofit humane society, animal control agency, or animal rescue and rehoming organization to offer animals for adoption if the society, agency, or organization qualifies as a nonprofit organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Subd. 3. **Ownership interest and fees.** A pet shop is prohibited from having an ownership interest in an animal offered for adoption under subdivision 2 or receiving a fee for providing space for animal adoption.

Subd. 4. **Continued operation.** Notwithstanding subdivision 1, a pet shop that sold or offered for sale an animal from the pet shop's physical premises for at least one year before the effective date of this section may continue to operate as a pet shop and engage in the sale or offer for sale of animals if:

(1) an animal sold or offered for sale by the pet shop on or after the effective date of this section is obtained only from a state-licensed or USDA-licensed breeder; and

(2) in an advertisement to sell or offer for sale a specific animal, including on the animal's display cage or enclosure, the pet shop discloses the breeder's state license number or USDA license number.

Subd. 5. **Local authority.** Notwithstanding this section, a county, city, town, or township may enact and enforce by ordinance stricter regulations regarding the transfer of ownership of animals, including a prohibition on selling or offering for sale animals by a pet dealer or other entity.

Subd. 6. **Violations.** A pet shop that operates as a pet shop pursuant to subdivision 4 that violates this section on three separate occasions is prohibited from selling, offering to sell, bartering, auctioning, or otherwise transferring ownership of an animal.

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

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 325F.792, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Civil penalty.** (a) A pet dealer who:

(1) sells an animal without delivery of the disclosure required in section 325F.791, subdivision 1;

(2) fails to maintain the records required by section 325F.791, subdivision 2;

(3) fails to provide registration papers as provided in section 325F.791, subdivision 3;

(4) fails to make or provide payment for the examinations required by section 325F.791, subdivision 4;

(5) fails to post the notice required by section 325F.791, subdivision 9; or

(6) fails to provide the statement of consumer rights required by section 325F.791, subdivision 10,

is subject to a civil fine of up to $1,000 per violation.

(b) A pet shop that violates section 325F.7915 is subject to a civil fine of up to $1,000 per violation. Each transfer of an animal's ownership in violation of section 325F.7915 is a separate violation.

~~(b)~~ (c) Civil fines collected under this subdivision shall be collected by the court and turned over to the prosecuting attorney.

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

Sec. 6. **SEVERABILITY.**

If a court of competent jurisdiction holds that any section is unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, the invalidity does not affect other sections that can be given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the sections are severable.

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

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

S.F. No. 3887: A bill for an act relating to local government; allowing watershed districts to self-insure for certain employee health benefits; making technical changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 471.617, subdivisions 1, 2, 4, 4a.

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 471.617, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **If more than 100 employees; conditions.** A statutory or home rule charter city, county, town, school district, watershed district, watershed management organization, or

instrumentality thereof which has more than 100 employees, may by ordinance or resolution self-insure for any employee health benefits including long-term disability, but not for employee life benefits. Any self-insurance plan shall provide all benefits which are required by law to be provided by group health insurance policies. Self-insurance plans must be certified as provided by section 62E.05 and must be filed and certified by the Department of Commerce before they are issued or delivered to any person in this state.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 471.617, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Jointly.** Any two or more statutory or home rule charter cities, counties, towns, school districts, watershed districts, watershed management organizations, or instrumentalities thereof which together have more than 100 employees may jointly self-insure for any employee health benefits including long-term disability, but not for employee life benefits, subject to the same requirements as an individual self-insurer under subdivision 1. Self-insurance pools under this section are subject to section 62L.045. A self-insurance pool established and operated by one or more service cooperatives governed by section 123A.21 to provide coverage described in this subdivision qualifies under this subdivision, but the individual school district members of such a pool shall not be considered to be self-insured for purposes of section 471.6161, subdivision 8, paragraph (g). The commissioner of commerce may adopt rules pursuant to chapter 14, providing standards or guidelines for the operation and administration of self-insurance pools.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 471.617, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Exclusive representative.** (a) No statutory or home rule charter city ~~or~~, county ~~or~~, town, school district, watershed district, watershed management organization, or instrumentality of any of them shall adopt a ~~self insured~~ self-insured health benefit plan for any employees represented by an exclusive representative certified pursuant to section 179A.12 without prior notification and consultation on ten days' written notice to the exclusive representative and agreement by the exclusive representative that represents the largest number of employees to be included in the plan.

(b) Prior to a decision to dissolve any self-insurance, trust fund, or dedicated insurance fund created by a single statutory or home rule charter city, county, town, school district, watershed district, watershed management organization, or instrumentality of any of them, either by ordinance or resolution, the employer must provide 30 days' written notice to each exclusive representative of employees and each individual currently receiving health benefits, and also obtain approval for the proposed action by the exclusive representative that represents the largest number of employees included in the plan. All assets from the trust fund must be audited before closure, and remaining assets must be dedicated for use for health insurance benefits for all individuals currently receiving health benefits. This paragraph does not apply to joint self-insurance trusts or pools.

