

Legislative Update for the Week of March 9, 2026 (Week 4)

“What would Tom Lehman do?”

Quote(s) of the Week: “The establishment of the community solar garden program, or CSG for the cool kids.”

“You look at my very svelte physique and you say ‘of course I’m a runner.’”

“Josh Nay. Ney? Nay.”

Bill of the Week: In honor of the weekend’s weather [S.F. No. 4195](#): appropriating money to host a world snow-sculpting championship.

Legislative Overview:

Committees are meeting with often lengthy agendas to make sure they get through their policy work before the March 27 deadline. Both the House and Senate have started hearing and passing bills on the floor but have not passed the same bill to get it to the governor’s desk (or put it in a conference committee) and they have not had the late-night floor sessions that we may experience later this session.

Gov. Walz Human Services System Proposal: One of the biggest news stories this week came from a press conference Governor Walz held on Tuesday with DHS Commissioner Shireen Gandhi. [The Governor announced](#) a significant restructuring of how Minnesota administers Medicaid and other human services programs.

The proposal would move the state away from the current managed care structure and create a single statewide Administrative Service Organization responsible for functions such as claims processing, provider services, and financial transactions. It would also shift responsibility for determining eligibility for Medicaid and certain long-term care services from counties to the state over time and pilot increased state oversight of assessment processes used to determine eligibility for disability and aging services. In addition, the proposal includes funding for an independent review of how Minnesota’s human services programs are organized and delivered.

DFL and Republican Legislators have expressed concern about the proposal; [Sen. John Hoffman](#) said he was disappointed the governor didn’t collaborate with the legislature. Rep. Paul Torkelson said “This proposal...has no future.” The proposal will need to work its way through the legislative process to become law.

You can watch the [press conference here](#). And you can see the [one-page overview here](#).

MDH Data on Uninsured Minnesotans: [New data released by](#) the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) shows a rise in the number of uninsured Minnesotans. According to the latest

Minnesota Health Access Survey, the state's uninsured rate increased from a historic low of 3.8% in 2023 to 5.8% in 2025. This equates to approximately 116,000 more Minnesotans without health insurance. It is the highest uninsured rate for the state since 2017.

Financial strain at Hennepin Healthcare: Hennepin County Medical Center [continues to face](#) severe financial challenges tied to funding shortfalls and federal policy changes. Local officials are considering new revenue strategies to keep essential services operating with Hennepin County commissioners asking legislators for permission to repurpose a Target Field sales tax to support the hospital.

Not HHS related: I almost put, in my bill of the week, a bill that would have reduced the size of the legislature, well it would have reduced the Senate to 45 members and would have increased the House to 135. Just a hunch but the 1 seat adjustment on the House side is to avoid any potential future ties... Every session bills to adjust the size of the legislature are introduced and they never go anywhere. Same with bills regarding term limits, although a bill, [HF 1849](#) (Gordon), that would allow Minnesota voters to decide whether to limit the Governor and Lt. Governor to two terms passed out of the Elections Committee on Monday.

HHS-related Highlights:

Monday:

- Both the Senate and House met. The House did not take up any bills.
 - The Senate heard and passed S.F. 3623 (Johnson Stewart) Vehicles approaching school buses to stop for flashing red lights requirement.
- The Senate Human Services Committee heard two bills.
 - SF 3657 (Utke) Disability waiver rate system unit-based services with programming limits modification
 - SF 3898 (Utke) Home and community-based service standards modifications and disability waiver regulations interpretive guidelines issuance by the commissioner requirement provision
- The Senate Judiciary and Public Safety Committee heard several bills related to artificial intelligence. To review these bills [visit here](#).
- The House Health Committee heard the following bills:
 - HF 3917 (Mahamoud) to modify medication repository program, which passed and was referred to the Ways and Means Committee.
 - HF2906 (Smith); Psilocybin therapeutic use program established; protections for registered patients, which passed and was referred to the Commerce Committee.
 - HF3832 (Zelevnikar); Definition of compounding of a drug amended to exempt the use of a flavoring agent, which passed and was placed on the General Register.

