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## Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly

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Bismarck, April 11, 2025

The Senate convened at 12:30 p.m., with President Strinden presiding.

The prayer was offered by Rev. Curtis Dikoff, Revival Prayer Fellowship, Bismarck.

The roll was called and all members were present except Senator Sickler.

A quorum was declared by the President.

## CONSIDERATION OF MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

**SEN. KLEIN MOVED** that the Senate do not concur in the following House amendments and that a conference committee be appointed to meet with a like committee from the House on each of these measures, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Engrossed SB 2007 ([25.0174.02001](#))

Engrossed SB 2033 ([25.0113.03003](#))

Engrossed SB 2374 ([25.1236.02001](#))

SCR 4007 ([25.3051.01001](#))

## APPOINTMENT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

**THE PRESIDENT APPOINTED** as a Conference Committee on:

**Engrossed SB 2007:** Sens. Davison, Magrum, Mathern.

**Engrossed SB 2033:** Sens. Lee, Roers, Clemens.

**Engrossed SB 2374:** Sens. Barta, Kessel, Klein.

**SCR 4007:** Sens. Roers, Lee, Braunberger.

## APPOINTMENT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

**SEN. KLEIN MOVED** that the President appoint a committee of three to act with a like committee from the House as a Conference Committee on Engrossed HB 1022, Engrossed HB 1029, and Engrossed HB 1218, which motion prevailed.

**THE PRESIDENT APPOINTED** as a Conference Committee on:

**Engrossed HB 1022:** Sens. Davison, Magrum, Dever

**Engrossed HB 1029:** Sens. Braunberger, Barta, Castaneda

**Engrossed HB 1218:** Sens. Kessel, Enget, Gerhardt

## CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

**HB 1541, as engrossed: SEN. LUICK (Agriculture and Veterans Affairs Committee) MOVED** that the amendments ([25.0795.02002](#)) be adopted and then be placed on the Fourteenth order with **DO NOT PASS**, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

## SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

**HB 1541:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact chapter 23.1-17 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to septic systems and the environmental quality advisory committee; to amend and reenact sections 23-35-02, 23-35-08, 23.1-01-03, and 23.1-17-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the powers and duties of the department of environmental quality, boards of health, and public health units; to repeal sections 23-35-02.2 and 23-35-02.3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the onsite wastewater recycling technical committee; to provide an appropriation; to provide for a transfer; and to provide an effective date.

## ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO NOT PASS, the roll was called and there were 4 YEAS, 42 NAYS, 1 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Klein; Magrum; Mathern; Paulson

**NAYS:** Axtman; Barta; Beard; Bekkedahl; Boehm; Boschee; Braunberger; Burckhard; Castaneda; Cleary; Clemens; Conley; Cory; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Enget; Erbele; Gerhardt; Hogan; Hogue; Kessel; Larson; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Marcellais; Meyer; Myrdal; Patten; Powers; Roers; Rummel; Schaible; Sorvaag; Thomas; Van Oosting; Walen; Wanzek; Weber; Weston; Wobbema

**ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING:** Sickler

Engrossed HB 1541, as amended, failed.

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#### CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

**HB 1524, as reengrossed: SEN. DWYER (Appropriations Committee) MOVED** that the amendments ([25.1007.03001](#)) be adopted and then be placed on the Fourteenth order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

#### SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

**HB 1524:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-60 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to regional planning council grants from the department of commerce.

#### ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 36 YEAS, 10 NAYS, 1 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Axtman; Barta; Beard; Bekkedahl; Boschee; Braunberger; Burckhard; Cleary; Clemens; Conley; Cory; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Erbele; Hogan; Hogue; Kessel; Klein; Larson; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Myrdal; Patten; Roers; Rummel; Schaible; Sorvaag; Thomas; Wanzek; Weber; Wobbema

**NAYS:** Boehm; Castaneda; Enget; Gerhardt; Magrum; Paulson; Powers; Van Oosting; Walen; Weston

**ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING:** Sickler

Engrossed HB 1524, as amended, passed.

