

Organizational and Orientation Session**JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE****Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly**

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Bismarck, December 2, 2024

The House convened at 1:00 p.m., with Acting Speaker Martinson presiding.

The prayer was offered by Pastor Rich Wyatt, Living Hope Nazarene Church, Bismarck..

**COMMUNICATION FROM SECRETARY OF STATE MICHAEL HOWE
December 2, 2024**

This letter is to provide a certification of members of the Office of State Representative in accordance with Section 54-03-03 of the North Dakota Century Code.

Certificates of Election Issued

The State Canvassing Board met on November 20, 2024, to certify the results of the 2024 General Election. Following the meeting, a Certificate of Election was issued to each of the newly elected members of the legislative assembly, as directed in Section 16.1-15-46 of the North Dakota Century Code. I've included copies of the Certificates of Election for each of the newly elected members for your records. In addition, as required by Section 4, Article XI, of the North Dakota Constitution, an Oath of Office was provided to each Representative, with instructions to execute the Oath before a Notary Public and file it with the Secretary of State before he or she assumes the duties of their office.

Current Office Holders

I've also included a certified list of the members of the House of Representatives whose terms in office do not expire until November 30, 2026.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Dakota at the Capitol in the City of Bismarck on this date.

Certification of Members of the Office of State Representatives

| State Representative | District | Term Ends |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Patrick Hatlestad | District 01 | 11/30/2026 |
| David Richter | District 01 | 11/30/2026 |
| Bert Anderson* | District 02 | 11/30/2028 |
| Donald Longmuir* | District 02 | 11/30/2028 |
| Jeff Hoverson | District 03 | 11/30/2026 |
| Lori VanWinkle | District 03 | 11/30/2026 |
| Lisa Finley-DeVile* | District 04a | 11/30/2028 |
| Clayton Fegley | District 04b | 11/30/2028 |
| Jay Fisher | District 05 | 11/30/2026 |
| Scott Louser | District 05 | 11/30/2026 |
| Dick Anderson* | District 06 | 11/30/2028 |
| Dan Vollmer* | District 06 | 11/30/2028 |
| Jason Dockter | District 07 | 11/30/2026 |
| Matthew Heilman | District 07 | 11/30/2026 |
| SuAnn Olson* | District 08 | 11/30/2028 |

| State Representative | District | Term Ends |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Mike Berg* | District 08 | 11/30/2028 |
| Colette Brown* | District 09 | 11/30/2026 |
| Jayme Davis* | District 09 | 11/30/2026 |
| Steve Swiontek* | District 10 | 11/30/2028 |
| Jared Hendrix* | District 10 | 11/30/2028 |
| Liz Conmy | District 11 | 11/30/2026 |
| Gretchen Dobervich | District 11 | 11/30/2026 |
| Mitch Ostlie* | District 12 | 11/30/2028 |
| Bernie Satrom* | District 12 | 11/30/2028 |
| Jim Jonas | District 13 | 11/30/2026 |
| Austen Schauer | District 13 | 11/30/2026 |
| Jon Nelson* | District 14 | 11/30/2028 |
| Robin Weisz* | District 14 | 11/30/2028 |
| Kathy Frelich | District 15 | 11/30/2026 |
| Donna Henderson | District 15 | 11/30/2026 |
| Ben Koppelman* | District 16 | 11/30/2028 |
| Andrew Marschall* | District 16 | 11/30/2028 |
| Landon Bahl | District 17 | 11/30/2026 |
| Mark Sanford | District 17 | 11/30/2026 |
| Steve Vetter* | District 18 | 11/30/2028 |
| Nels Christianson* | District 18 | 11/30/2028 |
| Karen Anderson | District 19 | 11/30/2026 |
| David Monson | District 19 | 11/30/2026 |
| Mike Beltz* | District 20 | 11/30/2028 |
| Jared Hagert* | District 20 | 11/30/2028 |
| LaurieBeth Hager | District 21 | 11/30/2026 |
| Mary Schneider | District 21 | 11/30/2026 |
| Brandy Pyle* | District 22 | 11/30/2028 |
| Jonathan Warrey* | District 22 | 11/30/2028 |
| Nico Rios | District 23 | 11/30/2026 |
| Dennis Nehring* | District 23 | 11/30/2026 |
| Dwight Kiefert* | District 24 | 11/30/2028 |
| Daniel Johnston* | District 24 | 11/30/2028 |
| Cindy Beck | District 25 | 11/30/2026 |
| Alisa Mitskog | District 25 | 11/30/2026 |
| Jeremy Olson* | District 26 | 11/30/2028 |
| Roger Maki* | District 26 | 11/30/2028 |
| Josh Christy | District 27 | 11/30/2026 |
| Greg Stemen | District 27 | 11/30/2026 |
| Mike Brandenburg* | District 28 | 11/30/2028 |
| Jim Grueneich* | District 28 | 11/30/2028 |
| Craig Headland | District 29 | 11/30/2026 |

