

STATE OF MINNESOTA

# Journal of the House

NINETY-FOURTH SESSION — 2025

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SECOND LEGISLATIVE DAY

SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2025

The House of Representatives convened at 12:00 noon and was called to order by Lisa Demuth, Speaker of the House.

Prayer was offered by Minister Joshua Foster, Church Ambassador Network, St. Paul, Minnesota.

The members of the House gave the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

The roll was called and the following members were present:

|                 |            |             |            |            |                |
|-----------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|----------------|
| Allen           | Dippel     | Igo         | Myers      | Roach      | Van Binsbergen |
| Altendorf       | Dotseth    | Jacob       | Nadeau     | Robbins    | Warwas         |
| Anderson, P. E. | Duran      | Johnson, W. | Nash       | Rymer      | West           |
| Anderson, P. H. | Engen      | Joy         | Nelson     | Schomacker | Wiener         |
| Backer          | Fogelman   | Knudsen     | Niska      | Schultz    | Witte          |
| Bakeberg        | Franson    | Koznick     | Novotny    | Schwartz   | Zelevnikar     |
| Baker           | Gander     | Kresha      | O'Driscoll | Scott      | Spk. Demuth    |
| Bennett         | Gillman    | Lawrence    | Olson      | Sexton     |                |
| Bliss           | Gordon     | McDonald    | Perryman   | Skraba     |                |
| Burkel          | Harder     | Mekeland    | Quam       | Stier      |                |
| Davids          | Heintzeman | Mueller     | Rarick     | Swedzinski |                |
| Davis           | Hudson     | Murphy      | Repinski   | Torkelson  |                |

A quorum was present.

The Clerk pro tem proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding day. There being no objection, further reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journal was approved as corrected by the Clerk pro tem.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Speaker announced the next order of business to be the election of the Chief Clerk.

The name of Patrick D. Murphy was placed in nomination by Kresha. The nomination was seconded by Nadeau.

There being no further nominations, the Speaker declared the nominations closed.

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The Clerk pro tem called the roll on the election of the Chief Clerk and the following voted for Murphy:

|                 |            |             |            |            |                |
|-----------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|----------------|
| Allen           | Demuth     | Hudson      | Murphy     | Repinski   | Torkelson      |
| Altendorf       | Dippel     | Igo         | Myers      | Roach      | Van Binsbergen |
| Anderson, P. E. | Dotseth    | Jacob       | Nadeau     | Robbins    | Warwas         |
| Anderson, P. H. | Duran      | Johnson, W. | Nash       | Rymer      | West           |
| Backer          | Engen      | Joy         | Nelson     | Schomacker | Wiener         |
| Bakeberg        | Fogelman   | Knudsen     | Niska      | Schultz    | Witte          |
| Baker           | Franson    | Koznick     | Novotny    | Schwartz   | Zelevnikar     |
| Bennett         | Gander     | Kresha      | O'Driscoll | Scott      |                |
| Bliss           | Gillman    | Lawrence    | Olson      | Sexton     |                |
| Burkel          | Gordon     | McDonald    | Perryman   | Skraba     |                |
| Davids          | Harder     | Mekeland    | Quam       | Stier      |                |
| Davis           | Heintzeman | Mueller     | Rarick     | Swedzinski |                |

Patrick D. Murphy, having received a majority of the votes cast, was declared duly elected Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

#### OATH OF OFFICE

The oath of office was administered to the Chief Clerk-elect by the Speaker.

The Speaker announced the next order of business to be the election of other elected officers of the House of Representatives.

Niska offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

*Resolved*, that the election of other officers, with the exception of the Chief Sergeant at Arms, be made on one roll call unless there should be more than one nomination for any one office.

The motion prevailed and the resolution was adopted.

Niska placed the following names in nomination for elected officers of the Minnesota House of Representatives:

The name of Stefanie R. Miller for First Assistant Chief Clerk.

The name of Cathy K. Carlson for Second Assistant Chief Clerk.

The name of Erica Brynildson for Assistant Sergeant at Arms.