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#### THE SENATE RECOGNIZED THE PRESENCE OF:

Former Senator Merrill Piepkorn

#### CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

**HB 1143, as engrossed: SEN. BURCKHARD (Appropriations Committee) MOVED** that the amendments ([25.0709.03001](#)) be adopted and then be placed on the Fourteenth order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

#### SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

**HB 1143:** A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the agriculture commissioner for a food distribution facility grant program.

#### ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 37 YEAS, 9 NAYS, 1 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Axtman; Barta; Bekkedahl; Boschee; Braunberger; Burckhard; Castaneda; Cleary; Clemens; Conley; Cory; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Erbele; Hogan; Kessel; Klein; Larson; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Myrdal; Patten; Paulson; Roers; Rummel; Schaible; Sorvaag; Thomas; Van Oosting; Wanzek; Weber; Weston

**NAYS:** Beard; Boehm; Enget; Gerhardt; Hogue; Magrum; Powers; Walen; Wobbema

**ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING:** Sickler

Engrossed HB 1143, as amended, passed.

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#### CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

**HB 1126, as engrossed: SEN. AXTMAN (Workforce Development Committee) MOVED** that the amendments ([25.8014.02001](#)) be adopted and then be placed on the Fourteenth order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

#### SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

**HB 1126:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact eleven new sections to chapter 43-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to salon and school inspections, nursing home, basic care facility, and assisted living facility salons, military and military spouse reciprocity licensure, advanced esthetician licensing and late renewals for establishments and schools; to amend and reenact sections 43-11-01, 43-11-02, 43-11-03, 43-11-04, 43-11-05, 43-11-06, 43-11-08, 43-11-10, 43-11-11, 43-11-13, 43-11-14, 43-11-15, 43-11-16, 43-11-16.1, 43-11-19, 43-11-20.3, 43-11-21, 43-11-23, 43-11-24, 43-11-25, 43-11-26, 43-11-27, 43-11-28, and 43-11-29, of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the practice and licensure of cosmetologists, estheticians, advanced estheticians, manicurists and instructors; to repeal sections 43-11-11.1, 43-11-17, and 43-11-27.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the use of brush rollers, licenses issued for schools and salons, and esthetician and manicurist licensing qualifications and fees; to provide a penalty; and to provide an effective date.

#### ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 45 YEAS, 1 NAYS, 1 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Axtman; Barta; Beard; Bekkedahl; Boehm; Boschee; Braunberger; Burckhard; Castaneda; Cleary; Clemens; Conley; Cory; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Enget; Erbele; Gerhardt; Hogan; Hogue; Kessel; Klein; Larson; Lemm; Luick; Magrum; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Myrdal; Patten; Paulson; Powers; Roers; Rummel; Schaible; Sorvaag; Thomas; Van Oosting; Walen; Wanzek; Weber; Weston; Wobbema

**NAYS:** Lee

**ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING:** Sickler

Engrossed HB 1126, as amended, passed.

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#### CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

**HB 1542: SEN. WOBBERMA (Education Committee) MOVED** that the amendments ([25.0951.03002](#)) be adopted and then be placed on the Fourteenth order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

#### SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

**HB 1542:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 44-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to designating student applications for admission to an institution of higher education as exempt records; and to declare an emergency.

#### ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 46 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Axtman; Barta; Beard; Bekkedahl; Boehm; Boschee; Braunberger; Burckhard; Castaneda; Cleary; Clemens; Conley; Cory; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Enget; Erbele;

Gerhardt; Hogan; Hogue; Kessel; Klein; Larson; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Magrum; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Myrdal; Patten; Paulson; Powers; Roers; Rummel; Schaible; Sorvaag; Thomas; Van Oosting; Walen; Wanzek; Weber; Weston; Wobbema

**ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING:** Sickler

HB 1542, as amended, passed and the emergency clause was declared carried.