(c) The assets or liabilities of a joint self-insurance trust or pool that is dissolved must be distributed to members of the joint trust or pool in accordance with the joint trust or pool agreement, if any.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 471.617, subdivision 4a, is amended to read:

Subd. 4a. **May choose, pay for insurance.** A statutory or home rule charter city, county, town, school district, watershed district, watershed management organization, or instrumentality of any of these entities with a self-insurance health benefit plan, may, upon request of the exclusive

representative of its employees as certified pursuant to section 179A.12, allow the employees of the exclusive representative to enroll, at their own expense, in the health insurance benefit plan."

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 2, after "districts" insert, ", watershed management organizations, and towns"

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

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

S.F. No. 2757: A bill for an act relating to housing; creating local government grant account; establishing grant programs for local governments to pay for certain costs of federal action; appropriating money.

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

Page 1, delete subdivisions 2 and 3

Page 1, line 15, delete everything after the third period

Page 1, line 16, delete everything before the first "to" and insert "$100,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 is appropriated from the general fund"

Page 1, line 17, delete "6" and insert "4"

Page 1, line 19, delete "5" and insert "3" and after the period, insert "This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2027."

Page 1, line 21, delete "from the local government legal grant account"

Page 1, line 22, delete "6" and insert "4"

Page 2, line 3, delete "Grants use" and insert "Eligible costs" and delete "Money in the local government legal grant account" and insert "Grants under this section"

Page 2, line 5, delete everything after "include" and insert a colon

Page 2, delete lines 6 to 11 and insert:

"(1) increased administrative costs for programs based on federal changes;

(2) amounts for infrastructure projects that have been canceled or withheld by the federal government;

(3) amounts of expected federal funds that have been canceled or withheld by federal executive order;

(4) costs associated with recovery from Operation Metro Surge; and

(5) legal costs associated with upholding state or local laws that conflict with federal executive orders made effective after January 19, 2025."

Page 2, line 12, delete "$500,000" and insert "$2,500,000"

Page 2, delete subdivision 7

Renumber the subdivisions in sequence

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 2, delete "housing" and insert "state government" and delete "creating local government grant account;"

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

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

S.F. No. 3780: A bill for an act relating to human services; requiring commissioner of human services to release unredacted initial Optum reports.

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

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

S.F. No. 3755: A bill for an act relating to human services; repealing housing stabilization services; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 256B.0658; 256L.03, subdivision 1; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 245C.03, subdivision 6; 245C.10, subdivision 6; 256B.04, subdivision 21; 256B.0701, subdivision 9; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.051, subdivisions 1, 4, 7; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 256B.051, subdivisions 2, 3, 5, 6, 6a, 6b, 8, 9, 10.

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

Page 2, after line 1, insert:

"Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 245C.04, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **Unlicensed home and community-based waiver providers of service to seniors and individuals with disabilities ~~and providers of housing stabilization services~~.** (a) Providers required to initiate background studies under section 245C.03, subdivision 6, must initiate a study using the electronic system known as NETStudy 2.0 before the individual begins in a position allowing direct contact with persons served by the provider. New providers must initiate a study under this subdivision before initial enrollment if the provider has not already initiated background studies as part of the service licensure requirements.

(b) Except as provided in paragraph (c), the providers must initiate a background study annually of an individual required to be studied under section 245C.03, subdivision 6.

(c) After an initial background study under this subdivision is initiated on an individual by a provider of both services licensed by the commissioner and the unlicensed services under this subdivision, a repeat annual background study is not required if:

(1) the provider maintains compliance with the requirements of section 245C.07, paragraph (a), regarding one individual with one address and telephone number as the person to receive sensitive background study information for the multiple programs that depend on the same background study, and that the individual who is designated to receive the sensitive background information is capable of determining, upon the request of the commissioner, whether a background study subject is providing direct contact services in one or more of the provider's programs or services and, if so, at which location or locations; and

(2) the individual who is the subject of the background study provides direct contact services under the provider's licensed program for at least 40 hours per year so the individual will be recognized by a probation officer or corrections agent to prompt a report to the commissioner regarding criminal convictions as required under section 245C.05, subdivision 7.

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

Page 6, after line 13, insert:

"Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.04, subdivision 24, is amended to read:

Subd. 24. **Medicaid waiver requests and state plan amendments; notice; public comments.** (a) The commissioner shall notify the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over medical assistance at least 30 days before submitting a new Medicaid waiver request to the federal government.

(b) Prior to submitting any Medicaid waiver request or Medicaid state plan amendment to the federal government for approval, the commissioner shall publish the text of the waiver request or state plan amendment, and a summary of and explanation of the need for the request, on the agency's website and provide a 30-day public comment period. The commissioner shall notify the public of the availability of this information through the agency's electronic subscription service. The commissioner shall publish the text of all public comments on the agency's website and consider public comments when preparing the final waiver request or state plan amendment that is to be submitted to the federal government for approval.

(c) The commissioner shall also publish on the agency's website notice of any federal decision related to the state request for approval, within 30 days of the decision. This notice must describe any modifications to the state request that have been agreed to by the commissioner as a condition of receiving federal approval.

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

Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.04, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 24a. **Medicaid waiver requests and state plan amendments; prohibited actions.** The commissioner must not take the following actions without prior enactment of legislative authorization:

(1) terminate a medical assistance program, waiver, or benefit;

(2) request federal assistance with terminating a medical assistance program, waiver, or benefit; or

(3) substantially redesign a medical assistance program, waiver, or benefit.

Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.04, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 28. **Medical assistance prepayment review delays.** (a) The commissioner of human services must comply with the prompt payment requirements under section 62Q.75.

(b) As part of any prepayment review process or methodology imposed on medical assistance claims, the commissioner must fully repay the providers for claims impacted by a delay in payment within 30 days of any prepayment review being completed.

(c) The commissioner may not impose cyclical ongoing payment delays for any medical assistance services in the absence of explicit legislative authorization.

(d) This section does not apply to payment withholds imposed under section 256B.064, subdivision 2.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective upon enactment and applies to all claims submitted to the commissioner on or after October 1, 2025."

Page 7, after line 11, insert:

"(3) demonstrates compliance with federal and state laws and policies for recuperative care services as determined by the commissioner;"

Page 8, delete section 7 and insert:

"Sec. 11. **HOUSING STABILIZATION SERVICES REDESIGN.**

Subdivision 1. **Direction to the commissioner.** The commissioner of human services must develop recommendations for establishing a program to support individuals experiencing or at risk of homelessness to obtain and maintain safe, stable housing.

Subd. 2. **Recommendations.** In developing recommendations, the commissioner must:

(1) prioritize establishing a housing services benefit specifically for Minnesota Tribal governments and urban Indian organizations;

(2) utilize evidence-based and promising practices to prevent and reduce homelessness;

(3) identify gaps in available housing services and supports and not duplicate any existing programs;

(4) identify expected outcomes and measures to track effectiveness of the proposed program;

(5) incorporate tools and system changes to protect program integrity and prevent fraud, waste, and abuse; and

(6) include statutory changes and state appropriations to implement the proposed program.

Subd. 3. **Community engagement.** In developing recommendations, the commissioner must consult with the legislature, other state agencies, Tribal Nations, and community partners, including counties, providers, health plans, and people experiencing or at risk of homelessness.

Subd. 4. **Legislative report.** By September 15, 2027, the commissioner must submit to members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over health and human services policy and finance a report including final recommendations to establish both a housing services benefit specifically for Tribal governments and urban Indian organizations and a statewide housing services benefit.

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

Sec. 12. **REPEALER.**

(a) Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.051, subdivisions 1, 4, and 7, are repealed.

(b) Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 256B.051, subdivisions 2, 3, 5, 6, 6a, 6b, 8, 9, and 10, are repealed.

(c) Laws 2025, First Special Session chapter 3, article 18, section 3, is repealed.

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

Renumber the clauses and sections in sequence

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 2, after the second semicolon, insert "clarifying the commissioner's authority to terminate or modify the medical assistance program; clarifying the commissioner's authority to implement medical assistance prepayment review;"

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 Port from the Committee on Housing and Homelessness Prevention, to which was referred

S.F. No. 4044: A bill for an act relating to housing; modifying eligible recipients for Minnesota housing tax credit contributions; repealing credit sunset; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 462A.40, subdivision 3; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 290.0683, subdivision 7.

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

Page 1, after line 6, insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 290.0683, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

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

(b) "Agency" means the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency.

(c) "Greater Minnesota" means the area of Minnesota located outside of the metropolitan area.

(d) "Metropolitan area" has the meaning given in section 473.121, subdivision 2.

~~(c)~~ (e) "Minnesota housing tax credit contribution account" or "account" means the account established in section 462A.40.

~~(d)~~ (f) "Qualified project" means a project that qualifies for a grant or loan under section 462A.40.

~~(e)~~ (g) "Taxpayer" means a taxpayer as defined in section 290.01, subdivision 6, or a taxpayer as defined in section 297I.01, subdivision 16.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2026.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 290.0683, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Allocation.** (a) To qualify for the credit, a taxpayer must contribute to the Minnesota housing tax credit contribution account. A taxpayer may indicate that a contribution is intended for a specific qualified project, subject to the limitations in paragraph (b). A taxpayer is prohibited from contributing to certain projects as provided in section 462A.40, subdivision 3.

(b) For each taxable year, the agency must reserve 50 percent of credits for contributions to qualified projects located in greater Minnesota. Any portion of a taxable year's credits reserved for contributions to qualified projects located in greater Minnesota that is not allocated by the agency by September 30 of each year is available for allocation to credit applications for contributions to other qualified projects beginning on October 1.

~~(b)~~ (c) The aggregate amount of tax credits allowed to all eligible contributors is limited to $9,900,000 annually.

~~(c)~~ (d) Within 30 days after a taxpayer contributes to the account, the agency must file with the contributing taxpayer a credit certificate statement or return any amounts to the taxpayer as provided in this paragraph. The agency must send a copy of the credit certificate to the commissioner. If there are insufficient credits to match the contribution, the agency must not issue a credit certificate for the amount of the contribution for which there are insufficient credits, and must return that amount to the taxpayer before issuing any credit certificate.

~~(d)~~ (e) The credit certificate must state the dollar amount of the contribution made by the taxpayer and the date the payment was received by the account, and indicate if the contribution was intended for a specific qualified project.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2026."