Tuesday:

- The Senate HHS Committee heard the following bills.
 - SF 3612 (Marty) Patient-Centered Care program establishment. This bill was laid over as Chair Wiklund said the committee needs information about the fiscal impact and what the cost of the transition would be.
 - S.F. 2939 (Mann) Health care entities reporting information on ownership or control to the commissioner of health requirement provision, penalties authorization, and appropriation. This bill passed to State Government.
 - S.F. 2621 (Mohamed) Constitutional Amendment proposal to increase the sales tax rate by three-eighths of one percent and dedicating the receipts for housing purposes. This bill passed to State Government.
- The Senate Commerce Committee heard SF 3859 (Klein) Coverage without cost-sharing requirement of immunization for routine use without a prescription. The bill passed to HHS Committee.
- The House Commerce Committee heard HF743 (Howard) Use of step therapy protocol prohibited for insulin drugs and laid the bill over.
- The House Human Services Committee heard the following bills:
 - HF3797 (Fischer); Definition of partnership policy expanded for purposes of the Minnesota partnership for long-term care program, which was referred to the Commerce Committee.
 - HF3780 (Hicks); Community first services and supports requirements for shared services clarified, wage increases for support workers providing shared services required, which was laid over.
 - HF4068 (Noor); Commissioner's authority to impose sanctions against individuals or entities that receive payments from medical assistance or provide goods or services for which payment is made from medical assistance clarified, and medical assistance sanctions and monetary recovery provision recodified, which was laid over.
- The House Judiciary and Public Safety Committee heard two bills of interest:
 - HF2354 (Norris): Medicaid fraud provisions added and modified, attorney general provided subpoena and enforcement authority, criminal penalties provided, conforming changes made, and money appropriated.
 - HF3621 (Klevorn): Fraud; payments to program participants withheld under certain circumstances.

Wednesday

- The Senate was in session and passed one bill.
 - S.F. 3596 (Port) Onetime emergency rental assistance aid for counties and Tribal governments establishment and appropriation

- The Senate HHS Committee heard and laid over several scope of practice related bills:
 - SF 962 (Hoffman) Athletic trainer scope of practice clarification
 - SF 1746 (Hoffman) Acupuncture and herbal medicine practice licensing modifications provision
 - SF 3049 (Boldon) Physical therapy practice provisions modifications
 - SF 1131 (Hoffman) Minnesota Massage Therapy and Asian Bodywork Therapy Act was passed to Judiciary.
- The Senate Human Services Committee took up two bills:
 - SF 3483 (Kupec) Minnesota partnership for long-term care program partnership policy definition expansion
 - SF 3861 (Mohamed) List of services subject to electronic visit verification expansion
- The House Human Services Committee heard a [presentation from](#) the Department of Human Services on the February Forecast and a [presentation on the Budget Impacts](#) from 2025 on Long-Term Care. They also received an [update on High Risk](#) Provider Revalidation from DHS.
- The House Health Committee heard and took action on several bills:
 - HF 3521 (Backer) Exception to the hospital construction moratorium provided.
 - HF 3563 (Anderson, P.E.) Licensing boards required to take action against a license or application when a licensee or applicant is convicted of certain theft or fraud offenses. To State Government
 - HF 82 (Huot) Athletic trainer scope of practice clarified. To General Register
 - HF 2689 (Reyer) Physical therapy practice governing provisions modified, and criminal penalties provided. To Judiciary.
 - HF 1794 (Virnig) Advanced practice registered nurse postgraduate collaborative practice requirements removed.
 - HF 3544 (Repinski) Certain veterans or former members of the armed forces who have forfeited federal benefits made ineligible for state-funded benefits, services, or programs; and environmental hazards information and assistance program for veterans discontinued.
 - HF 3516 (Schomacker) Dentistry profession licensure, registration, scope of practice, continuing education, and disciplinary grounds modified; and fees established.

