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SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2025

The House of Representatives convened at 12:15 p.m. and was called to order by Lisa Demuth, Speaker of the House.

Prayer was offered by Pastor Nathan Roberts, First Lutheran Church, Columbia Heights, Minnesota.

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

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Acomb	Dotseth	Hemmingsen-Jaeger	Koznick	Novotny	Smith
Agbaje	Duran	Her	Kraft	O'Driscoll	Stephenson
Allen	Elkins	Hicks	Kresha	Olson	Stier
Altendorf	Engen	Hill	Lawrence	Pérez-Vega	Swedzinski
Anderson, P. E.	Falconer	Hollins	Lee, F.	Perryman	Tabke
Anderson, P. H.	Feist	Hortman	Lee, K.	Pinto	Torkelson
Backer	Finke	Howard	Liebling	Pursell	Van Binsbergen
Bahner	Fischer	Hudson	Lillie	Quam	Vang
Bakeberg	Fogelman	Huot	Long	Rarick	Virmig
Baker	Franson	Hussein	Mahamoud	Rehm	Warwas
Bennett	Frazier	Igo	McDonald	Rehrauer	West
Berg	Frederick	Jacob	Mekeland	Repinski	Wiener
Bierman	Freiberg	Johnson, P.	Moller	Reyer	Witte
Bliss	Gander	Johnson, W.	Momanyi-Hiltsley	Roach	Wolgamott
Burkel	Gillman	Jones	Mueller	Robbins	Xiong
Carroll	Gomez	Jordan	Murphy	Rymer	Youakim
Cha	Gordon	Joy	Myers	Schomacker	Zelevnikar
Clardy	Greene	Keeler	Nadeau	Schultz	Spk. Demuth
Coulter	Greenman	Klevorn	Nash	Schwartz	
Curran	Hansen, R.	Knudsen	Nelson	Scott	
Davids	Hanson, J.	Koegel	Niska	Sencer-Mura	
Davis	Harder	Kotzya-Witthuhn	Noor	Sexton	
Dippel	Heintzeman	Kozlowski	Norris	Skraba	

A quorum was present.

Pursuant to Rule 10.05, relating to Remote House Operations, the Speaker permitted the following member to vote via remote means: Olson.

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The Chief Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding day. There being no objection, further reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journal was approved as corrected by the Chief Clerk.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND DIVISIONS

Nash from the Committee on State Government Finance and Policy to which was referred:

H. F. No. 1, A bill for an act relating to state government; establishing an Office of the Inspector General; providing powers; specifying duties; requiring a fraud reporting hotline; requiring agencies to halt payments when fraud is suspected; eliminating agency-based offices of inspector general; requiring a report; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 3.97, subdivision 1, by adding subdivisions; 3.971, subdivisions 1, 9; 142B.53; 245A.24; 268.19, subdivision 1; 268B.30; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 3; 15; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 13.321, subdivision 12; 127A.21.

Reported the same back with the following amendments:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"ARTICLE 1 OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 3.97, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Policy.** Continuous legislative review of the spending of public funds and financing at all levels of government is required in the public interest to enable the enactment of appropriate legislation. Fraud, waste, and abuse in public programs are unacceptable and must be prevented. If fraud occurs, it must be promptly identified and prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 3.97, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 3d. **Complementary.** The commission must ensure that the work of the inspector general is complementary to, and not duplicative of, that of the legislative auditor.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 3.97, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 3e. **Executive secretaries.** The legislative auditor and the inspector general are the executive secretaries of the commission.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 3.971, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Appointment and term.** ~~The legislative auditor is the executive secretary of the commission.~~ The legislative auditor shall be appointed by the commission for a six-year term and serve in the unclassified service. When in office, the legislative auditor may not at any time hold any other public office. The legislative auditor may not be removed from office before the expiration of the term of service except for cause after public hearing.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 3.971, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. **Obligation to notify the legislative auditor.** The chief executive, financial, or information officers of an organization subject to audit under this section must promptly notify the legislative auditor when the officer obtains information indicating that (1) public money or other public resources may have been used for an unlawful

purpose, or ~~when the officer obtains information indicating that~~ (2) government data classified by chapter 13 as not public may have been accessed by or provided to a person without lawful authorization. The legislative auditor must notify and coordinate with the inspector general when the legislative auditor receives a credible notification under clause (1) that is within the inspector general's authority. As necessary, the legislative auditor shall coordinate an investigation of the allegation with appropriate law enforcement officials.

Sec. 6. **[3.99] DEFINITIONS.**

Subdivision 1. **Application.** For purposes of sections 3.991 to 3.997, the following terms have the meanings given.

Subd. 2. **Abuse.** "Abuse" means actions that may, directly or indirectly, result in unnecessary cost to a program. Abuse may involve paying for items or services when there is no legal entitlement to that payment.

Subd. 3. **Agency.** "Agency" means any entity subject to audit under section 3.971, subdivision 6, or section 3.972, subdivision 2.

Subd. 4. **Fraud.** "Fraud" means an intentional or deliberate act to deprive another of property or money or to acquire property or money by deception or other unfair means. Fraud includes intentionally submitting false information to the state, a political subdivision, or a private entity under contract with the state or a political subdivision for the purpose of obtaining a greater compensation or benefit than that to which the person is legally entitled. Fraud also includes failure to correct errors in the maintenance of records in a timely manner after a request by the state.

Subd. 5. **Inspector general.** "Inspector general" means the person appointed under section 3.991 or their designee.

Subd. 6. **Investigation.** "Investigation" means a proceeding or inquiry by the office concerning a provider or recipient of state-funded services.

Subd. 7. **Office.** "Office" means the Office of the Inspector General.

Subd. 8. **Program.** "Program" or "state program" means any program fully or partially administered or funded by the state.

Subd. 9. **Recipient of state funds.** "Recipient of state funds" means any entity or person, including associated persons, that receives, disburses, or has custody of funds or other resources transferred or disbursed under a program. Recipient of state funds includes but is not limited to a private person or entity currently or formerly under contract with the state to provide benefits, goods, or services to eligible recipients.

Subd. 10. **Waste.** "Waste" means practices that directly or indirectly result in unnecessary program cost, including but not limited to the misuse of resources.

Sec. 7. **[3.991] OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL.**

Subdivision 1. **Establishment.** The Office of the Inspector General is established in the legislative branch under the direction of the inspector general. The inspector general reports to the Legislative Audit Commission but may independently initiate investigations and allocate the resources of the office to effectively achieve the purpose in subdivision 2.

Subd. 2. **Purpose.** The inspector general must investigate and combat fraud, waste, and abuse in state government with a focus on the providers and recipients of state-funded services.

Subd. 3. **Inspector general appointment; term.** (a) The Legislative Audit Commission must appoint an inspector general to serve in the unclassified service for a six-year term. When in office, the inspector general may not at any time hold another public office. The commission may not remove an inspector general from office before the expiration of the term of service except for cause after public hearing.

Subd. 4. **Qualifications.** The commission must select an inspector general without regard to political affiliation and on the basis of outstanding professional qualifications and demonstrated integrity, leadership, and ability in accounting, auditing, financial analysis, law, management analysis, public administration, investigation, criminal justice, or a related field. The inspector general must hold at the time of appointment, or be required by the commission to obtain within a time certain after appointment, certification from the Association of Inspectors General.

Subd. 5. **Conflicts of interest; code of ethics.** The inspector general, deputy inspector general, assistant inspectors general, and all other employees of the office are public officials for purposes of the conflict of interest and statement of economic disclosure requirements in chapter 10A and are subject to the code of ethics in section 43A.38 where applicable.

Subd. 6. **Staff; compensation.** (a) The inspector general must appoint a deputy inspector general, with the approval of the commission, for a term coterminous with the inspector general's term. The deputy inspector general may be removed by the commission or the inspector general before the expiration of the deputy's term only for cause. The inspector general and deputy inspector general may each appoint an administrative support specialist to serve at pleasure. The deputy inspector general may perform and exercise the powers, duties, and responsibilities imposed by law on the inspector general when authorized by the inspector general.

(b) The inspector general must hire assistant inspectors general and other staff as required, in the inspector general's estimation, to administer sections 3.99 to 3.997 and other relevant law.

(c) The salaries and benefits of the inspector general, deputy inspector general, administrative support specialists, assistant inspectors general, and other staff must be determined by a compensation plan approved by the Legislative Coordinating Commission.

(d) All employees of the Office of the Inspector General serve in the unclassified service.

(e) Notwithstanding section 43A.32, subdivision 3, or any other law to the contrary, an employee of the Office of the Inspector General is prohibited from being a candidate for a partisan elected public office.

Sec. 8. **[3.992] DUTIES.**

The inspector general must:

(1) provide general direction and leadership for the office and its staff;

(2) oversee state grantmaking under sections 3.998 to 3.9992;

(3) embed assistant inspectors general, and other staff as determined by the inspector general, within the Departments of Children, Youth, and Families; Corrections; Education; Employment and Economic Development; Health; Human Services; and Labor and Industry;

(4) develop and maintain a website and telephone hotline for state agency staff and the public to report suspected fraud, waste, or abuse in state programs, and to do so anonymously if they so choose;

(5) establish policies and procedures for evaluating and consistently responding to each tip received under clause (4);

(6) notify and coordinate with the legislative auditor when the inspector general receives a credible report of suspected fraud, waste, or abuse that is within the legislative auditor's authority;

(7) establish and maintain policies and procedures for conducting investigations;

(8) report suspected fraud or other misuse of public funds to the appropriate law enforcement entity and cooperate with law enforcement to assist any investigation and subsequent civil or criminal prosecution; and

(9) exercise all other powers reasonably necessary to implement and administer sections 3.99 to 3.997 and other applicable law.