Page 3, delete section 2

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 3, delete "repealing credit sunset" and insert "requiring a set-aside for credit allocations"

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 Port from the Committee on Housing and Homelessness Prevention, to which was referred

S.F. No. 2621: A bill for an act relating to state government; proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article XI; increasing the sales tax rate by three-eighths of one percent and dedicating the receipts for housing purposes; creating a homeownership opportunity fund, a community and household stability fund, and a rental opportunity fund; creating fund councils; providing appointments; requiring reports; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 256K; 462A.

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

REPORT OF VOTE IN COMMITTEE

Pursuant to Rule 12.10, upon the request of three members, a roll call was taken on the Housley amendment to S.F. No. 2621.

There were yeas 5 and nays 6, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Senators Abeler, Draheim, Gruenhagen, Housley, and Lucero.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Senators Boldon, Clark, Mohamed, Pha, Port, and Putnam.

The amendment was not adopted.

Pursuant to Rule 12.10, upon the request of three members, a roll call was taken on the motion that S.F. No. 2621, be recommended to pass and be re-referred.

There were yeas 6 and nays 5, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Senators Boldon, Clark, Mohamed, Pha, Port, and Putnam.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Senators Abeler, Draheim, Gruenhagen, Housley, and Lucero.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Port from the Committee on Housing and Homelessness Prevention, to which was referred

S.F. No. 3839: A bill for an act relating to housing; authorizing the issuance of housing infrastructure bonds; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 462A.37, by adding a subdivision; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 462A.37, subdivision 5.

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

Senator Kunesh from the Committee on Education Finance, to which was referred

S.F. No. 3593: A bill for an act relating to state government; proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 8; modifying the permanent school fund to calculate distributable earnings; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 11A.16, subdivisions 5, 6.

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

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"ARTICLE 1

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

Section 1. **CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSED.**

An amendment to the Minnesota Constitution is proposed to the people. If the amendment is adopted, article XI, section 8, will read:

Sec. 8. The permanent school fund of the state consists of (a) the proceeds of lands granted by the United States for the use of schools within each township, (b) the proceeds derived from swamp lands granted to the state, (c) all cash and investments credited to the permanent school fund and to the swamp land fund, and (d) all cash and investments credited to the internal improvement land fund and the lands therein. No portion of these lands shall be sold otherwise than at public sale, and in the manner provided by law. All funds arising from the sale or other disposition of the lands, or income accruing in any way before the sale or disposition thereof, shall be credited to the permanent school fund. Within limitations prescribed by law, the fund shall be invested ~~to secure the maximum return consistent with the maintenance of the perpetuity of the fund. The principal of the permanent school fund shall be perpetual and inviolate forever. This does not prevent the sale of investments~~

~~at less than the cost to the fund; however, all losses not offset by gains shall be repaid to the fund from the interest and dividends earned thereafter. The net interest and dividends arising from the fund shall be distributed~~ and managed as a perpetual financial resource for the sole purpose of apportioning money to the different school districts of the state. Management of the fund shall be designed to provide annual distributions, minus necessary administrative spending, while preserving the purchasing power of the fund over time and balancing the needs of current and future beneficiaries. Administrative spending shall be in the manner prescribed by law. The distribution policy shall be prescribed by law and consistent with the aforementioned principles. Distributions from the fund shall be apportioned to the different school districts of the state in a manner prescribed by law.

A board of investment consisting of the governor, the state auditor, the secretary of state, and the attorney general is constituted for the purpose of administering and directing the investment of all state funds. The board shall not permit state funds to be used for the underwriting or direct purchase of municipal securities from the issuer or the issuer's agent.

Sec. 2. **SUBMISSION TO VOTERS.**

The proposed amendment must be submitted to the people at the 2026 state general election. The question submitted must be:

"Shall the Minnesota Constitution be amended to modify the permanent school fund to calculate the distributable amount and to maintain the fund as a perpetual financial resource for Minnesota schools, effective July 1, 2027?

Yes . . . . . .
No . . . . . ."

ARTICLE 2

STATUTORY CHANGES

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 11A.16, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Calculation of ~~income~~ distributable amount.** ~~As of the end of each fiscal year,~~ (a) The state board shall calculate the ~~investment income earned by~~ distributable amount of the permanent school fund. The ~~investment income earned by the fund~~ distributable amount shall equal ~~the amount of interest on debt securities, dividends on equity securities, and interest earned on certified monthly earnings prior to the transfer to the Department of Education. Gains and losses arising from the sale of securities shall be apportioned as follows:~~ 4.5 percent of the average net asset value of the permanent school fund as of the end of the preceding three fiscal years.

~~(a) If the sale of securities results in a net gain during a fiscal year, the gain shall be apportioned in equal installments over the next ten fiscal years to offset net losses in those years. If any portion of an installment is not needed to recover subsequent losses identified in paragraph (b) it shall be added to the principal of the fund.~~

~~(b) If the sale of securities results in a net loss during a fiscal year, the net loss shall be recovered first from the gains in paragraph (a) apportioned to that fiscal year. If these gains are insufficient,~~

~~any remaining net loss shall be recovered from interest and dividend income in equal installments over the following ten fiscal years.~~

(b) The director shall report by August 15 the distributable amount to the Legislative Permanent School Fund Commission established in section 127A.30 and the commissioner of education.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 11A.16, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **Disposition of ~~income~~ distributable amount.** ~~Notwithstanding provisions of section 11A.12,~~ The ~~income~~ commissioner of management and budget shall transfer the distributable amount of the permanent school fund as calculated pursuant to subdivision 5~~, shall be credited to the permanent school fund, and transferred~~ to the school endowment fund as needed for payments made pursuant to section 127A.32.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 127A.32, is amended to read:

127A.32 SCHOOL ENDOWMENT FUND; DESIGNATION.

