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Legislative Voting Record & Bill Summary





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Mission

The Minnesota Chamber of Commerce will proactively lead the business community statewide to:

- Advance pro-business, responsible Minnesota public policy that creates jobs and grows the economy
- Provide member services to address evolving business needs
- Be nonpartisan



The Minnesota Chamber of Commerce Legislative Voting Record highlights votes on key business concerns. In this second year of the 2013-14 biennium, we made progress on some important issues, but experienced setbacks on others. The issues included in the Voting Record reflect the priorities of our 2,300 member companies statewide, and directly impact their ability to expand, grow and succeed in Minnesota.

The policy and fiscal implications of decisions made by the Legislature and Governor will not be fully known for several years. It is clear, however, that the path they have chosen for Minnesota is one that relies on higher taxes and more government spending as a means to a better state economy, rather than an economically competitive model that strengthens and improves the state's overall business and job-creation climate.

Minnesota's economic recovery, which began in 2010, has allowed for replenishment of budget reserves and repayment of accounting shifts. Passage of \$2.3 billion in tax increases in

2013 provided additional funds for balancing the budget and supported additional spending of \$4.2 billion, a 12% increase. Minnesota's two-year general fund budget is now nearing \$40 billion.

While our economy is recovering, some notes of caution have been sounded. This spring, state revenue and economic updates have reported a four-month downward trend in expected revenue collections, and job losses have been recorded in key economic sectors.

We are grateful to the legislators who listened to the concerns of employers and voted in support of the Minnesota Chamber's positions. After reviewing our report, please take time to thank those policy-makers who voted with the business community on key issues. Don't neglect those who did not. Use their votes to begin a conversation about the impact their actions will have on your business. Help them understand why – had they voted with the Minnesota Chamber – your business would be stronger and potentially employing more of their constituents.



The Minnesota Chamber of Commerce supports improving Minnesota's business climate by reducing uncompetitive taxes and regulations. In 2013, the Legislature increased taxes by \$2.3 billion, heavily relying on the most volatile sources: corporate, individual income and cigarette sales taxes. The February 2014 economic forecast projected a \$1 billion surplus, providing a critical opportunity to repeal the most harmful taxes to business. Tax bill votes from both the 2013 and 2014 sessions are shown in the Voting Record.

2013 Omnibus Tax Bill Conference Committee Report, final votes - House and Senate (HF 677, Lenczewski/Skoe)

WE OPPOSED/BOTH MEASURES PASSED

The tax increases passed in this legislation placed Minnesota as one of the highest tax states in the nation. We have included the vote on this bill because of its significant impacts on the business community.

Among the 2013 tax increases:

- A 25%-increase in income tax, raising \$1.1 billion with 9.85% rate on incomes greater than \$150,000 for single filing, \$250,000 for married joint filing.
- \$424 million (21%) increase in corporate taxes.
- \$314 million in new business-to-business sales taxes.
- \$408 million cigarette tax increase including a \$1.60 per pack tax increase and a 95%-increase in tobacco products.

We supported the Mayo Destination Medical Center, and have long advocated for the capital equipment up-front sales tax exemption and affiliate nexus tax provision. Because the overall tax burdens were so consequential to business competitiveness, the Minnesota Chamber strongly opposed the bill.

2014 Omnibus Tax Bill, final votes - House and Senate (HF 1777, Lenczewski/Skoe)

WE SUPPORTED/BOTH MEASURES PASSED

A top priority for the Minnesota Chamber was repeal of new taxes with greatest immediate detriment to the state's economy. We strongly advocated for repeal of all three business-to-business sales taxes and the newly enacted gift tax. As partners in the 96-member strong United for Jobs Coalition, we succeeded in eliminating these business sales taxes, which made Minnesota an outlier and would have seriously harmed the competitiveness of key state industries including manufacturing, mining, printing, farming, logging and storage/warehousing.

The bill reduced the tax burdens passed in 2013 by \$443 million. It provided for federal conformity which reduced tax filing burdens and provided relief to individuals and some business owners. The bill repealed the new gift tax and increased the Minnesota estate tax threshold to \$2 million – a good first step in mitigating some financial disincentives for Minnesota residency.