Thursday:

- Both the Senate and House met in Session.
 - The Senate passed one bill:
 - S.F. 3402 (Utke) Community health board medical consultant acceptable professions to serve modifications

- The Senate had also taken up the confirmation of Robin Hutcheson as Chair of the Met Council but moved to table that confirmation.
- The House passed three bills:
 - HF3378 (Schomacker) Commissioner of human services required to release unredacted initial Optum reports, and dissemination and publication of data prohibited.
 - HF3556 (Acomb) Community solar garden program named for Melissa Hortman.
 - HF3425 (Howard) Supportive housing provider grant funding provided, report required, and money appropriated.
- The Senate HHS Committee heard Sen. Mann’s bill, SF 4242, Health facilities requirement to limit access to premises in certain circumstances.
- The Senate Commerce Committee heard and passed to Senate HHS SF 3705 (Mann) Requirement extension that health plan companies must credential and contract with certain providers of mental health services.
- The House Commerce Committee heard and laid over two bills:
 - HF 400 (Perryman) Commissioner of commerce required to defray costs to health plan companies for additional benefits.
 - HF 3388 (O’Driscoll) Reinsurance assessment authority extended.
- The House Human Services Committee heard three bills.
 - HF3174 (Frazier); Chief judge of the Office of Administrative Hearings allowed to set aside certain permanent disqualifications.
 - HF 3800 (Hicks); Individual authorized budget reduction limit on reductions resulting from implementation of waiver reimagine phase II established, and cost-of-living adjustment in the waiver reimagine phase II methodology required.
 - [HFXXXX](#) (Noor); Continuity of care – complex transitions

Schedule for the Week of March 9 (as of 3/13/26)

Note: hearings can be watched virtually. Visit [MNHouseInfo](#) for House Hearings and [MNSenateMedia](#) for Senate Hearings.

Monday:

- 8:15am House Fraud Prevention Committee (120 Capitol)
 - Presentations:
 - [Office of the Legislative Auditor](#) on the Department of Human Services: Behavioral Health Administration Grant Performance Audit
 - [Department of Human Services Presentation](#) on Behavioral Health Administration Grant Program.

- 11am Senate Floor Session
 - [SF 3832](#)--Kupec: Eligibility for the Dairy Assistance, Investment, Relief Initiative (DAIRI) program modification
- 1pm House Health Committee (Capitol 120)
 - HF3769 (Curran); Multiple levels of substance abuse care provided by the commissioner of corrections clarified in law, access to mental health unit beds for incarcerated persons expanded, and mandatory tuberculosis screening in correctional facilities clarified.
 - HF3978 (Reyer); Protections provided to participants in and employees and operators of a health care provider wellness program.
 - HF3476 (Liebling); Patient-Centered Care program established, direct state payments to health care providers authorized, contracting with administrative services organizations authorized, conforming changes made, and money appropriated. Note: there is an [A1 Amendment posted](#).
- 3:30pm House Floor Session
 - [H. F. No. 2169](#), (Schwartz) Amending the offense of unintentional murder in the second degree to include cases involving the violation of protective orders issued in certain additional jurisdictions
 - [H. F. No. 3379](#), (Schomacker) Repealing housing stabilization services
 - [H. F. No. 3615](#), (Hanson, J) Relating to cannabis; extending laboratory testing requirements
- 3pm Senate Human Services Committee (1200 MSB)
 - S.F. 4399 [Oumou Verbeten](#) Direct Care and Treatment data requirements modification
 - S.F. XXXX [Hoffman](#) Continuity of care legislation Draft language will be heard, no formal action will be taken by the committee.
 - S.F. 4121 [Abeler](#) Assisted living facilities policies and procedure requirements modifications and unlicensed personnel at assisted living facilities training requirements modifications
 - S.F. 3967 [Maye Quade](#) Due date of the pediatric hospital-to-home transition pilot program report modification

Tuesday:

- 8:15am House Commerce Committee (Capitol 120)
 - HF 4145 (Nadeau) Nursing homes and assisted living facilities authorized to allow consumption and display of alcoholic beverages.8:15am House Human Services Committee (Capitol 123)
- 8:30am House Human Services Committee (Capitol 123)
 - HF 4101 (Schultz) Continued submission of a report to the legislature on the use of periodic data matching in medical assistance required