For the purpose of aid to public schools, a school endowment fund is established.

The school endowment fund shall consist of the ~~income~~ distributable amounts from the permanent school fund. The commissioner may accept for and on behalf of the permanent school fund a donation of cash, marketable securities, or other personal property. A noncash donation, other than a donation of marketable securities, must be disposed of for cash as soon as the commissioner can obtain fair market value for the donation. Marketable securities may be disposed of at the discretion of the State Board of Investment consistent with sections 11A.16 and 11A.24. A cash donation and the cash receipts from a donation disposed of for cash must be credited immediately to the permanent school fund. Earnings from marketable securities are earnings of the permanent school fund.

Sec. 4. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Sections 1 to 3 are effective July 1, 2027, for aid payable in fiscal year 2028 if the constitutional amendment proposed in article 1, section 1, is adopted by the voters."

Delete the title and insert:

"A bill for an act relating to state government; proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 8; modifying the investment, management, and distribution policy for the permanent school fund; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 11A.16, subdivisions 5, 6; 127A.32."

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 Kunesh from the Committee on Education Finance, to which was referred

S.F. No. 1201: A bill for an act relating to education finance; clarifying school district eligibility for school library aid; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 124D.992, subdivision 1.

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 471.6161, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 9. **School districts and charter schools; reports.** (a) For purposes of this subdivision, an entity offering or providing group health insurance includes both health plan companies and third-party administrators of health plans.

(b) By July 1, 2026, and each year thereafter, the Legislative Budget Office must send an annual survey regarding health insurance costs to all school districts and charter schools in this state.

(c) The annual survey must be completed by the school district or charter school using data from its most recent fiscal year, be returned to the Legislative Budget Office by September 1 of each year, and provide the following information:

(1) the total number of employees;

(2) for those participating in the group health insurance offered by the school district or charter school, the total number of people in each of the following categories:

(i) salaried employees;

(ii) nonsalaried or hourly employees; and

(iii) retirees and any other persons who continue to receive coverage through the school district's or charter school's health plan after separation from employment;

(3) the total number of employees not participating in the health plan;

(4) the total number of insured persons covered by the health plan;

(5) the total dollar amount the school district or charter school paid in health insurance premiums on behalf of all employees, not including employee contributions transmitted to an entity providing group health insurance coverage or payments made on behalf of former employees;

(6) if a school district or charter school funds an individual coverage health reimbursement arrangement, the total amount contributed by the school district or charter school;

(7) the total amount employees paid in health insurance premiums;

(8) an accounting of all forms of compensation, either direct or indirect, including but not limited to fees, commissions, incentives, or rewards of any kind paid to a broker or agent, regardless of whether it was billed as a flat fee, or percentage of premium and whether paid directly by the school district or charter school or through the entity offering group health insurance;

(9) the name of any entity providing group health insurance the school district or charter school has contracted with and the expiration date of the contract;

(10) for each type of health plan offered to employees of a school district or charter school:

(i) the name of the plan and its actuarial value, using the minimum value calculator information required in bid proposals per section 471.6161, subdivision 8, paragraph (d), clause (2), and described in the Code of Federal Regulations, title 45, section 156.145. The plan data must also delineate amounts for single, family, and two-party plans, if offered;

(ii) the monthly contribution by the school district or charter school for each employee group per plan, including contributions to individual coverage health reimbursement arrangements;

(iii) the amount per month an employee must pay in health insurance premiums for the plan; and

(iv) the plan design for each type of plan including:

(A) in-network deductibles;

(B) in-network out-of-pocket limits;

(C) out-of-network limits;

(D) co-payment;

(E) the employee's share of coinsurance; and

(F) the prescription annual out of pocket maximum, if separate from subitem (B);

(11) the dollar or percentage cost for all prescription levels, commonly generic or tier 1, formulary or tier 2, and nonformulary or tier 3;

(12) the total amount of annual contributions, per employee, paid by the school district or charter school to an individual coverage health reimbursement arrangement or health savings account, excluding amounts contributed solely to a health care retirement account; and

(13) the total amount assessed by the entity providing group health insurance as an administrative fee and the rate of the fee assessed.

(d) The Legislative Budget Office must compile information from the surveys described above and provide a report by December 1 of each year to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over education and health insurance. The Legislative Budget Office must post the report, including the executive summary and all underlying data received from school districts and charter schools, on its public website. Data posted on the Legislative Budget Office's website must be in a standardized format.

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

Sec. 2. **APPROPRIATION.**

$..... in fiscal year 2027 is appropriated from the general fund to the Legislative Budget Office to complete the annual report required by section 1. The base for this appropriation is $..... in fiscal year 2028 and later."