Minnesota's National Rankings



Sources: Center for Fiscal Excellence, 50 State Property Tax Study; Tax Foundation, 2014 State Business Tax Climate Index; Tax Foundation, Center for State Tax Policy; and Federation of Tax Administrators, State Rates

Business Property Taxes

2014 Omnibus Supplemental Tax Bill

(HF 3167, Lenczewski/Skoe)

Rep. S. Anderson Amendment - House vote

WE SUPPORTED/MEASURE FAILED

The Minnesota Chamber opposed a provision in the House's second tax bill that would shift \$77 million in business property taxes among business property taxpayers resulting in higher property taxes for businesses of all sizes. Since many small businesses rent or lease in larger facilities, they would experience tax increases from this shift. We supported the amendment offered by Representative Sarah Anderson, R-Plymouth, that would have provided an actual property tax reduction for all business property taxpayers by reducing the overall statewide property tax levy by \$80 million to mitigate the shift. With the \$1.233 billion budget surplus there were sufficient resources to lower the overall statewide levy that flows to the general fund. The Minnesota Chamber supports lowering property taxes, but not by increasing taxes on other business property taxpayers.



Melissa Raphan (left), Dorsey & Whitney LLP, and Beth Strinden Kadoun, Minnesota Chamber director of tax and fiscal policy, testify at a legislative hearing.



Steve Wise (left), president of Cass Screw Machine Products, Brooklyn Center, led legislators on a tour of his facility as part of the grassroots campaign to repeal the business-to-business sales taxes.



LABOR/MANAGEMENT

Minimum Wage, final votes - House and Senate (HF 2091, Winkler/Hayden)

WE OPPOSED/BOTH MEASURES PASSED

This bill dramatically increased Minnesota’s minimum wage above the federal level of \$7.25 and, beginning in 2018, annually indexes the wage to inflation. We supported raising the state’s wage to align with the federal rate. All of Minnesota’s bordering states conform to federal law, and they all provide some recognition of tips as part of an employee’s compensation. Minnesota now has one of the highest minimum wage rates in the nation, especially among states that allow the wage to increase with inflation.

The Minnesota Chamber is concerned that the higher rate will trigger a significant reduction in the availability of entry-level jobs for lower-skilled and/or younger workers. The number of the state’s small businesses that will be affected by this legislation is greater than ever as the bill reduces the definition of a “small employer” from \$625,000 in annual gross sales to \$500,000.

Women’s Economic Security Act

The Minnesota Chamber supports women in the workplace. Minnesota employers are regularly recognized as the best in the nation for women workers. We supported many of the provisions included in the Women’s Economic Security Act, but expressed concerns about litigation risk and exposure for employers. Many of these mandates are not required in any other state. We were especially concerned with proposals that allowed an employee to sue under the Minnesota Human Rights Act, which could take years to resolve a complaint. A lawsuit would leave the employee without an immediate remedy and result in tens of thousands of dollars in unnecessary litigation costs for businesses.