Policies and procedures developed by the inspector general under clauses (5) and (7) are not subject to chapter 14, including section 14.386. The inspector general must submit policies to the Legislative Audit Commission for review at least 30 days prior to adoption or substantial revision. Procedures developed by the inspector general under clauses (5) and (7) are nonpublic data.

Sec. 9. **[3.993] POWERS.**

Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the inspector general may exercise the following powers as necessary to conduct investigations and achieve the purpose of sections 3.99 to 3.997:

(1) require the commissioner or other chief executive officer of an agency to provide full and unrestricted access to all government data, regardless of classification, created and maintained by the agency;

(2) require a recipient of state funds to provide full and unrestricted access to all records, reports, plans, contracts, memoranda, correspondence, and other information created or maintained by the recipient;

(3) require a recipient of state funds to provide the inspector general, upon presentation of official credentials, access at reasonable times and without delay to sites and facilities owned or operated by the recipient;

(4) subpoena witnesses, administer oaths or affirmations, take testimony, and compel the production of the data specified under clauses (1) and (2) as the inspector general deems necessary;

(5) in consultation with law enforcement, impose or require state agencies to impose appropriate temporary sanctions, including the withholding of payment to a recipient of state funds, if:

(i) the inspector general determines there is credible indicia of fraud, waste, or abuse by the recipient;

(ii) there was a criminal, civil, or administrative adjudication of fraud, waste, or abuse against the recipient in Minnesota or in another state or jurisdiction;

(iii) the recipient was receiving funds under any contract or registered in any program administered by another Minnesota state agency, a government agency in another state, or a federal agency, and was under investigation or excluded from that contract or program for reasons credibly indicating fraud, waste, or abuse by the recipient; or

(iv) the recipient demonstrates a pattern of noncompliance with an investigation;

(6) require state employees to fully cooperate with an investigation of suspected fraud, waste, or abuse;

(7) recommend actions to be taken by an agency to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse;

(8) require agencies to provide suitable office space and facilities access for inspector general staff embedded within the agency; and

(9) monitor the implementation of requirements and recommendations issued by the office.

Sec. 10. **[3.994] DATA PRACTICES.**

(a) The inspector general has access to all government data regardless of classification.

(b) It is not a violation of rights conferred by chapter 13 or any other statute related to the confidentiality of government data for an agency to provide data or information to the inspector general.

(c) The inspector general is subject to the Government Data Practices Act, chapter 13, and must protect from unlawful disclosure data classified as not public. Data collected, created, received, or maintained by the inspector general relating to an investigation are subject to section 13.39.

(d) If data provided by the inspector general to the Legislative Audit Commission is disseminated by the commission or its members or agents in violation of section 13.05, subdivision 4, the commission is subject to liability under section 13.08, subdivisions 1 and 3. Members of the commission have access to not public data that is collected or used by the inspector general only as authorized by resolution of the commission. The commission may not authorize its members to have access to private or confidential data on individuals collected or used in connection with the collection of any tax.

Sec. 11. **[3.995] RETALIATION PROHIBITED.**

An employee or other individual who discloses information to an agency or the inspector general about fraud, waste, or abuse in state programs is protected under section 181.932, governing disclosure of information by employees.

Sec. 12. **[3.996] INTERFERENCE PROHIBITED.**

No state employee may interfere with or obstruct an investigation conducted pursuant to sections 3.99 to 3.997.

Sec. 13. **[3.997] REPORTING REQUIRED.**

When the inspector general documents the existence of fraud, waste, or abuse in an agency or program administered by an agency, the inspector general must quantify the amount of documented fraud, waste, or abuse and report this amount to the Legislative Audit Commission and the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over the agency's operating budget.

Sec. 14. **[15.442] DETECTION AND PREVENTION OF FRAUD AND OTHER MISUSES OF PUBLIC FUNDS.**

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

(b) "Agency" has the meaning given in section 3.99.

(c) "Obligated officer" means an agency's:

(1) chief executive officer;

(2) deputy and assistant chief executive officers;

(3) chief administrative, chief financial, chief information, and chief investigative officers;

(4) heads of divisions, bureaus, departments, institutes, or other such organizational units; and

(5) where applicable, board chair.

Subd. 2. Suspected fraud or other misuse. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, if an obligated officer finds or receives credible indicia of fraud or other misuse of public funds in a grant program or other program administered by the agency, the agency must:

(1) report to the appropriate law enforcement entity;

(2) report to the inspector general and the legislative auditor under section 609.456;

(3) fully cooperate with law enforcement and the inspector general, including but not limited to assisting in any investigation and subsequent civil or criminal prosecution; and

(4) if approved or directed by law enforcement or the inspector general, stop payment, increase oversight, or take other action necessary to prevent further suspected fraud or misuse of public funds in the program.

Subd. 3. Identification of fraud reporting tools. (a) The commissioner or other chief executive officer of each agency must prominently highlight on the agency's website the fraud reporting tools administered by the Office of the Inspector General and the Office of the Legislative Auditor under chapter 3.

(b) As part of any grant agreement between the state and a nonprofit organization, the agreement must require the nonprofit organization to prominently highlight on the organization's website the fraud reporting tools administered by the Office of the Inspector General and the Office of the Legislative Auditor under chapter 3. The state agency administering the grant must regularly confirm and document the organization's compliance with the requirement under this paragraph for the life of the grant agreement.

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 609.456, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Legislative auditor. Whenever an employee or officer of the state, University of Minnesota, or other organization listed in section 3.971, subdivision 6, discovers evidence of theft, embezzlement, or unlawful use of public funds or property, the employee or officer shall, ~~except when to do so would knowingly impede or otherwise interfere with an ongoing criminal investigation,~~ promptly report in writing to the legislative auditor a detailed description of the alleged incident or incidents.

Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 609.456, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 3. Inspector general. Whenever an employee or officer of the state, University of Minnesota, or other organization listed in section 3.971, subdivision 6, discovers evidence of fraud, waste, or abuse of public funds or property, the employee or officer shall promptly report in writing to the inspector general a detailed description of the alleged incident or incidents.

Sec. 17. **APPROPRIATION.**

\$..... in fiscal year 2026 and \$..... in fiscal year 2027 are appropriated from the general fund to the inspector general for purposes of this act.

Sec. 18. **APPROPRIATION.**

\$..... in fiscal year 2026 and \$..... in fiscal year 2027 are appropriated from the general fund to the legislative auditor. The amount each year is in addition to the legislative auditor's base general fund budget.

Sec. 19. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This article is effective July 1, 2025.

ARTICLE 2
CONFORMING ITEMS AND REPEALERS

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 3.855, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **Other salary and compensation ~~plan~~ plans.** The commission shall review and approve or reject the plan for compensation, terms, and conditions of employment of classified employees in the office of the legislative auditor under section 3.971, subdivision 2, and a plan for compensation, terms, and conditions of employment for employees of the Office of the Inspector General under section 3.991, subdivision 6.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142B.53, is amended to read:

142B.53 MANDATORY REPORTING.

Any individual engaging in licensing functions and activities under this chapter, including authorities delegated under section 142B.30, must immediately report any suspected fraud to county children, youth, and families investigators ~~or and the Department of Children, Youth, and Families~~ Office of the Inspector General.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 245A.24, is amended to read:

245A.24 MANDATORY REPORTING.

Any individual engaging in licensing functions and activities under this chapter, including authorities delegated under section 245A.16, must immediately report any suspected fraud to county human services investigators or the ~~Department of Human Services~~ Office of the Inspector General.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 268.19, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Use of data.** (a) Except as provided by this section, data gathered from any person under the administration of the Minnesota Unemployment Insurance Law are private data on individuals or nonpublic data not on individuals as defined in section 13.02, subdivisions 9 and 12, and may not be disclosed except according to a district court order or section 13.05. A subpoena is not considered a district court order. These data may be disseminated to and used by the following agencies without the consent of the subject of the data:

- (1) state and federal agencies specifically authorized access to the data by state or federal law;
- (2) any agency of any other state or any federal agency charged with the administration of an unemployment insurance program;
- (3) any agency responsible for the maintenance of a system of public employment offices for the purpose of assisting individuals in obtaining employment;
- (4) the public authority responsible for child support in Minnesota or any other state in accordance with section 518A.83;
- (5) human rights agencies within Minnesota that have enforcement powers;
- (6) the Department of Revenue to the extent necessary for its duties under Minnesota laws;

(7) public and private agencies responsible for administering publicly financed assistance programs for the purpose of monitoring the eligibility of the program's recipients;

(8) the Department of Labor and Industry and the Commerce Fraud Bureau in the Department of Commerce for uses consistent with the administration of their duties under Minnesota law;

(9) the Department of Human Services ~~and~~ the Office of the Inspector General, ~~and its agents within the Department of Human Services, including~~ county fraud investigators, for investigations related to recipient or provider fraud and employees of providers when the provider is suspected of committing public assistance fraud;

(10) the Department of Human Services for the purpose of evaluating medical assistance services and supporting program improvement;