Delete the title and insert:

"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."

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. 3733: A bill for an act relating to health; modifying method of deposit of fines collected related to home care licensing surveys and investigations; modifying criteria for appointment to home care and assisted living program advisory council; establishing special projects grant program for home care providers; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 144A.474, subdivision 11; 144A.4799, subdivision 1.

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

Page 3, line 32, after the comma, insert "with a specific focus on workforce and clinical outcomes,"

Page 4, line 1, after the period, insert "Each grant must be $1,000 at minimum."

Page 4, line 3, delete "each grant for administrative costs"and insert "the amount available to cover costs to administer the grant under this section"

Page 5, delete lines 1 to 5 and insert:

"(b) When a vacancy occurs for an appointment identified in paragraph (a), the commissioner must select an applicant for appointment within 81 calendar days of the position being posted by the secretary of state, if the application of a qualified and, if applicable, a licensee in good standing applicant is received within 21 days of posting. If no qualified applications are received within the first 21 days, the commissioner must select an applicant for appointment within 60 calendar days of receiving the application of a qualified and, if applicable, a licensee in good standing applicant."

Page 5, line 11, after the comma, insert "with a specific focus on workforce and clinical outcomes,"

Page 5, line 15, after the period, insert "Each grant must be $1,000 at minimum."

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

S.F. No. 4015: A bill for an act relating to judiciary; clarifying certain notices to public authorities in dissolution cases; modifying expiration of the Supreme Court Council on Child Protection;

amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 518A.44; Laws 2024, chapter 115, article 12, section 30, subdivisions 6, 7; article 22, section 6.

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

Page 2, line 20, after the period, insert "Notwithstanding Laws 2025, chapter 39, article 1, section 44, any unexpended funds cancel to the general fund."

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

S.F. No. 3596: 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.

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

Page 3, after line 9, insert:

"(e) Counties, tribal governments, and entities that administer the program may not retain any portion of the funds received for administrative costs."

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

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS

S.F. Nos. 3887 and 3596 were read the second time.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

The following bills were read the first time.

Senator Hemmingsen-Jaeger introduced--

S.F. No. 4149: A bill for an act relating to state government; changing provisions for grants management; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 16B.97, subdivisions 4, 5; 16B.98, subdivision 11; 16B.991, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

Senators Hemmingsen-Jaeger and Maye Quade introduced--

S.F. No. 4150: A bill for an act relating to cannabis; requiring cannabis business license applications to be available in Spanish; amending Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 342.14, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senators McEwen and Hauschild introduced--

S.F. No. 4151: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for capital improvements at the Duluth International Airport; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senators Farnsworth and Hauschild introduced--

S.F. No. 4152: A bill for an act relating to real property; temporarily exempting plats in St. Louis County from certifications related to taxes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

Senators Pratt, Marty, Johnson, Dahms, and Frentz introduced--

S.F. No. 4153: A bill for an act relating to state government; requiring state agencies to provide certain data to the Legislative Budget Office; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 3.8853, subdivision 4; 13.64, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

Senator Oumou Verbeten introduced--

S.F. No. 4154: A bill for an act relating to public defenders; appropriating money for the Board of Public Defense.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

Senator Boldon introduced--

S.F. No. 4155: A bill for an act relating to local government; repealing deadlines for establishment of special service districts and housing improvement districts; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 428A.101; 428A.21.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

Senator Mann introduced--

S.F. No. 4156: A bill for an act relating to education; allowing districts that provide digital instruction to administer state assessments remotely; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 120B.30, by adding a subdivision; Laws 2025, First Special Session chapter 10, article 2, section 24, subdivision 29.

Referred to the Committee on Education Policy.

Senators Utke and Frentz introduced--

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.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senators Jasinski, Hauschild, Putnam, and Johnson Stewart introduced--

S.F. No. 4158: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for the greater Minnesota business development public infrastructure grant program; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senator Jasinski introduced--

S.F. No. 4159: A bill for an act relating to driver and vehicle services; providing public safety commissioner debt collection authority; authorizing in-person pickup of physical items delivered following Driver and Vehicle Services online transactions; modifying deputy registrar fee retention procedures; appropriating money to reimburse deputy registrars and driver's license agents for no-fee transactions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 168.0135, subdivision 3; 168.33, by adding a subdivision; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 168.33, subdivision 7a; 171.061, subdivision 4a; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 168.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Senator Hoffman introduced--

S.F. No. 4160: A bill for an act relating to agriculture; prohibiting the sale and use of paraquat dichloride; requiring the commissioner of agriculture to collect and dispose of paraquat dichloride; requiring a report; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 18B.