- HF 3546 (Schomacker) Program integrity requirements for high-risk provider types under medical assistance established, and report required. [Delete everything amendment posted.](#)
- 8:30am Senate Health and Human Services (1100 MSB)
 - The Committee will hear several bill, including:
 - SF 3902 (Seeberger) Certain prehospital care data reporting by ambulance services requirement provision
 - SF 3859 (Klein) Coverage without cost-sharing requirement of immunization for routine use without a prescription, Minnesota Science-Based Vaccine Advisory Council establishment, and appropriation *(Pending Committee Referral)*
 - SF 4416 (Wiklund) MN Department of Health Policy Bill
 - SF 2975 (Port) Licensure for music therapists creation
 - [For a full list visit here.](#) Many are informational only policy bills for the Department of Human Services.
- 12:30pm Senate Commerce and Consumer Protection (G-15 Capitol)
 - SF 4018 (Wiklund) Reimbursement rate parity requirement for clinical trainees providing alcoholism
 - SF 4020 (Wiklund) Guaranteed issuance of Medicare supplement policies expansion for enrollees of a Medicare supplement policy that is involuntarily terminated or issues by an insolvent user.
 - There are several cannabis-related bill on the agenda, [which you can see here.](#)

Wednesday

- 8:15am House Human Services (Capitol 123)
 - HFXXXX (Frederick); DCT Policy Bill
Pending re-referral. This bill will be introduced on Monday. The plan is to amend this bill with every DHS policy bill and have a full discussion. All DCT and DHS policy bills have been posted to the website.
 - [DHS Behavioral Health Policy Bill](#)
 - [DHS Health Care Policy Bill](#)
 - [DHS Housing Policy Bill](#)
 - [DHS OIG Policy Bill](#)
 - The committee will also be considering HF 3935 and 2216 relating to assisted living facilities and HF 4210 related to senior nutrition programs.
- 8:30am Senate Health and Human Services (1100 MSB)
 - The committee will hear several bills:
 - S.F. 3587 Pappas Hospital construction moratorium exception provision
 - S.F. 4531 Wiklund Mental health grants appropriation *(Pending Committee Referral)*

- S.F. 3755 Hoffman Housing stabilization services repealer provision, commissioners authority to terminate or modify the medical assistance program clarifying provision, and medical assistance prepayment implementation authority for the commissioner clarification provision
 - S.F. 4267 Hoffman Commissioner authority clarification to impose sanctions against individuals or entities that receive payments from medical assistance or provide goods or services for which payment is made from medical assistance
 - S.F. 3861 Mohamed List of services subject to electronic visit verification expansion
 - S.F. 4222 Abeler Medical assistance provider enrollment requirements modifications
- 11:00am Senate Floor Session
 - [SF 3602](#)--Westlin: Uniform Electronics Estate Planning Documents Act Establishment
 - [SF 3887](#)--Pratt: Watershed districts, watershed management organizations, and towns permission to self-insure for certain employee health benefits
- 1:00pm House Health Committee (Capitol 120)
 - HF 4048 (Robbins) Gross receipts tax on hospitals and health care providers; licensed chiropractors excluded from the providers subject to the tax.
 - HF 3893 (Scott) Use of artificial intelligence in psychotherapy services regulated, and civil penalties provided.
 - HF 4142 (Nadeau) Medical assistance coverage of prescription drugs solely for weight loss prohibited.
 - HF 3609 (Zelevnikar) Disallowance of drug manufacturers from restricting delivery of 340B prescription drugs continued, enforcement provided, and expiration date removed.
- 3:00pm Senate Human Services Committee (1200 MSB)
 - SF 4354 (Abeler) Program integrity requirements modification for the medical assistance program
 - Additionally, the committee will hear several bills regarding assisted living, nursing homes, and community-based services. For the [full list of bills go here](#).

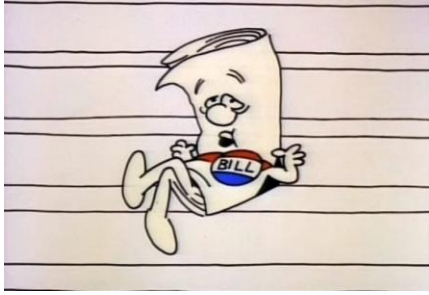
Thursday

The Legislature will be on recess for Eid.

No committees, floor sessions, or legislative activity will take place.

Legislative activity may resume on Friday morning. I would expect committees not floor session.

Bill Introductions



HOUSE

Reyer, Hollins, Mahamoud, Virnig, Berg, Nadeau, Freiberg, Bierman and Backer introduced:

[H. F. 4064](#), A bill for an act relating to health; directing the commissioner of health to study and report on activities to support innovations in cell and gene therapy to treat rare diseases; requiring a report; appropriating money.