(11) local and state welfare agencies for monitoring the eligibility of the data subject for assistance programs, or for any employment or training program administered by those agencies, whether alone, in combination with another welfare agency, or in conjunction with the department or to monitor and evaluate the statewide Minnesota family investment program and other cash assistance programs, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Employment and Training program by providing data on recipients and former recipients of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits, cash assistance under chapter 256, 256D, 256J, or 256K, child care assistance under chapter 142E, or medical programs under chapter 256B or 256L or formerly codified under chapter 256D;

(12) local and state welfare agencies for the purpose of identifying employment, wages, and other information to assist in the collection of an overpayment debt in an assistance program;

(13) local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies for the purpose of ascertaining the last known address and employment location of an individual who is the subject of a criminal investigation;

(14) the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement has access to data on specific individuals and specific employers provided the specific individual or specific employer is the subject of an investigation by that agency;

(15) the Department of Health for the purposes of epidemiologic investigations;

(16) the Department of Corrections for the purposes of case planning and internal research for preprobation, probation, and postprobation employment tracking of offenders sentenced to probation and preconfinement and postconfinement employment tracking of committed offenders;

(17) the state auditor to the extent necessary to conduct audits of job opportunity building zones as required under section 469.3201;

(18) the Office of Higher Education for purposes of supporting program improvement, system evaluation, and research initiatives including the Statewide Longitudinal Education Data System; and

(19) the Family and Medical Benefits Division of the Department of Employment and Economic Development to be used as necessary to administer chapter 268B.

(b) Data on individuals and employers that are collected, maintained, or used by the department in an investigation under section 268.182 are confidential as to data on individuals and protected nonpublic data not on individuals as defined in section 13.02, subdivisions 3 and 13, and must not be disclosed except under statute or district court order or to a party named in a criminal proceeding, administrative or judicial, for preparation of a defense.

(c) Data gathered by the department in the administration of the Minnesota unemployment insurance program must not be made the subject or the basis for any suit in any civil proceedings, administrative or judicial, unless the action is initiated by the department.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 268B.30, is amended to read:

268B.30 DATA PRIVACY.

(a) Except as provided by this section, data collected, created, or maintained under this chapter are private data on individuals or nonpublic data not on individuals as defined in section 13.02, subdivisions 9 and 12, and must not be disclosed except according to a district court order or section 13.05. A subpoena is not considered a district court order.

(b) Data classified under paragraph (a) may be disseminated to and used by the following without the consent of the subject of the data:

- (1) state and federal agencies specifically authorized access to the data by state or federal law;
- (2) the unemployment insurance division, to the extent necessary to administer the programs established under this chapter and chapter 268;
- (3) employers, to the extent necessary to support adjudication of application requests and to support the employer's administration of a leave of absence;
- (4) health care providers, to the extent necessary to support verification of health care conditions and qualifying events;
- (5) the public authority responsible for child support in Minnesota or any other state in accordance with section 518A.83;
- (6) human rights agencies within Minnesota that have enforcement powers;
- (7) the Department of Revenue, to the extent necessary for its duties under Minnesota laws;
- (8) public and private agencies responsible for administering publicly financed assistance programs for the purpose of monitoring the eligibility of the program's recipients;
- (9) the Department of Labor and Industry and the Commerce Fraud Bureau in the Department of Commerce for uses consistent with the administration of their duties under Minnesota law;
- (10) the Department of Human Services ~~and~~ the Office of the Inspector General, ~~and its agents within the Department of Human Services, including~~ county fraud investigators, for investigations related to recipient or provider fraud and employees of providers when the provider is suspected of committing public assistance fraud;
- (11) the Department of Public Safety for support in identity verification;
- (12) local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies for the purpose of ascertaining the last known address and employment location of an individual who is the subject of a criminal investigation;
- (13) the Department of Health for the purposes of epidemiologic investigations;
- (14) the Department of Corrections for the purposes of tracking incarceration of applicants; and

(15) contracted third parties, to the extent necessary to aid in identity verification, adjudication, administration, and evaluation of the program.

(c) Data on individuals and employers that are collected, maintained, or used by the department in an investigation under section 268B.19, 268B.21, 268B.22, or 268B.23 are confidential as to data on individuals and protected nonpublic data not on individuals as defined in section 13.02, subdivisions 3 and 13, and must not be disclosed except under statute or district court order or to a party named in a criminal proceeding, administrative or judicial, for preparation of a defense.

(d) Data gathered by the department in the administration of this chapter must not be made the subject or the basis for any suit in any civil proceedings, administrative or judicial, unless the action is initiated by the department.

Sec. 6. **EXISTING DUTIES ABOLISHED; TRANSFERS PROVIDED.**

Subdivision 1. **Duties abolished.** Duties pertaining to the investigation of fraud, waste, and abuse in the Offices of Inspector General in the Departments of Education; Human Services; and Children, Youth, and Families are abolished effective the day after the inspector general under Minnesota Statutes, section 3.991, certifies in writing to the commissioner of the respective department and the commissioner of management and budget that the inspector general has assumed responsibility for these duties.

Subd. 2. **Inspector general transfers.** Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 15.039, all active investigations, obligations, court actions, contracts, records, personnel, and unexpended funds shall transfer from each department in subdivision 1 to the inspector general under Minnesota Statutes, section 3.991, except as provided by the inspector general.

Sec. 7. **REPEALER.**

Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 13.321, subdivision 12; and 127A.21, are repealed.

Sec. 8. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

(a) Sections 1 and 6 are effective July 1, 2025.

(b) Section 2 is effective the day after the inspector general notifies the revisor of statutes that the Office of the Inspector General has assumed responsibility for identifying and investigating fraud, waste, and abuse in the Department of Children, Youth, and Families.

(c) Sections 3 to 5 are effective the day after the inspector general notifies the revisor of statutes that the Office of the Inspector General has assumed responsibility for identifying and investigating fraud, waste, and abuse in the Department of Human Services.

(d) Section 7 is effective the day after the inspector general under Minnesota Statutes, section 3.991, notifies the revisor of statutes that the Office of the Inspector General under Minnesota Statutes, section 3.991, has assumed responsibility for identifying and investigating fraud, waste, and abuse in the Department of Education."

Delete the title and insert:

"A bill for an act relating to state government; establishing an Office of the Inspector General; providing powers; specifying duties; requiring fraud reporting tools; transferring grant oversight duties and powers; modifying or repealing existing executive Offices of Inspector General; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024,

sections 3.855, subdivision 3; 3.97, subdivision 1, by adding subdivisions; 3.971, subdivisions 1, 9; 142B.53; 245A.24; 268.19, subdivision 1; 268B.30; 609.456, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 3; 15; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 13.321, subdivision 12; 127A.21."

With the recommendation that when so amended the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Human Services Finance and Policy.

The report was adopted.

Backer from the Committee on Health Finance and Policy to which was referred:

H. F. No. 10, A bill for an act relating to state government; prohibiting state-funded services to undocumented noncitizens; providing that undocumented noncitizens are ineligible for MinnesotaCare and the North Star Promise scholarship program; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 136A.1465, subdivision 1; 256L.04, subdivision 10; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 16A.

Reported the same back with the recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on State Government Finance and Policy.

The report was adopted.

Backer from the Committee on Health Finance and Policy to which was referred:

H. F. No. 27, A bill for an act relating to health care; repealing state agency authority to submit a public option waiver application to the federal government; reducing appropriation; amending Laws 2023, chapter 70, article 20, section 2, subdivision 5, as amended; repealing Laws 2023, chapter 70, article 16, section 22.

Reported the same back with the recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Commerce Finance and Policy.

The report was adopted.

Quam from the Committee on Elections Finance and Government Operations to which was referred:

H. F. No. 66, A bill for an act relating to elections; establishing a set filing period for special elections; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 204D.19, subdivisions 1, 2, 3.

Reported the same back with the recommendation that the bill be placed on the General Register.

The report was adopted.

Quam from the Committee on Elections Finance and Government Operations to which was referred:

H. F. No. 69, A bill for an act relating to elections; requiring city, town, and school district general elections to be conducted on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of an even-numbered year; permitting cities of the first class to choose to conduct a general election on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of either an odd-numbered or even-numbered year; requiring affected cities, towns, and school districts to adopt an

orderly transition plan; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 205.07, subdivisions 1, 3; 205.075, subdivision 2; 205A.03, subdivisions 1, 2; 205A.04, subdivision 1; 205A.055, subdivision 1; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 205A.04, subdivision 3.

Reported the same back with the recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Education Policy.

The report was adopted.

Quam from the Committee on Elections Finance and Government Operations to which was referred:

H. F. No. 72, A bill for an act relating to campaign expenditures; prohibiting entities or organizations that receive state funding from making campaign expenditures or otherwise expending money for any political purpose; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 211B.

Reported the same back with the recommendation that the bill be placed on the General Register.

The report was adopted.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS

H. F. Nos. 66 and 72 were read for the second time.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

The following House Files were introduced:

Frederick, Curran and Schomacker introduced:

H. F. No. 1095, A bill for an act relating to human services; directing the commissioner of human services to authorize indirect billing for individualized home supports.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Human Services Finance and Policy.

Baker; Frazier; Hussein; Bakeberg; Johnson, W., and Agbaje introduced:

H. F. No. 1096, A bill for an act relating to workforce development; appropriating money to Summit Academy OIC.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Workforce, Labor, and Economic Development Finance and Policy.

