FIFTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

St. Paul, Minnesota, Tuesday, April 14, 2026

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

CALL OF THE SENATE

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

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Rev. Justin Grimm.

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	Jasinski	Marty	Rarick
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	

The President declared a quorum present.

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

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

Mr. President:

I have the honor to announce the passage by the House of the following Senate File, AS AMENDED by the House, in which amendments the concurrence of the Senate is respectfully requested:

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

Senate File No. 2511 is herewith returned to the Senate.

Patrick Duffy Murphy, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Returned April 13, 2026

CONCURRENCE AND REPASSAGE

Senator Klein moved that the Senate concur in the amendments by the House to S.F. No. 2511 and that the bill be placed on its repassage as amended. The motion prevailed.

S.F. No. 2511: A bill for an act relating to liquor; authorizing various municipalities to issue liquor licenses; clarifying certain trade practices with respect to manufacturers and wholesalers; clarifying service of intoxicating liquor in certain establishments; modifying certain requirements of liquor licenses issued to the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 340A.308; 340A.404, subdivisions 2b, 4a, 6; 340A.412, subdivision 4; Laws 2017, First Special Session chapter 4, article 5, section 12; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 340A.

S.F. No. 2511 was read the third time, as amended by the House, and placed on its repassage.

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

The roll was called, and there were yeas 56 and nays 10, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

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

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Boldon cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Fateh, Pappas, and Port.

Those who voted in the negative were:

Abeler	Gruenhagen	Holmstrom	Johnson	Mathews
Green	Heintzeman	Howe	Lucero	Rest

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

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

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE - CONTINUED

Mr. President:

I have the honor to announce the passage by the House of the following House Files, herewith transmitted: H.F. Nos. 3437, 3467, 3479, 3544, 3699, 4118, and 4241.

Patrick Duffy Murphy, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Transmitted April 13, 2026

FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

The following bills were read the first time.

H.F. No. 3437: A bill for an act relating to commerce; modifying the application of residential mortgage loan fees and penalties in certain instances; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 58.137, by adding a subdivision; 58.20, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration for comparison with S.F. No. 4168, now on General Orders.

H.F. No. 3467: 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.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration for comparison with S.F. No. 3956, now on General Orders.

H.F. No. 3479: A bill for an act relating to mortgage foreclosures; clarifying right to postpone a mortgage sale; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 580.07, subdivision 3; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 580.07, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration for comparison with S.F. No. 3791, now on General Orders.

H.F. No. 3544: 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 veterans 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.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration for comparison with S.F. No. 4072, now on General Orders.

H.F. No. 3699: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; adding requirements for state park license plate contest; amending Laws 2024, chapter 116, article 3, section 53.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration for comparison with S.F. No. 4374, now on General Orders.

H.F. No. 4118: 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; making conforming changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 11A.24, subdivision 4; 17.59, subdivision 4; 46A.01, subdivision 10; 52.001, by adding a subdivision; 52.04, subdivision 1; 52.063, subdivision 3; 52.09, subdivision 2; 52.24, subdivisions 1, 2, by adding a subdivision; 53B.28, subdivision 10; 53B.29; 53B.38; 53B.62, subdivisions 1, 2; 60A.091; 67A.231; 79A.22, subdivision 7; 80A.41; 80A.45; 82.77, subdivision 1; 118A.04, subdivision 5; 123B.14, subdivision 3; 142F.20, subdivision 2; 149A.97, subdivisions 3a, 5; 325K.01, subdivision 12; 354B.25, subdivision 2; 356.001, subdivision 3; 356.645; 356A.06, subdivisions 6, 7, 8a; 366.01, subdivision 4; 385.07; 424B.22, subdivision 9; 427.06; 524.3-715.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration for comparison with S.F. No. 4444, now on General Orders.

H.F. No. 4241: A bill for an act relating to elections; modifying certain selection procedures for the Hennepin County medical examiner; modifying school board procedure for Independent School District No. 535; requiring economic interest disclosure for certain park district board candidates; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 383B.041, by adding a subdivision; 390.0065; Laws 1969, chapter 193, section 3, as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration for comparison with S.F. No. 4660, now on General Orders.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Senator Murphy moved that the Committee Reports at the Desk be now adopted, with the exception of the reports on S.F. Nos. 3603 and 4560. The motion prevailed.