| State Representative | District | Term Ends |
|------------------------|-------------|------------|
| Don Vigesaa | District 29 | 11/30/2026 |
| Glenn Bosch* | District 30 | 11/30/2028 |
| Mike Nathe* | District 30 | 11/30/2028 |
| Dawson Holle | District 31 | 11/30/2026 |
| Karen Rohr | District 31 | 11/30/2026 |
| Pat Heinert* | District 32 | 11/30/2028 |
| Lisa Meier* | District 32 | 11/30/2028 |
| Anna Novak | District 33 | 11/30/2026 |
| Bill Tveit | District 33 | 11/30/2026 |
| Todd Porter* | District 34 | 11/30/2028 |
| Nathan Toman* | District 34 | 11/30/2028 |
| Karen Karls | District 35 | 11/30/2026 |
| Bob Martinson | District 35 | 11/30/2026 |
| Dori Hauck* | District 36 | 11/30/2028 |
| Ty Dressler* | District 36 | 11/30/2028 |
| Mike Lefor | District 37 | 11/30/2026 |
| Vicky Steiner | District 37 | 11/30/2026 |
| Dan Ruby* | District 38 | 11/30/2028 |
| Christina Wolff* | District 38 | 11/30/2028 |
| Keith Kempenich | District 39 | 11/30/2026 |
| Mike Schatz | District 39 | 11/30/2026 |
| Macy Bolinske* | District 40 | 11/30/2028 |
| Matthew Ruby* | District 40 | 11/30/2028 |
| Jorin Johnson | District 41 | 11/30/2026 |
| Karen Grindberg* | District 41 | 11/30/2026 |
| Emily O'Brien* | District 42 | 11/30/2028 |
| Doug Osowski* | District 42 | 11/30/2028 |
| Zachary Ista | District 43 | 11/30/2026 |
| Eric Murphy | District 43 | 11/30/2026 |
| Karla Hanson* | District 44 | 11/30/2028 |
| Austin Foss* | District 44 | 11/30/2028 |
| Carrie McLeod | District 45 | 11/30/2026 |
| Scott Wagner | District 45 | 11/30/2026 |
| Jim Kasper* | District 46 | 11/30/2028 |
| Desiree Morton* | District 46 | 11/30/2028 |
| Lawrence Klemin | District 47 | 11/30/2026 |
| Michael Motschenbacher | District 47 | 11/30/2026 |

An asterisk () next to the office holders name indicates the office holder was elected during the 2024 General Election and a Certificate of Election is attached herein.*

ROLL CALL

The roll was called manually and all members were present except Reps. Morton and Sanford.

MOTION

REP. BOSCH MOVED a committee of two be appointed to escort Justice Jerod E. Tufte to the rostrum to administer the Oath of Office to the newly elected members and the newly appointed member, which motion prevailed.

ACTING SPEAKER MARTINSON APPOINTED Reps. Dressler and J. Olson to the escort committee.

OATH OF OFFICE

JUSTICE JEROD E. TUFTE ADMINISTERED the Oath of Office to the newly elected members and newly appointed member.