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#### CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

**HB 1613, as engrossed: SEN. CASTANEDA (Judiciary Committee) MOVED** that the amendments ([25.1307.02004](#)) be adopted and then be placed on the Fourteenth order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

#### SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

**HB 1613:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 29-29.4-01, 29-29.4-02, 29-29.4-03, 29-29.4-04, 29-29.4-05, and 29-29.4-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to law enforcement use of a robot.

#### ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 46 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Axtman; Barta; Beard; Bekkedahl; Boehm; Boschee; Braunberger; Burckhard; Castaneda; Cleary; Clemens; Conley; Cory; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Enget; Erbele; Gerhardt; Hogan; Hogue; Kessel; Klein; Larson; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Magrum; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Myrdal; Patten; Paulson; Powers; Roers; Rummel; Schaible; Sorvaag; Thomas; Van Oosting; Walen; Wanzek; Weber; Weston; Wobbema

**ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING:** Sickler

Engrossed HB 1613, as amended, passed.

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#### CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

**HB 1582, as engrossed: SEN. CORY (Judiciary Committee) MOVED** that the amendments ([25.1313.02001](#)) be adopted and then be placed on the Fourteenth order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

#### SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

**HB 1582:** A BILL for an Act to provide for a legislative management study regarding a review of state laws relating to false accusations or false reports of a crime.

#### ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 46 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Axtman; Barta; Beard; Bekkedahl; Boehm; Boschee; Braunberger; Burckhard; Castaneda; Cleary; Clemens; Conley; Cory; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Enget; Erbele; Gerhardt; Hogan; Hogue; Kessel; Klein; Larson; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Magrum; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Myrdal; Patten; Paulson; Powers; Roers; Rummel; Schaible; Sorvaag; Thomas; Van Oosting; Walen; Wanzek; Weber; Weston; Wobbema

**ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING:** Sickler

Engrossed HB 1582, as amended, passed.

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**CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS**

**HB 1214, as engrossed: SEN. SCHAIBLE (Appropriations Committee) MOVED** that the amendments ([25.0752.02001](#)) be adopted and then be placed on the Fourteenth order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

**SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL**

**HB 1214:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15.1-27 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to transportation weighted student unit equivalents; to amend and reenact section 15.1-31-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to open enrollment transportation; and to repeal sections 15.1-27-26.1, 15.1-27-27.1, 15.1-27-28.1, 15.1-27-30.1, and 15.1-27-31.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to payments for school district transportation of students, special education students, and career and technical education students, the distribution of transportation payments in the event of school district closure, and state transportation payments to school districts.

**ROLL CALL**

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 45 YEAS, 1 NAYS, 1 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Axtman; Barta; Beard; Bekkedahl; Boehm; Boschee; Braunberger; Burckhard; Castaneda; Cleary; Clemens; Conley; Cory; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Enget; Erbele; Gerhardt; Hogan; Hogue; Kessel; Klein; Larson; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Magrum; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Myrdal; Patten; Paulson; Roers; Rummel; Schaible; Sorvaag; Thomas; Van Oosting; Walen; Wanzek; Weber; Weston; Wobbema

**NAYS:** Powers

**ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING:** Sickler

Engrossed HB 1214, as amended, passed.

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**CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS**

**HB 1448, as engrossed and amended: SEN. THOMAS (Appropriations Committee) MOVED** that the amendments ([25.0883.02002](#)) be adopted and then be placed on the Fourteenth order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

**SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL**

**HB 1448:** A BILL for an Act to provide for a legislative management study relating to the development of advanced technologies.