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

S.F. No. 4638: A bill for an act relating to higher education; providing supplemental funding for the state grant program; appropriating money.

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

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"ARTICLE 1

HIGHER EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Section 1. **OFFICE OF HIGHER EDUCATION.**

Subdivision 1. **State grant program.** $131,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of the Office of Higher Education for the state grant program. This appropriation is in addition to the appropriation in Laws 2025, First Special Session chapter 5, article 1, section 2, subdivision 2. This is a onetime appropriation.

Subd. 2. **Minitex.** $1,500,000 in fiscal year 2027 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of the Office of Higher Education for the Minitex program. This appropriation is in addition to the appropriation in Laws 2025, First Special Session chapter 5, article 1, section 2, subdivision 15.

Subd. 3. **Direct admissions program.** $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. This appropriation is in addition to the appropriation in Laws 2025, First Special Session chapter 5, article 1, section 2, subdivision 29.

Subd. 4. **Minnesota P-20 Education Partnership.** $1,060,000 in fiscal year 2027 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of the Office of Higher Education for the Minnesota P-20 Education Partnership under Minnesota Statutes, section 127A.70.

Subd. 5. **Student persistence grant program.** $900,000 in fiscal year 2027 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of the Office of Higher Education for a student persistence grant program. This is a onetime appropriation.

Sec. 2. **UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.**

$150,000 in fiscal year 2027 is appropriated from the general fund to the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota for a new University of Minnesota Extension full-time equivalent staff position to support farmer-lender mediation under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 583. This is a onetime appropriation.

ARTICLE 2

HIGHER EDUCATION POLICY

Section 1. **[120B.1251] PARTICIPATION IN DIRECT ADMISSIONS PROGRAM.**

Starting in the 2029-2030 school year, a district or charter school high school must participate in the direct admissions program under section 136A.84, unless the school board has adopted a written resolution exempting one or more high schools from participating in the program.

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

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 583.215, is amended to read:

583.215 EXPIRATION.

Sections 336.9-601, subsections (h) and (i); 550.365; 559.209; 582.039; and 583.20 to 583.32, expire June 30, ~~2027~~ 2032.

Sec. 3. **STUDENT PERSISTENCE GRANT PROGRAM.**

Subdivision 1. **Establishment.** The commissioner of the Office of Higher Education shall establish a competitive grant program to support students enrolled in Minnesota public postsecondary institutions that elect to participate in the program.

Subd. 2. **Program requirements.** The grant program must:

(1) serve an initial cohort of at least 1,000 students;

(2) prioritize students who demonstrate strong potential for degree completion but are at risk of noncompletion due to academic, financial, or systemic barriers, including students commonly described as in the academic middle, such as those with high school grade point averages of approximately 2.5 or higher;

(3) improve student persistence and completion outcomes through proactive, individualized coaching and coordinated academic and financial aid support; and

(4) require grantees to implement a structured support model that includes:

(i) assessment of student persistence risk across academic, financial, and social-emotional domains;

(ii) tiered intervention strategies to prioritize support for students facing the greatest barriers to degree completion;

(iii) targeted supports addressing academic progress, financial aid stability, and student engagement; and

(iv) coordination with institutional partners to align supports with existing campus-based services.

Subd. 3. **Eligible applicants.** Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations or other organizations with demonstrated experience supporting student persistence and degree completion for low-income students in Minnesota, including experience serving students in the academic middle.

Subd. 4. **Contracted partner qualifications.** A grantee under this section must demonstrate the capacity to implement the program described in subdivision 2 and must:

(1) provide a near-peer, one-to-one, or similarly individualized persistence coaching model;

(2) demonstrate a successful history of operating student persistence or college completion programs serving low-income students;

(3) demonstrate experience working across multiple Minnesota public postsecondary systems, including institutions within the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system and the University of Minnesota system;

(4) demonstrate the administrative and operational capacity to serve a cohort of at least 1,000 students annually;

(5) demonstrate a proven track record of supporting students from families with incomes at or below 275 percent of the federal poverty guidelines toward degree completion;

(6) demonstrate experience supporting students commonly described as in the academic middle;

(7) maintain data systems capable of tracking student persistence, completion outcomes, and key performance indicators required under subdivision 5; and

(8) utilize student engagement tools and practices designed to support proactive, individualized interventions.