Hollins, Xiong, Momanyi-Hiltsley, Pérez-Vega and Hussein introduced:

H. F. No. 1097, A bill for an act relating to legacy; appropriating money for grant to 30,000 Feet, a nonprofit organization.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Legacy Finance.

Scencer-Mura and Hanson, J., introduced:

H. F. No. 1098, A bill for an act relating to food support; appropriating money for infrastructure for food shelf facilities.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Children and Families Finance and Policy.

Scencer-Mura, Jordan, Jones, Mahamoud and Greenman introduced:

H. F. No. 1099, A bill for an act relating to education finance; reducing the share of unreimbursed special education aid paid by the resident school district to a charter school; increasing the state portion of special education aid for unreimbursed charter school expenditures; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 124E.21, subdivision 1; 127A.47, subdivision 7.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Finance.

Bahner, Backer, Bierman, Nadeau, Reyer and Wolgamott introduced:

H. F. No. 1100, A bill for an act relating to human services; requiring the commissioner of human services to establish a directed pharmacy dispensing payment to improve and maintain access to pharmaceutical services; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.69, by adding a subdivision.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health Finance and Policy.

Anderson, P. H., introduced:

H. F. No. 1101, A bill for an act relating to agriculture; transferring money to the agricultural emergency account.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Agriculture Finance and Policy.

Anderson, P. H., introduced:

H. F. No. 1102, A bill for an act relating to clean water; appropriating money for a water quality project in the city of Beardsley.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Legacy Finance.

Hemmingsen-Jaeger, Schomacker, Reyer, Nadeau, Elkins, Bahner, Bierman and Zeleznikar introduced:

H. F. No. 1103, A bill for an act relating to health; modifying medication repository program procedures; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 151.555, subdivisions 6, 10.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health Finance and Policy.

Robbins, Bahner, Davids, Nash, Cha and Frazier introduced:

H. F. No. 1104, A bill for an act relating to transportation; modifying retail delivery fee; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 168E.01, subdivision 12; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 168E.01, subdivision 4.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy.

Agbaje, Hollins, Pérez-Vega, Frazier, Clardy, Noor, Reyer, Her, Mahamoud, Hussein and Momanyi-Hiltsley introduced:

H. F. No. 1105, A bill for an act relating to health; clarifying requirements for maternal death studies; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 145.901, subdivision 1.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health Finance and Policy.

Agbaje and Gomez introduced:

H. F. No. 1106, A bill for an act relating to taxation; modifying certain requirements for the Tax Expenditure Review Commission; repealing legislative requirements for new or renewed tax expenditures; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 3.8855, subdivisions 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8; 270C.11, subdivision 4; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 3.192.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Agbaje and Lee, F., introduced:

H. F. No. 1107, A bill for an act relating to workforce development; appropriating money for a grant to Black Women's Wealth Alliance.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Workforce, Labor, and Economic Development Finance and Policy.

Agbaje introduced:

H. F. No. 1108, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for a grant to Lundstrum Center.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Roach introduced:

H. F. No. 1109, A bill for an act relating to local government; prohibiting data centers in certain districts; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 462.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Elections Finance and Government Operations.

Hemmingsen-Jaeger, Schomacker and Reyer introduced:

H. F. No. 1110, A bill for an act relating to economic development; making grants for dental assisting and hygiene education programs; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 116J.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Workforce, Labor, and Economic Development Finance and Policy.

Hemmingsen-Jaeger, Schomacker and Reyer introduced:

H. F. No. 1111, A bill for an act relating to health; making grants for dental assisting and hygiene education programs; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health Finance and Policy.

Hemmingsen-Jaeger; Johnson, W.; Zeleznikar; Hicks; Coulter and Smith introduced:

H. F. No. 1112, A bill for an act relating to food support; creating regional food bank grants; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 142F.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Children and Families Finance and Policy.

Hemmingsen-Jaeger; Johnson, W.; Cha; Lillie; Hill; Xiong and Hansen, R., introduced:

H. F. No. 1113, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for a public works facility in Washington County; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Frazier; Agbaje; Sencer-Mura; Lee, K.; Hussein; Clardy; Momanyi-Hiltsley and Vang introduced:

H. F. No. 1114, A bill for an act relating to economic development; appropriating money for the GroundBreak capital access and innovation fund; requiring a report.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Workforce, Labor, and Economic Development Finance and Policy.

McDonald, Engen and Davids introduced:

H. F. No. 1115, A bill for an act relating to taxation; individual income; providing subtractions for overtime pay, tips income, bonuses, and winnings from nonprofit lawful gambling organizations; making changes to withholding provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 290.0132, by adding subdivisions; 290.091, subdivision 2; 290.92, subdivision 2a, by adding a subdivision.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Duran, Stier, Schwartz and Bliss introduced:

H. F. No. 1116, A bill for an act relating to public safety; providing for a Brady-Giglio designation for peace officers; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 626.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Finance and Policy.

Duran, Schwartz, Joy and Bliss introduced:

H. F. No. 1117, A bill for an act relating to public safety; prohibiting local units of government from disarming peace officers who are in good standing; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 626.8452, by adding a subdivision.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Finance and Policy.

Duran, Schwartz and Bliss introduced:

H. F. No. 1118, A bill for an act relating to public safety; revising posttraumatic stress syndrome benefits that law enforcement agencies must provide peace officers; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 299A.475.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Finance and Policy.

Duran, Stier, Schwartz and Bliss introduced:

H. F. No. 1119, A bill for an act relating to public safety; establishing the crime of fleeing in a motor vehicle and failing to obey certain traffic laws; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 609.487, by adding a subdivision.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Finance and Policy.

Myers, Jordan, Heintzeman, Lillie and Witte introduced:

H. F. No. 1120, A bill for an act relating to natural resources; establishing Keep it Clean program; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 97C.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy.

Duran introduced:

H. F. No. 1121, A bill for an act relating to liquor; authorizing certain temporary licenses to be issued by Lake of the Woods County notwithstanding a restriction in law.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Commerce Finance and Policy.

Duran introduced:

H. F. No. 1122, A bill for an act relating to state lands; making the commissioner of natural resources responsible for the maintenance and use of the Old Williams School property; requiring a report.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy.

Davids, Youakim, Koznick and Koegel introduced:

H. F. No. 1123, A bill for an act relating to taxation; sales and use; providing a refundable sales tax exemption for construction materials for the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport renovation.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Youakim, Bennett, Jordan, Clardy, Virnig, Frazier, Greene, Bahner, Coulter and Hill introduced:

H. F. No. 1124, A bill for an act relating to education; allowing a school year to start before Labor Day for two school years; requiring a report.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Policy.

Robbins and Bahner introduced:

H. F. No. 1125, A bill for an act relating to transportation; appropriating money for the interchange reconstruction project at U.S. Highway 169 and Hennepin County State-Aid Highway 130.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy.

Sencer-Mura, Kozlowski and Gomez introduced:

H. F. No. 1126, A bill for an act relating to taxation; property; establishing a property tax exemption for certain property owned by an Indian Tribe; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 272.02, by adding a subdivision.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Robbins and Bahner introduced:

H. F. No. 1127, A bill for an act relating to taxation; sales and use; providing a refundable exemption for construction materials for the city of Maple Grove.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Mueller introduced:

H. F. No. 1128, A bill for an act relating to education; requiring public high schools to participate in the direct admissions program; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 120B.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Policy.

Igo and Davids introduced:

H. F. No. 1129, A bill for an act relating to taxation; local government aid; establishing a sparsity factor in the city aid formula; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 477A.011, subdivision 34, by adding a subdivision; 477A.03, subdivision 2a.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Coulter, Elkins and Greene introduced:

H. F. No. 1130, A bill for an act relating to workforce development; appropriating money for workforce development efforts in the city of Bloomington.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Workforce, Labor, and Economic Development Finance and Policy.

Swedzinski introduced:

H. F. No. 1131, A bill for an act relating to taxation; corporation franchise; providing for contingent rate reductions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 290.06, subdivision 1.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Harder, Frederick, Schwartz and Olson introduced:

H. F. No. 1132, A bill for an act relating to agriculture; requiring reports; appropriating money for agriculture-related business assistance.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Agriculture Finance and Policy.

Elkins introduced:

H. F. No. 1133, A bill for an act relating to local government; exempting certain housing proposals from related interim ordinances; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 462.355, subdivision 4.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on State Government Finance and Policy.

Elkins introduced:

H. F. No. 1134, A bill for an act relating to metropolitan government; amending Metropolitan Land Planning Act requirements and authority; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 473.254, subdivision 2; 473.858, subdivision 1; 473.865, subdivisions 2, 3; repealing Laws 2017, First Special Session chapter 3, article 3, section 126; Laws 2018, chapter 214, article 2, section 46.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on State Government Finance and Policy.

Elkins introduced:

H. F. No. 1135, A bill for an act relating to local government; amending municipal land dedication requirements and authority; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 462.358, subdivision 2b.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on State Government Finance and Policy.

Elkins introduced:

H. F. No. 1136, A bill for an act relating to state and local government; establishing procedures for review of building applications by government entities; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 15.99, subdivisions 1, 2.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on State Government Finance and Policy.

Elkins introduced:

H. F. No. 1137, A bill for an act relating to local government; increasing the threshold for municipal reporting of construction-related and development-related fee collections; requiring the commissioner of labor and industry to establish a cost per square foot valuation of certain properties for the purpose of setting municipal building permit fees; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 326B.145; 326B.153, by adding a subdivision.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Workforce, Labor, and Economic Development Finance and Policy.