MOTION

REP. BOSCH MOVED the House adopt as temporary rules the House and Joint Rules of the 68th Legislative Assembly as in effect on April 29, 2023, which motion prevailed.

DISTRIBUTION OF LEGISLATORS' MATERIAL

Ms. Emily Thompson, Legal Division Director, Legislative Council, will distribute and explain Legislators' packets and other materials.

MOTION

REP. BOSCH MOVED that the House stand in recess until 2:20 p.m., which motion prevailed.

THE HOUSE RECONVENED pursuant to recess taken, with Acting Speaker Martinson presiding.

MOTION

REP. BOSCH MOVED the nomination of Mr. Buell Reich for the office of Chief Clerk.

MOTION

REP. BELTZ MOVED that nominations cease and a unanimous ballot be cast for Buell Reich as Chief Clerk, which motion prevailed.

MOTION

REP. BOSCH MOVED the nomination of Ms. Audrey Grafsgaard for the office of Journal Reporter.

MOTION

REP. HEINERT MOVED nominations cease and a unanimous ballot be cast for Audrey Grafsgaard as Journal Reporter, which motion prevailed.

MOTION

REP. BOSCH MOVED the nomination of Mr. Dean Eberle for Sergeant-at-Arms.

MOTION

REP. MEIER MOVED nominations cease and a unanimous ballot be cast for Dean Eberle for Sergeant-at-Arms, which motion prevailed.

ACTING SPEAKER MARTINSON ADMINISTERED the Oath of Office to the Chief Clerk, Journal Reporter, and Sergeant-at-Arms.

MOTION

REP. BOSCH MOVED the nomination of Rep. Robin Weisz for the office of the Speaker of the House.

MOTION

REP. ISTA MOVED nominations cease and a unanimous ballot be cast for Rep. Robin Weisz as Speaker of the House, which motion prevailed.

MOTION

REP. BOSCH MOVED a committee of two be appointed to escort the newly elected Speaker to the rostrum, which motion prevailed.

ACTING SPEAKER MARTINSON APPOINTED Reps. Bolinske and Wolff to the escort

committee.

OATH OF OFFICE

ACTING SPEAKER MARTINSON ADMINISTERED the Oath of Office to the newly elected Speaker.

ANNOUNCEMENT

SPEAKER WEISZ ANNOUNCED that the House would be on the Fifteenth order of business, seating of members according to House Rule 363.

SEATING OF HOUSE MEMBERS

2025

HOUSE SENIORITY TABLE

(2025 session not included)

| Name (District) | Sessions Served | Total House Sessions | Total Legislative Sessions |
|---------------------------|--|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Lefor, Mike (37) | 2015-17-19-21-23 | 5 | 5 |
| Steiner, Vicky (37) | 2011-13-15-17-19-21-23 | 7 | 7 |
| Ista, Zachary (43) | 2021-23 | 2 | 2 |
| Bosch, Glenn (30) | 2017-19-21-23 | 4 | 4 |
| Nathe, Mike (30) | 2009-11-13-15-17-19-21-23 | 8 | 8 |
| Dobervich, Gretchen (11) | 2017-19-21-23 | 4 | 4 |
| Conmy, Liz (11) | 2023 | 1 | 1 |
| Monson, David (19) | 1993-95-97-99-01-03-05-07-09-11-13-15-17-19-21-23 | 16 | 16 |
| Anderson, Karen A. (19) | 2023 | 1 | 1 |
| Klemin, Lawrence R. (47) | 1999-01-03-05-07-09-11-13-15-17-19-21-23 | 13 | 13 |
| Motschenbacher, Mike (47) | 2023 | 1 | 1 |
| Weisz, Robin (14) | 1997-99-01-03-05-07-09-11-13-15-17-19-21-23 | 14 | 14 |
| Nelson, Jon O. (14) | 1997-99-01-03-05-07-09-11-13-15-17-19-21-23 | 14 | 14 |
| Martinson, Bob (35) | 1973-75-77-79-81-83-85-87-89-91-93-95-97-01-03-05-07-09-11-13-15-17-19-21-23 | 25 | 25 |
| Karls, Karen (35) | 2007-09-11-13-15-17-19-21-23 | 9 | 9 |
| Kempenich, Keith (39) | 1993-95-97-99-01-03-05-07-09-11-13-15-17-19-21-23 | 16 | 16 |
| Schatz, Mike (39) | 1989-09-11-13-15-17-19-21-23 | 9 | 9 |
| Brandenburg, Mike (28) | 1997-99-01-05-07-09-11-13-15-17-19-21-23 | 13 | 13 |
| Grueneich, Jim (28) | 2017-19-23 | 3 | 3 |
| Porter, Todd (34) | 1999-01-03-05-07-09-11-13-15-17-19-21-23 | 13 | 13 |
| Toman, Nathan (34) | 2013-15-17-19-21-23 | 6 | 6 |
| Meier, Lisa (32) | 2001-03-05-07-09-11-13-15-17-19-21-23 | 12 | 12 |
| Heinert, Pat D. (32) | 2017-19-21-23 | 4 | 4 |
| Ruby, Dan (38) | 2001-03-05-07-09-11-13-15-17-19-21-23 | 12 | 12 |