Subd. 5. **Reporting and evaluation.** (a) The commissioner must annually submit a report to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over higher education finance and policy until all grant money has been expended and all terms in the grant agreement have been met.

(b) The report must include:

(1) participant persistence and completion outcomes, including retention rates and credential attainment;

(2) financial aid renewal rates and credit accumulation trends;

(3) a comparison of outcomes to a demographically similar cohort who did not participate in the program; and

(4) recommendations regarding program sustainability and potential statewide expansion."

Delete the title and insert:

"A bill for an act relating to higher education and civil law; providing funding for the Office of Higher Education and the University of Minnesota; extending the Farmer-Lender Mediation Act; requiring public high schools to participate in the direct admissions program by default; establishing a student persistence grant program; requiring a report; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 583.215; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 120B."

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

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

S.F. No. 4807: A bill for an act relating to the military; modifying the amount of pay for commissioned officers and enlisted members engaged in state active service; amending Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 192.49, subdivision 1; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 192.49, subdivision 2.

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

Page 1, after line 15, insert:

"Sec. 2. **[196.055] REQUIREMENTS FOR LEGISLATIVELY DIRECTED COMPETITIVE AND DIRECT GRANTS.**

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

(b) "Active service member" means a person currently serving in the uniformed services of the United States:

(1) on active duty who is a resident of the state or stationed in the state; or

(2) in a reserve component who is a resident of the state.

(c) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of veterans affairs.

(d) "Dependent child" means a child under the age of 22 who is a biological or adopted child of a veteran.

(e) "Immediate family member" means a spouse or dependent child of a veteran.

(f) "Veteran" means a person who is a resident of Minnesota and who served in the armed forces of the United States of America.

Subd. 2. **Grantee eligibility.** (a) To be eligible to receive a legislatively directed competitive or direct grant administered by the commissioner, the grantee must:

(1) be a Minnesota-based nonprofit organization that has been operating for at least five years;

(2) be in good standing with the Office of the Attorney General; and

(3) have a current federal tax form 990 on file with the federal Internal Revenue Service.

(b) Grants made by the commissioner pursuant to sections 190.19, subdivision 2a, paragraph (a), clauses (5) and (6), 197.608, and 197.61 are exempt from the requirements of this section.

Subd. 3. **Limitations on use of grant money.** (a) A grantee may only use grant money subject to this section to provide services to:

(1) Minnesota veterans;

(2) active service members;

(3) immediate family members of a Minnesota veteran or active service member; and

(4) immediate family members of a deceased Minnesota veteran who died in the line of duty.

(b) When there are insufficient resources to serve all eligible applicants, a grantee must prioritize serving veterans with a service-connected disability.

Subd. 4. **Grant application scoring system.** The commissioner must develop a grant application scoring system that evaluates grant applications based upon an applicant's demonstrated history of serving veterans. The scoring system must include measurable outcomes for veterans previously served by the applicant.

Subd. 5. **Grant amounts.** The commissioner shall determine the amount of each legislatively directed competitive grant awarded based on the results of the scoring system developed pursuant to subdivision 4. The commissioner may not use a grantee's request for a designated grant amount as a factor to determine the amount of the grant awarded to the grantee.

Subd. 6. **Suspension of grant money.** The commissioner may withhold amounts awarded to a grantee if the commissioner determines that the grantee has committed fraud, is under criminal investigation, has conducted itself in a manner that brings the state of Minnesota or the Department of Veterans Affairs into disrepute, or is incapable of delivering the services required under the grant agreement.

Subd. 7. **Reports.** (a) Beginning in 2027, by February 15 of each year a grantee must submit a report to the commissioner that includes the following information:

(1) a summary of the purpose of the grant;

(2) the grant amount provided to the grantee;

(3) the amount of previous grants issued by the commissioner to the grantee;

(4) the amount of other state and federal grants received by the grantee in the most recent fiscal year;

(5) the number of veterans, active service members, and immediate family members served by the grantee;

(6) the number of veterans, active service members, and immediate family members who successfully completed the grantee's programming and the criteria used to determine successful completion of the program; and

(7) the grantee's charitable giving ratio.

(b) The commissioner may require a grantee to report information in addition to the required information under paragraph (a) if specified in the grantee's grant agreement with the state.