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

Mahamoud; Bahner; Pursell; Johnson, W.; Hanson, J. and Kozlowski introduced:

[H. F. 4067](#), A bill for an act relating to health; making physical therapists and physical therapist assistants eligible for loan forgiveness under the health professional education loan forgiveness program; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 144.1501, subdivisions 1, 2, 3.

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

Noor introduced:

[H. F. 4068](#), A bill for an act relating to human services; clarifying commissioner authority to impose sanctions against individuals or entities that receive payments from medical assistance or provide goods or services for which payment is made from medical assistance; recodifying medical assistance sanctions and monetary recovery provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 245.095, by adding a subdivision; 256B.064, subdivisions 1b, 1c, 1d, 2, 3, 4, 5, by adding subdivisions; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 15.013, by adding a subdivision.

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

Keeler, Frederick and Kozlowski introduced:

[H. F. 4070](#), A bill for an act relating to health; establishing public interest review by the Minnesota Department of Health on hospital and hospital campus cessations in operations, curtailments of operations, relocations of health services, and cessations in offering certain health services; 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.

Schultz, Niska, Mekeland, Burkel, Jacob, Roach, Heintzeman, Dotseth, Altendorf, Knudsen and Lawrence introduced:

[H. F. 4088](#). A bill for an act relating to human services; making persons convicted of a crime of violence ineligible for MFIP, medical assistance, economic assistance and food support, and MinnesotaCare; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 142G.18, by adding a subdivision; 256B.055, subdivision 14, by adding a subdivision; 256D.024, by adding a subdivision; 256L.04, by adding a subdivision; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142G.18, subdivision 1.

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

Schultz introduced:

[H. F. 4101](#). A bill for an act relating to human services; requiring continued submission of a report to the legislature on the use of periodic data matching in medical assistance; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.0561, subdivision 4.

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

O'Driscoll introduced:

[H. F. 4106](#). A bill for an act relating to commerce; requiring the commissioner of commerce to submit a Minnesota premium security plan continuation waiver; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62E.

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

Bakeberg introduced:

[H. F. 4115](#). A bill for an act relating to health; modifying requirements for educating parents and caregivers about dangers of shaking infants and young children; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 144.574.

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

Elkins introduced:

[H. F. 4124](#). A bill for an act relating to commerce; prohibiting manufacturers from advertising prescription drugs on television; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 325F.

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

Reyer and Bierman introduced:

[H. F. 4140](#). A bill for an act relating to health; establishing the Minnesota Community Pharmacy Patient Access and Fair Reimbursement Act; requiring rulemaking; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62J.

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

Nadeau and Gander introduced:

[H. F. 4142](#). A bill for an act relating to human services; prohibiting medical assistance coverage of prescription drugs solely for weight loss; amending Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 256B.0625, subdivision 13d.

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

Nadeau, Backer, Bakeberg, Myers, Witte and Wiener introduced:

[H. F. 4143](#), A bill for an act relating to health; temporarily stopping assessment of the hospital surcharge; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256.9657, subdivision 2.

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

Knudsen and Zeleznikar introduced:

[H. F. 4152](#), A bill for an act relating to insurance; requiring health plans to credit enrollees for services provided by an out-of-network provider at a lower cost than the plan's in-network providers; authorizing commissioner of commerce enforcement; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 62J.81, subdivision 1a; 290.0132, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62J.

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

Fogelman introduced:

[H. F. 4154](#), A bill for an act relating to health; advancing reproductive health education; 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.

Nadeau introduced:

[H. F. 4167](#), A bill for an act relating to retirement; Teachers Retirement Association; adding a definition of "medical provider"; adding physician assistant to the medical professionals who can submit a report in support of a member's application to receive or continue to receive disability pension benefits; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 354.05, by adding a subdivision; 354.07, subdivision 2; 354.48, subdivisions 4, 6.

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

Pursell introduced:

[H. F. 4179](#), A bill for an act relating to health; establishing the Minnesota Parkinson's Research Trust Fund; requiring a report; 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.

Elkins and O'Driscoll introduced:

[H. F. 4183](#), A bill for an act relating to insurance; eliminating requirements necessary for a health carrier to discontinue individual health plans; establishing a state exception for a health carrier's uniform modification of coverage under an individual market health plan; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 62A.65, by adding a subdivision; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 62A.65, subdivisions 2, 2a.