The name of Andrew Olson for Assistant Sergeant at Arms.

The name of Carl Hamre for Index Clerk.

There being no further nominations, the Speaker declared the nominations closed.

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The Chief Clerk called the roll on the election of the other officers and the following members voted for the other officers:

|                 |            |             |            |            |                |
|-----------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|----------------|
| Allen           | Demuth     | Hudson      | Murphy     | Repinski   | Torkelson      |
| Altendorf       | Dippel     | Igo         | Myers      | Roach      | Van Binsbergen |
| Anderson, P. E. | Dotseth    | Jacob       | Nadeau     | Robbins    | Warwas         |
| Anderson, P. H. | Duran      | Johnson, W. | Nash       | Rymer      | West           |
| Backer          | Engen      | Joy         | Nelson     | Schomacker | Wiener         |
| Bakeberg        | Fogelman   | Knudsen     | Niska      | Schultz    | Witte          |
| Baker           | Franson    | Koznick     | Novotny    | Schwartz   | Zelevnikar     |
| Bennett         | Gander     | Kresha      | O'Driscoll | Scott      |                |
| Bliss           | Gillman    | Lawrence    | Olson      | Sexton     |                |
| Burkel          | Gordon     | McDonald    | Perryman   | Skraba     |                |
| Davids          | Harder     | Mekeland    | Quam       | Stier      |                |
| Davis           | Heintzeman | Mueller     | Rarick     | Swedzinski |                |

The nominees, having received a majority of the votes cast, were declared duly elected to their respective offices.

#### OATH OF OFFICE

The oath of office was administered by the Speaker to those elected to the above offices.

The Speaker announced the next order of business to be the election of the Chief Sergeant at Arms.

The name of Lori Hodapp was placed in nomination by Nash. The nomination was seconded by Witte.

There being no further nominations, the Speaker declared the nominations closed.

The Chief Clerk called the roll on the election of the Chief Sergeant at Arms and the following voted for Hodapp:

|                 |            |             |            |            |                |
|-----------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|----------------|
| Allen           | Demuth     | Hudson      | Murphy     | Repinski   | Torkelson      |
| Altendorf       | Dippel     | Igo         | Myers      | Roach      | Van Binsbergen |
| Anderson, P. E. | Dotseth    | Jacob       | Nadeau     | Robbins    | Warwas         |
| Anderson, P. H. | Duran      | Johnson, W. | Nash       | Rymer      | West           |
| Backer          | Engen      | Joy         | Nelson     | Schomacker | Wiener         |
| Bakeberg        | Fogelman   | Knudsen     | Niska      | Schultz    | Witte          |
| Baker           | Franson    | Koznick     | Novotny    | Schwartz   | Zelevnikar     |
| Bennett         | Gander     | Kresha      | O'Driscoll | Scott      |                |
| Bliss           | Gillman    | Lawrence    | Olson      | Sexton     |                |
| Burkel          | Gordon     | McDonald    | Perryman   | Skraba     |                |
| Davids          | Harder     | Mekeland    | Quam       | Stier      |                |
| Davis           | Heintzeman | Mueller     | Rarick     | Swedzinski |                |

Lori Hodapp, having received a majority of the votes cast, was declared duly elected Chief Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives.

### OATH OF OFFICE

The oath of office was administered to the Chief Sergeant at Arms-elect by the Speaker.

Niska offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

*Resolved*, that the Chief Clerk be instructed to inform the Senate by message that the House is duly organized pursuant to law.

The motion prevailed and the resolution was adopted.

Niska offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

*Resolved*, that the Speaker appoint a committee of four members of the House to notify the Governor that the House of Representatives is now duly organized pursuant to law and ready to receive any message he may desire to give them.

The motion prevailed and the resolution was adopted.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following members to the committee to notify the Governor that the House is now organized and ready to receive any message he may desire to give them:

Anderson, P. H.; Koznick; Bakeberg and Rymer.

