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Second Calendar Day - Second Session Day

Hall of the House of Representatives
Des Moines, Iowa, Tuesday, January 13, 2026

The House met pursuant to adjournment at 8:34 a.m., Speaker Grassley in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Dunwell of Jasper.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Charlie Cherry, Page from Belmond.

The Journal of Monday, January 12, 2026, was approved.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

The following messages were received from the Senate:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has on January 12, 2026, adopted the following resolution in which the concurrence of the Senate was asked:

[House Concurrent Resolution 101](#), a concurrent resolution providing for a joint convention for the Condition of the State Address.

Also: That the Senate has on January 12, 2026, adopted the following resolution in which the concurrence of the Senate was asked:

[House Concurrent Resolution 102](#), a concurrent resolution providing for a joint convention for the Condition of the Judiciary Address.

Also: That the Senate has on January 12, 2026, adopted the following resolution in which the concurrence of the Senate was asked:

[House Concurrent Resolution 103](#), a concurrent resolution providing for a joint convention for the Condition of the Iowa National Guard.

W. CHARLES SMITHSON, Secretary

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

[House Joint Resolution 2001](#), by Gearhart, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Iowa relating to the sponsorship of bills by members of the general assembly.

Read first time and referred to committee on **State Government**.

[House Joint Resolution 2002](#), by Gearhart, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Iowa altering the terms of service for members of the house of representatives.

Read first time and referred to committee on **State Government**.

[House File 2001](#), by Gearhart, a bill for an act relating to water efficiency of data centers, including requirements for water-efficient cooling technologies and encouragement for the use of nonpotable and recycled water sources, providing civil penalties, and including effective date and applicability provisions.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Commerce**.

[House File 2002](#), by Gearhart, a bill for an act requiring the legislative council to enter into an agreement with a qualified person to conduct a review of Iowa's public education system, and including effective date provisions.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Education**.

[House File 2003](#), by Wills, a bill for an act requiring the department of education to develop and administer a pilot program that requires certain specified school districts to establish attendance centers for students requiring special education and students with behavioral issues.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Education**.

[House File 2004](#), by Stone, a bill for an act relating to nonpublic school student participation in extracurricular interscholastic

activities provided by public schools.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Education**.

[House File 2005](#), by Bradley, a bill for an act providing for education related to the holocaust for students and teachers in school districts.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Education**.

[House File 2006](#), by Gearhart, a bill for an act relating to health care coverage of certain nonstate public employees and officials under the state health insurance plan, providing fees, making appropriations, and including effective date provisions.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Health and Human Services**.

[House File 2007](#), by Gearhart, a bill for an act establishing a rural emergency response enhancement program, making appropriations, and including effective date provisions.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Health and Human Services**.

[House File 2008](#), by Barker, a bill for an act relating to state child care assistance payments to child care providers for days a child receiving foster care is absent from scheduled child care.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Health and Human Services**.

[House File 2009](#), by Barker, a bill for an act relating to manufacturers and distributors of 340B drugs.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Health and Human Services**.

[House File 2010](#), by Gearhart, a bill for an act relating to the advertising of prescription drugs and vaccines and providing civil penalties.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Health and Human Services**.

[House File 2011](#), by Gearhart, a bill for an act relating to the taxation and regulation of alternative nicotine products and vapor products, creating the Iowa cancer research fund, and including effective date provisions.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Health and Human Services**.

[House File 2012](#), by Ingels, a bill for an act authorizing resident students who are admitted to and in attendance in a comprehensive transition and postsecondary program to participate in the Iowa tuition grants program.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Higher Education**.

[House File 2013](#), by Meggers, a bill for an act relating to county attorneys, including workplace requirements, prohibited actions, and duties.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Judiciary**.

[House File 2014](#), by Gearhart, a bill for an act relating to child preference for physical care of the child and parental visitation rights, and including effective date provisions.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Judiciary**.

[House File 2015](#), by Fett, a bill for an act relating to restitution for the torture, injury, or killing of a police service dog, and modifying penalties.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Judiciary**.

[House File 2016](#), by Fett, a bill for an act relating to requirements for proof of ownership of dogs and providing penalties.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Judiciary**.

[House File 2017](#), by Ingels, a bill for an act creating a state work opportunity tax credit available against the individual and corporate income taxes, and including retroactive applicability provisions.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Labor and Workforce**.

[House File 2018](#), by Barker, a bill for an act relating to stickers affixed to county and city motor vehicles operating on ethanol blended gasoline.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Local Government**.

[House File 2019](#), by Ingels, a bill for an act relating to nominations for election to school district offices.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Local Government**.

[House File 2020](#), by Gearhart, a bill for an act relating to hunter education requirements.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Natural Resources**.

[House File 2021](#), by Gearhart, a bill for an act relating to ginseng harvesting privileges for disabled veterans.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Natural Resources**.

[House File 2022](#), by Meggers, a bill for an act relating to the color of light displayed by headlamps and auxiliary driving lamps, and making penalties applicable.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Public Safety**.

[House File 2023](#), by Meggers, a bill for an act relating to speed limits, including the speed limit in school districts and the penalty for speeding in excess of twenty miles per hour over the limit.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Public Safety**.

[House File 2024](#), by Stone, a bill for an act relating to motor vehicle window tint, and making penalties applicable.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Public Safety**.

[House File 2025](#), by Zabner, Kaufmann, Thomson, and Jacoby, a bill for an act relating to historical resource research centers.

Read first time and referred to committee on **State Government**.

[House File 2026](#), by Holt, a bill for an act relating to the display of flags on public schools and state-owned buildings.

Read first time and referred to committee on **State Government**.

[House File 2027](#), by Stone, a bill for an act relating to the sales tax holiday.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Ways and Means**.

[House File 2028](#), by Lundgren, a bill for an act relating to establishing a reciprocal tax agreement study by the department of revenue, and including effective date provisions.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Ways and Means**.