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

Mahamoud, Kozlowski, Agbaje, Frazier, Gomez, Bierman, Berg, Hollins, Long and Reyer introduced:

[H. F. 4184](#), A bill for an act relating to health; requiring health facilities to limit access to premises in certain circumstances; requiring health care facilities to develop and implement policies regarding civil immigration enforcement; 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.

Virnig introduced:

[H. F. 4212](#), A bill for an act relating to health; allowing access to certain information; removing references to chapter 144D; requiring documentation on use of patient restraints; clarifying change of ownership provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 144.56, subdivision 2b; 144.586, subdivision 2; 144.6502, subdivision 1; 144A.161, subdivision 1a; 144A.472, subdivision 5; 144A.72, subdivision 2; 144G.08, by adding subdivisions; 144G.19, by adding a subdivision; 144G.31, subdivision 6; 157.17, subdivisions 2, 5; 295.50, subdivision 4; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 144A.474, subdivision 11; 295.50, subdivision 9b; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144G.

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

Hicks introduced:

[H. F. 4217](#), A bill for an act relating to children, youth, and families; allowing medical assistance to be paid for any person receiving foster care benefits past 18 years of age; modifying terminology and definitions; modifying eligibility criteria and requirements related to extended foster care; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 256B.055, subdivision 17; 260C.451, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 3a, 6, by adding a subdivision; 260C.452, subdivision 1; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 260C.451, subdivision 8.

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

Norris introduced:

[H. F. 4225](#), A bill for an act relating to health insurance; limiting the amount a provider can charge an enrollee for denied covered services; 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.

Norris introduced:

[H. F. 4226](#), A bill for an act relating to health; requiring licensure of emergency restoration professionals and emergency restoration companies; establishing fees; providing for enforcement; authorizing rulemaking; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 144.99, subdivision 1; 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.

Pursell introduced:

[H. F. 4230](#), A bill for an act relating to health insurance; requiring health plans to cover treatment of inherited metabolic diseases; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.0625, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62Q.

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

Elkins, Howard and Bierman introduced:

[H. F. 4247](#), A bill for an act relating to health insurance; requiring coverage for augmentative and alternative communication systems; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 256B.0625, subdivisions 31, 31a; 256B.4914, subdivision 12; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62Q.

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

Davis introduced:

[H. F. 4258](#), A bill for an act relating to human services; requiring site visits for all enrolled medical assistance providers; establishing medical assistance provider enrollment fees for provider types not previously subject to mandatory site visits; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.04, subdivision 22; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 256B.04, subdivision 21.

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

Schultz and Smith introduced:

[H. F. 4268](#), A bill for an act relating to health; modifying requirements for the licensure of mobile food units; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 157.011, by adding a subdivision; 157.15, subdivision 1; 157.16, by adding a subdivision; 157.20, subdivision 2a; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 157.

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

Witte introduced:

[H. F. 4282](#), A bill for an act relating to jails; providing medications for persons detained in jails; amending Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 241.021, subdivision 4f.

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

Backer introduced:

[H. F. 4284](#), A bill for an act relating to health; prohibiting the establishment of vaccine requirements; providing certain exceptions; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 145.

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

Backer introduced:

[H. F. 4289](#). A bill for an act relating to health; allowing a parent to request one free certified birth record per child; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 144.226, by adding a subdivision.

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

SENATE

Senator Abeler introduced--

[S.F. No. 4211](#): A bill for an act relating to health professions; modifying fees for the Board of Executives for Long Term Services and Supports; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 144A.291, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Human Services.

Senators Abeler and Hoffman introduced--

[S.F. No. 4222](#): A bill for an act relating to human services; modifying requirements for provider enrollment in medical assistance; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 142B.01, subdivision 8; 245A.02, subdivision 5a; 245D.081, subdivision 3; 256B.04, subdivision 5; 256B.0949, subdivision 17; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 256B.04, subdivision 21; 256B.0759, subdivision 4; 256B.0949, subdivision 16; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 256B.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senators Mohamed, McEwen, Oumou Verbeten, Port, and Marty introduced--

[S.F. No. 4238](#): A bill for an act relating to health; requiring reporting on health impacts of lead-containing bullets retained in the human body.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senators Mann, Murphy, Klein, Hawj, and Boldon introduced--

