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Bismarck, April 18, 2025

The Senate convened at 12:30 p.m., with President Pro Tempore Davison presiding.

The prayer was offered by Pastor Matt Anderson, Surprise Church, Bismarck.

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

A quorum was declared by the President Pro Tempore.

CORRECTION AND REVISION OF THE JOURNAL

MR. PRESIDENT: Your **Committee on Correction and Revision of the Journal (Sen. Beard, Chairman)** has carefully examined the Journal of the Sixty-third Day and recommends that it be corrected as follows and when so corrected, recommends that it be approved:

Page 1120, line 17, replace "HB 1109, HB 1139, HB 1151" with "HB 1139"

Page 1120, after line 17, insert:

"MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (SHANDA MORGAN, SECRETARY) MR. SPEAKER: The Senate has adopted the conference committee report on: HB 1109, HB 1151."

SEN. BEARD MOVED that the report be adopted, which motion prevailed.

MOTION

SEN. KLEIN MOVED that SB 2365 be returned to the Senate floor from the **Appropriations Committee**, which motion prevailed.

MOTION

SEN. KLEIN MOVED that Sen. Davison replace Sen. Cleary on the Conference Committee on SB 2010, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

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.

SB 2224 ([25.1099.01007](#))

Engrossed SB 2370 ([25.1364.03000](#))

APPOINTMENT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

THE PRESIDENT APPOINTED as a Conference Committee on:

SB 2224: Sens. Myrdal, Larson, Luick.

Engrossed SB 2370: Sens. Lee, Roers, Hogan.

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 1010, Engrossed HB 1013, Engrossed HB 1199, and Engrossed HB 1214, which motion prevailed.

THE PRESIDENT APPOINTED as a Conference Committee on:

Engrossed HB 1010: Sens. Sickler, Dwyer, Burckhard

Engrossed HB 1013: Sens. Schaible, Sorvaag, Conley

Engrossed HB 1199: Sens. Axtman, Larson, Powers

Engrossed HB 1214: Sens. Schaible, Conley, Meyer

COMMUNICATION FROM GOVERNOR KELLY ARMSTRONG**April 15, 2025**

Pursuant to North Dakota Century Code 53-06.1-01.1, Dan Kovash was appointed to the North Dakota Gaming Commission.

Appointment to the North Dakota Gaming Commission:
Dan Kovash (April 15, 2025 - June 30, 2028)

Pursuant to Article V, Section 8 of the North Dakota Constitution, I respectfully request the Senate to make these confirmations during the 2025 Legislative Session.

Thank you for your consideration.

REPORT OF SELECT COMMITTEE

MR. PRESIDENT: Your **Select Committee (Sen. Hogue, Chairman)** Your procedural **Committee on Committees (Sen. Hogue, Chairman)** respectfully submits the following names for your **Select Committee** to approve the nominee Dan Kovash to the Gaming Commission: Senators Magrum, Kessel, Boehm, and Marcellais.

SEN. HOGUE MOVED that the report be adopted, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

FIRST READING OF HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Rep. Rios introduced:

(Approved by the Delayed Bills Committee)

HCR 3037: A concurrent resolution urging the Seventieth Legislative Assembly to consider enacting mandatory reporting requirements for public officials.

Was read the first time.

MOTION

SEN. KLEIN MOVED that the rules be suspended, that HCR 3037 be printed, not be referred to committee, but be read in title only, be printed in the Journal, and placed on the calendar for immediate second reading and final passage, which motion prevailed.

Rep. Rios introduced:

(Approved by the Delayed Bills Committee)

ENGROSSED HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3037

A concurrent resolution urging the Seventieth Legislative Assembly to consider enacting mandatory reporting requirements for public officials.

WHEREAS, the protection of children and vulnerable populations is a fundamental responsibility of government; and

WHEREAS, individuals entrusted with positions of leadership and authority bear a greater responsibility to uphold justice and protect the vulnerable; and

WHEREAS, child exploitation, abuse, and trafficking are among the most heinous crimes; and

WHEREAS, a public official who participates in, enables, or knowingly conceals child exploitation has betrayed his or her oath of office, contributed to the destruction of innocent lives, and allowed evil to thrive under the protection of power and privilege; and

WHEREAS, the concealment of and participation in child exploitation within governmental institutions represents a severe breach of duty that demands heightened accountability, including criminal penalties and permanent removal from public service;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

That the Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly urges the Seventieth Legislative Assembly to consider enacting legislation to make public officials mandatory reporters.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

HCR 3037: A concurrent resolution urging the Seventieth Legislative Assembly to consider enacting mandatory reporting requirements for public officials.

The question being on the final adoption of the resolution, which has been read.