[House File 2029](#), by Bossman, a bill for an act relating to health care coverage of public school district personnel under the state health insurance plan, providing fees, making appropriations, and including effective date provisions.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Commerce**.

[House File 2030](#), by Barker, a bill for an act relating to state child care assistance payments.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Health and Human Services**.

[House File 2031](#), by Collins, a bill for an act relating to the peace officer, public safety, and emergency personnel bill of rights, including fees, expenses, and court costs.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Public Safety**.

SENATE MESSAGE CONSIDERED

[Senate File 654](#), by committee on Ways and Means, a bill for an act relating to wildlife, including the treatment of beaver dams, identification for traps, snares, and tree stands, and maximum fur dealer license fees, and making penalties applicable.

Read first time and referred to committee on **Ways and Means**.

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF THE
COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION AND RULES

January 12, 2026

To: Administration and Rules Committee

From: Meghan Nelson, Chief Clerk

Pursuant to [Senate Concurrent Resolution 6](#), duly adopted during the 89th General Assembly, the following is a list of changes for officers and employees of the House:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	Grade- Step	Class of Appoint- ment	Effective Date
Executive Sec. to Speaker	Natalie R. Payne	24-2 to	P-FT	04-11-25
Confidential Sec. to Spkr.		27-2		
Dep. Caucus Staff Director	Brian E. Guillaume	36-4+1 to	P-FT	04-25-25
		36-6+1		
Legis. Res. Analyst III	Kelsey A. Thien	35-7 to	P-FT	04-25-25
		35-8		
Legis. Res. Analyst III	Alison R. Ver Schuer	35-7+1 to	P-FT	04-25-25
Sr. Legis. Res. Analyst		38-7		
Sr. Admin. Assist. to Ldr. II	Kevin M. McCarthy	41-5	P-FT	06-18-25
Sr. Admin. Services Officer	Molly M. Dolan	35-5 to	P-FT	08-29-25
		35-6		
Sr. Finance Officer I	Phyllis J. Pierce	31-8 to	P-FT	08-29-25
Sr. Finance Officer II		35-6		
Admin. Assist. to Ldr.	Dylan W. Engelbrecht	27-2 to	P-FT	09-12-25
		27-3		
Admin. Assist. to Ldr. II	Tyler J. Redenbaugh	32-5	P-FT	09-12-25
Admin. Assist. III to Spkr.	Melissa M. Deatsch Saitz	35-6 to	P-FT	11-07-25
		35-7		
<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	Grade- Step	Class of Appoint- ment	Effective Date
Admin. Services Officer I	Joseph M. Brown	26-2	P-FT	11-12-25
Sr. Legis. Res. Analyst	Natalie B. Ginty	38-7	P-FT	11-21-25
		38-8		
Legis. Res. Analyst II	Mindy R. Larsen	32-7	P-FT	12-03-25

Legis. Res. Analyst III	Jason A. Covey	35-5 to 35-6	P-FT	12-19-25
Sr. Admin. Services Officer	Jamie L. Croatt	35-8 to 35-8	P-FT	12-19-25
Assist. Chief Clerk of the House II	David M. Wade	17-2 to 20-5	E-FT	12-22-25
Legis. Comm. Secretary	Tess A. Dorman	27-3 to 27-4	P-FT	01-02-26
Admin. Services Assistant	Malba I. Ali	16-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Carter Boatright	17-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Comm. Secretary	Josephine A. Bond	16-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Candace J. Bradley	16-2 to 18-8	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Comm. Secretary	John W. Brandsgard	15-2	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Emilia F. Broich	15-1 to 16-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	James A. Campbell	17-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Comm. Secretary	Jacqueline M. Chapman	17-1	S-O	01-12-26
Postmaster	Jacklyn L. Cherry	12-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Cassandra Contreras Franco	16-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Benjamin T. DeTaeve	16-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Comm. Secretary	Anna R. Dittmer	18-8 to 17-8	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Laura N. Engel	16-3 to 18-3	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Comm. Secretary	Patti M. Evans	18-8 to 17-2	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Andrew M. Farrell	16-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Gabriela D. Fry	16-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Comm. Secretary	Addisyn K. Fuchs	17-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Magdalene A. Girardi	16-1	S-O	01-12-26
Switchboard Operator	Lillie S.A. Gideon	14-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Emily A. Goshorn	16-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Comm. Secretary	Danielle E. Heartsill	18-8 to 17-8	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Hannah J. Heartsill	16-1 to 18-7	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Comm. Secretary	Wilson R. Hedderich	17-7 to 15-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Peyton J. Hoffman	17-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Comm. Secretary	Owen C. Hubbard	17-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Marla A. Judge-Rohret	16-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Norah E. Judson	17-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Connor D. Junkins	16-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Isatu Kallay	16-1	S-O	01-12-26
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Legis. Comm. Secretary	William R. Keck	17-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Nicholas R. Larson	15-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Comm. Secretary	Grace K. Lohse	17-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Quinn A. Margrett	18-1	S-O	01-12-26