Women’s Economic Security Act: Clarifying Mandates

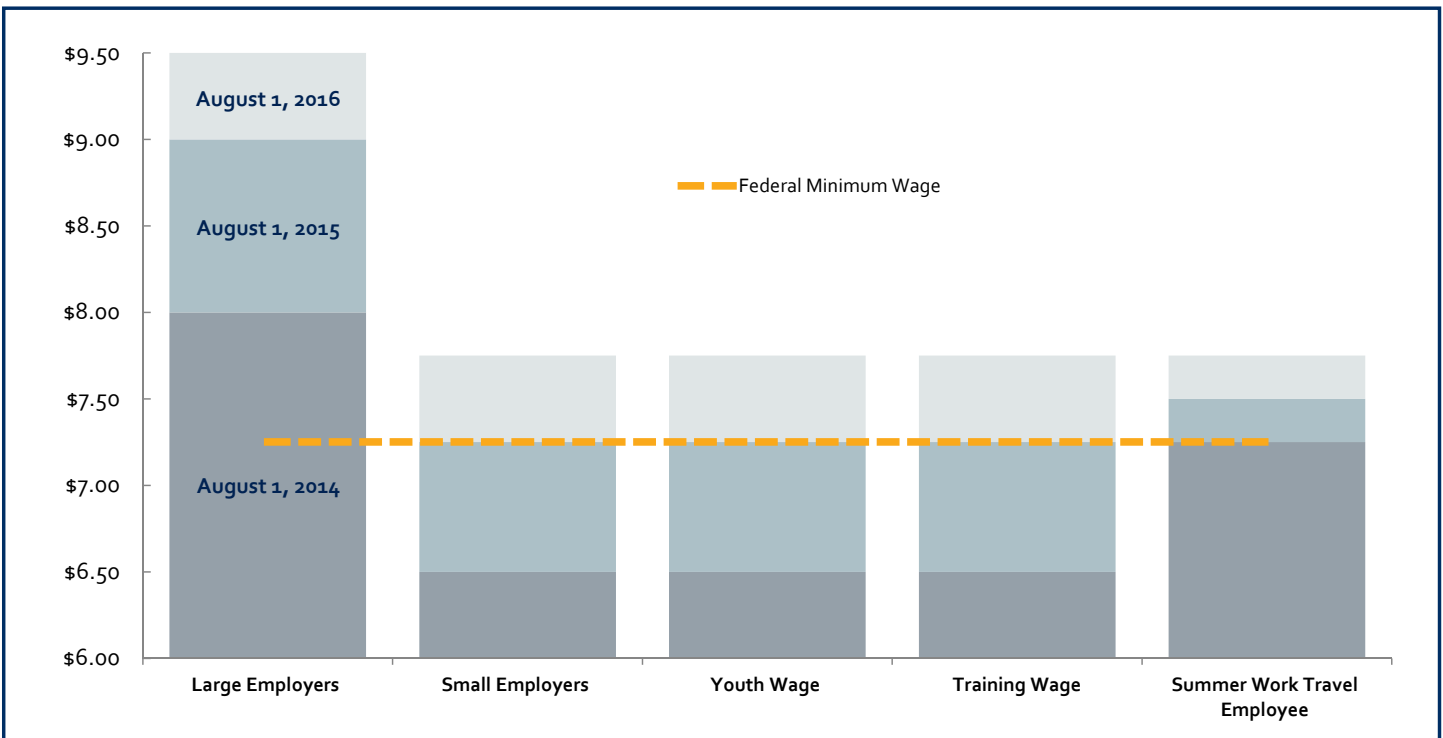
(HF 2536, Melin/Pappas)

Rep. S. Anderson Amendment - House vote

WE SUPPORTED/MEASURE FAILED

The amendment authored by Representative Sarah Anderson, R-Plymouth, sought a reasonable balance for providing protections for working women without greatly increasing litigation costs and exposure for employers. Her amendment offered numerous clarifications to the bill mandates.

NEW MINNESOTA MINIMUM WAGE TO EXCEED FEDERAL WAGE



Women's Economic Security Act:

Conference Committee Report

(HF 2536, Melin/Pappas)

Rep. S. Anderson Motion - House vote

Sen. Rosen Motion - Senate vote

WE SUPPORTED/BOTH MEASURES FAILED

This motion, sponsored by Representative Sarah Anderson, R-Plymouth, and Senator Julie Rosen, R-Fairmont, would have returned the Women's Economic Security Act bill to conference committee to fix outstanding issues which included:

- New compensation analysis reporting and auditing requirements for state contractors that included provisions inconsistent with current state or federal equal pay standards. No other state or federal government contracting rules impose these requirements on employers.
- State and federal law already provide numerous protections for family members to care for their loved ones. Adding "familial status" to the protected class in the Minnesota Human Rights Act will create unnecessary litigation, affecting both private- and public-sector employers. This provision was not in the Senate bill and is one reason the bill should have been sent back to conference committee. Discrimination cases under the Human Rights Act are complicated and costly.

The Minnesota Chamber worked for months with the bill authors, advocates, stakeholders and legislators to ensure that the new employer mandates and legal requirements were understandable, reasonable and enforceable. Because these issues remained unaddressed, the law includes numerous provisions with unintended and problematic consequences.

EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

It is vital that Minnesota's schools are preparing the world-class, skilled workforce necessary for Minnesota's economy to develop and grow. The Minnesota Chamber strongly supports policies aimed at closing the achievement gap and improving the strength of the education-to-workforce pipeline.

K-12 Education

Several measures championed by the Minnesota Chamber were included in the omnibus K-12 education bill (HF 2397, Mariani/Torres Ray), including improving the information provided to parents about student academic progress, expanding project-based learning and internship programs in high schools, and enhancing students' career plans to include employment and salary data to help with career planning.