[S.F. No. 4242](#): A bill for an act relating to health; requiring health facilities to limit access to premises in certain circumstances; requiring health care facilities to develop and implement policies regarding civil immigration enforcement; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senators Mathews, Coleman, Housley, Lucero, and Holmstrom introduced--

[S.F. No. 4243](#): A bill for an act relating to health; prohibiting gender-affirming medical care and certain counseling for minors in the state of Minnesota; establishing penalties for violations; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senator Hoffman introduced--

[S.F. No. 4267](#): A bill for an act relating to human services; clarifying commissioner authority to impose sanctions against individuals or entities that receive payments from medical assistance or provide goods

or services for which payment is made from medical assistance; recodifying medical assistance sanctions and monetary recovery provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 245.095, by adding a subdivision; 256B.064, subdivisions 1b, 1c, 1d, 2, 3, 4, 5, by adding subdivisions; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 15.013, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senators Kupec, Abeler, and Hoffman introduced--

S.F. No. 4280: A bill for an act relating to health occupations; regulating use of artificial intelligence in psychotherapy services; providing for civil penalties; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 214.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senators Abeler, Pratt, Pha, Housley, and Clark introduced--

S.F. No. 4305: A bill for an act relating to health; modifying requirements for educating parents and caregivers about dangers of shaking infants and young children; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 144.574.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senators Holmstrom, Gruenhagen, Kreun, Lieske, and Utke introduced--

S.F. No. 4311: A bill for an act relating to human services; requiring site visits for all enrolled medical assistance providers; establishing medical assistance provider enrollment fees for provider types not previously subject to mandatory site visits; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 256B.04, subdivision 22; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 256B.04, subdivision 21.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senators Rarick, Hauschild, and Utke introduced--

S.F. No. 4315: A bill for an act relating to local government; expanding the authority of hospital districts to support additional health care services and providers; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 447.31, subdivision 3; 447.33, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 447.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

Senators Mohamed, Maye Quade, and Hoffman introduced--

S.F. No. 4320: A bill for an act relating to human services; modifying medical assistance provider enrollment requirements for high-risk providers and certain home and community-based providers; making technical corrections; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 142B.01, subdivision 8; 245A.02, subdivision 5a; 245D.081, subdivision 3; 256B.073, subdivision 2; 256B.0949, subdivision 17; 256B.4912, subdivisions 12, 14, 15, by adding a subdivision; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 256B.04, subdivision 21; 256B.0759, subdivision 4; 256B.0949, subdivision 16; 256B.4912, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 256B.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senator Nelson introduced--

S.F. No. 4322: A bill for an act relating to health; requiring cardiovascular prescreenings for students; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 145.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senator Wiklund introduced--

S.F. No. 4323: A bill for an act relating to human services; adding training requirements related to individuals with disabilities for substance use disorder treatment and mental health treatment staff; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 245G.13, subdivision 2; 245I.05, subdivision 4; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 245I.05, subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Human Services.

Senator Rasmusson introduced--

S.F. No. 4330: A bill for an act relating to retirement; Teachers Retirement Association; adding a definition of "medical provider"; adding physician assistant to the medical professionals who can submit a report in support of a member's application to receive or continue to receive disability pension benefits; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 354.05, by adding a subdivision; 354.07, subdivision 2; 354.48, subdivisions 4, 6.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Government.

Senators Kupec, Utke, Mann, Boldon, and Hoffman introduced--

S.F. No. 4331: A bill for an act relating to human services; appropriating money for improvements to MAXIS and the Medicaid Management Information System.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senators Abeler and Hoffman introduced--

S.F. No. 4354: A bill for an act relating to human services; modifying program integrity requirements for the medical assistance program; directing the commissioner of human services to create a medical assistance program integrity advisory board; directing the commissioner of human services to make recommendations on provider enrollment standards, modernizing program integrity infrastructure, and program integrity interventions; directing the commissioner of human services to conduct audits; requiring reports; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 245.095, by adding a subdivision; 256B.064, subdivisions 1b, 1d, 2, 3, 4, 5, by adding subdivisions; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 15.013, by adding a subdivision; 256B.064, subdivision 1a.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senators Seeberger and Housley introduced--