Engrossed HCR 3037 was declared lost on a voice vote.

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

HB 1009, as engrossed: SEN. WANZEK (Appropriations Committee) MOVED that the amendments ([25.0153.02008](#)) 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 1009: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the agriculture commissioner; to amend and reenact section 4.1-01-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the salary of the agriculture commissioner; to provide for a transfer; to provide for a report; and to provide an exemption.

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 44 YEAS, 2 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; Mathern; Meyer; Myrdal; Patten; Paulson; Roers; Rummel; Schaible; Sickler; Sorvaag; Thomas; Van Oosting; Walen; Wanzek; Weber; Weston

NAYS: Marcellais; Powers

ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING: Wobbema

Engrossed HB 1009, as amended, passed.

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

HB 1168, as reengrossed: SEN. WEBER (Finance and Taxation Committee) MOVED that the amendments ([25.0044.08006](#)) be adopted and then be **REREFERRED** to the **Appropriations Committee** with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Reengrossed HB 1168 was rereferred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

HB 1298: SEN. RUMMEL (Transportation Committee) MOVED that the amendments ([25.0496.01003](#)) be adopted and then be placed on the Fourteenth order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed on a verification vote.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1298: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 39-06.1-06, subsection 3 of section 39-06.1-10, sections 39-09-02, 39-09-04, and 39-09-07.1, and subsection 2 of section 40-05-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the amount of statutory fees, points assigned to driving records, speed limitations on multilane highways, variable speed limits, alteration of maximum speed limits on state highways, speed zone reduction limitations, and city fines and penalties; and to provide a penalty.

REQUEST

SEN. KLEIN REQUESTED that the Senate divide HB 1298, as amended, which request was granted.

DIVISION A: Sections 3,4,5

DIVISION B: Sections 1,2,6

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final adoption of Division A of HB 1298, as amended, the roll was called and there were 28 YEAS, 18 NAYS, 1 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Axtman; Barta; Bekkedahl; Boehm; Boschee; Braunberger; Conley; Cory; Gerhardt; Hogan; Kessel; Klein; Larson; Lee; Magrum; Meyer; Myrdal; Patten; Paulson; Powers; Roers; Rummel; Sickler; Sorvaag; Van Oosting; Walen; Weber; Weston

NAYS: Beard; Burckhard; Castaneda; Cleary; Clemens; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Enget; Erbele; Hogue; Lemm; Luick; Marcellais; Mathern; Schaible; Thomas; Wanzek

ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING: Wobbema

Division A of HB 1298, as amended, was adopted on a recorded roll call vote.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final adoption of Division B of HB 1298, as amended, the roll was called and there were 30 YEAS, 16 NAYS, 1 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Axtman; Barta; Bekkedahl; Boehm; Boschee; Braunberger; Castaneda; Cleary; Clemens; Conley; Davison; Dwyer; Erbele; Hogan; Hogue; Kessel; Klein; Larson; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Marcellais; Mathern; Patten; Roers; Rummel; Sickler; Sorvaag; Wanzek; Weber

NAYS: Beard; Burckhard; Cory; Dever; Enget; Gerhardt; Magrum; Meyer; Myrdal; Paulson; Powers; Schaible; Thomas; Van Oosting; Walen; Weston

ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING: Wobbema

Division B of HB 1298, as amended, was adopted on a recorded roll call vote.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which includes Division A and Division B, which have been read, the roll was called and there were 28 YEAS, 18 NAYS, 1 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Axtman; Barta; Bekkedahl; Boehm; Boschee; Braunberger; Conley; Cory; Gerhardt; Hogan; Kessel; Klein; Larson; Lee; Magrum; Meyer; Myrdal; Patten; Paulson; Powers; Roers; Rummel; Sickler; Sorvaag; Van Oosting; Walen; Weber; Weston

NAYS: Beard; Burckhard; Castaneda; Cleary; Clemens; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Enget; Erbele; Hogue; Lemm; Luick; Marcellais; Mathern; Schaible; Thomas; Wanzek

ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING: Wobbema

HB 1298, as amended, passed.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1579: A BILL for an Act to provide for a legislative management study relating to the impact of large energy consumers on the state's electrical grid.

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 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; Sickler; Sorvaag; Thomas; Van Oosting; Walen; Wanzek; Weber; Weston

ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING: Wobbema

Engrossed HB 1579 passed.

CONSIDERATION OF MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

SEN. LUICK MOVED that the Senate do concur in the House amendments to SB 2086 ([25.8120.01001](#)), which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

SB 2086, as amended, was placed on the Eleventh order of business.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2086: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 4.1-33 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to pesticide certification standards; and to amend and reenact sections 4.1-33-01 and 4.1-33-03, subdivision b of subsection 1 of section 4.1-33-12, section 4.1-33-13, subsection 1 of section 4.1-33-16, and subsection 5 of section 4.1-33-20 of North Dakota Century Code, relating to pesticide control.