(c) Beginning in 2027, by March 1 of each year the commissioner must submit a report on grantees that received legislatively directed competitive or direct grants from the agency in the preceding year to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over veterans affairs policy and finance. The report must summarize the information and aggregate the data provided by grantees under paragraph (a).

Subd. 8. **Administrative costs.** The commissioner may retain up to five percent of the amount appropriated for legislatively directed competitive and direct grants to fund administrative and compliance monitoring costs related to the grants.

Subd. 9. **Interaction with other law.** Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the requirements for grants established in this section are in addition to the applicable grants management requirements imposed under sections 16B.97 to 16B.991.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 197.231, is amended to read:

197.231 HONOR GUARDS.

The commissioner of veterans affairs shall pay, within available funds and upon request by a local unit of a congressionally chartered veterans organization or its auxiliary, up to $50 to the local unit for each time that local unit provides an honor guard detail at the funeral of a:

(1) deceased veteran;

(2) veteran of the secret war in Laos, as defined in section 197.448, subdivision 1; or

(3) member of a reserve component of the armed forces, and any member of the Army National Guard or the Air National Guard, as defined in section 197.236, subdivision 8, paragraph (a), clause (2).

If the local unit provides a student to play "Taps," the local unit may pay some or all of the $50 to the student.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 197.236, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. **Eligibility.** (a) Cemeteries must be operated solely for the burial of the following persons:

(1) service members who die on active duty, eligible veterans, and ~~their spouses and dependent children,~~ other persons as defined in United States Code, title 38, section 2402, paragraph (a), subparagraphs 1 to ~~5~~ 4, 7, and ~~7.~~ 10;

(2) members of a reserve component of the armed forces, and any member of the Army National Guard or the Air National Guard, when:

(i) the member completed at least one full term of service and the member received an honorable discharge; or

(ii) the member's death occurs while a member in good standing with the member's assigned component and was not due to the member's willful misconduct; and

(3) spouses, surviving spouses, minor children, or unmarried adult children of a person as defined in United States Code, title 38, section 2402, paragraph (a), subparagraphs 1 to 4 and 7, or clause (2) of this subdivision. For purposes of this section:

(i) a surviving spouse includes a surviving spouse who had a subsequent remarriage;

(ii) a minor child means an unmarried child under 21 years of age, or under 23 years of age if pursuing a full-time course of instruction at an approved educational institution; and

(iii) an unmarried adult child means a child who became permanently physically or mentally disabled and incapable of self-support before reaching 21 years of age, or before reaching 23 years of age if pursuing a full-time course of instruction at an approved educational institution.

(b) An honorable discharge for purposes of this section does not include a general (under honorable conditions) characterization of service.

(c) Willful misconduct for purposes of this section means an act involving conscious wrongdoing or known prohibited action as described in United States Code, title 38, section 3.1, paragraph (n).

(d) Applicants with convictions under United States Code, title 18, section 704, are not eligible for burial in state veterans cemeteries. By January 1, 2027, the commissioner shall establish a process to verify that applicants for burial have not been convicted of stolen valor.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 197.236, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. **Burial fees.** (a) The commissioner of veterans affairs shall establish a fee schedule, which may be adjusted from time to time, for the interment of ~~eligible spouses and dependent children~~ qualified persons under subdivision 8, paragraph (a), clauses (2) and (3). The fees shall cover as nearly as practicable the actual costs of interment~~, excluding the value of the plot~~.

(b) Upon application, the commissioner may waive or reduce the burial fee for an indigent eligible person. The commissioner shall maintain a policy, eligibility standards, and application form for requests to waive or reduce the burial fee to indigent eligible applicants.

(c) No plot or interment fees may be charged for the burial of service members who die on active duty or eligible veterans, as defined in United States Code, title 38, section 2402, paragraph (a), subparagraphs 1 to 4 and 7."

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 2, delete "the military" and insert "state government"

Page 1, line 3, after the semicolon, insert "establishing standards for use of competitive grants issued by the Department of Veterans Affairs; modifying eligibility for burial in state veterans cemeteries; requiring a report;"

Amend the title numbers accordingly

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

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

S.F. No. 3603: A bill for an act relating to education; establishing a high school diploma for armed forces veterans; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 127A.

