

TAXES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Representative Aisha Gomez, Chair of the Taxes Committee, called the meeting to order at 10:15 A.M. on March 25, 2026, in Room 120 of the State Capitol Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members Present:

GOMEZ, Aisha, DFL Chair
DAVIDS, Greg, GOP Chair
NORRIS, Matt, DFL Vice Chair
JOY, Jim, GOP Vice Chair
AGBAJE, Esther
ANDERSON, Patti
ELKINS, Steve
FREIBERG, Mike
HARDER, Bobbie
HOLLINS, Athena
HOWARD, Michael
HUOT, John
JOHNSON, Wayne
KOZLOWSKI, Liish
LEE, Liz
ROACH, Drew
ROBBINS, Kristin
SCHWARTZ, Erica
SMITH, Andy
SWEDZINSKI, Chris
WARWAS, Cal
WIENER, Mike
WITTE, Jeff
YOUAKIM, Cheryl

A quorum was present.

Representative Joy moved the minutes of March 24, 2026, be approved. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Presentation by Counties on Implementation of Local Homelessness Aid

Presenting:

- Nathan Jesson, Minnesota Inter-County Association.
- Dave Dunn, Olmsted County Director of Housing and Planning.
- George Borrell, Anoka County Community Social Services Director.
- Matt Hilgart, Association of Minnesota Counties.

HF4561 (Gomez) Local homeless prevention aid reporting requirements modified, redistribution of unspent money allowed, and aid sunset repealed.

Chair Gomez moved that HF4561 be laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

Representative Gomez presented HF4561.

Testifiers:

- Ash Littles, Fellow, Minnesota Coalition for the Homeless.
- Jordan May, Executive Director, Red Lake Homeless Shelter.
- Jane Lawrenz, Assistant Coordinator, MN Tribal Collaborative.
- Matt Hilgart, Association of Minnesota Counties.

HF4561 was laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Tax Bill.

HF4343 (Lee) Advertising services tax imposed.

Representative Lee moved that HF4343 be laid for possible inclusion in the 2026 Tax Bill.

Representative Lee moved the HF4343A5 amendment to be adopted. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Representative Lee presented HF4343 as amended.

Testifiers:

- Eric Harris Bernstein, Coalitions Director, WeMakeMN.
- Dalton Danielson, MN Business Partnership.
- Tanner Fritsinger, Political Affairs Coordinator, Minnesota Association of Professional Employees.
- Brian Cook, MN Chamber of Commerce.
- Sara Franck, AFSCME Local 2474.
- Deb Peters, Lead Tax Policy Expert for Americans for Digital Opportunity.
- Ellory Roske, ISAIAH.
- Paul Eger, MN Association of Realtors.
- Nan Madden, MN Budget Project.
- Channon Richardson, University Nursery School, Duluth.
- Nathaniel Olson, Disability Advocate.

HF4343 was laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:57 A.M.

Representative Aisha Gomez, Chair

Sumira Sheikh, Committee Legislative Assistant