Legis. Secretary	Hannah Meshek	15-1 to	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Comm. Secretary		17-1		
Legis. Secretary	Rayce C. Meyer	16-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Ava E. Mohr	15-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Kylie R. Muecke	15-2 to	S-O	01-12-26
		16-2		
Legis. Secretary	Bridgett K. Murphy	16-1 to	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Comm. Secretary		18-1		
Legis. Secretary	Elliot T. Nelson	16-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Samantha C. Olson	17-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Lilith K. Orne	16-2 to	S-O	01-12-26
		15-2		
Legis. Secretary	Jeffrey J. Ortiz	16-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Comm. Secretary	Amanda J. Ostrem	17-7	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Riley A. Palmer	16-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Alexandra M. Paulson	16-2 to	S-O	01-12-26
		15-2		
Legis. Secretary	Rebecca A. Pike	16-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Sophia Roberts	16-1 to	S-O	01-12-26
		18-1		
Legis. Secretary	Joseph D. Robinson	15-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Steven J. Roth	16-1 to	S-O	01-12-26
Sergeant-At-Arms		20-1		
Legis. Comm. Secretary	Henry M. Rose	17-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Samuel E. Schoening	15-2	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Rebekah K. Schurz	17-1 to	S-O	01-12-26
		18-1		
Legis. Secretary	Hunter A. Seelye	16-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Rayna L. Shipley	16-2 to	S-O	01-12-26
		17-2		
Legis. Comm. Secretary	Carter B. Sinclair	17-1 to	S-O	01-12-26
		18-7		
Legis. Secretary	Morgan C. Smith	16-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Comm. Secretary	Maria B. Sorensen	17-2 to	S-O	01-12-26
		17-3		
Legis. Secretary	Camryn K. Spangler	16-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Ella J. Stafford	16-2	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Comm. Secretary	Jescey A. Thompson	17-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Lucas J. Vroom	16-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Emily J. Wanninger	16-1	S-O	01-12-26
Legis. Secretary	Maycen I. Zimmerman	16-1	S-O	01-12-26

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The following are resignations from the officers and employees of the House:

Sr. Admin. Assist. to Ldr. II	D. Dean Fiihr Jr.	05-15-25
Sr. Admin. Assist. to Ldr. II	Jake D. Friedrichsen	05-19-25
Admin. Services Officer	Joseph M. Brown	08-28-25
Sr. Assist. Chief Clerk of the House	Jason M. Chapman	10-03-25
Sr. Legis. Res. Analyst	Lewis E. Olson	01-01-26

January 12, 2026

To: Administration and Rules Committee
From: Meghan Nelson, Chief Clerk

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<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Grade- Step</u>	<u>Class of Appoint- ment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Facilities Manager II	Zachary L. Bunkers	38-7 to 41-5	P-FT	08-15-25
Sr. Facilities Manager				
Legis. Security Officer I	James A. Eyberg	20-6 to 20-7	P-FT	10-24-25
Legis. Security Officer I	Joseph K. Farver	20-4 to 20-5	P-FT	10-24-25
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<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Grade- Step</u>	<u>Appoint- ment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Legis. Security Officer I	Mark G. Hurm	20-2 to 20-3	P-FT	10-24-25
Legis. Security Officer I	Todd M. Koenig	20-1 to 20-2	P-FT	10-24-25

Legis. Security Officer I	Gregg A. Logan	20-2 to 20-3	P-FT	10-24-25
Legis. Security Officer I	Donald R. Smith	20-3 to 20-4	P-FT	10-24-25
Legis. Security Officer I	Marland H. Winter	20-5 to 20-6	P-FT	10-24-25
Legis. Security Officer I	Michael H. Winter	20-7 to 20-8	P-FT	10-24-25
Legis. Security Officer I	Richard G. Pierce	20-1 to 20-2	P-FT	11-07-25
Legis. Security Officer I	Jeffrey L. Panknen	20-4 to 23-2	P-FT	11-13-25
Legis. Security Officer II				
Legis. Security Officer I	Jeffrey L. Quigle	20-5 to 20-6	P-FT	11-21-25
Postmaster	Dianne A. Walsh	12-1 to 12-2	S-O	01-12-26

COMMITTEE TO NOTIFY THE SENATE

Jones of Clay moved that a committee of three be appointed to notify the Senate that the House was ready to receive it in Joint Convention.

The motion prevailed and the Speaker appointed as such committee Jones of Clay, Chair; Wilz of Wapello and Amos Jr. of Black Hawk.

On motion by Kaufmann of Cedar, the House was recessed at 8:47 a.m., until 5:30 p.m.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The House reconvened at 5:44 p.m., Speaker Grassley in the chair.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO NOTIFY THE SENATE

Jones of Clay, Chair of the committee appointed to notify the Senate that the House was ready to receive it in Joint Convention, reported that the committee had performed its duty.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced the arrival of the President of the Senate, the Secretary of the Senate and the honorable body of the Senate.

The Senate President was escorted to the Speaker's station, the Secretary to the Chief Clerk's desk and the members of the Senate were seated in the House chamber.

JOINT CONVENTION

In accordance with law and [House Concurrent Resolution 1](#), duly adopted, the Joint Convention was called to order at 5:46 p.m., Senate President Sinclair presiding.

Senator Klimesh of Winneshiek moved that the roll call be dispensed with and that the President of the Joint Convention be authorized to declare a quorum present, which motion prevailed.

Senate President Sinclair announced a quorum present and the Joint Convention duly organized.

Senator Klimesh of Winneshiek moved that a committee of six, consisting of three members from the Senate and three members from the House of Representatives be appointed to notify and escort Governor Kim Reynolds into the House chamber and receive her.

The motion prevailed and the Senate President appointed as such committee Senators Whitver of Polk, Gruenhagen of Scott and Drey of Woodbury, on the part of the Senate, and Representatives Gustoff of Polk, Weldon of Polk and Ramirez of Linn, on the part of the House.

Secretary of Agriculture, Mike Naig; Attorney General, Brenna Bird; Auditor of State, Rob Sand; Secretary of State, Paul D. Pate; and Treasurer of State, Roby Smith, were escorted into the House chamber.

The Chief Justice and Justices of the Supreme Court and the Chief Judge and Judges of the Court of Appeals were escorted into the House chamber.

Lieutenant Governor Chris Cournoyer and the family of the Lieutenant Governor were escorted into the House chamber.

First Gentleman Kevin Reynolds and the family of the Governor were escorted into the House chamber.