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

Pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 6, the bill was referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

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

S.F. No. 4560: A bill for an act relating to veterans; establishing the Commanders Task Force; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 197.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

Pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 6, the bill was referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

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

H.F. No. 3718 for comparison with companion Senate File, reports the following House File was found not identical with companion Senate File as follows:

GENERAL ORDERS		CONSENT CALENDAR		CALENDAR	
H.F. No.	S.F. No.	H.F. No.	S.F. No.	H.F. No.	S.F. No.
3718	4069				

Pursuant to Rule 45, the Committee on Rules and Administration recommends that H.F. No. 3718 be amended as follows:

Delete all the language after the enacting clause of H.F. No. 3718, the second engrossment; and insert the language after the enacting clause of S.F. No. 4069, the first engrossment; further, delete the title of H.F. No. 3718, the second engrossment; and insert the title of S.F. No. 4069, the first engrossment.

And when so amended H.F. No. 3718 will be identical to S.F. No. 4069, and further recommends that H.F. No. 3718 be given its second reading and substituted for S.F. No. 4069, and that the Senate File be indefinitely postponed.

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

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS

H.F. No. 3718 was read the second time.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

The following bills were read the first time.

Senator Pappas introduced--

S.F. No. 5117: A bill for an act relating to public safety; extending the time to use certain grant funds; amending Laws 2023, chapter 52, article 2, section 3, subdivision 8, as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

Senator Fateh introduced--

S.F. No. 5118: A bill for an act relating to taxation; authorizing certain jurisdictions to impose various taxes.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senator Hoffman introduced--

S.F. No. 5119: A bill for an act relating to game and fish; prohibiting the use of sonar when fishing for muskellunge or northern pike in certain waters; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 97C.335.

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

Senator Seeberger introduced--

S.F. No. 5120: A bill for an act relating to commerce; requiring social media and remote computing service providers to report to the attorney general; establishing responsibilities for the attorney general; requiring the preservation of data; establishing penalties; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 325M.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senators Heintzeman, Johnson, Miller, and Hauschild introduced--

S.F. No. 5121: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; modifying definition of all-terrain vehicle; modifying fee for nonresident all-terrain vehicle state trail pass; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 84.92, subdivision 8; 84.9275, subdivision 1.

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

Senator Oumou Verbeten introduced--

S.F. No. 5122: A bill for an act relating to taxation; individual income and gross receipts; providing for a tax return checkoff; imposing a tax on certain lodging and pay television services; making other conforming changes; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 295.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Senator Oumou Verbeten introduced--

S.F. No. 5123: A bill for an act relating to arts and culture; appropriating money for St. Paul Art Collective.

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

Senator Hauschild introduced--

S.F. No. 5124: A bill for an act relating to education; authorizing the board of Koochiching County to divide Independent School District, No. 363, South Koochiching.

Referred to the Committee on Education Policy.

Senator Gruenhagen introduced--

S.F. No. 5125: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money to design the STREAMS regional wastewater treatment facility; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senator Mann introduced--

S.F. No. 5126: A bill for an act relating to child care; requiring an indication of self-report on child care licensing notifications; requiring licensed child care centers to provide information on physical abuse and neglect; requiring child care programs to notify parents about responses from emergency responders; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 142B.16, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision; 142B.17, subdivision 1; 142B.18, by adding a subdivision; 142B.61, by adding a subdivision; 142B.66, by adding a subdivision; 142B.71, by adding a subdivision; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 142B.171, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senators Draheim and Pratt introduced--

S.F. No. 5127: A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for improvements to the public safety facility in the city of Belle Plaine; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

Referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Senators Holmstrom, Kreun, Limmer, and Westrom introduced--

S.F. No. 5128: A bill for an act relating to civil law; permitting agents to appear on behalf of corporations and limited liability companies in eviction actions; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 504B.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

Senators Lucero, Lieske, Holmstrom, and Drazkowski introduced--

S.F. No. 5129: A bill for an act relating to state government; preventing the exercise of jurisdiction by certain organizations; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 15.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Senator Klein moved that the name of Senator Latz be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2511. The motion prevailed.

Senator Hoffman moved that the name of Senator Abeler be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2638. The motion prevailed.

Senator Port moved that the name of Senator Maye Quade be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 3490. The motion prevailed.