The K-12 bill also included language strongly supported by the Minnesota Chamber that allows Minnesota colleges and universities to share information with certain students about the financial benefits of taking college classes in high school. An amendment limited sharing this information to students in high school with fewer than 700 students. While this limitation is disappointing, the overall changes made to the post-secondary enrollment options law are an important step toward improving college affordability for Minnesota students.

Keeping the Best Teachers Regardless of Seniority: Staffing Flexibility

(HF 2397, Mariani/Torres Ray)

Rep. S. Erickson Amendment - House vote

Sen. Pratt Amendment - Senate vote

WE SUPPORTED/BOTH MEASURES FAILED

Staffing flexibility continues to be at the top of the list of needed K-12 reforms. The Minnesota Chamber again championed a bill that would have provided school leaders with the flexibility to retain the best teachers in the classroom, regardless of seniority. Neither the House nor the Senate policy committees heard the bill. However, attempts were made in both the House and the Senate to include the language as an amendment to the K-12 bill, though both attempts ultimately failed.

Workforce Development – Apprenticeships (SF 2427 – Bonoff/HF 2933 – Norton)*

The Minnesota Chamber continues to work toward improving alignment between education and the skills needed in the workplace. Our focus was on legislation to develop standards for apprenticeships and training programs that pair on-the-job-training with classroom instruction. Senator Terri Bonoff, DFL-Minnetonka, and Representative Kim Norton (DFL-Rochester), introduced a bill to establish industry councils to develop training

*Indicates a bill that was not scored.

standards based on industry-recognized credentials for dual training programs. The bill also enables the Department of Labor to exempt 16- and 17-year-olds enrolled in approved training programs from certain labor law restrictions. The bill passed as part of the omnibus supplemental appropriations bill (HF 3172 – Carlson/Cohen).



ENVIRONMENT

Minnesota businesses have expressed frustration about the time required to process environmental review documents and environmental permits. The Minnesota Chamber's goal is for the state's permitting system to be the best in the nation, ensuring a rigorous and efficient process that protects the environment while facilitating economic growth.



Tony Kwilas, Director, Environmental Policy

Environmental Permitting (HF 2543, Hortman/Scalze)

Rep. Fabian Amendment - House vote

Sen. Ingebrigtsen Amendment - Senate vote

WE SUPPORTED/BOTH MEASURES FAILED

The Minnesota Chamber supported additional streamlining of the environmental review and permitting system to better reflect the average time to process permits. Amendments authored by Representative Dan Fabian, R-Roseau, and Senator Bill Ingebrigtsen, R-Alexandria, proposed to improve the timeline for processing permits from 90 days to 75 days.

Recycling Mandate

**(HF 3172 - Omnibus Supplemental Budget Bill,
Carlson/Cohen)**

Rep. Torkelson Amendment - House vote

WE SUPPORTED/MEASURE PASSED

The Minnesota Chamber supported the amendment offered by Representative Paul Torkelson, R-Hanska, eliminating a mandate requiring all businesses that generate more than two cubic yards of waste per week (one dumpster) to recycle three of four materials including, but not limited to, paper, glass, plastic and metal. We support an integrated waste management system that protects the environment and relies on competition to provide the most cost-effective waste management options. One size does not fit all in waste management systems. What is available for business owners in the metro area may not be available in communities in Greater Minnesota.

Recycling mandate, metro

(SF 663, C. Johnson/Johnson)

Conference Committee Report - Senate vote

WE OPPOSED/MEASURE PASSED

The conference committee report contained a mandate on all Twin Cities businesses that generate 4 cubic yards of waste a week to recycle three of four items including, but not limited to, paper, glass, plastic and metal, effective January 2016. We opposed this requirement not only because it is another mandate on businesses, but because we believe flexibility is key to the success of any recycling program. Recycling options are not consistent across the seven-county metropolitan area.

ELECTIONS

June Primary Election (SF 2390, Sieben/Bernardy)

Rep. Sanders Amendment - House vote

WE SUPPORTED/MEASURE FAILED

The Minnesota Chamber continued to advocate moving the statewide primary election from August to June to drive stronger voter turnout, maximize voter contact efforts, and ensure a broader and more inclusive candidate selection process. Representative Tim Sanders, R-Blaine, offered an amendment to SF 2390, the elections bill, to move Minnesota's primary election date to June. While the amendment failed, support for moving the primary to a more sensible point in the election cycle continues to build.