Elkins introduced:

H. F. No. 1138, A bill for an act relating to real property; requiring the disclosure of energy costs and ratings to prospective purchasers of real property; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 513.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Energy Finance and Policy.

Elkins and Jones introduced:

H. F. No. 1139, A bill for an act relating to the State Building Code; amending the State Building Code to require electric vehicle charging infrastructure in all new residential buildings that provide on-site parking facilities; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 326B.106, subdivision 16.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Energy Finance and Policy.

Elkins introduced:

H. F. No. 1140, A bill for an act relating to transportation; imposing a road usage charge for all-electric vehicles; requiring a report; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 13.6905, by adding a subdivision; 168.002, by adding a subdivision; 168.013, subdivision 1m; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 168.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy.

Howard introduced:

H. F. No. 1141, A bill for an act relating to housing; authorizing the issuance of housing infrastructure bonds; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 462A.37, subdivision 5, by adding a subdivision.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Housing Finance and Policy.

Howard introduced:

H. F. No. 1142, A bill for an act relating to housing; prohibiting the use of tenant screening software that uses nonpublic competitor data to set rent; prohibiting the use of tenant screening software that is biased against protected classes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 504B.245; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 504B.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Housing Finance and Policy.

Howard introduced:

H. F. No. 1143, A bill for an act relating to housing; appropriating money for the greater Minnesota housing infrastructure program.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Housing Finance and Policy.

Fischer introduced:

H. F. No. 1144, A bill for an act relating to human services; directing the commissioner of human services to seek federal authority to provide supportive parenting services to people eligible for personal care assistance or community first services and supports; directing the commissioner of human services to seek certain federal waivers.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Human Services Finance and Policy.

Coulter, Virnig, Greenman, Norris, Rehrauer and Wolgamott introduced:

H. F. No. 1145, A bill for an act relating to lobbying; prohibiting legislators from lobbying for two years after leaving office; authorizing a civil penalty; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 10A.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on State Government Finance and Policy.

Coulter, Hemmingsen-Jaeger and Hicks introduced:

H. F. No. 1146, A bill for an act relating to food support; establishing the Minnesota SNAP step up for seniors program; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 142F.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Children and Families Finance and Policy.

Coulter, Virnig, Hemmingsen-Jaeger and Hicks introduced:

H. F. No. 1147, A bill for an act relating to education; authorizing school-age care programs to provide services to certain eligible prekindergarten students; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 124D.19, subdivision 11.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Policy.

Coulter, Hicks, Pérez-Vega and Hemmingsen-Jaeger introduced:

H. F. No. 1148, A bill for an act relating to food support; establishing the prepared meals food grant program; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 142F.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Children and Families Finance and Policy.

Hemmingsen-Jaeger introduced:

H. F. No. 1149, A bill for an act relating to education; requiring physical and sexual abuse education; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 120B.021, subdivision 1; 120B.234, subdivisions 1, 2.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Policy.

Pursell, Finke and Falconer introduced:

H. F. No. 1150, A bill for an act relating to environment; requiring study of environmental impacts of artificial intelligence; requiring a report; appropriating money.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy.

Nash introduced:

H. F. No. 1151, A bill for an act relating to state government; changing provision for the compensation council; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 15A.082, subdivisions 2, 3; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 15A.082, subdivision 7.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on State Government Finance and Policy.

Johnson, P.; Zeleznikar; Hussein; Berg and Schultz introduced:

H. F. No. 1152, A bill for an act relating to Explore Minnesota; modifying duties and missions; modifying promotional authority contracts; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 116U.05; 116U.06; 116U.15; 116U.30; 116U.35.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Workforce, Labor, and Economic Development Finance and Policy.

Fogelman, Schomacker and Swedzinski introduced:

H. F. No. 1153, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for campus improvements at Minnesota West Community and Technical College; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Hicks and Rehm introduced:

H. F. No. 1154, A bill for an act relating to human services; modifying cooperation requirement for applicants and recipients of medical assistance to identify potential liable third-party payers; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.056, subdivision 8.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Human Services Finance and Policy.

Schomacker introduced:

H. F. No. 1155, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for improvements to water and sewer infrastructure and street reconstruction in the city of Ruthton; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Anderson, P. E., introduced:

H. F. No. 1156, A bill for an act relating to transportation; modifying passenger rail appropriation; amending Laws 2023, chapter 68, article 1, section 2, subdivision 2.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy.

Engen and Mueller introduced:

H. F. No. 1157, A bill for an act relating to health care; establishing direct primary care service agreements; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 62A.01, by adding a subdivision; 62A.011, subdivision 3; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62Q.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Commerce Finance and Policy.

Hicks introduced:

H. F. No. 1158, A bill for an act relating to children, youth, and families; modifying the diaper distribution program; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142A.42.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Children and Families Finance and Policy.

Youakim, Kraft, Howard, Acomb and Coulter introduced:

H. F. No. 1159, A bill for an act relating to taxation; property; tax increment financing; expanding eligible uses of increment from tax increment financing districts to include transfers to local housing trust funds; imposing requirements on use of transferred increment; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 469.1763, subdivision 2, by adding a subdivision.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Hussein, Pérez-Vega and Hollins introduced:

H. F. No. 1160, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for a grant to Union Gospel Mission Twin Cities.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Igo, Davids, Rehrauer, Kresha, Virnig, Skraba and Norris introduced:

H. F. No. 1161, A bill for an act relating to education finance; establishing school district seasonal tax base replacement aid; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 126C.13, subdivision 4; 126C.17, by adding a subdivision.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Finance.

Bierman, Virnig, Koznick and Nadeau introduced:

H. F. No. 1162, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for a new animal hospital and asset preservation at the Minnesota Zoo; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Youakim; Witte; Huot; Tabke; Moller; Johnson, P.; Stephenson; Kraft; Novotny and Hill introduced:

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

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Finance and Policy.

Hanson, J., introduced:

H. F. No. 1164, A bill for an act relating to low-income support; appropriating money for a grant to Greater Minneapolis Council of Churches for drop-in support services.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Children and Families Finance and Policy.

Bahner, Davids, Schomacker, Zeleznikar and Wolgamott introduced:

H. F. No. 1165, A bill for an act relating to health care facility finance; restructuring and renaming the Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority as the Minnesota Health and Education Facilities Authority; authorizing the authority to construct and finance health care facilities; increasing bonding capacity; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 3.732, subdivision 1; 10A.01, subdivision 35; 136A.25; 136A.26; 136A.27; 136A.28; 136A.29, subdivisions 1, 3, 6, 9, 10, 14, 19, 20, 21, 22, by adding a subdivision; 136A.32, subdivisions 1, 4, by adding a subdivision; 136A.33; 136A.34, subdivisions 3, 4; 136A.36; 136A.38; 136A.41; 136A.42; 136F.67, subdivision 1; 354B.20, subdivision 7; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 136A.29, subdivision 4.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health Finance and Policy.

Curran, Norris, Schomacker and Keeler introduced:

H. F. No. 1166, A bill for an act relating to human services; establishing a grant to expand disability services technology and advocacy; requiring reports; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 256.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Human Services Finance and Policy.

Anderson, P. E., introduced:

H. F. No. 1167, A bill for an act relating to transportation; prohibiting expenditures for the Northern Lights Express passenger rail project.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy.

Bahner, Quam, Freiberg, McDonald and Gomez introduced:

H. F. No. 1168, A bill for an act relating to elections; requiring the commissioner of revenue to establish an online system to claim the political contribution refund; modifying the political contribution refund program to allow for electronic information transfer between the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board and the Department of Revenue; classifying data; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 10A.02, subdivision 11b; 10A.322, subdivision 4; 290.06, subdivision 23.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary Finance and Civil Law.

Nelson, Sexton, Repinski, Keeler, Kotyza-Witthuhn, Hicks and Hanson, J., introduced:

H. F. No. 1169, A bill for an act relating to child protection; directing the commissioner to make recommendations for paperwork reduction relating to child protection cases.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Children and Families Finance and Policy.

Mueller introduced:

H. F. No. 1170, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for the Minnesota BioImaging Center of the Hormel Institute; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Rehrauer, Bennett, Youakim and Engen introduced:

H. F. No. 1171, A bill for an act relating to education; modifying the mission of the Minnesota math corps program; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 124D.42, subdivision 9.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Policy.

Myers introduced:

H. F. No. 1172, A bill for an act relating to state government; designating Ursa Minor as the official state constellation; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 1.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on State Government Finance and Policy.

Myers introduced:

H. F. No. 1173, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for the transportation economic development infrastructure program; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Myers introduced:

H. F. No. 1174, A bill for an act relating to transportation; modifying various provisions related to driver and vehicle services; requiring distribution of money to deputy registrars for no-fee transactions; modifying driver's license examination requirements; establishing online renewal of drivers' licenses; requiring a report; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 168.33, subdivision 7; 171.06, by adding a subdivision; 171.13, subdivision 1.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy.

Huot introduced:

H. F. No. 1175, A bill for an act relating to education; requiring cardiac emergency response plans; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 128C.02, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 121A.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Policy.

Virnig introduced:

H. F. No. 1176, A bill for an act relating to education finance; appropriating money for a grant for the ActivEd Walkabouts program.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Finance.