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

Senator Utke introduced--

S.F. No. 4161: A bill for an act relating to intoxicating liquor; authorizing seasonal licenses for resorts; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 340A.404, subdivision 6.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senator Utke introduced--

S.F. No. 4162: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for a fire station in the city of Cass Lake; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senators Jasinski, Gruenhagen, Howe, and Drazkowski introduced--

S.F. No. 4163: A bill for an act relating to transportation; repealing provisions related to the transportation greenhouse gas emissions impact assessment; modifying a prior appropriation; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 174.03, subdivision 1c; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 174.49, subdivision 6; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 161.178, subdivisions 1, 2, 2a, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8; 161.1782; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 161.178, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Senator Klein introduced--

S.F. No. 4164: A bill for an act relating to financial institutions; modifying various provisions governing nondepository financial institutions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 47.20, subdivision 1; 47.59, subdivision 1; 47.60, subdivision 1; 53.04, subdivision 3a; 53B.74; 53C.09, subdivision 4; 56.002; 56.01; 56.05; 58.06, subdivision 2; 58B.051; 332.52, subdivision 3; 332B.04, subdivision 1; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 56.08; 332A.02, subdivision 2; 332A.04, subdivision 1; 332B.02, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senator Mann introduced--

S.F. No. 4165: A bill for an act relating to health; authorizing the commissioner of health to award grants for peer-to-peer suicide prevention programs and programs to train high school students as peer mentors; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 145.56, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senators Coleman and Abeler introduced--

S.F. No. 4166: A bill for an act relating to health; advancing reproductive health education; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senators Hoffman, Westlin, Murphy, and Dibble introduced--

S.F. No. 4167: A bill for an act relating to state government; providing for security and protective services of certain state officials; requiring a report; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 299D.03, subdivision 1; 299E.01, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 299E.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Senator Duckworth introduced--

S.F. No. 4168: A bill for an act relating to commerce; modifying the application of certain residential mortgage loan fees and penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 58.137, subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senators Johnson Stewart and Dibble introduced--

S.F. No. 4169: A bill for an act relating to transportation; modifying tax on electricity sold as vehicle fuel; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 297A.67, by adding a subdivision; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 296A.01, subdivisions 43a, 43b; 296A.051; 296A.075, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 5; 296A.19; 296A.22, subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Senator Kupec introduced--

S.F. No. 4170: A bill for an act relating to health; making physical therapists and physical therapist assistants eligible for loan forgiveness under the health professional education loan forgiveness program; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 144.1501, subdivisions 1, 2, 3.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senators Port and Lucero introduced--

S.F. No. 4171: A bill for an act relating to housing; providing for submetered utility service final billing for vacating tenants; modifying provisions related to the payment of rent by tenants; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 216B.023, by adding a subdivision; 504B.118; 504B.216, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

Senator Howe introduced--

S.F. No. 4172: A bill for an act relating to veterans; modifying eligibility for burial in state veterans cemeteries; amending Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 197.236, subdivisions 8, 9.

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

Senators Kupec and Weber introduced--

S.F. No. 4173: A bill for an act relating to environment; exempting veterinary products from the prohibition on products containing PFAS; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 116.943, subdivision 8.

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

Senator Dornink introduced--

S.F. No. 4174: A bill for an act relating to taxation; sales and use; providing a refundable exemption for construction materials used in certain projects in the city of Albert Lea.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senator Fateh introduced--

S.F. No. 4175: A bill for an act relating to children and families; appropriating money for a grant to Greater Minneapolis Council of Churches for site selection and property acquisition for a new services and supports facility.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senators Fateh, Maye Quade, Hoffman, and Boldon introduced--

S.F. No. 4176: A bill for an act relating to immigration; limiting state and local government participation in federal civil immigration enforcement efforts; restricting where certain arrests can be made; creating a cause of action for certain violations of constitutional rights; requiring hospitals to establish and implement policies for interactions with law enforcement agents; providing for enforcement; providing immunity for certain acts; prohibiting denial of an education based on immigration status; providing a civil cause of action when right to education is denied based on immigration status; classifying data; requiring reports; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 13.32, subdivision 5; 181.932, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 13; 120A; 135A; 144; 604; 629; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 631.50; 631.51.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

Senator Hemmingsen-Jaeger introduced--

S.F. No. 4177: A bill for an act relating to business organizations; modernizing and correcting provisions governing business services; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 5.23, subdivision 1; 268.058, subdivision 1; 336A.08, subdivisions 1, 4; 336A.09, subdivision 1; 336A.13; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 5.23, subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senator Carlson introduced--

S.F. No. 4178: A bill for an act relating to corrections; limiting use of urinalysis tests for supervised individuals; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 244.05, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

Senators Koran, Kreun, Heintzeman, and Rasmusson introduced--

S.F. No. 4179: A bill for an act relating to public safety; enhancing the penalty for misconduct of public officer or employee; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 609.43.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

Senator Westrom introduced--

S.F. No. 4180: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for capital improvements at the Alexandria Lake Area Sanitary District; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senator Westrom introduced--

S.F. No. 4181: A bill for an act relating to taxation; local sales and use; authorizing Douglas County to impose a local sales tax.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Mohamed, Port, Pha, Clark, and Boldon introduced--

S.F. No. 4182: A bill for an act relating to landlord and tenant; permitting local moratoriums on evictions based on nonpayment of rent; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 504B.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

Senators Gustafson, Hauschild, and Maye Quade introduced--

S.F. No. 4183: A bill for an act relating to workforce development; appropriating money for a grant for a local news talent pipeline program.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs and Economic Development.