HEALTH CARE

Deep experience with health care innovation and delivery in Minnesota were strong reasons for the Minnesota Chamber's support for creating a state-based health insurance exchange in 2013. However, we were disappointed when the exchange that was created prohibited individuals with expertise from the health care and health insurance industries from participating on the board. For small and mid-sized companies in the fully insured market, cost increases are harder to bear. For these reasons, the 2013 votes on passage of the states' health insurance exchange – MNsure – are included in this year's voting record.

The troubled rollout of MNsure unfortunately had a chilling effect on legislative interest in addressing some of these issues in the 2014 session.

Health Insurance Rates (HF 3172 - Omnibus Supplemental Budget Bill, Carlson/Cohen)

Sen. Rosen Amendment - Senate vote

WE SUPPORTED/MEASURE FAILED

This amendment required the Commissioner of Commerce to publish the rates for health insurance plans – both inside and outside of MNsure – by October 1 of this year. This would have provided small business owners with the time and information necessary to make informed decisions about how best to provide for

the health care needs of their employees. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services has projected that 65% of small businesses will see an increase in their health insurance premiums next year.

On three occasions, Representative Matt Dean, R-Dellwood, attempted to prompt a vote on this language on the House floor. House leaders refused to allow a vote, arguing that the proposal was not germane to the bills being debated, which covered public health programs, health and human services funding, and various duties of the Commissioner of Commerce relating to insurance. The Senate voted on the early release language; unfortunately, the amendment failed.

TRANSPORTATION

The Minnesota Chamber supports investment in our state's transportation infrastructure to move goods and people in a safe, efficient and effective manner. This year, we focused on more efficient use of existing transportation resources rather than asking businesses to absorb another tax increase on the heels of the \$2.3 billion in new taxes raised in 2013. Efficiencies maximize resources and allow for more projects to be funded. We recognize that all of the state's infrastructure needs cannot be met through efficiency efforts. However, Minnesota's transportation agencies must find innovative ways of maximizing funding received.

Spending Efficiencies (HF 3172 - Omnibus Supplemental Budget Bill, Carlson/Cohen)

Rep. O'Neill Amendment - House vote*

Sen. J. Pederson Amendment - Senate vote*

WE SUPPORTED/MEASURE PASSED

This amendment required the Minnesota Department of Transportation to meet a 5% efficiency goal in its FY15 construction budget. It will add more than \$46 million to MnDOT's construction budget in FY15 without increased costs to the public. This efficiency target starts the long overdue process of making good on the promise to stretch the \$6.6 billion approved in 2008. While it is a somewhat modest start, it gives MnDOT an opportunity to demonstrate how it can be ramped up to cover at least 15% of any and all future funding gaps.

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Majority Leader Erin Murphy	DFL	64A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Minority Leader Kurt Daudt	R	31A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Jim Abeler	R	35A	+	+	NV	+	+	+	NV	+	+	NV	+
Representative Tony Albright	R	55B	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Susan Allen	DFL	62B	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Mark Anderson	R	09A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Paul Anderson	R	12B	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Sarah Anderson	R	44A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+
Representative Tom Anzelc	DFL	05B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-
Representative Joe Atkins	DFL	52B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Bob Barrett	R	32B	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+
Representative Michael Beard	R	55A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	+
Representative John Benson	DFL	44B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Mike Benson	R	26B	+	+	NV	+	+	+	NV	+	+	-	+
Representative Connie Bernardy	DFL	41A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative David Bly	DFL	20B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Kathy Brynaert	DFL	19B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Lyndon Carlson	DFL	45A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Karen Clark	DFL	62A	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Tony Cornish	R	23B	+	+	NV	+	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+
Representative Greg Davids	R	28B	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+
Representative Jim Davnie	DFL	63A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Matt Dean	R	38B	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	+
Representative Raymond Dehn	DFL	59B	-	+	NV	-	-	-	NV	-	-	-	-
Representative Bob Dettmer	R	39A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+
Representative David Dill	DFL	03A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-
Representative Zachary Dorholt	DFL	14B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Steve Drazkowski	R	21B	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	NV
Representative Ron Erhardt	DFL	49A	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-
Representative Roger Erickson	DFL	02A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-
Representative Sondra Erickson	R	15A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Dan Fabian	R	01A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Andrew Falk	DFL	17A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	NV	-
Representative Tim Faust	DFL	11B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-