West and Johnson, W., introduced:

H. F. No. 1177, A bill for an act relating to elections; providing for the election of state legislators without political party designation; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 204D.08, subdivisions 4, 6; 204D.13, subdivision 1.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Elections Finance and Government Operations.

Mueller introduced:

H. F. No. 1178, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money to the University of Minnesota for capital improvements in Mower County for the FAARM program; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Olson introduced:

H. F. No. 1179, A bill for an act relating to transportation; authorizing public transit operators to perform third-party testing for school buses; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 171.01, by adding subdivisions; 171.3213.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy.

Greenman; Lee, F.; Sencer-Mura; Mahamoud and Jones introduced:

H. F. No. 1180, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for capital improvements to the Nicollet Avenue Bridge over Minnehaha Creek; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Greenman introduced:

H. F. No. 1181, A bill for an act relating to motor vehicles; establishing Jewish war veterans special license plates; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 168.123, subdivision 2.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy.

Greenman introduced:

H. F. No. 1182, A bill for an act relating to employment; establishing an ombudsperson for safety, health, and well-being of agricultural and food processing workers; requiring reports; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 116J.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Workforce, Labor, and Economic Development Finance and Policy.

Greenman, Gomez and Howard introduced:

H. F. No. 1183, A bill for an act relating to taxation; employee classification; providing that a certain uncodified provision in federal law that relates to provisions of the Internal Revenue Code does not apply; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 290.01, subdivision 31.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Roach, Sexton, Davis, Wiener, Olson and Van Binsbergen introduced:

H. F. No. 1184, A bill for an act relating to veterans; removing state veterans cemetery burial fee for spouses and dependents of eligible veterans; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 190.19, subdivision 2a; 197.236, subdivision 9.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Veterans and Military Affairs Division.

Roach, Davis, Sexton, Repinski, Olson and Van Binsbergen introduced:

H. F. No. 1185, A bill for an act relating to transportation; establishing a special license plate for National Defense Service Medal recipients; making technical changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 168.123.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy.

Finke introduced:

H. F. No. 1186, A bill for an act relating to economic development; appropriating money for a grant to FilmNorth.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Workforce, Labor, and Economic Development Finance and Policy.

Finke and Howard introduced:

H. F. No. 1187, A bill for an act relating to housing; requiring a report on contractors receiving financing from the Housing Finance Agency; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 462A.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Housing Finance and Policy.

Robbins introduced:

H. F. No. 1188, A bill for an act relating to public safety; authorizing city attorneys to file delinquency petitions for offenses committed by a juvenile when a county attorney declines to file a petition; authorizing city attorneys to prosecute felony offenses and certain gross misdemeanor offenses when a county attorney declines to prosecute; authorizing city attorneys to issue administrative subpoenas in certain cases; making conforming changes; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 260B.007, subdivision 16; 260B.141, subdivision 2; 260B.163, subdivision 5; 260B.171, subdivision 4; 260B.335, subdivisions 2, 4; 260B.425, subdivision 2; 388.051, subdivision 2; 388.23, subdivision 1; 390.251; 484.87, subdivision 3.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Finance and Policy.

Hicks, Smith and Liebling introduced:

H. F. No. 1189, A bill for an act relating to health; appropriating money to the Rochester Area Foundation for the Pamoja Women program.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health Finance and Policy.

Olson introduced:

H. F. No. 1190, A bill for an act relating to transportation; modifying certain employment requirements for third-party testing program applicants; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 171.3213.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy.

Kresha introduced:

H. F. No. 1191, A bill for an act relating to state lands; authorizing private sale of certain tax-forfeited land.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy.

Dippel introduced:

H. F. No. 1192, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for a water treatment plant in the city of Hastings; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Dippel introduced:

H. F. No. 1193, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for a water treatment plant in the city of Hastings.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Berg and Virnig introduced:

H. F. No. 1194, A bill for an act relating to education finance; linking extended time revenue to increases in the general education basic formula allowance; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 126C.10, subdivision 2a.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Education Finance.

Johnson, W., introduced:

H. F. No. 1195, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for trail lighting in Cottage Grove Ravine Regional Park.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Johnson, W., introduced:

H. F. No. 1196, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for road improvements in Washington County; authorizing the sale and issuance of state bonds.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Feist; Fischer; Hanson, J.; Pursell; Jordan; Greene; Gomez; Sencer-Mura; Clardy; Kraft; Falconer; Agbaje; Xiong; Rehm; Mahamoud and Momanyi-Hiltsley introduced:

H. F. No. 1197, A bill for an act relating to mining; prohibiting environmental review and the issuance of nonferrous sulfide ore mining permits, licenses, or leases to bad actors; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 93.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy.

Niska and Long introduced:

H. F. No. 1198, A bill for an act relating to the legislature; increasing the number of leadership positions in each body; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 3.099, subdivision 3.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on State Government Finance and Policy.

Igo introduced:

H. F. No. 1199, A bill for an act relating to state lands; authorizing private sale of certain tax-forfeited land in Aitkin County.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy.

Duran, Bliss and Joy introduced:

H. F. No. 1200, A bill for an act relating to energy; exempting cooperative electric associations from clean and renewable energy standards; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 216B.1691, subdivision 1, by adding a subdivision.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Energy Finance and Policy.

Duran and Bliss introduced:

H. F. No. 1201, A bill for an act relating to taxation; sales and use; providing an exemption for purchases made by the Department of Transportation for road construction projects; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 297A.71, by adding a subdivision.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy.

Duran and Bliss introduced:

H. F. No. 1202, A bill for an act relating to data practices; requiring interagency group meetings to be open to the public; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 13D.01, subdivisions 1, 4; 13D.015, subdivision 1.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary Finance and Civil Law.

Gomez introduced:

H. F. No. 1203, A bill for an act relating to taxation; sales and use; modifying the exemption for firearm storage units; providing an exemption for firearm safety devices; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 297A.67, subdivision 40.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Taxes.

Fischer introduced:

H. F. No. 1204, A bill for an act relating to environment; modifying provisions to petition for preparation of environmental assessment worksheet; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 116D.04, subdivisions 2a, 5a; 116D.045, subdivision 1.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy.

Fischer introduced:

H. F. No. 1205, A bill for an act relating to natural resources; modifying reporting requirements; modifying state trail pass provisions for off-road vehicles; modifying invasive species provisions; providing for burbot commercial fishing on Lake Superior; modifying provisions of public waters inventory; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 84.03; 84.8035, subdivision 1; 84D.01, by adding a subdivision; 84D.05, subdivision 1; 97C.835, subdivision 2; 103G.201.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy.

Fischer and Heintzeman introduced:

H. F. No. 1206, A bill for an act relating to environment; appropriating money for the upper Mississippi River basin priority lakes and streams initiative.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy.

Fischer introduced:

H. F. No. 1207, A bill for an act relating to environment; facilitating use of artificial aquifer recharge where appropriate; appropriating money for groundwater storage and recovery; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 103A.204.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health Finance and Policy.

Fischer introduced:

H. F. No. 1208, A bill for an act relating to environment; modifying provisions for permitting efficiency; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 115.542; 116.03, subdivision 2b; 116.07, subdivision 4a.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy.

Fischer and Heintzeman introduced:

H. F. No. 1209, A bill for an act relating to health; appropriating money for a voluntary well water testing program.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health Finance and Policy.

Her; Xiong; Vang; Lee, K.; Sencer-Mura and Cha introduced:

H. F. No. 1210, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for a grant to TaikoArts Midwest.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Workforce, Labor, and Economic Development Finance and Policy.

Falconer, Kotyza-Witthuhn and Rehm introduced:

H. F. No. 1211, A bill for an act relating to capital investment; appropriating money for road improvements in the city of Eden Prairie.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Capital Investment.

Falconer introduced:

H. F. No. 1212, A bill for an act relating to elections; requiring the secretary of state to amend rules to recognize a medical bill as a proof of residence on election day; authorizing rulemaking.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Elections Finance and Government Operations.

Hansen, R., introduced:

H. F. No. 1213, A bill for an act relating to electric cooperatives; improving member access to cooperative documents and meetings; requiring electronic voting and voting by mail for cooperative board directors; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 308A.327.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Energy Finance and Policy.

Hansen, R., introduced:

H. F. No. 1214, A bill for an act relating to transportation; directing transportation advancement account funds be used for suicide prevention measures on the Washington Avenue Bridge in the city of Minneapolis.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy.

Clardy, Franson, Noor, Perryman and Hussein introduced:

H. F. No. 1215, A bill for an act relating to human services licensing; modifying licensing violation actions against chapter 245D providers; requiring reports; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 245A.06, subdivisions 1a, 2.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Human Services Finance and Policy.

Berg and Zeleznikar introduced:

H. F. No. 1216, A bill for an act relating to labor and industry; appropriating money for apprenticeship readiness programming.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Workforce, Labor, and Economic Development Finance and Policy.

Witte and Moller introduced:

H. F. No. 1217, A bill for an act relating to public safety; requiring permit to carry holders to provide notification of a change of legal name; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.714, subdivision 7a.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Finance and Policy.

REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON RULES AND LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATION

Niska from the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration, pursuant to rule 1.21, designated the following bill to be placed on the Calendar for the Day for Thursday, February 20, 2025:

H. F. No. 20.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Johnson, W., moved that the name of Davis be added as an author on H. F. No. 4. The motion prevailed.