**ROLL CALL**

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 46 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Axtman; Barta; Beard; Bekkedahl; Boehm; Boschee; Braunberger; Burckhard; Castaneda; Cleary; Clemens; Conley; Cory; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Enget; Erbele; Gerhardt; Hogan; Hogue; Kessel; Klein; Larson; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Magrum; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Myrdal; Patten; Paulson; Powers; Roers; Rummel; Schaible; Sorvaag; Thomas; Van Oosting; Walen; Wanzek; Weber; Weston; Wobbema

**ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING:** Sickler

Engrossed HB 1448, as amended, passed.

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**CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS**

**HB 1566, as engrossed and amended: SEN. MAGRUM (Appropriations Committee) MOVED** that the amendments ([25.1127.03003](#)) be adopted and then be placed on the Fourteenth order with **DO PASS**, which motion failed on a verification vote.

**MOTION**

**SEN. KLEIN MOVED** that HB 1566, which is on the Fourteenth order, be laid over one legislative day, which motion prevailed.

**SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL**

**HB 1280:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 61-16.1-45 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to maintenance of drainage projects.

**ROLL CALL**

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 42 YEAS, 4 NAYS, 1 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Axtman; Barta; Beard; Bekkedahl; Boehm; Boschee; Burckhard; Castaneda; Cleary; Clemens; Conley; Cory; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Enget; Erbele; Gerhardt; Hogan; Hogue; Kessel; Klein; Larson; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Marcellais; Meyer; Myrdal; Patten; Paulson; Roers; Rummel; Schaible; Sorvaag; Thomas; Van Oosting; Walen; Wanzek; Weber; Weston; Wobbema

**NAYS:** Braunberger; Magrum; Mathern; Powers

**ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING:** Sickler

HB 1280 passed.

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**SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL**

**HB 1283:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-52.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to diagnostic breast examination and supplemental breast examination cost-sharing restrictions; to provide for a report to the legislative assembly; to provide for application; and to provide an expiration date.

**ROLL CALL**

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 22 YEAS, 24 NAYS, 1 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Axtman; Barta; Boschee; Braunberger; Cleary; Conley; Cory; Dever; Hogan; Larson; Lee; Luick; Marcellais; Mathern; Myrdal; Powers; Schaible; Sorvaag; Van Oosting; Walen; Wanzek; Weber

**NAYS:** Beard; Bekkedahl; Boehm; Burckhard; Castaneda; Clemens; Davison; Dwyer; Enget; Erbele; Gerhardt; Hogue; Kessel; Klein; Lemm; Magrum; Meyer; Patten; Paulson; Roers; Rummel; Thomas; Weston; Wobbema

**ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING:** Sickler

HB 1283 failed.

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**SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL**

**HB 1527:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15.1-21 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to required Holocaust education.

**ROLL CALL**

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee

recommendation of DO NOT PASS, the roll was called and there were 22 YEAS, 24 NAYS, 1 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Barta; Boehm; Castaneda; Cleary; Clemens; Conley; Cory; Dever; Dwyer; Enget; Kessel; Larson; Luick; Magrum; Meyer; Myrdal; Paulson; Powers; Van Oosting; Walen; Wanzek; Weston

**NAYS:** Axtman; Beard; Bekkedahl; Boschee; Braunberger; Burckhard; Davison; Erbele; Gerhardt; Hogan; Hogue; Klein; Lee; Lemm; Marcellais; Mathern; Patten; Roers; Rummel; Schaible; Sorvaag; Thomas; Weber; Wobbema

**ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING:** Sickler

Engrossed HB 1527 failed.

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### SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

**HB 1499:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 44-04-18.3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to confidential records related to a justice of the United States, federal judge, or magistrate judge.

### ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 45 YEAS, 1 NAYS, 1 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Axtman; Barta; Beard; Bekkedahl; Boehm; Boschee; Braunberger; Burckhard; Castaneda; Cleary; Clemens; Conley; Cory; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Enget; Erbele; Gerhardt; Hogan; Hogue; Kessel; Klein; Larson; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Myrdal; Patten; Paulson; Powers; Roers; Rummel; Schaible; Sorvaag; Thomas; Van Oosting; Walen; Wanzek; Weber; Weston; Wobbema

**NAYS:** Magrum

**ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING:** Sickler

HB 1499 passed.