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Representative Peter Fischer	DFL	43A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative David Fitzsimmons	R	30B	+	+	+	NV	NV	+	+	+	+	-	+
Representative Mary Franson	R	08B	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Mike Freiberg	DFL	45B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Patti Fritz	DFL	24B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Pat Garofalo	R	58B	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	+
Representative Steve Green	R	02B	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Glenn Gruenhagen	R	18B	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+
Representative Bob Gunther	R	23A	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+
Representative Tom Hackbarth	R	31B	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+
Representative Laurie Halverson	DFL	51B	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+
Representative Rod Hamilton	R	22B	+	+	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+	-	+
Representative Rick Hansen	DFL	52A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Alice Hausman	DFL	66A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Jerry Hertaus	R	33A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+
Representative Debra Hilstrom	DFL	40B	-	+	-	-	NV	-	-	NV	-	-	-
Representative Mary Liz Holberg	R	58A	+	+	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+	-	+
Representative Joe Hoppe	R	47B	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	+
Representative Frank Hornstein	DFL	61A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Melissa Hortman	DFL	36B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Jeff Howe	R	13A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Thomas Huntley	DFL	07A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Jason Isaacson	DFL	42B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Brian Johnson	R	32A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Clark Johnson	DFL	19A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Sheldon Johnson	DFL	67B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Phyllis Kahn	DFL	60B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Tim Kelly	R	21A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Andrea Kieffer	R	53B	+	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Debra Kiel	R	01B	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+
Representative Ron Kresha	R	09B	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Carolyn Laine	DFL	41B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Ernie Leidiger	R	47A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+
Representative Ann Lenczewski	DFL	50B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-

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Representative Tina Lieblich	DFL	26A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Ben Lien	DFL	04A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-
Representative Leon Lillie	DFL	43B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Diane Loeffler	DFL	60A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Kathy Lohmer	R	39B	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+
Representative Jenifer Loon	R	48B	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Tara Mack	R	57A	+	+	NV	+	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+
Representative Tim Mahoney	DFL	67A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Carlos Mariani	DFL	65B	-	+	-	NV	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Paul Marquart	DFL	04B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Sandra Masin	DFL	51A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Joe McDonald	R	29A	+	+	NV	+	NV	+	NV	+	+	-	+
Representative Jay McNamar	DFL	12A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-
Representative Denny McNamara	R	54B	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Carly Melin	DFL	06A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-
Representative Jason Metsa	DFL	06B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-
Representative Rena Moran	DFL	65A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	NV	-
Representative Will Morgan	DFL	56B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-
Representative Joe Mullery	DFL	59A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Mary Murphy	DFL	03B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Pam Myhra	R	56A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Michael V. Nelson	DFL	40A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Jim Newberger	R	15B	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Jerry Newton	DFL	37A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-
Representative Bud Nornes	R	08A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Kim Norton	DFL	25B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-
Representative Tim O'Driscoll	R	13B	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Marion O'Neill	R	29B	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Michael Paymar	DFL	64B	-	+	-	-	-	NV	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Gene Pelowski	DFL	28A	-	+	-	+	-	NV	-	-	+	-	-
Representative Joyce Peppin	R	34A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative John Persell	DFL	05A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative John Petersburg	R	24A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+