The committee previously appointed waited upon Governor Kim Reynolds and escorted her to the Speaker's station.

Senate President Sinclair then presented Governor Kim Reynolds who delivered the following condition of the state message:

GOVERNOR'S CONDITION OF THE STATE MESSAGE

Madam President, Mister Speaker, Lieutenant Governor, First Gentleman, legislative leaders and members, justices and judges, my fellow Iowans:

This is the ninth time I've addressed you from this chamber to report on the condition of the state.

It's a place that has witnessed nearly two centuries of Iowa history—moments of crisis and moments of courage, times of uncertainty and times of renewal. Yet through it all, one thing has remained constant: ordinary citizens stepping forward to do the extraordinary work of self-government.

Every person in this room is part of that story. And every session we add a new chapter—sometimes loud, sometimes quiet, but always lasting.

But history is not only written by laws passed. It's written by lives lived in service. By people who gave their time, their talent, and their hearts to this state.

This evening, we feel the loss of three of them who were with us just last year. Representative Martin Graber, Senator Rocky DeWitt, and Senator Clare Celsi. We honor their lives, their service to the people of Iowa, and the deep commitment each of them brought to this institution.

For many of us, they were more than colleagues, they were friends—and their presence will be greatly missed.

Iowa lost another state leader last year. Representative Janet Metcalf, who served in the Iowa House from 1985 to 2003, and passed away in March.

Each of these public servants left a lasting mark on our state, and we're better for it.

There's no greater calling than service, especially when it asks for the greatest sacrifice.

Exactly one month ago—well beyond these walls and even beyond our Nation's borders—Iowa suffered a different kind of loss. One that reached into every home, in every small town and city neighborhood, and into the very heart of who we are.

On December 13th, 2025, a lone gunman with ties to ISIS opened fire on American troops in Syria. Two of those killed and three wounded were Iowans.

Our fallen soldiers served their state and their country with honor. As respected leaders, they were models of courage, commitment, and character. And as Americans who

answered the call when freedom required it, they showed us the greatest love a person can give—by laying down their life for their friends.

Staff Sergeant William Nathaniel Howard of Marshalltown had always dreamed of becoming a soldier. He joined the National Guard at age 17, and served more than 11 years. He stood out not just for his dedication to the mission, but also to his brothers and sisters in arms.

Above all, Staff Sergeant Howard—Nate to his family and friends—was a loyal son and brother, and a loving husband. He cherished those closest to him with tenderness, humor, and a sincere heart.

Staff Sergeant Edgar Torres-Tovar of Des Moines was the pride of his parents and a role model to his siblings. He was certain that his purpose in life was to serve his country, and he enlisted in the United States Army after graduating from high school. He was the first in his family to wear the uniform. And in the words of his father Hugo, he was their hero, and now he is a hero to all of us.

Iowans watched with heavy hearts as our fallen made their journey home. And Iowans were with them every step of the way.

They were escorted from the Middle East by Iowa Guard soldiers and airmen—including Staff Sergeant Howard's own brother, Staff Sergeant James Roelsgard, who served on the same deployment. When they arrived at Dover Air Force Base, another group of Iowans was waiting—the 185th Air Refueling Wing Mortuary Affairs Team—ready to care for their own with dignity and honor.

When I reflect on the evil that robbed our state of two exceptional young men and wounded three others, I'm aware that no words can right the wrongs of their deaths or make up for the loss of their loved ones.

But know this: Their service lives on—in the families they cherished, in the communities they strengthened, and in the freedoms they helped preserve.

This evening, the Torres-Tovar family is with their church community, observing the 30th day since their son's death with a special memorial service. They send their heartfelt gratitude to Iowans for their prayers and support.

Staff Sergeant Howard's wife, parents and brother are with us tonight. I want you to know that you remain in our prayers, and we will never forget Nate's sacrifice.

Tonight, we do not remember our fallen soldiers only in sorrow—but in gratitude. We do not speak their names only in grief—but in honor. And we do not pause simply to mourn—but to celebrate their lives and give thanks for the gift they've given all of us.

Please join me in honoring Staff Sergeant Howard, Staff Sergeant Torres-Tovar, and their families with the applause of a free and grateful people.

As we mourn and honor those we've lost, we have not forgotten our three wounded warriors who answered the same call to duty that day.

One soldier was treated for minor injuries and returned to his unit where he remains to complete his mission.

The two other soldiers were seriously injured—and in their most critical moments were cared for by fellow Iowans. Airmen from the 185th Air Refueling Wing Medical Group, based out of Sioux City and also deployed in the Middle East, took charge of the soldiers' treatment and evacuation.

Lt. Col. Paul Niles shared that the wounded were reassured knowing that it was fellow Iowa Guardsmen caring for them, praying with them, and standing beside them.

Days later, they transferred the two wounded soldiers to Germany for stabilization, and then home to the US to continue their recovery with their families.

Iowans taking care of Iowans, all in service of their country. Our State could not be prouder, and tonight, I'm pleased to share some good news.

Both soldiers have been discharged from the hospital and are now being treated in an outpatient facility. Both are doing extremely well and improving every day.

I think I speak for everyone here tonight when I say: We can't wait to welcome you both home.

As I've declared every time I've been at this podium, the condition of our state *is* strong.

It's strong in our families.

It's strong in our communities.

And what we've seen so clearly is that it's strong in the men and women who are willing to stand watch for us all.

With 1,800 Iowa National Guard soldiers and airmen currently deployed overseas in support of Operation Inherent Resolve, nearly everyone in our state has a connection to someone serving, whether it's a son or daughter, a spouse or parent, a friend, neighbor, or coworker.

Our heroes in uniform are on the front lines of the fight against evil. They're the tip of the spear and the center of the shield. And they've done more than we can ever repay.

Here at home, their families are serving in their own way—holding the homefront steady, carrying on with strength and grace, and looking forward to the day when their soldiers return home.