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### CONSIDERATION OF MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

**SEN. WOBBERMA MOVED** that the Senate do concur in the House amendments to SB 2221 ([25.0638.02001](#)), which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

SB 2221, as amended, was placed on the Eleventh order of business.

### SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

**SB 2221:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 15-10-38.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to eligibility for the skilled workforce student loan repayment program; and to amend and reenact subsection 4 of section 15-10-38.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to eligibility for the skilled workforce scholarship program.

### ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, the roll was called and there were 46 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Axtman; Barta; Beard; Bekkedahl; Boehm; Boschee; Braunberger; Burckhard; Castaneda; Cleary; Clemens; Conley; Cory; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Enget; Erbele; Gerhardt; Hogan; Hogue; Kessel; Klein; Larson; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Magrum; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Myrdal; Patten; Paulson; Powers; Roers; Rummel; Schaible; Sorvaag; Thomas; Van Oosting; Walen; Wanzek; Weber; Weston; Wobbema



**ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING:** Sickler

Engrossed SB 2221 passed.

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**CONSIDERATION OF MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE**

**SEN. PATTEN MOVED** that the Senate do concur in the House amendments to Engrossed SB 2117 ([25.8067.02001](#)), which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Engrossed SB 2117, as amended, was placed on the Eleventh order of business.

**SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL**

**SB 2117:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 38-14.2-02, and sections 38-14.2-04, 38-14.2-06, and 38-14.2-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to abandoned surface mine reclamation.

**ROLL CALL**

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, the roll was called and there were 46 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Axtman; Barta; Beard; Bekkedahl; Boehm; Boschee; Braunberger; Burckhard; Castaneda; Cleary; Clemens; Conley; Cory; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Enget; Erbele; Gerhardt; Hogan; Hogue; Kessel; Klein; Larson; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Magrum; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Myrdal; Patten; Paulson; Powers; Roers; Rummel; Schaible; Sorvaag; Thomas; Van Oosting; Walen; Wanzek; Weber; Weston; Wobbema

**ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING:** Sickler

Reengrossed SB 2117 passed.

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**CONSIDERATION OF MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE**

**SEN. WOBBERA MOVED** that the Senate do concur in the House amendments to SB 2198 ([25.0827.01003](#)), which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

SB 2198, as amended, was placed on the Eleventh order of business.

**SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL**

**SB 2198:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 37-01-25, subsection 1 of section 37-01-40, and section 37-14-01.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to national guard or federal service leave of absence for state and political subdivision employees and the definition of veteran; and to declare an emergency.

**ROLL CALL**

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, the roll was called and there were 46 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Axtman; Barta; Beard; Bekkedahl; Boehm; Boschee; Braunberger; Burckhard; Castaneda; Cleary; Clemens; Conley; Cory; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Enget; Erbele; Gerhardt; Hogan; Hogue; Kessel; Klein; Larson; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Magrum; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Myrdal; Patten; Paulson; Powers; Roers; Rummel; Schaible; Sorvaag; Thomas; Van Oosting; Walen; Wanzek; Weber; Weston; Wobbema

**ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING:** Sickler

Engrossed SB 2198 passed and the emergency clause was declared carried.



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**CONSIDERATION OF MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE**

**SEN. ROERS MOVED** that the Senate do concur in the House amendments to SB 2120 ([25.0120.01001](#)), which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

SB 2120, as amended, was placed on the Eleventh order of business.

**SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL**

**SB 2120:** A BILL for an Act to provide for a transfer to the highway patrol troopers' retirement system fund.

**ROLL CALL**

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, the roll was called and there were 46 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Axtman; Barta; Beard; Bekkedahl; Boehm; Boschee; Braunberger; Burckhard; Castaneda; Cleary; Clemens; Conley; Cory; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Enget; Erbele; Gerhardt; Hogan; Hogue; Kessel; Klein; Larson; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Magrum; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Myrdal; Patten; Paulson; Powers; Roers; Rummel; Schaible; Sorvaag; Thomas; Van Oosting; Walen; Wanzek; Weber; Weston; Wobbema

**ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING:** Sickler

Engrossed SB 2120 passed.

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**CONSIDERATION OF MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE**

**SEN. BARTA MOVED** that the Senate do concur in the House amendments to SB 2214 ([25.0555.01001](#)), which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

SB 2214, as amended, was placed on the Eleventh order of business.

**SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL**

**SB 2214:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 4 of section 6-01-07.1, subsections 4 and 5 of section 10-04-02, sections 10-04-03 and 10-04-16, paragraph 2 of subdivision a of subsection 1 of section 10-04-16.1, section 26.1-06-12, subsection 3 of section 43-10.1-01, subsection 2 of section 43-23.1-05, subsection 4 of section 51-19-02, subsection 3 of section 51-23-02, subsection 1 of section 51-23-15, subsection 1 of section 54-12-08, subsection 1 of section 54-59-22.1, subsection 4 of section 57-38.5-01, and subsection 5 of section 57-38.6-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the insurance commissioner assuming the duties of the securities commissioner; to provide for a transfer; to provide an effective date; and to declare an emergency.

**ROLL CALL**

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, the roll was called and there were 40 YEAS, 6 NAYS, 1 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Axtman; Barta; Beard; Bekkedahl; Boehm; Boschee; Burckhard; Castaneda; Cleary; Clemens; Conley; Cory; Davison; Enget; Erbele; Gerhardt; Hogue; Kessel; Larson; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Magrum; Marcellais; Meyer; Myrdal; Patten; Paulson; Powers; Roers; Rummel; Schaible; Sorvaag; Thomas; Van Oosting; Walen; Wanzek; Weber; Weston; Wobbema

**NAYS:** Braunberger; Dever; Dwyer; Hogan; Klein; Mathern

**ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING:** Sickler

Engrossed SB 2214 passed and the emergency clause was declared carried.

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**MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (SHANDA MORGAN, SECRETARY)****MR. SPEAKER:** The Senate has passed, unchanged: HB 1280, HB 1499.**MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (SHANDA MORGAN, SECRETARY)****MR. SPEAKER:** The Senate has amended and subsequently passed: HB 1126 ([25.8014.02001](#)), HB 1143 ([25.0709.03001](#)), HB 1214 ([25.0752.02001](#)), HB 1448 ([25.0883.02002](#)), HB 1524 ([25.1007.03001](#)), HB 1582 ([25.1313.02001](#)), HB 1613 ([25.1307.02004](#)).**MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (SHANDA MORGAN, SECRETARY)****MR. SPEAKER:** The Senate has amended, subsequently passed, and the emergency clause carried: HB 1542 ([25.0951.03002](#)).**MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (SHANDA MORGAN, SECRETARY)****MR. SPEAKER:** The Senate has amended and subsequently failed to pass: HB 1541 ([25.0795.02002](#)).**MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (SHANDA MORGAN, SECRETARY)****MR. SPEAKER:** The Senate has failed to pass, unchanged: HB 1283, HB 1527.**MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (BUELL J. REICH, CHIEF CLERK)****MADAM PRESIDENT:** The House has passed, unchanged: SB 2137, SB 2210.**MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (BUELL J. REICH, CHIEF CLERK)****MADAM PRESIDENT:** The House has amended and subsequently passed: SB 2069 ([25.8065.03006](#)), SB 2387 ([25.1369.02002](#)).**MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (BUELL J. REICH, CHIEF CLERK)****MADAM PRESIDENT:** The House has failed to pass, unchanged: SB 2325.**MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (SHANDA MORGAN, SECRETARY)****MR. SPEAKER:** The Senate has concurred in the House amendments and subsequently passed: SB 2117, SB 2120, SB 2198, SB 2214, and SB 2221.**MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (SHANDA MORGAN, SECRETARY)****MR. SPEAKER:** The Senate does not concur in the House amendments to SB 2007, SB 2033, SB 2374, and SCR 4007, and the President has appointed as a conference committee to act with a like committee from the House on:**SB 2007:** Sens. Davison; Magrum; Mathern**SB 2033:** Sens. Lee; Roers; Clemens**SB 2374:** Sens. Barta; Kessel; Klein**SCR 4007:** Sens. Roers; Lee; Braunberger**MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (BUELL J. REICH, CHIEF CLERK)****MADAM PRESIDENT:** The House does not concur in the Senate amendments to HB 1003 and HB 1169, and the Speaker has appointed as a conference committee to act with a like committee from the Senate on:**HB 1003:** Reps. Nathe; Louser; Hanson**HB 1169:** Reps. C. Brown; Vetter; Satrom**MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (SHANDA MORGAN, SECRETARY)****MR. SPEAKER:** The Senate has appointed as a conference committee to act with a like committee from the House on:**HB 1022:** Sens. Davison; Magrum; Dever**HB 1029:** Sens. Braunberger; Barta; Castaneda**HB 1218:** Sens. Kessel; Enget; Gerhardt

**MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (BUELL J. REICH, CHIEF CLERK)**

**MADAM PRESIDENT:** The House has adopted the conference committee report on: HB 1053.

**MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (SHANDA MORGAN, SECRETARY)**

**MR. SPEAKER:** Your signature is respectfully requested on: SB 2017, SB 2076, SB 2143, SB 2216, SB 2245, SB 2269, SB 2334, SB 2351.

**MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (BUELL J. REICH, CHIEF CLERK)**

**MADAM PRESIDENT:** Your signature is respectfully requested on: HB 1025, HB 1026, HB 1095, HB 1162, HB 1194, HB 1197, HB 1219, HB 1223, HB 1254, HB 1263, HB 1297, HB 1303, HB 1317, HB 1354, HB 1355, HB 1374, HB 1375, HB 1404, HB 1410, HB 1468, HB 1470, HB 1479, HB 1481, HB 1511, HB 1549, HB 1562, HB 1592, HB 1603.

**MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (BUELL J. REICH, CHIEF CLERK)**

**MADAM PRESIDENT:** Your signature is respectfully requested on: HCR 3003, HCR 3025, HCR 3028.

**MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (BUELL J. REICH, CHIEF CLERK)**

**MADAM PRESIDENT:** The Speaker has signed: SB 2016.

**MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (BUELL J. REICH, CHIEF CLERK)**

**MADAM PRESIDENT:** The Speaker has signed: SB 2158, SB 2204, SB 2218, SB 2305, SB 2333.

**COMMUNICATION FROM GOVERNOR KELLY ARMSTRONG**

This is to inform you that on April 10, 2025, I have signed the following: SB 2273.

**MOTION**

**SEN. KLEIN MOVED** that the absent member be excused, which motion prevailed.

**MOTION**

**SEN. KLEIN MOVED** that the Senate be on the Fourth, Fifth, Ninth, Thirteenth, and Sixteenth orders of business and at the conclusion of those orders, the Senate stand adjourned until 1:00 p.m., Monday, April 14, 2025, which motion prevailed.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE  
ENGROSSED HB 1119**

**Workforce Development Committee (Sen. Wobbema, Chairman)** recommends **AMENDMENTS (25.8078.02005)** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (4 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed HB 1119 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar. This bill does not affect workforce development.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE  
ENGROSSED AND AMENDED HB 1130**