Senator McEwen moved that the name of Senator Utke be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 3720. The motion prevailed.

Senator Port moved that the name of Senator Clark be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4171. The motion prevailed.

Senator Dibble moved that the name of Senator Hauschild be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4528. The motion prevailed.

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

Senator Weber moved that the name of Senator Howe be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4934. The motion prevailed.

Senator Rest moved that the name of Senator Weber be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4986. The motion prevailed.

Senator Nelson moved that the names of Senators Hoffman and Abeler be added as co-authors to S.F. No. 5070. The motion prevailed.

Senator Pha moved that the name of Senator Maye Quade be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 5077. The motion prevailed.

Senator Maye Quade moved that the name of Senator Boldon be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 5091. The motion prevailed.

Senator Jasinski moved that the name of Senator Coleman be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 5113. The motion prevailed.

Senator Klein moved that the name of Senator Dahms be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 2511. The motion prevailed.

Senator Abeler moved that S.F. No. 3240 be withdrawn from the Committee on Health and Human Services and re-referred to the Committee on Human Services. The motion prevailed.

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

CONFIRMATION

Senator Frentz moved that the report from the Committee on Energy, Utilities, Environment, and Climate, reported March 4, 2026, pertaining to appointments, be taken from the table. The motion prevailed.

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

Senator Frentz moved that in accordance with the report from the Committee on Energy, Utilities, Environment, and Climate, reported March 4, 2026, the Senate, having given its advice, do now consent to and confirm the appointment of:

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Joseph Sullivan, Mankato, Blue Earth County, effective January 21, 2026, for a term expiring January 5, 2032.

The motion prevailed. So the appointment was confirmed.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS - CONTINUED

SPECIAL ORDERS

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

H.F. No. 3741 and S.F. No. 3622.

SPECIAL ORDER

H.F. No. 3741: 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.

H.F. No. 3741 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	Fateh	Johnson	Mathews	Rasmusson
Bahr	Frentz	Johnson Stewart	Maye Quade	Rest
Boldon	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	

Pursuant to Rule 40, Senator Boldon cast the affirmative vote on behalf of the following Senators: Fateh, Pappas, and Port.

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

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

SPECIAL ORDER

S.F. No. 3622: A bill for an act relating to real property; making clarifying, technical, and conforming changes to the Minnesota Common Interest Ownership Act; providing for certain exemptions; providing for number of directors for certain associations; clarifying certain insurance policies; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 515B.1-102; 515B.1-103; 515B.1-116;

515B.2-101; 515B.2-102; 515B.2-104; 515B.2-105; 515B.2-108; 515B.2-110; 515B.2-1101; 515B.2-113; 515B.2-118; 515B.2-119; 515B.2-121; 515B.2-124; 515B.2-125; 515B.3-102; 515B.3-1041; 515B.3-105; 515B.3-1051; 515B.3-106; 515B.3-107; 515B.3-112; 515B.3-113; 515B.3-1141; 515B.3-1151; 515B.3-116; 515B.4-101; 515B.4-102; 515B.4-1021; 515B.4-103; 515B.4-104; 515B.4-105; 515B.4-106; 515B.4-107; 515B.4-113; 515B.4-116; 515B.4-118; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 515B.3-103.

Senator Kreun moved to amend S.F. No. 3622 as follows (A-2):

Page 97, after line 8, insert:

"Sec. 40. Laws 2024, chapter 96, article 1, section 91, as amended by Laws 2025, chapter 32, article 4, section 12, is amended to read:

Sec. 91. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This article is effective August 1, ~~2026~~ 2027.

Sec. 41. Laws 2024, chapter 96, article 2, section 13, as amended by Laws 2025, chapter 32, article 4, section 13, is amended to read:

Sec. 13. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This article is effective August 1, ~~2026~~ 2027."

Amend the title accordingly

The motion prevailed. So the amendment was adopted.

S.F. No. 3622 was read the third time, as amended, and placed on its final passage.

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

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

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Abeler	Farnsworth	Jasinski	Marty	Rarick
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	

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

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

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

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Senator Carlson was excused from the Session of today from 11:00 to 11:30 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Murphy moved that the Senate do now adjourn until 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, April 15, 2026. The motion prevailed.

Thomas S. Bottern, Secretary of the Senate