Some of the families of the 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 34th Infantry Division are with us tonight. Will you please stand so we can recognize you and thank you for your service.

We owe our servicemembers a debt of gratitude. And that debt is best paid by ensuring our veterans get every benefit they've earned.

Iowa is home to nearly 178,000 veterans. Yet only one third is receiving the benefits they earned, placing Iowa 44th in the nation for VA compensation.

That's not acceptable.

An outdated system that provides little accountability is leaving too many veterans—and well-meaning county officials—without the tools, training, and consistency they need.

So tonight, I'm proposing a bill to modernize the system statewide.

I'm also proposing that we incentivize better performance by repurposing existing state funds to create a new, performance-based county grant program. The higher a county's VA compensation per capita, the more money a county will earn, ensuring that outcomes improve.

The goal is simple: more benefits reaching more veterans.

Let's do more for the heroes who've done so much for us.

When I first took office in 2017, Iowa's top income tax rate was 8.98%, among the nation's highest. So was our 12% corporate tax rate. Those taxes weren't just numbers on a page. They were eating into paychecks, increasing the cost of doing business, and quietly making life more expensive for Iowa families.

So we took bold, decisive action.

We eliminated the inheritance tax and taxes on retirement income—so families could keep what they had worked a lifetime to build.

We reformed the corporate tax structure, and are on our way to a flat 5.5%—making it easier to grow a business and hire Iowans.

We enacted a 3.8% flat income tax, so your paycheck goes further. And last year, we cut the unemployment insurance tax in half, which will protect jobs and hold down prices.

I'm proud to say, we've cut taxes more than any other state in the country.

That's more than just a number, a ranking, or a percentage. It means more room in the budget for groceries. For school supplies. For a tank of gas.

It means saving more, instead of falling a little further behind.

And thanks to President Trump's historic tax cuts for working families, Iowans are set to save big on federal taxes, too.

And it gets even better. Because we made the decision eight years ago to match all federal tax cuts at the state level, Iowans will get the same relief on their state taxes—including eliminating taxes on tips, overtime, and Social Security.

Not every state is doing this, or even can because of poor budgeting and runaway spending. But in Iowa, we believe the money you earn is better used for your family than your government.

Today, the momentum is real. Despite a challenging global economy, we've attracted over \$20 billion in new capital investment since 2024, creating new jobs and new opportunities.

Yet for all the progress we've made, one issue continues to impact Iowans in every community and across every income level: property taxes.

Whether you live in a small town, growing suburb, or an urban neighborhood, you've probably felt it. Property taxes are rising faster than inflation, faster than paychecks, and faster than population growth.

In fact, over the last two years, they've gone up more than 10%. And that's not acceptable.

Last fall, I held a series of roundtable discussions across the state to hear from Iowans about how it's affecting them.

A farmer told me his property taxes have increased fivefold, to the point where he fears he won't be able to keep his land and pass it on to the next generation.

Kate, a small business owner, said rising property taxes are crowding out her ability to reinvest in her business and community.

And then there's Sandy, a senior who—because of high property taxes—is worried about staying in her home. "Everyone struggles," she wrote to my office, "but they seem to make it even harder when you're a senior."

For each of these stories, there are countless others. And though the problem is clear, the reasons are complicated and many. And that makes it hard to fix.

Over the years, we've tried to rein in local taxing authority. But it's often felt like squeezing a balloon—limit one levy and another one expands.

So this year, we need to go after the real driver of the problem: Spending.

Spending is what drives taxes—always has, always will. And the most reliable way to protect taxpayers is to limit the growth of government itself.

I'm introducing a property tax bill that will cap overall revenue growth for local governments. That way, they can't grow faster than the families who pay the bills.

It's simple but effective. You remember when we were kids, our parents would tell us that money doesn't grow on trees. Well, I think it's time governments learn that lesson too. Wouldn't you agree?

To help protect families from runaway spikes and provide more predictability, I'm also proposing to move property tax assessments to every three years instead of two. And we're taking the burden off taxpayers to appeal large increases, and putting it on assessors to justify them.

I know many in this chamber have other ideas; and I welcome them. But this is how we begin to tackle the problem—and put families back in control.

While nearly every homeowner is feeling the pain of property taxes, one group is especially impacted: our seniors.

Property taxes were never designed for a world where home values soar while incomes stay flat. For older Iowans living on fixed incomes, rising assessments don't mean rising wealth—they mean rising anxiety.

Seniors who did everything right—who worked hard, paid their taxes, and saved—are at risk of being taxed out of the very home they hoped to grow old in.

That's not how it should work.

My proposal freezes property tax bills for Iowans age 65 and up whose homes are valued at \$350,000 or less—so they can stay in their homes and their communities.

Because no one should be taxed out of their own front door.

Rising property taxes and home prices also leave young Iowans wondering if they'll ever be able to achieve the American Dream.

That's why I'm also proposing to create a tax-deductible savings account for first-time homebuyers—modeled on Iowa's 529 program—so families can contribute years in advance, helping sons, daughters, even grandchildren be prepared for homeownership when the time comes.

And it's also why I'm introducing legislation to modernize the beginning-farmer tax credit—expanding its size, making it refundable, and extending it to land sales as well as leases.

That will also strengthen our multi-generational farm families, as the credit applies to sales and leases to relatives.

Whatever their dream, let's make sure it's within reach so more young Iowans will choose to build their future here.

These are important changes, and they need to be made. But here's the truth: property taxes are driven locally, so they can't be fixed by state government alone.

If Iowans want lower property taxes, we must also change how local government works—and who we elect to run it.

We need leaders who understand that government cannot grow faster than the families who pay for it.

If you're one of those people, please run for office. Because we need a government that lives within its means, and leaders who will do the same.

We're doing this at the state level.

