

TAXES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Representative Aisha Gomez, Chair of the Taxes Committee, called the meeting to order at 10:15 A.M. on April 29, 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
WARWAS, Cal
WIENER, Mike
WITTE, Jeff
YOUAKIM, Cheryl

Members Excused:

SWEDZINSKI, Chris

A quorum was present.

Representative Elkins moved the minutes of April 28, 2026, be approved. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF4677 (Davids) Indian Tribe property tax exemption established.

Representative Davids moved that HF4677 be laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

Representative Davids presented HF4677.

Testifiers:

- Reid LeBeau.

HF4677 was laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

HF4678 (Davids) Indian Tribe property tax exemption modified.

Representative Davids moved that HF4678 be laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

Representative Davids moved the HF4678A1 amendment to be adopted. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Representative Davids presented HF4678 as amended.

Testifiers:

- Reid LeBeau.

HF4678, as amended, was laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

HF4974 (Lee) Income and property tax refunds; homestead credit refund co-pays reduced, commissioner of revenue authorized to implement a tax compliance program, and money appropriated.

Representative Lee moved that HF4974 to be re-referred to the Ways and Means Committee.

Representative Lee moved the HF4974A1 amendment to be adopted. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Representative Lee presented HF4974 as amended.

Testifiers:

- Joanna Bayers, Legislative Director, Minnesota Department of Revenue.

Representative Howard requested a roll call vote.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

AYES:

GOMEZ, Aisha, DFL Chair
NORRIS, Matt, DFL Vice Chair
AGBAJE, Esther
ELKINS, Steve
FREIBERG, Mike
HOLLINS, Athena
HOWARD, Michael
HUOT, John
KOZLOWSKI, Liish
LEE, Liz
SMITH, Andy
YOUAKIM, Cheryl

NAYES:

DAVIDS, Greg, GOP Chair
JOY, Jim, GOP Vice Chair
HARDER, Bobbie
ROACH, Drew
ROBBINS, Kristin
WIENER, Mike

EXCUSED:

ANDERSON, Patti
JOHNSON, Wayne
SCHWARTZ, Erica
SWEDZINSKI, Chris
WARWAS, Cal
WITTE, Jeff

There being 12 AYES, 6 NAYS, and 6 EXCUSED, THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL.

HF4845 (Hollins) Aids to local governments; new fifth tier individual income tax rate established, and local government aid and county program aid appropriations increased.

Representative Hollins moved that HF4845 be laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

Representative Hollins presented HF4845

Testifiers:

- Mayor Kaohly Her, Mayor, City of St. Paul.
- Brit Anbacht, Neighbors for More Neighbors.
- Dalton Danielson, Fiscal Policy Director, Minnesota Business Partnership.
- Kenneth Garnier, AFSCME Local 34.
- Brian Cook, MN Chamber of Commerce.
- Eric Harris Bernstein, Coalitions Director, We Make Minnesota.

HF4845 was laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

Representative Smith moved to reconsider the roll call vote on HF4974.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

AYES:

GOMEZ, Aisha, DFL Chair
NORRIS, Matt, DFL Vice Chair
AGBAJE, Esther
ELKINS, Steve
FREIBERG, Mike
HOLLINS, Athena
HOWARD, Michael
HUOT, John
KOZLOWSKI, Liish
LEE, Liz
SMITH, Andy
YOUAKIM, Cheryl

NAYES:

DAVIDS, Greg, GOP Chair
JOY, Jim, GOP Vice Chair
ANDERSON, Patti
HARDER, Bobbie
JOHNSON, Wayne
ROACH, Drew
ROBBINS, Kristin

SCHWARTZ, Erica
WARWAS, Cal
WIENER, Mike
WITTE, Jeff

EXCUSED:

SWEDZINSKI, Chris

There being 12 AYES, 11 NAYS, and 1 EXCUSED, THE MOTION DID NOT PREVAIL.

HF1041 (Smith) Corporations with high principal executive officer additional tax imposed to median worker pay ratios, and companies disqualified from receiving state subsidies and grants.

Representative Smith moved that HF1041 be laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

Representative Smith moved the HF1041A1 amendment to be adopted. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Representative Smith presented HF1041 as amended.

Testifiers:

- Alec Williams, Researcher, We Make Minnesota.
- Dalton Danielson, Fiscal Policy Director, Minnesota Business Partnership.
- Skylar Bull Lyon, Member, SEIU Local 26.
- Brian Cook, MN Chamber of Commerce.
- Melissa Hysing, Legislative Director, Minnesota AFL-CIO.
- Nathaniel Olson, Disability Advocate.

HF1041, as amended, was laid over for possible inclusion in the 2026 Taxes Bill.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:03 P.M.

Representative Aisha Gomez, Chair

Sumira Sheikh, Committee Legislative Assistant