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; Sickler; Sorvaag; Thomas; Van Oosting; Walen; Wanzek; Weber; Weston

ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING: Wobbema

Engrossed SB 2086 passed.

CONSIDERATION OF MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

SEN. BEKKEDAHL MOVED that the Senate do concur in the House amendments to Engrossed SB 2021 ([25.0188.02003](#)), which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Engrossed SB 2021, as amended, was placed on the Eleventh order of business.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2021: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the information technology department; to amend and reenact sections 54-35-15.1, 54-59-14, and 54-59-15 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to membership of the information technology committee and the information technology operating fund; to provide an exemption; to provide for a legislative management study; and to provide for a legislative management report.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, 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; Sickler; Sorvaag; Thomas; Van Oosting; Walen; Wanzek; Weber; Weston

NAYS: Magrum

ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING: Wobbema

Reengrossed SB 2021 passed.

CONSIDERATION OF MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

SEN. BEKKEDAHL MOVED that the Senate do concur in the House amendments to Engrossed SB 2025 ([25.0192.02003](#)), which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Engrossed SB 2025, as amended, was placed on the Eleventh order of business.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2025: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the department of veterans' affairs; to amend and reenact sections 37-15-03, 37-15-07, 37-15-16, 37-18-01, and 37-18-07, subsection 1 of section 37-18-12, and section 37-18.1-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the administrative committee on veterans' affairs; to provide for a transfer; to provide an exemption; 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 43 YEAS, 3 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; Magrum; Meyer; Myrdal; Patten; Paulson; Powers; Roers; Rummel; Schaible; Sickler; Sorvaag; Thomas; Van Oosting; Walen; Wanzek; Weber; Weston

NAYS: Braunberger; Marcellais; Mathern

ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING: Wobbema

Reengrossed SB 2025 passed and the emergency clause was declared carried.

CONSIDERATION OF MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

SEN. LUICK MOVED that the Senate do concur in the House amendments to Engrossed SB 2267 ([25.0988.02003](#)), which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Engrossed SB 2267, as amended, was placed on the Eleventh order of business.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2267: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new chapter to title 23.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to onsite wastewater treatment systems; to amend and reenact sections 23-35-02 and 23-35-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the powers and duties of the 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 for a legislative management report; to provide a penalty; and to provide an appropriation.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, the roll was called and there were 41 YEAS, 5 NAYS, 1 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING.

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

NAYS: Braunberger; Enget; Gerhardt; Marcellais; Mathern

ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING: Wobbema

Reengrossed SB 2267 passed.

CONSIDERATION OF MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

SEN. LUICK MOVED that the Senate do concur in the House amendments to Engrossed SB 2327 ([25.1215.02003](#)), which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Engrossed SB 2327, as amended, was placed on the Eleventh order of business.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2327: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 4.1-01.1-07 and 4.1-01.1-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to uses of the agriculture diversification and development fund and committee; to provide an appropriation; and to provide for a transfer.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, 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; Braunberger; Burckhard; Castaneda; Clemens; Conley; Cory; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Enget; Erbele; Hogan; Hogue; Kessel; Klein; Larson; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Myrdal; Patten; Paulson; Roers; Rummel; Schaible; Sickler; Sorvaag; Thomas; Van Oosting; Walen; Wanzek; Weber; Weston

NAYS: Cleary; Gerhardt; Magrum; Powers

ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING: Wobbema

Reengrossed SB 2327 passed.

MOTION

SEN. KLEIN MOVED that Senate Rule 329 be temporarily amended replacing the fifty-fifth legislative day with the sixty-fifth legislative day, which motion prevailed.

MOTION

SEN. KLEIN MOVED that Senate Rule 509 be temporarily amended replacing the sixty-fifth legislative day with the sixty-seventh legislative day, which motion prevailed.

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

MR. SPEAKER: The Senate has passed, unchanged: HB 1579.

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

MR. SPEAKER: The Senate has amended and subsequently passed: HB 1009 ([25.0153.02008](#)), HB 1298 ([25.0496.01003](#)).

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

MR. SPEAKER: The Senate has failed to pass, unchanged: HCR 3037.

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

MADAM PRESIDENT: The House has amended and subsequently passed: SB 2156 ([25.0330.06011](#)), SB 2339 ([25.1247.02002](#)).

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

MADAM PRESIDENT: The House has amended, subsequently passed, and the emergency clause failed: SB 2003 ([25.0170.02027](#)).