**Appropriations Committee (Sen. Bekkedahl, Chairman)** recommends **AMENDMENTS (25.0319.02002)** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (11 YEAS, 5 NAYS, 0 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed HB 1130, as amended, was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar. This bill does not affect workforce development.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE  
ENGROSSED AND AMENDED HB 1165**

**State and Local Government Committee (Sen. Roers, Chairman)** recommends **AMENDMENTS (25.0536.03003)** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (5 YEAS, 1 NAY, 0 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed HB 1165, as amended, was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar. This bill does not affect workforce development.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE  
ENGROSSED HB 1307**

**State and Local Government Committee (Sen. Roers, Chairman)** recommends

**AMENDMENTS (25.0079.02002)** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed HB 1307 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar. This bill does not affect workforce development.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE  
HB 1318**

**Agriculture and Veterans Affairs Committee (Sen. Luick, Chairman)** recommends **AMENDMENTS (25.0622.01006)** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (4 YEAS, 2 NAYS, 0 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING). HB 1318 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar. This bill does not affect workforce development.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE  
AMENDED HB 1408**

**Appropriations Committee (Sen. Bekkedahl, Chairman)** recommends **AMENDMENTS (25.0902.02005)** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (9 YEAS, 7 NAYS, 0 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING). HB 1408, as amended, was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar. This bill does not affect workforce development.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE  
ENGROSSED AND AMENDED HB 1425**

**Appropriations Committee (Sen. Bekkedahl, Chairman)** recommends **AMENDMENTS (25.1149.02004)** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (14 YEAS, 2 NAYS, 0 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed HB 1425, as amended, was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar. This bill does not affect workforce development.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE  
HB 1580**

**State and Local Government Committee (Sen. Roers, Chairman)** recommends **AMENDMENTS (25.1311.02001)** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING). HB 1580 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar. This bill does not affect workforce development.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE  
ENGROSSED HB 1581 (25.1320.02000)**

**Appropriations Committee (Sen. Bekkedahl, Chairman)** recommends **DO PASS** (14 YEAS, 2 NAYS, 0 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed HB 1581 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar. This bill does not affect workforce development.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE  
ENGROSSED HB 1612**

**Appropriations Committee (Sen. Bekkedahl, Chairman)** recommends **AMENDMENTS (25.1268.04002)** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (11 YEAS, 5 NAYS, 0 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed HB 1612 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar. This bill does not affect workforce development.

**REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE  
ENGROSSED SB 2129**

Your conference committee (Sens. Wobbema, Powers, Boschee and Reps. Hauck, Nehring, Tveit) recommends that in place of amendment [25.8033.02003](#) adopted by the House, Engrossed SB 2129 is amended by amendment [25.8033.02006](#).

Engrossed SB 2129 was placed on the Seventh order of business on the calendar.

**REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE  
ENGROSSED SB 2294**

Your conference committee (Sens. Roers, Weston, Clemens and Reps. Bolinske, Holle,

Dobervich) recommends that in place of amendment [25.1233.02001](#) adopted by the House, Engrossed SB 2294 is amended by amendment [25.1233.02002](#).

Engrossed SB 2294 was placed on the Seventh order of business on the calendar.

**REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE  
HB 1109**

Your conference committee (Sens. Lee, Weston, Hogan and Reps. Rohr, Davis, Hendrix) recommends the **HOUSE ACCEPT** the Senate amendments ([25.8079.01001](#)) to HB 1109.

HB 1109 was placed on the Seventh order of business on the calendar.

**REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE  
HB 1139**

Your conference committee (Sens. Weber, Powers, Walen and Reps. D. Anderson, J. Olson, Grueneich) recommends the **SENATE REJECT** its amendments ([25.0099.02001](#)) to HB 1139.

HB 1139 was placed on the Seventh order of business on the calendar.

The Senate stood adjourned pursuant to Senator Klein's motion.

**Shanda Morgan, Secretary**