S.F. No. 4358: A bill for an act relating to health; providing for informed consent for medical treatment provided to an unconscious patient by a student or medical resident; establishing a penalty; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 145.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senator Dibble introduced--

S.F. No. 4378: A bill for an act relating to health; appropriating money to the commissioner of health for Youth and AIDS Projects.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senators Rasmusson, Lieske, Drazkowski, and Bahr introduced--

S.F. No. 4389: A bill for an act relating to human services; making persons convicted of a crime of violence ineligible for MFIP, medical assistance, economic assistance and food support, and MinnesotaCare; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 142G.18, by adding a subdivision; 256B.055, subdivision 14, by adding a subdivision; 256D.024, by adding a subdivision; 256L.04, by adding a subdivision; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 142G.18, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senator Rasmusson introduced--

S.F. No. 4390: A bill for an act relating to insurance; establishing a supplemental health insurance product to cover short-term home health and nursing care; providing civil penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 62A.135, subdivision 1; 62A.46, subdivision 2; 72A.13, subdivision 1; 256B.0913, subdivision 4; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62A.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Senator Wiklund introduced--

S.F. No. 4416: A bill for an act relating to health; changing immunization provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 121A.15, subdivisions 9, 12; 135A.14, subdivision 7; repealing Minnesota Rules, part 4604.0200, subpart 2a.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senator Wiklund introduced--

S.F. No. 4418: A bill for an act relating to health; allowing access to certain information; removing references to chapter 144D; requiring documentation on use of patient restraints; clarifying change of ownership provisions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 144.56, subdivision 2b; 144.586, subdivision 2; 144.6502, subdivision 1; 144A.161, subdivision 1a; 144A.472, subdivision 5; 144A.72, subdivision 2; 144G.08, by adding subdivisions; 144G.19, by adding a subdivision; 144G.31, subdivision 6; 157.17, subdivisions 2, 5; 295.50, subdivision 4; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 144A.474, subdivision 11; 295.50, subdivision 9b; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 144G.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senator Wiklund introduced--

S.F. No. 4419: A bill for an act relating to health; making changes to provisions covering prescription drug prior authorizations, transactions with group purchasers, prescription drug price transparency, health maintenance organizations, network design, coverage for immunizations, access to certain data collected, and obsolete language; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 13.7191, subdivision 4; 60D.15, subdivision 3; 60D.21, subdivisions 1, 3; 60D.23; 62D.02, subdivision 7, by adding a subdivision; 62D.08, subdivisions 5, 6; 62D.09, subdivisions 1, 5; 62D.124, subdivision 6; 62D.221, subdivision 1; 62J.17, subdivision 6a; 62J.2930, subdivision 1; 62J.497, subdivision 5; 62J.536, subdivision 2a; 62K.02, subdivision 2; 62K.03, subdivision 6; 62K.075; 62K.105; 62K.14; 62M.07, subdivision 2; 62Q.46, subdivision 1; 62U.04, subdivision 13; 62W.06, by adding a subdivision; 144.293, subdivision 7; Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, sections 3.732, subdivision 1; 62J.84, subdivisions 2, 3, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14; 62K.10, subdivision 2; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 13D.08, subdivision 4; 62D.08, subdivision 7; 62D.181; 62J.06; 62J.156; 62J.2930, subdivision 4; 62J.57.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Senators Hoffman and Abeler introduced--

S.F. No. 4437: A bill for an act relating to health; modifying fees recoverable by a coroner or medical examiner; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 390.15.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.



And for everyone who made it this far... Did you know about our State Capitol Part 2:

I promised that I'd continue the tale of Minnesota's three capital buildings. And so, let us continue with Minnesota State Capitol Number Two.

After fire destroyed our first building, the state built a new seat of government, which was completed in 1883. But, it was only used as a statehouse for 10 years because the building was too small for our growing state from the beginning and the building had poor ventilation. State Auditor reports from the time show the total cost of the building was nearly \$360,000 (\$12 million today) nearly twice the original estimate. It was demolished in 1937.

The bottom left photo shows the building's Senate chamber, described as being finished in yellow birch and birdseye maple with a stained-glass skylight, wine-colored stained-glass windows in the gallery, a large chandelier, and four electric fixtures that lit the chamber.