Kresha moved that the name of Nash be added as an author on H. F. No. 19. The motion prevailed.

Robbins moved that the name of Engen be added as an author on H. F. No. 23. The motion prevailed.

Knudsen moved that the names of Mueller and Roach be added as authors on H. F. No. 24. The motion prevailed.

Kresha moved that the names of Davis and Schultz be added as authors on H. F. No. 29. The motion prevailed.

Gomez moved that the name of Kraft be added as an author on H. F. No. 30. The motion prevailed.

Youakim moved that the name of Hemmingsen-Jaeger be added as an author on H. F. No. 31. The motion prevailed.

Stephenson moved that the name of Kraft be added as an author on H. F. No. 32. The motion prevailed.

Clardy moved that the names of Falconer and Kraft be added as authors on H. F. No. 35. The motion prevailed.

Schultz moved that the names of Wolgamott and Davis be added as authors on H. F. No. 47. The motion prevailed.

Sencer-Mura moved that the name of Kraft be added as an author on H. F. No. 54. The motion prevailed.

Sencer-Mura moved that the name of Kraft be added as an author on H. F. No. 63. The motion prevailed.

Huot moved that the name of Schultz be added as an author on H. F. No. 82. The motion prevailed.

Huot moved that the name of Kraft be added as an author on H. F. No. 97. The motion prevailed.

Repinski moved that the names of Engen and Scott be added as authors on H. F. No. 100. The motion prevailed.

Zeleznikar moved that the name of Kozlowski be added as an author on H. F. No. 105. The motion prevailed.

Berg moved that the name of Johnson, P., be added as an author on H. F. No. 124. The motion prevailed.

Bennett moved that the name of Engen be added as an author on H. F. No. 195. The motion prevailed.

Koznick moved that the name of Tabke be added as an author on H. F. No. 261. The motion prevailed.

Burkel moved that the names of Warwas and Dotseth be added as authors on H. F. No. 271. The motion prevailed.

Falconer moved that the name of Smith be added as an author on H. F. No. 309. The motion prevailed.

Agbaje moved that the name of Johnson, P., be added as an author on H. F. No. 339. The motion prevailed.

Heintzeman moved that the names of Tabke and Hudson be added as authors on H. F. No. 341. The motion prevailed.

Smith moved that the name of Rehrauer be added as an author on H. F. No. 350. The motion prevailed.

Smith moved that the name of Rehrauer be added as an author on H. F. No. 351. The motion prevailed.

Pinto moved that the name of Rehrauer be added as an author on H. F. No. 362. The motion prevailed.

Murphy moved that the name of Scott be added as an author on H. F. No. 369. The motion prevailed.

Perryman moved that the name of Dotseth be added as an author on H. F. No. 400. The motion prevailed.

Myers moved that the name of Norris be added as an author on H. F. No. 412. The motion prevailed.

Jordan moved that the name of Rehrauer be added as an author on H. F. No. 420. The motion prevailed.

Hanson, J., moved that the name of Rehrauer be added as an author on H. F. No. 421. The motion prevailed.

Koegel moved that the name of Rehrauer be added as an author on H. F. No. 422. The motion prevailed.

Franson moved that the name of Scott be added as an author on H. F. No. 435. The motion prevailed.

West moved that the names of Norris, Tabke, Coulter and Pinto be added as authors on H. F. No. 470. The motion prevailed.

Long moved that the name of Stephenson be added as an author on H. F. No. 474. The motion prevailed.

Long moved that the name of Stephenson be added as an author on H. F. No. 475. The motion prevailed.

Mekeland moved that the name of Roach be added as an author on H. F. No. 482. The motion prevailed.

Wiener moved that the names of Falconer and Gander be added as authors on H. F. No. 487. The motion prevailed.

Klevorn moved that the names of Falconer and Hemmingsen-Jaeger be added as authors on H. F. No. 488. The motion prevailed.

Hill moved that the names of Rehrauer, Tabke, Hudson and Engen be added as authors on H. F. No. 491. The motion prevailed.

Hill moved that the names of Rehrauer and Hemmingsen-Jaeger be added as authors on H. F. No. 492. The motion prevailed.

Agbaje moved that the name of Rehrauer be added as an author on H. F. No. 497. The motion prevailed.

Zeleznikar moved that the name of Scott be added as an author on H. F. No. 500. The motion prevailed.

Nadeau moved that the name of Stephenson be added as an author on H. F. No. 504. The motion prevailed.

Koznick moved that the name of Norris be added as an author on H. F. No. 510. The motion prevailed.

Bakeberg moved that the name of Scott be added as an author on H. F. No. 514. The motion prevailed.

Stier moved that the name of Scott be added as an author on H. F. No. 540. The motion prevailed.

Burkel moved that the name of Warwas be added as an author on H. F. No. 601. The motion prevailed.

Mueller moved that the name of Scott be added as an author on H. F. No. 630. The motion prevailed.

Altendorf moved that the name of Scott be added as an author on H. F. No. 638. The motion prevailed.

Myers moved that the name of Scott be added as an author on H. F. No. 641. The motion prevailed.

Skraba moved that the name of Warwas be added as an author on H. F. No. 648. The motion prevailed.

Nelson moved that the name of Tabke be added as an author on H. F. No. 653. The motion prevailed.

Freiberg moved that the name of Rehrauer be added as an author on H. F. No. 675. The motion prevailed.

Frazier moved that the names of Norris, Rehrauer, Hemmingsen-Jaeger, Greene and Stephenson be added as authors on H. F. No. 683. The motion prevailed.

Hemmingsen-Jaeger moved that the name of Johnson, P., be added as an author on H. F. No. 684. The motion prevailed.

Frazier moved that the names of Norris, Rehrauer and Stephenson be added as authors on H. F. No. 689. The motion prevailed.

Finke moved that the name of Stephenson be added as an author on H. F. No. 695. The motion prevailed.

Baker moved that the name of Huot be added as an author on H. F. No. 697. The motion prevailed.

Johnson, W., moved that the name of Hemmingsen-Jaeger be added as an author on H. F. No. 701. The motion prevailed.

Acomb moved that the names of Falconer and Hemmingsen-Jaeger be added as authors on H. F. No. 703. The motion prevailed.

Koegel moved that the name of Norris be added as an author on H. F. No. 712. The motion prevailed.

Lee, F., moved that the names of Rehrauer and Lillie be added as authors on H. F. No. 719. The motion prevailed.

Olson moved that the names of Niska and Repinski be added as authors on H. F. No. 733. The motion prevailed.

Clardy moved that the name of Rehrauer be added as an author on H. F. No. 744. The motion prevailed.

Koznick moved that the name of Scott be added as an author on H. F. No. 749. The motion prevailed.

Robbins moved that the names of Tabke and Hudson be added as authors on H. F. No. 750. The motion prevailed.

Robbins moved that the name of Scott be added as an author on H. F. No. 751. The motion prevailed.

Robbins moved that the name of Scott be added as an author on H. F. No. 752. The motion prevailed.

Robbins moved that the names of Scott, Repinski, Baker, Perryman and Van Binsbergen be added as authors on H. F. No. 753. The motion prevailed.

Robbins moved that the name of Scott be added as an author on H. F. No. 754. The motion prevailed.

Robbins moved that the name of Scott be added as an author on H. F. No. 756. The motion prevailed.

Hudson moved that the name of Scott be added as an author on H. F. No. 767. The motion prevailed.

Hudson moved that the name of Scott be added as an author on H. F. No. 768. The motion prevailed.

Quam moved that the name of Jacob be added as an author on H. F. No. 769. The motion prevailed.

Feist moved that the name of Norris be added as an author on H. F. No. 773. The motion prevailed.

Hemmingsen-Jaeger moved that the name of Falconer be added as an author on H. F. No. 774. The motion prevailed.

Hanson, J., moved that the name of Rehrauer be added as an author on H. F. No. 775. The motion prevailed.

Hanson, J., moved that the name of Norris be added as an author on H. F. No. 776. The motion prevailed.

Coulter moved that the names of Rehrauer and Stephenson be added as authors on H. F. No. 777. The motion prevailed.

Myers moved that the name of Falconer be added as an author on H. F. No. 788. The motion prevailed.

Hollins moved that the name of Hemmingsen-Jaeger be added as an author on H. F. No. 793. The motion prevailed.

Nadeau moved that the names of Hemmingsen-Jaeger and Stephenson be added as authors on H. F. No. 794. The motion prevailed.

Youakim moved that the name of Rehrauer be added as an author on H. F. No. 805. The motion prevailed.

Wiener moved that the name of Roach be added as an author on H. F. No. 814. The motion prevailed.

Bliss moved that the name of Rehrauer be added as an author on H. F. No. 840. The motion prevailed.

Myers moved that the name of Norris be added as an author on H. F. No. 842. The motion prevailed.

Baker moved that the names of Knudsen and Van Binsbergen be added as authors on H. F. No. 845. The motion prevailed.

Clardy moved that the name of Rehrauer be added as an author on H. F. No. 846. The motion prevailed.

Hansen, R., moved that the names of Rehm, Reyer and Falconer be added as authors on H. F. No. 855. The motion prevailed.

Moller moved that the name of Hemmingsen-Jaeger be added as an author on H. F. No. 856. The motion prevailed.

West moved that the names of Rehrauer and Stephenson be added as authors on H. F. No. 953. The motion prevailed.