Senator Boldon introduced--

S.F. No. 4184: A bill for an act relating to health insurance; modifying requirements and limitations relating to Medicare-related coverage; repealing Laws 2025, First Special Session chapter 4, article 5, sections 1; 2; 3; 4; 5; 6; 7; 8; 9.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senators Johnson Stewart, Westlin, and Limmer introduced--

S.F. No. 4185: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Forensic Science Laboratory; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senator Coleman introduced--

S.F. No. 4186: A bill for an act relating to transportation; modifying definitions and registration requirements for motorized bicycles and motorcycles powered by electric motors; requiring sellers of certain motorized bicycles and motorcycles powered by electric motors to have a dealer license; prohibiting certain vehicles from using public roads; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 84.787, subdivision 7; 84.788, subdivision 12; 168.27, subdivision 1; 169.011, subdivisions 40b, 45; 169.02, subdivision 1; 169.223, by adding a subdivision; 169.974, by adding a subdivision; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 168.27, subdivision 22.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Senators Pappas, Oumou Verbeten, Hawj, and Hoffman introduced--

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.

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

Senators Rarick and Hauschild introduced--

S.F. No. 4188: A bill for an act relating to taxes; local sales and use; authorizing the Cloquet Area Fire District to impose a local sales tax.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senators Coleman and Boldon introduced--

S.F. No. 4189: A bill for an act relating to health; directing the commissioner of health to study and report on activities to support innovations in cell and gene therapy to treat rare diseases; requiring a report; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senator Oumou Verbeten introduced--

S.F. No. 4190: A bill for an act relating to public safety; classifying functions performed by protective agent license holders and their employees; establishing minimum preservice and continuing

training requirements for protective agents and their employees based on the functions performed by the person; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 326.3361, subdivisions 1, 2, by adding a subdivision; 326.3381, subdivision 1a.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Senator Limmer moved that the name of Senator Latz be added as a co-author to Senate Resolution No. 66. The motion prevailed.

Senator Hoffman moved that his name be stricken as chief author, shown as a co-author, and the name of Senator Johnson Stewart be shown as chief author to S.F. No. 1613. The motion prevailed.

Senator Abeler moved that his name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 1961. The motion prevailed.

Senator Koran moved that the name of Senator Westrom be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2488. The motion prevailed.

Senator Koran moved that the name of Senator Westrom be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2489. The motion prevailed.

Senator Koran moved that the name of Senator Westrom be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2490. The motion prevailed.

Senator Mann moved that the name of Senator Marty be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2533. The motion prevailed.

Senator Kunesh moved that the name of Senator Johnson Stewart be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 3386. The motion prevailed.

Senator Port moved that the name of Senator Champion be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 3596. The motion prevailed.

Senator Dornink moved that the name of Senator Johnson Stewart be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 3610. The motion prevailed.

Senator Draheim moved that the name of Senator Rest be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 3650. The motion prevailed.

Senator Oumou Verbeten moved that the name of Senator Abeler be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 3768. The motion prevailed.

Senator Mann moved that the name of Senator Lieske be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 3783. The motion prevailed.

Senator Oumou Verbeten moved that the name of Senator Champion be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 3842. The motion prevailed.

Senator Westlin moved that the names of Senators Bahr and Drazkowski be added as co-authors to S.F. No. 3894. The motion prevailed.

Senator Clark moved that the name of Senator Champion be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 3959. The motion prevailed.

Senator Boldon moved that the name of Senator Champion be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4040. The motion prevailed.

Senator Putnam moved that the name of Senator Champion be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4050. The motion prevailed.

Senator Kunesh moved that the name of Senator Seeberger be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4056. The motion prevailed.

Senator Xiong moved that the names of Senators Kupec and Boldon be added as co-authors to S.F. No. 4059. The motion prevailed.

Senator Latz moved that the name of Senator Champion be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4067. The motion prevailed.

Senator Pha moved that the names of Senators Hawj, Xiong, and Putnam be added as co-authors to S.F. No. 4075. The motion prevailed.

Senator Limmer moved that the name of Senator Latz be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4115. The motion prevailed.

Senator Johnson Stewart moved that the name of Senator Kupec be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4126. The motion prevailed.

Senator Boldon moved that the name of Senator Marty be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4147. The motion prevailed.

Senator Boldon moved that S.F. No. 3613 be withdrawn from the Committee on Elections and re-referred to the Committee on State and Local Government. The motion prevailed.

Senator Rasmusson moved that the appointment of the Commissioner of the Department of Human Services be withdrawn from the Committee on Health and Human Services and placed on the Confirmation Calendar.

The question was taken on the adoption of the motion.

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

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

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

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

Those who voted in the negative were:

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

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

The motion did not prevail.

RECONSIDERATION

Having voted on the prevailing side, Senator Westrom moved that the vote whereby the Rasmusson motion failed to pass the Senate on March 5, 2026, be now reconsidered.

The question was taken on the adoption of the Westrom motion.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 64 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

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

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

The motion prevailed. So the vote was reconsidered.

The question was taken on the adoption of the Rasmusson motion.

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

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

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

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

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

Those who voted in the negative were:

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

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

The motion did not prevail.

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Senator Abeler was excused from the Session of today.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Murphy moved that the Senate do now adjourn until 11:00 a.m., Monday, March 9, 2026. The motion prevailed.

Thomas S. Bottern, Secretary of the Senate