The committee members just named should meet immediately in the Governor's Office to notify the Governor that the House is now organized. The committee will then return to the House chamber. Later in today's session, the Speaker will call on Representative Anderson, P. H., for a report.

The Speaker announced the following House committee assignments and committee meeting schedule for the 2025-2026 session. (NOTE: All scheduled House committee meetings are held in the Capitol Building unless otherwise noted.)

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## 2025-2026 HOUSE COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

### **Agriculture Finance and Policy --**

Mondays and Wednesdays, 1:00 p.m., G3 Capitol

|                       |                |
|-----------------------|----------------|
| Anderson, P.H., Chair | TBD (DFL Lead) |
| Harder, Vice Chair    | TBD            |
| Burkel                | TBD            |
| Gander                | TBD            |
| Jacob                 | TBD            |
| Lawrence              | TBD            |
| Nelson                |                |

### **Capital Investment --**

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:15 a.m., G23 Capitol

|                    |                |
|--------------------|----------------|
| Franson, Chair     | TBD (DFL Lead) |
| Fogelman, Co-Chair | TBD            |
| Allen              | TBD            |
| Koznick            | TBD            |
| Myers              | TBD            |
| Rymer              | TBD            |
| Sexton             | TBD            |
| Skraba             |                |

### **Commerce Finance and Policy --**

Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, 8:15 a.m., 120 Capitol

|                      |                |
|----------------------|----------------|
| O'Driscoll, Chair    | TBD (DFL Lead) |
| Perryman, Vice Chair | TBD            |
| Allen                | TBD            |
| Davids               | TBD            |
| Dotseth              | TBD            |
| Heintzeman           | TBD            |
| Kresha               | TBD            |
| Rymer                | TBD            |
| Van Binsbergen       | TBD            |
| West                 |                |

### **Children and Families Finance and Policy --**

Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 3:00 p.m., 123 Capitol

|                     |                |
|---------------------|----------------|
| West, Chair         | TBD (DFL Lead) |
| Nelson , Vice Chair | TBD            |
| Altendorf           | TBD            |
| McDonald            | TBD            |
| Nadeau              | TBD            |
| Olson               | TBD            |
| Zelevnikar          |                |

**Education Finance --**

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1:00 p.m., 120 Capitol

|                      |                |
|----------------------|----------------|
| Kresha, Chair        | TBD (DFL Lead) |
| Bakeberg, Vice Chair | TBD            |
| Altendorf            | TBD            |
| Bennett              | TBD            |
| Dippel               | TBD            |
| Hudson               | TBD            |
| Knudsen              | TBD            |
| Lawrence             | TBD            |
| Mueller              | TBD            |
| Quam                 | TBD            |
| Roach                | TBD            |
| Rymer                |                |

**Education Policy --**

Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 3:00 p.m., G23 Capitol

|                     |                |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Bennett, Chair      | TBD (DFL Lead) |
| Mueller, Vice Chair | TBD            |
| Dippel              | TBD            |
| Fogelman            | TBD            |
| Gordon              | TBD            |
| Lawrence            | TBD            |
| Roach               |                |

**Elections Finance and Government Operations--**

Mondays and Wednesdays, 1:00 p.m., G23 Capitol

|                       |                |
|-----------------------|----------------|
| Quam, Chair           | TBD (DFL Lead) |
| Altendorf, Vice Chair | TBD            |
| Davis                 | TBD            |
| Engen                 | TBD            |
| Gordon                | TBD            |
| McDonald              |                |

**Energy Finance and Policy--**

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1:00 p.m., 123 Capitol

|                    |                |
|--------------------|----------------|
| Swedzinski, Chair  | TBD (DFL Lead) |
| Murphy, Vice Chair | TBD            |
| Anderson, P. H.    | TBD            |
| Baker              | TBD            |
| Igo                | TBD            |
| Mekeland           | TBD            |
| Sexton             | TBD            |
| Wiener             |                |

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**Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy --**

