

Minnesota Senate

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Education

- Minnesota DREAM Act
- Teachers of Color programs at Concordia, St. Thomas, Hamline University and Metro State University
- All Day Kindergarten pilot programs
- Minnesota Children's Museum (bonding)
- Created College preparatory Summer Bridge program
- Funding for Northend Community Center

Public Safety

- Established the Children in Need of Protection and Services (CHIPS) program
- Harassment protections for patients and clinics providing abortions
- Expanded prohibitions and increased penalties for human trafficking
- Copper sale licensing to protect municipalities from copper wire theft
- Eliminated statute of limitations from sexual assault
- Banned child marriage
- Funding for the Violence Prevention Project Research Center
- Expanded orders of protection to include a victim's pet

St. Paul

- Sales Tax Revitalization (STAR) ½ cent grant program
- Funding for Reconnect Rondo
- Funding for Third Street/Kellogg Bridge reconstruction
- Shoreline reinforcement on the Mississippi River, Raspberry Island, Upper Landing and Harriet Island
- Funding for the Northend Community Center, Pedro Park, Ordway, Union Depot, Victoria Theater

Worker Protections and Economic Security

- Women's Economic Security Act, including pay equity, pregnancy and nursing accommodations, non-traditional jobs and women entrepreneurs

- Extended Domestic Partners Benefits to domestic partners of State Employees prior to legal same-sex marriage
- Statewide Earned Sick and Safe Time
- Secure Choice Retirement Program
- Authorized personal care workers (PCAs) to organize a union

Health

- EC in the ER requirement that sexual assault victims be provided emergency contraception in emergency rooms
- Expanded access to hospital birth centers for doulas and midwives, increased Medicaid reimbursement to birthing centers, and created licensure for traditional midwives

Community and Social Justice

- Created requirement that state documents be printed in multiple languages
- Established April as Genocide Awareness Month