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| Wolff, Christina (38) | | 0 | 0 |
| Kasper, Jim (46) | 2001-03-05-07-09-11-13-15-17-19-21-23 | 12 | 12 |
| Morton, Desiree (46) | | 0 | 0 |
| Headland, Craig (29) | 2003-05-07-09-11-13-15-17-19-21-23 | 11 | 11 |
| Vigesaa, Don (29) | 2005-07-09-11-13-15-17-19-21-23 | 10 | 10 |
| Hatlestad, Patrick R. (1) | 2007-09-11-13-15-17-19-21-23 | 9 | 9 |
| Richter, David (1) | 2019-21-23 | 3 | 3 |
| Louser, Scott (5) | 2011-13-15-17-19-21-23 | 7 | 7 |
| Fisher, Jay (5) | 2019-21-23 | 3 | 3 |
| Anderson, Dick (6) | 2011-13-15-17-19-21-23 | 7 | 7 |
| Vollmer, Daniel R. (6) | | 0 | 0 |
| Sanford, Mark (17) | 2011-13-15-17-19-21-23 | 7 | 7 |
| Bahl, Landon (17) | 2023 | 1 | 1 |
| Rohr, Karen M. (31) | 2011-13-15-17-19-21-23 | 7 | 7 |
| Holle, Dawson (31) | 2023 | 1 | 1 |
| Dockter, Jason (7) | 2013-15-17-19-21-23 | 6 | 6 |
| Heilman, Matt (7) | 2023 | 1 | 1 |
| Koppelman, Ben (16) | 2013-15-17-19-21-23 | 6 | 6 |
| Marschall, Andrew (16) | 2017-19-21-23 | 4 | 4 |
| Kiefert, Dwight (24) | 2013-15-17-19-21-23 | 6 | 6 |
| Johnston, Daniel (24) | 2017-19 | 2 | 2 |
| Anderson, Bert (2) | 2015-17-19-21-23 | 5 | 5 |
| Longmuir, Donald W. (2) | 2017-19-21-23 | 4 | 4 |
| Swiontek, Steve (10) | 1977-79-81-83-23 | 5 | 5 |
| Hendrix, Jared (10) | | 0 | 0 |
| Schneider, Mary (21) | 2015-17-19-21-23 | 5 | 5 |
| Hager, LaurieBeth (21) | 2019-21-23 | 3 | 3 |
| Schreiber-Beck, Cynthia (25) | 2015-17-19-21-23 | 5 | 5 |
| Mitskog, Alisa (25) | 2015-17-19-21-23 | 5 | 5 |
| Satrom, Bernie (12) | 2017-19-21-23 | 4 | 4 |
| Ostlie, Mitch (12) | 2021-23 | 2 | 2 |
| Vetter, Steve (18) | 2017-19-21-23 | 4 | 4 |
| Christianson, Nels (18) | | 0 | 0 |
| Pyle, Brandy L. (22) | 2017-19-21-23 | 4 | 4 |
| Warrey, Jonathan (22) | 2023 | 1 | 1 |
| Ruby, Matthew (40) | 2017-19-21-23 | 4 | 4 |
| Bolinske, Macy (40) | | 0 | 0 |
| O'Brien, Emily (42) | 2017-19-21-23 | 4 | 4 |
| Osowski, Doug (42) | | 0 | 0 |
| Hanson, Karla Rose (44) | 2017-19-21-23 | 4 | 4 |
| Foss, Austin (44) | | 0 | 0 |

