

STATE OF MINNESOTA
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FIFTEENTH MEETING
NINETY-FOURTH SESSION

VETERANS AND MILITARY AFFAIRS DIVISION

MINUTES

Representative Bliss, Co-Chair of the Veterans and Military Affairs Division, called the meeting to order at 8:15 AM on Wednesday, April 15, 2026, in Room G23 of the State Capitol Building.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members Present:

BLISS, Matt (Co-Chair)
XIONG, Jay (Co-Chair)
OLSON, Bjorn (Co-Vice Chair)
REHRAUER, Kari (Co-Vice Chair)
BENNETT, Peggy
CLARDY, Mary Frances
DAVIS, Ben
DURAN, Bidal
FEIST, Sandra
HILL, Josiah
LEE, Xp
REPINSKI, Aaron

A quorum was present.

Representative Olson moved the minutes of March 25, 2026, be approved. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

HF 4588 (Myers) Task force established to improve veterans' access to mental health services in rural areas, and money appropriated.

Chair Bliss moved HF4588 before the Division.

Testifiers:

Bryce Wood, Clinical Psychology Doctoral Student, Augsburg University
Brendan Weed
Jon Kelly, Department of Veterans Affairs Director of Government Affairs

Chair Bliss laid over HF 4588.

HF 3685 (Olson, B.) High school diploma established for armed forces veterans.

Vice Chair Olson moved HF3685 before the Division.

Chair Bliss moved the H3685DE1 amendment. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Testifiers:

Jon Kelly, Department of Veterans Affairs Director of Government Affairs

Chair Bliss laid over HF 3685.

HF 4577 (Rymer) Psilocybin therapeutic use program established; protections for registered patients, registered suppliers, registered facilitators, and health care practitioners established; civil actions authorized; advisory committee established; and money appropriated.

Chair Bliss moved HF4577 before the Division.

Testifiers:

Jamie Croyle, Director and Co-Founder, Psychedelic Access Project
Dr. Jessica Nielson, Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, University of Minnesota
and Chair, MN Psychedelic Medicine Task Force
Ross Brecke
Jon Kelly, Department of Veterans Affairs Director of Government Affairs

Chair Bliss laid over HF4577.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:42 AM



Representative Bliss, Co-Chair



Representative Xiong, Co-Chair



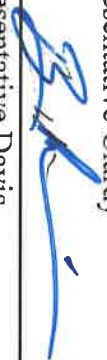
Representative Olson, Co-Vice Chair



Representative Rehner, Co-Vice Chair



Representative Bennett

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Representative Clardy



Representative Davis



Representative Duran



Representative Feist



Representative Hill



Representative Lee



Representative Repinski



Jacob Alm, Committee Legislative Assistant