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1:00 p.m., G3 Capitol

|                    |                |
|--------------------|----------------|
| Heintzeman, Chair  | TBD (DFL Lead) |
| Burkel, Vice Chair | TBD            |
| Gillman            | TBD            |
| Jacob              | TBD            |
| Nelson             | TBD            |
| Schultz            | TBD            |
| Warwas             |                |

**Ethics --**

Call of the Chair

|                    |                |
|--------------------|----------------|
| Davids, Chair      | TBD (DFL Lead) |
| Myers              | TBD            |
| Bennett, Alternate | TBD, Alternate |

**Fraud Prevention and State Agency Oversight Policy --**

Mondays, 8:15 a.m., 120 Capitol

|                             |                |
|-----------------------------|----------------|
| Robbins, Chair              | TBD (DFL Lead) |
| Anderson, P. E., Vice Chair | TBD            |
| Hudson                      |                |
| Rarick                      |                |
| Scott                       |                |

**Health Finance and Policy --**

Mondays and Wednesdays, 1:00 p.m., 120 Capitol

|                    |                |
|--------------------|----------------|
| Backer, Chair      | TBD (DFL Lead) |
| Nadeau, Vice Chair | TBD            |
| Dippel             | TBD            |
| Franson            | TBD            |
| Gillman            | TBD            |
| Knudsen            | TBD            |
| Perryman           | TBD            |
| Repinski           | TBD            |
| Schomacker         | TBD            |
| Van Binsbergen     | TBD            |
| Zelevnikar         |                |

**Higher Education Finance and Policy --**

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1:00 p.m., G23 Capitol

|                      |                |
|----------------------|----------------|
| Rarick, Chair        | TBD (DFL Lead) |
| Schwartz, Vice Chair | TBD            |
| Allen                | TBD            |

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| Bliss   | TBD |
| Novotny | TBD |
| Robbins | TBD |
| Scott   |     |

**Housing Finance and Policy --**

Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 3:00 p.m., G3 Capitol

|                     |                |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Igo, Chair          | TBD (DFL Lead) |
| Dotseth, Vice Chair | TBD            |
| Johnson, W.         | TBD            |
| Mekeland            | TBD            |
| Myers               | TBD            |
| Nash                | TBD            |
| Skraba              |                |

**Human Services Finance and Policy --**

Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, 8:15 a.m., 123 Capitol

|                     |                |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Schomacker, Chair   | TBD (DFL Lead) |
| Gillman, Vice Chair | TBD            |
| Backer              | TBD            |
| Franson             | TBD            |
| Gander              | TBD            |
| Gordon              | TBD            |
| Jacob               | TBD            |
| Knudsen             | TBD            |
| Murphy              |                |

**Judiciary Finance and Civil Law --**

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:15 a.m., G3 Capitol

|                    |                |
|--------------------|----------------|
| Scott, Chair       | TBD (DFL Lead) |
| Hudson, Vice Chair | TBD            |
| Bliss              | TBD            |
| Duran              | TBD            |
| Engen              | TBD            |
| Rarick             | TBD            |
| Stier              |                |

**Legacy Finance --**

Wednesdays, 10:15 a.m., G3 Capitol

|                    |                |
|--------------------|----------------|
| McDonald, Chair    | TBD (DFL Lead) |
| Skraba, Vice Chair | TBD            |
| Burkel             | TBD            |



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| Dippel     | TBD |
| Heintzeman | TBD |
| Olson      |     |

**Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement--**

Tuesdays, 5:00 p.m., 123 Capitol

|                   |                |
|-------------------|----------------|
| O'Driscoll, Chair | TBD (DFL Lead) |
| Nadeau            | TBD            |
| Stier             | TBD            |

**Public Safety Finance and Policy --**

Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 3:00 p.m., 120 Capitol

|                   |                |
|-------------------|----------------|
| Novotny, Chair    | TBD (DFL Lead) |
| Witte, Vice Chair | TBD            |
| Bliss             | TBD            |
| Duran             | TBD            |
| Engen             | TBD            |
| Hudson            | TBD            |
| Harder            | TBD            |
| Repinski          | TBD            |
| Schwartz          | TBD            |
| Stier             |                |