We've aligned agencies, eliminated 21 cabinet departments, and cut over 4,000 regulations. And we're not done—and we never should be. Businesses and families don't make one budget and call it good. They're constantly finding better ways to save, and do more with less.

So are we.

Today, we're working with some of the biggest names in tech to modernize state systems, drive efficiencies, and improve services.

We're partnering with Amazon Web Services to consolidate more than 50 state call centers into a single, smarter system that will use AI to get Iowans the help they need—faster, simpler, and at a lower cost.

And through a new partnership with Google Public Sector, we're building a modern, intuitive, and fully compliant Comprehensive Child Welfare system—in a fraction of the time and for less than half the typical cost. This transformational project will save taxpayer dollars, and it will serve as a national model.

That's what efficiency looks like. And that's how we keep spending in check—so Iowans can keep more of their money.

Now it's time to take that same approach locally. Many communities already are.

Scott County manages waste services at no direct cost to its seventeen member communities—saving nearly \$16 million every year.

Other cities have partnered with their counties for law enforcement services. And others share county engineers and contract with their local hospital to provide the county's public health services.

These solutions do more than save money. They represent the same practical, responsible approach Iowa families take every day. It's time more governments do the same.

And starting tonight, every Iowan can go online to the Iowa Department of Management's website and see how their city or county is spending their tax dollars. I encourage you to take a look at those budgets, ask questions, and be part of the solution.

Tonight, I want to address another issue that cuts across all communities. It's one I know weighs on the minds of many Iowans: our fight against cancer.

Every year, more than 20,000 Iowans are diagnosed with this terrible disease. Everyone in this room has been affected by it in some way. Hearing the news that you, or someone you love, has cancer is devastating. I know it personally, with Kevin's diagnosis two years ago.

And even though we now understand what his diagnosis means and how we can manage it, questions of why it happened remain unanswered. And that's a reality many Iowa families struggle with.

Which is why last year I directed Iowa HHS to partner with the University of Iowa College of Public Health to begin the most comprehensive study of cancer ever undertaken in our state. In the coming weeks, the initial findings will be released.

But we're not waiting for a report to act, because some of the most powerful tools in the fight against cancer are already clear.

When cancer is caught early, lives are saved and families are spared unimaginable loss.

Breast cancer caught at stage one has a 99 percent survival rate; prostate cancer is nearly 100 percent.

At stage 4, however, those survival rates dip below 40%. That's why early detection is so important. It doesn't just change outcomes; it changes lives.

That belief became the personal mission of Joe Garcia of Urbandale.

Joe lost his wife, Jennifer, to cancer in 2016. Since then, he's been driven by a vision: a future where every Iowan knows about cancer screening, has access to it—regardless of income, insurance, or ZIP code—and where no family hears the words, “We found it too late.”

When Joe and his son J.T. came to my office and shared that vision, I knew it was one Iowa had to help lead.

Joe, J.T., and Mike Schreurs—who also lost his wife, Linda, to cancer—are with us tonight.

Their advocacy has helped turn awareness into action, and their voices have helped shape the statewide effort we're launching now.

Please join me in thanking them for honoring their loved ones by helping protect families across Iowa.

Tonight, I am proud to tell you—that Joe's vision is becoming Iowa's mission.

Just two weeks ago, Iowa's innovative plan to strengthen rural health care—called Healthy Hometowns—was awarded \$209 million for year one of the federal Rural Health Transformation Program.

Just this year, more than \$50 million will be invested specifically in cancer prevention, screening, and treatment. And we expect it to grow to \$183 million over four years.

Here's what that means for families:

It means a working parent who can get a mammogram—and a follow-up MRI—before a lump becomes a diagnosis.

It means Iowans can do a colon cancer test at home—and get a colonoscopy before symptoms ever appear.

It means telehealth visits and new skin-cancer screening tools—so care doesn't get delayed because life is busy.

It means routine prostate exams—catching cancer while it is still treatable.

And it means radon testing and mitigation—so families aren't unknowingly exposed to the second-leading cause of lung cancer in their own homes.

We're making early detection the norm—not the exception. Replacing fear with hope, and making sure that if families hear the word “cancer,” they also hear: “We caught it early, and we can treat it.”

That's how lives are saved. And that's what Iowa is building—right now.

Of course, early detection is just the beginning.

What happens next is just as important—how quickly care starts, how close to home it can be delivered, and how well families are supported through the hardest days of their lives.

Through our Healthy Hometowns Initiative, we're developing cancer care hubs—helping fund the oncologists, equipment, and advanced medical technology necessary to provide this specialized treatment.

That's step one, and it starts this year. Then, we'll complete this hub-and-spoke model by opening satellite clinics in outlying communities, where patients can get routine cancer care even closer to home.

This effort expands upon our proven Centers of Excellence program, which has increased access to maternal health care in rural Iowa. Now, with a strong foundation in place, we can move faster, go further, and truly transform care by expanding the model to cardiovascular care and mental health. We'll not only improve care—we'll help Iowans get healthier, live healthier, and stay that way.

Our Healthy Hometowns plan also supports communities in creating local care teams who together can provide primary care and chronic disease management for their patients, and ideally locate all providers within one building.

Consider what it would be like if a patient with diabetes and heart disease can see his primary care provider for a routine visit, then meet with a dietician to create a personalized meal plan, discuss his medications with a pharmacy tech, and consult with a care navigator about his health goals all in one afternoon—and at one location.

It would be transformational. And it's all within reach—right now.

As soon as our plan was submitted, we moved into action—opening applications and engaging the medical community, resulting in over 250 proposals from across the state. By the end of this month, we will begin awarding contracts, turning this investment into life-saving treatment.

This is how transformation begins: not with talk, but with action.

It's also important to encourage healthy behaviors so we can reduce the high rate of chronic illness.