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| Fegley, Clayton (4B) | 2019-21-23 | 3 | 3 |
| Hoverson, Jeff (3) | 2019-21-23 | 3 | 3 |
| VanWinkle, Lori (3) | 2023 | 1 | 1 |
| Schauer, Austen (13) | 2019-21-23 | 3 | 3 |
| Jonas, Jim (13) | 2023 | 1 | 1 |
| Tveit, Bill (33) | 2019-21-23 | 3 | 3 |
| Novak, Anna S. (33) | 2023 | 1 | 1 |
| Beltz, Mike (20) | 2021-23 | 2 | 2 |
| Hagert, Jared C. (20) | 2021-23 | 2 | 2 |
| Stemen, Gregory (27) | 2021-23 | 2 | 2 |
| Christy, Josh (27) | 2023 | 1 | 1 |
| Hauck, Dori (36) | 2021-23 | 2 | 2 |
| Dressler, Ty (36) | | 0 | 0 |
| Finley-DeVillie, Lisa (4A) | 2023 | 1 | 1 |
| Olson, SuAnn (8) | 2023 | 1 | 1 |
| Berg, Mike (8) | | 0 | 0 |
| Davis, Jayme (9) | 2023 | 1 | 1 |
| Brown, Collette (9) | | 0 | 0 |
| Frelich, Kathy (15) | 2023 | 1 | 1 |
| Henderson, Donna (15) | 2023 | 1 | 1 |
| Rios, Nico (23) | 2023 | 1 | 1 |
| Nehring, Dennis (23) | | 0 | 0 |
| Olson, Jeremy L. (26) | 2023 | 1 | 1 |
| Maki, Roger A. (26) | | 0 | 0 |
| Johnson, Jorin (41) | 2023 | 1 | 1 |
| Grindberg, Karen (41) | | 0 | 0 |
| Murphy, Eric J. (43) | 2023 | 1 | 1 |
| McLeod, Carrie (45) | 2023 | 1 | 1 |
| Wagner, Scott (45) | 2023 | 1 | 1 |

MOTION

REP. BOSCH MOVED a committee of three be appointed to notify the Governor and the Senate that the House is organized and ready to transact business, which motion prevailed.

SPEAKER WEISZ APPOINTED Reps. Maki, Christianson, and Novak to notify the Governor and the Senate that the House is organized.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF PROCEDURAL COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES: Reps. Lefor, Weisz, Bosch, B. Anderson, Vigesaa, Schauer, M. Ruby, Ista, Davis, Hanson, Schneider

DELAYED BILLS COMMITTEE: Reps. Lefor, Bosch, Weisz, J. Olson, Ista

COMMITTEE ON ARRANGEMENTS FOR HOUSE COMMITTEE ROOMS: Reps. Schatz, Meier, Hager

EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE: Reps. Novak, Bosch, Meier, Hager, Conmy

COMMITTEE ON CORRECTION AND REVISION OF THE JOURNAL: Reps. B. Anderson, Fegley, Longmuir, Brown, Davis

RULES COMMITTEE: Reps. Hagert, Weisz, Novak, McLeod, Swiontek, Ista, Jonas

MOTION

REP. BOSCH MOVED that the absent members be excused, which motion prevailed.

MOTION

REP. BOSCH MOVED that the House stand adjourned until 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, December 3, 2024, which motion prevailed.

The House stood adjourned pursuant to Representative Bosch's motion.

Buell J. Reich, Chief Clerk