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

MR. SPEAKER: The Senate has concurred in the House amendments and subsequently passed: SB 2021, SB 2025, SB 2086, SB 2267, and SB 2327.

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

MR. SPEAKER: The Senate does not concur in the House amendments to SB 2224 and SB 2370, and the President has appointed as a conference committee to act with a like committee from the House on:

SB 2224: Sens. Myrdal; Larson; Luick

SB 2370: Sens. Lee; Roers; Hogan

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 1448 and HB 1524, and the Speaker has appointed as a conference committee to act with a like committee from the Senate on:

HB 1448: Reps. Warrey; Nathe; Ostlie

HB 1524: Reps. Monson; Pyle; Hagert

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 1010: Sens. Sickler; Dwyer; Burckhard

HB 1013: Sens. Schaible; Sorvaag; Conley

HB 1199: Sens. Axtman; Larson; Powers

HB 1214: Sens. Schaible; Conley; Meyer

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

MR. SPEAKER: The President has appointed Sen. Davison to replace Sen. Cleary on the Conference Committee on SB 2010.

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

MADAM PRESIDENT: The Speaker has signed: SB 2022, SB 2023, SB 2024, SB 2037, SB 2051, SB 2058, SB 2155, SB 2159, SB 2228, SB 2232, SB 2241, SB 2251, SB 2280, SB 2307, SB 2375.

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

MR. SPEAKER: The President has signed: SB 2022, SB 2023, SB 2024, SB 2037, SB 2051, SB 2058, SB 2155, SB 2159, SB 2228, SB 2232, SB 2241, SB 2251, SB 2280, SB 2307, SB 2375.

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

MADAM PRESIDENT: The Speaker has signed: HB 1004, HB 1166, HB 1351, HB 1386, HB 1489.

DELIVERY OF ENROLLED BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

The following bills were delivered to the Governor for approval on April 18, 2025: SB 2022, SB 2023, SB 2024, SB 2037, SB 2051, SB 2058, SB 2155, SB 2159, SB 2228, SB 2232, SB 2241, SB 2251, SB 2280, SB 2307, SB 2375.

COMMUNICATION FROM GOVERNOR KELLY ARMSTRONG

This is to inform you that on April 17, 2025, I have signed the following: SB 2036, SB 2117, SB 2120, SB 2137, SB 2198, SB 2210, SB 2214, and SB 2221.

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, Thirteenth, and Sixteenth orders of business and at the conclusion of those orders, the Senate stand adjourned until 8:00 a.m., Monday, April 21, 2025, which motion prevailed.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
ENGROSSED HB 1006**

Appropriations Committee (Sen. Bekkedahl, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS** ([25.0150.02003](#)) and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (16 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed HB 1006 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar. This bill does not affect workforce development.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
AMENDED HB 1216 ([25.0068.04000](#))**

Appropriations Committee (Sen. Bekkedahl, Chairman) recommends **DO NOT PASS** (10 YEAS, 6 NAYS, 0 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING). HB 1216, as amended, was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar. This bill does not affect workforce development.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
AMENDED HB 1279 ([25.0895.02000](#))**

Appropriations Committee (Sen. Bekkedahl, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (15 YEAS, 1 NAY, 0 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING). HB 1279, as amended, was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar. This bill does not affect workforce development.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
ENGROSSED HB 1459**

Energy and Natural Resources Committee (Sen. Patten, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS** ([25.1038.02001](#)) and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed HB 1459 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar. This bill does not affect workforce development.

**REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
ENGROSSED SB 2112**

Your conference committee (Sens. Lee, Hogan, Weston and Reps. K. Anderson, Beltz, Rios) recommends the **SENATE ACCEPT** the House amendments ([25.8077.02002](#)) to Engrossed SB 2112.

Engrossed SB 2112 was placed on the Seventh order of business on the calendar.

**REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
SB 2282**

Your conference committee (Sens. Rummel, Powers, Marcellais and Reps. Dockter, Foss, Hagert) recommends that in place of amendment [25.1035.01002](#) adopted by the House, SB 2282 is amended by amendment [25.1035.01005](#).

SB 2282 was placed on the Seventh order of business on the calendar.

**REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
ENGROSSED HB 1440**

Your conference committee (Sens. Powers, Marcellais, Rummel and Reps. Dockter, Motschenbacher, Dressler) recommends that in place of amendment [25.0298.02001](#) adopted by the Senate, Engrossed HB 1440 is amended by amendment [25.0298.02002](#).

Engrossed HB 1440 was placed on the Seventh order of business on the calendar.

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

Shanda Morgan, Secretary