Across the U.S., more than 40% of children have at least one chronic health condition. And obesity is a major driver of many of them.

That's concerning, since one out of every six children in Iowa are considered obese. And Iowa ranks 17th in the nation for adult obesity.

This is a serious public health issue. And it's one we're working to address.

Iowa was one of the first states in the country to refocus two federal food assistance programs on the reason they were created: to help low-income families afford nutritious foods.

With USDA's approval, SNAP and Summer EBT in Iowa will help families purchase fresh produce, grains, meat, and dairy—but candy, sweets, and soft drinks are no longer covered.

This year, I'm asking the legislature to make sure our state always maintains a nutrition first focus for these programs by directing the Iowa HHS to maintain a federal waiver going forward.

The days of government programs that enable chronic illness are over. It's time for a new era of accountability and health.

I'm also requiring that physicians take nutrition classes as part of their Continuing Medical Education, so more Iowans have access to the information they need to make informed dietary choices.

Lastly, I'm introducing a bill to remove artificial food dyes from our school lunch programs.

Studies show these chemicals, which provide zero health benefits, contribute to behavioral issues. We can do better for our kids, and we will.

For the last nine years, one principle has guided our work in education: putting students first.

That has meant focusing on what actually improves outcomes—early intervention, strong instruction, clear accountability, and real options for families.

We focused on evidence-based literacy instruction—training teachers in the science of reading, identifying struggling readers earlier, and giving parents clear tools and choices to help every child master the most important skill they will ever learn.

We strengthened accountability, expanded work-based learning, and focused our system on real student growth—not paperwork. And last year, we applied the same evidence-based principles to math instruction.

We also gave teachers the largest raise in state history, because attracting and keeping great teachers is essential to strong schools.

And when the pandemic disrupted learning, Iowa kept classrooms open, prioritized stability and mental health, and helped fuel one of the fastest recoveries in the nation.

We've also expanded educational options—because no single model works for every child.

Today, Iowa families can choose the school that best fits their needs, whether that's the neighborhood public school, another district, a public charter school, or a private school through an Education Savings Account.

And this year marks a milestone.

For the first time in Iowa's history, Education Savings Accounts are universally available—meaning the same State Cost per Pupil follows every child, regardless of income or ZIP code.

Our message to the nation is simple: In Iowa, we fund students, not systems. And the results speak for themselves.

At a time when 78 percent of America's high school seniors are below proficiency in math—and 65 percent in reading—Iowa is moving in the opposite direction.

We are one of only three states in the nation whose students now outperform their own pre-COVID levels in reading and math.

Third- and fourth-grade reading proficiency is up 11%.

Science proficiency among tenth graders is up 7%.

Chronic absenteeism is down nearly 10%.

Attendance is improving. Literacy is improving. Science is improving. Engagement is improving. And teacher vacancies have dropped by more than 30 percent—and now stand at half the national average.

The nation is taking notice.

Just last week, at Broadway Elementary in Denison, US Secretary of Education Linda McMahon and I announced a first-in-the-nation initiative granting Iowa greater control over federal education funding.

This marks an important first step toward fully returning education to the states and ensuring federal resources are aligned with Iowa priorities and Iowa student outcomes.

Broadway Elementary is the perfect example of why that matters. Innovation was happening in every classroom we visited—dual-language immersion, STEM, and the science of reading—and it's driving student achievement. Literacy proficiency jumped from 65% to 72% in just one year. That is what's possible when states and schools are empowered to focus on the work that expands opportunities for every student.

I want to thank the administrators, teachers, and students in Denison for proving why Iowa is leading education nationwide. Please stand so we can honor your outstanding work.

All of this has happened because Iowa made a clear decision: to put students first. That is reflected in the laws we pass, the standards we set, and the priorities we fund.

And it comes to life in our classrooms, where teachers meet kids where they are, believe in what they can become, and do the quiet, everyday work that changes lives.

To every educator who puts students first, thank you for shaping Iowa's future.

One of the clearest examples of our student-first approach can be found in Cedar Rapids.

This year, Cedar Rapids Prep—a tuition-free public charter school—opened its doors for middle-school students and quickly filled every seat, with a waiting list already forming.

Demand has been so strong that plans are already moving forward to expand the school—adding grade levels and a new facility to serve even more families.

Some have described that success as a problem—not because students are struggling, but because enrollment shifts mean that some traditional public schools may need to adjust staffing or facilities.

In other words, the concern is not about how children are doing—it is about how systems are changing.

That is the wrong way to look at it.

If parents are choosing a school because they believe it is working for their children, that's not something to resist. That's something to celebrate.

When a school meets the needs of families, that's progress. And Cedar Rapids Prep is not alone. Other public charter schools are seeking to open across the state next year, bringing even more options to families who want them.

Choice does not weaken our commitment to public education. It strengthens it—by making every school focus on what matters most: the students in front of them.

That's why I am proposing a bill to ensure per-pupil funding truly follows the student, so that every public-school student receives equal support, no matter which public school they attend.

Because equity isn't just about funding; it's also about access.

My proposal will ensure that public charter school students have access to concurrent enrollment classes and extracurricular activities—just like students in traditional public schools.

Every student deserves access to college credit and activities. Not because of where they attend school—but because they are an Iowa kid.

And that's what education is about in the end: not programs, not politics, but students.

Iowa will remain a state that puts students first—and we will never look back.

I couldn't be prouder to be the Governor of Iowa. Across every one of our 99 counties, our people are hardworking, independent, and strong. They believe in responsibility, in community, and in leaving things better than they found them. Serving you has been one of the greatest privileges of my life.

As I enter my final legislative session as your Governor, I do so deeply grateful, fully committed, and determined to finish strong.

There will be time to look back and time to say thank you. But tonight, our focus is forward—on what still needs to be done, and on doing it together.