**Rules and Legislative Administration --**

Call of the Chair

|                   |                |
|-------------------|----------------|
| Niska, Chair      | TBD (DFL Lead) |
| Engen, Vice Chair | TBD            |
| Jacob             | TBD            |
| Nash              | TBD            |
| Scott             | TBD            |
| Schultz           |                |
| Stier             |                |
| Torkelson         |                |
| Zelevnikar        |                |

**State Government Finance and Policy --**

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8:15 a.m., G23 Capitol

|                   |                |
|-------------------|----------------|
| Nash, Chair       | TBD (DFL Lead) |
| Davis, Vice Chair | TBD            |
| Anderson, P. H.   | TBD            |
| Joy               | TBD            |
| Koznick           | TBD            |

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| Quam   | TBD |
| Sexton |     |

**Taxes --**

Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, 10:15 a.m., 120 Capitol

|                 |                |
|-----------------|----------------|
| Davids, Chair   | TBD (DFL Lead) |
| Joy, Vice Chair | TBD            |
| Anderson, P. E. | TBD            |
| Harder          | TBD            |
| Johnson, W.     | TBD            |
| Roach           | TBD            |
| Robbins         | TBD            |
| Schwartz        | TBD            |
| Swedzinski      | TBD            |
| Warwas          | TBD            |
| Wiener          | TBD            |
| Witte           |                |

**Transportation Finance and Policy --**

Mondays and Wednesdays, 1:00 p.m., 123 Capitol

|                   |                |
|-------------------|----------------|
| Koznick, Chair    | TBD (DFL Lead) |
| Myers, Vice Chair | TBD            |
| Anderson, P. E.   | TBD            |
| Fogelman          | TBD            |
| Joy               | TBD            |
| Murphy            | TBD            |
| Olson             | TBD            |
| Skraba            |                |

**Veterans and Military Affairs Division --**

Wednesdays, 8:15 a.m., G23 Capitol

|                   |                |
|-------------------|----------------|
| Bliss, Chair      | TBD (DFL Lead) |
| Olson, Vice Chair | TBD            |
| Bennett           | TBD            |
| Davis             | TBD            |
| Duran             | TBD            |
| Repinski          |                |

**Ways and Means --**

Call of the Chair

|                     |                |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Torkelson, Chair    | TBD (DFL Lead) |
| Robbins, Vice Chair | TBD            |
| Baker               | TBD            |
| Heintzeman          | TBD            |

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| Igo        | TBD |
| Koznick    | TBD |
| Kresha     | TBD |
| Nash       | TBD |
| Novotny    | TBD |
| Rarick     | TBD |
| Schomacker | TBD |
| Scott      | TBD |
| Swedzinski | TBD |
| West       |     |

**Workforce, Labor, and Economic Development Finance and Policy --**

Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, 8:15 a.m., G3 Capitol

|                      |                |
|----------------------|----------------|
| Baker, Chair         | TBD (DFL Lead) |
| Mekeland, Vice Chair | TBD            |
| Bakeberg             | TBD            |
| Johnson, W.          | TBD            |
| Mueller              | TBD            |
| Schultz              | TBD            |
| Zelevnikar           |                |

REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE TO NOTIFY THE  
GOVERNOR THAT THE HOUSE IS NOW ORGANIZED

Anderson, P. H., from the Committee to Notify the Governor reported that Governor Walz was notified that the House is now duly organized and ready to begin the 94th Legislative Session.

IN MEMORIAM

The members-elect of the House of Representatives paused for a moment of silence in memory of former Representative Mary Murphy of Hermantown, Minnesota who served from 1977 to 2022, who passed away on Wednesday, December 25, 2024.

ADJOURNMENT

Niska moved that when the House adjourns today it adjourn until 3:30 p.m., Thursday, January 16, 2025. The motion prevailed.

Niska moved that the House adjourn. The motion prevailed, and the Speaker declared the House stands adjourned until 3:30 p.m., Thursday, January 16, 2025.

PATRICK D. MURPHY, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