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Representative Jeanne Poppe	DFL	27B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-
Representative Cindy Pugh	R	33B	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+
Representative Duane Quam	R	25A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+
Representative Joe Radinovich	DFL	10B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	NV	+	-
Representative Paul Rosenthal	DFL	49B	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
Representative Linda Runbeck	R	38A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+
Representative Tim Sanders	R	37B	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Shannon Savick	DFL	27A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-
Representative Mary Sawatzky	DFL	17B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-
Representative Dan Schoen	DFL	54A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Joe Schomacker	R	22A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Peggy Scott	R	35B	+	+	NV	+	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+
Representative Yvonne Selcer	DFL	48A	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	-	-	-
Representative Steve Simon	DFL	46B	-	+	NV	-	-	NV	NV	-	NV	-	-
Representative Erik Simonson	DFL	07B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Linda Slocum	DFL	50A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Mike Sundin	DFL	11A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Chris Swedzinski	R	16A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Tama Theis	R	14A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Paul Torkelson	R	16B	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Mark Uglem	R	36A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Dean Urdahl	R	18A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Jean Wagenius	DFL	63B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Joann Ward	DFL	53A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-
Representative John Ward	DFL	10A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	NV	NV	-	-
Representative Anna Wills	R	57B	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Ryan Winkler	DFL	46A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Kelby Woodard	R	20A	+	+	+	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+	+
Representative Barb Yarusso	DFL	42A	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Representative Kurt Zellers	R	34B	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	+	+	NV	+
Representative Nick Zerwas	R	30A	+	+	NV	+	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+
Speaker Paul Thissen	DFL	61B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Majority Leader Thomas M. Bakk	DFL	3	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Minority Leader David W. Hann	R	48	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
President Pro Tempore Ann H. Rest	DFL	45	-	+	-	+	NV	-	NV	-	-
Senate President Sandra L. Pappas	DFL	65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senator Bruce D. Anderson	R	29	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Senator Michelle Benson	R	31	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Senator Terri E. Bonoff	DFL	44	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-
Senator David M. Brown	R	15	NV	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Senator Jim Carlson	DFL	51	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senator Roger C. Chamberlain	R	38	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Senator Bobby Joe Champion	DFL	59	-	+	-	-	NV	-	-	-	-
Senator Greg D. Clausen	DFL	57	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senator Richard Cohen	DFL	64	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senator Kevin L. Dahle	DFL	20	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senator Gary Dahms	R	16	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	+	+
Senator D. Scott Dibble	DFL	61	-	+	-	-	NV	-	-	-	-
Senator Kari Dziejcz	DFL	60	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senator Chris A. Eaton	DFL	40	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senator Kent Eken	DFL	4	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-
Senator Michelle L. Fischbach	R	13	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Senator Melisa Franzen	DFL	49	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-
Senator Paul E. Gazelka	R	9	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Senator Barb Goodwin	DFL	41	-	+	-	-	-	-	NV	-	-
Senator Dan D. Hall	R	56	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Senator Foug Hawj	DFL	67	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senator Jeff Hayden	DFL	62	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senator John A. Hoffman	DFL	36	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senator Karin Housley	R	39	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+

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Senator Bill Ingebrigtsen	R	8	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Senator Vicki Jensen	DFL	24	+	+	+	+	NV	-	-	-	-
Senator Alice M. Johnson	DFL	37	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senator Susan Kent	DFL	53	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-
Senator Mary Kiffmeyer	R	30	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	+	+
Senator Lyle Koenen	DFL	17	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-
Senator Ron Latz	DFL	46	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-
Senator Warren Limmer	R	34	+	+	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+
Senator Tony Lourey	DFL	11	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senator John Marty	DFL	66	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senator James P. Metzen	DFL	52	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senator Jeremy R. Miller	R	28	+	+	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+
Senator Carla J. Nelson	R	26	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Senator Scott J. Newman	R	18	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Senator Sean R. Nienow	R	32	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Senator Julianne E. Ortman	R	47	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Senator David J. Osmeck	R	33	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Senator John C. Pederson	R	14	+	+	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+
Senator Branden Petersen	R	35	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Senator Eric R. Pratt	R	55	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Senator Roger J. Reinert	DFL	7	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senator Julie A. Rosen	R	23	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Senator Carrie Ruud	R	10	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Senator Tom Saxhaug	DFL	5	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-
Senator Bev Scalze	DFL	42	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senator Matt Schmit	DFL	21	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	NV
Senator David H. Senjem	R	25	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Senator Kathy Sheran	DFL	19	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Senator Katie Sieben	DFL	54	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senator Rod Skoe	DFL	2	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-
Senator Dan Sparks	DFL	27	-	+	+	-	NV	+	-	-	-
Senator LeRoy A. Stumpf	DFL	1	-	+	NV	-	-	+	-	-	-
Senator Dave Thompson	R	58	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Senator David J. Tomassoni	DFL	6	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senator Patricia Torres Ray	DFL	63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senator Bill Weber	R	22	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Senator Torrey N. Westrom	R	12	+	+	+	+	+	NV	NV	+	+
Senator Charles W. Wiger	DFL	43	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senator Melissa H. Wiklund	DFL	50	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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