Hanson, J., moved that the name of Rehrauer be added as an author on H. F. No. 954. The motion prevailed.

Hanson, J., moved that the name of Hemmingsen-Jaeger be added as an author on H. F. No. 955. The motion prevailed.

Novotny moved that the names of Wolgamott and Robbins be added as authors on H. F. No. 962. The motion prevailed.

Bierman moved that the name of Koegel be added as an author on H. F. No. 981. The motion prevailed.

Sexton moved that the names of Schultz; Davids; Bennett; Elkins; Engen; Johnson, P.; Dotseth; Johnson, W., and Hill be added as authors on H. F. No. 1004. The motion prevailed.

Bierman moved that the name of Freiberg be added as an author on H. F. No. 1005. The motion prevailed.

Agbaje moved that the name of Sencer-Mura be added as an author on H. F. No. 1010. The motion prevailed.

Bierman moved that the names of Dotseth, Robbins, Gillman, Hemmingsen-Jaeger and Koznick be added as authors on H. F. No. 1011. The motion prevailed.

Pursell moved that the name of Finke be added as an author on H. F. No. 1012. The motion prevailed.

Huot moved that the name of Huot be stricken as an author on H. F. No. 1025. The motion prevailed.

McDonald moved that the name of Mueller be added as an author on H. F. No. 1025. The motion prevailed.

Pérez-Vega moved that the name of Rehrauer be added as an author on H. F. No. 1028. The motion prevailed.

Torkelson moved that the names of Hemmingsen-Jaeger and Stephenson be added as authors on H. F. No. 1029. The motion prevailed.

Norris moved that the name of Koegel be added as an author on H. F. No. 1031. The motion prevailed.

Smith moved that the name of Falconer be added as an author on H. F. No. 1041. The motion prevailed.

Moller moved that the name of Harder be added as an author on H. F. No. 1042. The motion prevailed.

Frederick moved that the names of Lillie and Feist be added as authors on H. F. No. 1044. The motion prevailed.

Frederick moved that the name of Koegel be added as an author on H. F. No. 1047. The motion prevailed.

Bakeberg moved that the names of Scott and Baker be added as authors on H. F. No. 1052. The motion prevailed.

Hansen, R., moved that the name of Hemmingsen-Jaeger be added as an author on H. F. No. 1073. The motion prevailed.

Hansen, R., moved that the name of Lillie be added as an author on H. F. No. 1078. The motion prevailed.

Moller moved that the names of Bahner and Rehrauer be added as authors on H. F. No. 1082. The motion prevailed.

Moller moved that the names of Bahner and Rehrauer be added as authors on H. F. No. 1083. The motion prevailed.

Coulter moved that the name of Elkins be added as an author on H. F. No. 1088. The motion prevailed.

Lee, F., moved that the name of Lillie be added as an author on H. F. No. 1090. The motion prevailed.

Murphy moved that H. F. No. 367 be recalled from the Committee on Public Safety Finance and Policy and be re-referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy. The motion prevailed.

Hicks moved that H. F. No. 664 be recalled from the Committee on Health Finance and Policy and be re-referred to the Committee on Human Services Finance and Policy. The motion prevailed.

Hicks moved that H. F. No. 665 be recalled from the Committee on Health Finance and Policy and be re-referred to the Committee on Human Services Finance and Policy. The motion prevailed.

Hicks moved that H. F. No. 666 be recalled from the Committee on Health Finance and Policy and be re-referred to the Committee on Human Services Finance and Policy. The motion prevailed.

Nash moved that H. F. No. 1061 be recalled from the Committee on Commerce Finance and Policy and be re-referred to the Committee on State Government Finance and Policy. The motion prevailed.

Quam moved that H. F. No. 594 be returned to its author. The motion prevailed.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

In the interest of maintaining order and decorum in the House Chamber and providing an atmosphere of respect and courtesy for members who have the floor, and in accordance with House Rule 7.01, DUTIES AND PRIVILEGES OF THE SPEAKER, paragraph 2, "The Speaker must preserve order and decorum[,]" the following rules and policies will be enforced during the 2025-26 legislative session.

FLOOR DEBATE DECORUM

House Rule 2.20 DUTIES OF MEMBERS states: "A member, before speaking, must rise and respectfully address the Speaker and must not speak further until recognized by the Speaker."

House Rule 2.33 ORDER DURING SESSION states: "A member must not engage in private conversation while another member is speaking . . ."

Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure Section 110 **Addressing Members or Presiding Officer** paragraph 1 states: "All debate must be addressed to the presiding officer and not to the members."

Mason's Manual Section 114 **Asking Questions of Members** paragraph 5 states: "A question should not be permitted that reflects upon the character or conduct of any member or upon the executive or other official. A question as to what course a member proposes to follow is not in order."

Mason's Manual Section 120 **Equality of Members in Debate** states: "Every member has the same right as any other member to present questions for the consideration of the house and has the same right to be heard."

It is not proper procedure to start a debate on a subject not before the body by asking a member to yield to a question. *Mason's Manual* Section 100 **There Must Be a Question Before the House to Permit Debate** paragraph 2 states: "Debate must always have relation to some definite question that is under consideration by the body. There must be a motion or a question proposed to the body by the presiding officer for the purpose of ascertaining the will of the body."

Mason's Manual Section 121 **Breaches of the Order of the House (Repetition in Debate)** paragraph 3 states: "A member who resorts to persistent irrelevance or to persistent repetition after the attention of the house has been called to the matter may be directed to discontinue the speech by the presiding officer."

Mason's Manual Section 124 **Personalities Not Permitted in Debate (Questioning Motives)** paragraph 1 states: "In debate a member must confine remarks to the question before the house, and avoid personalities." Paragraph 3 states: "It is not the person but the measure that is the subject of debate, and it is not allowable to arraign the motives of a member, but the nature or consequences of a measure may be condemned in strong terms."

POINTS OF ORDER, POINTS OF PRIVILEGE, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

There is no point of order unless a member cites the Rule, Joint Rule, or section of *Mason's Manual* being violated. House Rule 5.04 AUTHORIZED MANUAL OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE states: "*Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure* governs the House in all applicable cases if it is not inconsistent with these Rules, the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives, or established custom and usage."

"Points of Privilege" should not be used to make statements that definitely are not points of privilege. Questions relating to members of the body in their representative capacity are called "Points of Personal Privilege" and should relate to charges against a member's rights, conduct, or character. Questions relating to the entire body are called "Points of Privilege of the House" and should relate to charges against the membership of the entire body. Political or congratulatory speeches should not be made under the guise of being a point of privilege. Members should not use this procedure to create a debate on a subject not properly before the body. The appropriate way to recognize events of achievement occurring within one's legislative district is by reserving a room in the State Capitol for a celebration and inviting fellow members to that room for the celebration under the order of business "Announcements."

FLOOR ACCESS

House Rule 2.40 ADMITTANCE TO FLOOR provides that certain persons are admitted by Rule to the House Chamber, and other guests "may be issued a permit by the Speaker good for the day, but that person must be seated near the Speaker's rostrum, and must not engage in conversation that disturbs the business of the House." It further provides that "[f]rom one hour before the time the House is scheduled to convene until one hour after the House adjourns for the day, the retiring room is reserved for the exclusive use of the members and employees of the House." This Rule will be enforced during the orders of business relating to consideration of legislation, such as "Calendar for the Day," "Fiscal Calendar," and "Conference Committee Reports." Lobbyists are not allowed in the House Chamber or in the retiring room during this period.

When House Rule 2.40 ADMITTANCE TO FLOOR is applicable, the spouse and children of members may be permitted to access the House Chamber without a permit, within reason and with approval of the Speaker when guided by a member. Spouses and children are limited to seating in the alcoves, retiring room, and the seats near the Speaker's rostrum. Spouses and children of members may not sit at a member's floor desk or access or use offices designated for staff. Members are responsible for the behavior of their spouse and children. Spouses and children who breach decorum and order or create a distraction may be asked to exit the House Chamber. Spouses and children in the chamber are subject to be viewed by the public and/or recorded by media.

CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL AND DRUGS PROHIBITED IN HOUSE-CONTROLLED SPACES

House Resolution 2025-P100 prohibits the consumption of alcohol and drugs – except for over the counter, as prescribed by a health care provider, or unless the employee is a registry program patient – in House-controlled spaces.

ATTIRE ON THE HOUSE FLOOR

Members and staff shall wear appropriate business attire while on the House floor. Business casual is appropriate. Members should avoid wearing hats while on the House floor. Members should wear their legislative pin at all times when conducting House business, including on the House floor or in committees.

IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE RULES

In order to provide a safe environment for all who come to the Capitol, Department of Administration, the Sergeant's office, and Capitol Security are tasked with ensuring adherence to rules of conduct published by the Department of Administration Facilities Management Division related to public use of the Capitol building and grounds. Members interacting with groups at the Capitol should make those rules known and adhere to the rules themselves.

Observing these rules and policies ensures proper and respectful debate as we conduct the people's business on the floor of the House. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

ADJOURNMENT

Niska moved that when the House adjourns today it adjourn until 3:30 p.m., Thursday, February 20, 2025. The motion prevailed.

Niska moved that the House adjourn. The motion prevailed, and the Speaker declared the House stands adjourned until 3:30 p.m., Thursday, February 20, 2025.

PATRICK DUFFY MURPHY, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