Because every person in this chamber came here for the same reason: to do what you believe is right for the people of Iowa. We may disagree. We have disagreed. We will

disagree again. But those disagreements have always been rooted in conviction, not indifference—and in a shared belief that Iowa is worth fighting for.

And that is what this session must be about.

Not politics, but people. The people who sent us here. The families trying to make ends meet. The farmers weathering uncertainty. The veterans who served us. The students preparing for their future. The seniors who want to stay in their homes and young Iowans who are looking to buy their first. The small businesses and communities that form the backbone of our state.

So let's meet this moment the way Iowans always have: with honesty, with humility, and with a willingness to work together.

Let's solve real problems. Let's deliver real results. And let's leave Iowa stronger than we found it.

The condition of our state is strong. And with the work we do here—together—its future will be even stronger.

Thank you. God bless you. And God bless the great state of Iowa.

Governor Kim Reynolds was escorted from the House chamber by the committee previously appointed.

On motion by Kaufmann of Cedar, the Joint Convention was dissolved at 6:55 p.m.

Speaker Grassley in the chair at 6:57 p.m.

REREFERRED

The Speaker announced that [House File 2006](#) previously referred to committee on Health and Human Services was rereferred to committee on State Government.

The Speaker announced that [House File 2029](#), previously referred to committee on Commerce was rereferred to committee on State Government.

STUDY BILL COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

[H.S.B. 511](#) **Public Safety**

Relating to the purchase or possession of a visual depiction of a minor

engaging in a prohibited sexual act or the simulation of a prohibited sexual act.

H.S.B. 512 Transportation

Relating to matters under the purview of the department of transportation, and including applicability provisions.

H.S.B. 513 Commerce

Relating to the administration of the utilities commission, including the creation of the position of executive director and modification of the duties and titles of the chairperson and executive staff.

H.S.B. 514 Commerce

Relating to respondents in a proceeding to expunge information in a record in the investment adviser registration depository.

H.S.B. 515 Commerce

Relating to utility disconnections of gas and electricity services during severe weather.

H.S.B. 516 Commerce

Relating to life insurance, permissible third parties, and financial exploitation of eligible adults.

H.S.B. 517 Commerce

Relating to licensing of service companies, motor vehicle service contracts, and residential service contracts, and providing civil penalties.

H.S.B. 518 Commerce

Relating to cost sharing for health savings accounts and qualified high-deductible health plans.

H.S.B. 519 Commerce

Relating to energy production including the modification of electric

power generation, energy storage, and transmission facility ratemaking principles.

H.S.B. 520 Commerce

Relating to withdrawal requirements for insurance companies, insurance company affiliates, and other entities engaged in the business of insurance.

H.S.B. 521 Commerce

Authorizing the transfer of funds to assist the state load forecasting center.

H.S.B. 522 Commerce

Relating to electric utility resource planning.

H.S.B. 523 Commerce

Relating to certain sales of auto club memberships and vehicle warranties.

H.S.B. 524 Commerce

Relating to interest rates and charges on regulated loans, and consumer credit transaction service charges.

H.S.B. 525 Commerce

Relating to the applicability of the standard nonforfeiture law for individual deferred annuities to contingent deferred annuities.

H.S.B. 526 Commerce

Relating to land restoration following the initial construction of electric transmission lines.

H.S.B. 527 Commerce

Relating to a public utility's ability to provide nonutility service and repair of residential heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems.

H.S.B. 528 Public Safety

Relating to controlled substances schedules and precursor substances reporting requirements, making penalties applicable, and including effective date provisions.

H.S.B. 529 Public Safety

Relating to sexual misconduct with offenders and juveniles, and providing penalties.

H.S.B. 530 Higher Education

Relating to the bachelor of science in nursing program at the university of Iowa, including priority for admission and reporting requirements.

H.S.B. 531 Higher Education

Prohibiting an increase in the amount of tuition and mandatory fees charged to resident undergraduate students at regents institutions for a period of time and including effective date provisions.

H.S.B. 532 Higher Education

Relating to the university of Iowa college of law, including priority for admission and reporting requirements.

H.S.B. 533 Higher Education

Authorizing community colleges to offer a degree program that leads to a baccalaureate degree.

H.S.B. 534 Higher Education

Relating to postsecondary education institutions, including the membership and functions of the state board of regents and accreditation of public institutions of higher education.

H.S.B. 535 Higher Education

Prohibiting land acknowledgments by regents institutions.

H.S.B. 536 Higher Education

Prohibiting regents institutions from entering into employment contracts with Chinese citizens holding certain visas.

H.S.B. 537 Higher Education

Prohibiting private institutions of higher education that participate in the Iowa tuition grant program from establishing diversity, equity, and inclusion offices.

H.S.B. 538 Higher Education

Relating to selection committees for presidents of regents institutions.

H.S.B. 539 Higher Education

Providing for a due process policy for faculty, staff, and students at regents institutions and for related disciplinary matters, and including effective date provisions.

H.S.B. 540 Higher Education

Providing for partial liability of regents institutions for defaulted educational loans.

H.S.B. 541 Higher Education

Requiring the state board of regents to submit a report to the general assembly and the governor related to establishing a performance-based funding model for the institutions of higher education governed by the state board of regents.

H.S.B. 542 Higher Education

Prohibiting courses and content relating to diversity, equity, inclusion, and critical race theory in general education requirements and core curricula at regents institutions.

H.S.B. 543 Higher Education

Relating to general education requirements, core curricula, other functions of regents institutions, and including applicability provisions.

H.S.B. 544 Higher Education

Creating an endowment tax on the endowment value of certain Iowa colleges and universities, limited charges relating to certain endowment funds, making appropriations to workforce grant and incentive programs, and making appropriations to supplement tuition grants for high-wage and high-demand jobs.

H.S.B. 545 Higher Education

Requiring the state board of regents to conduct a study regarding the reintroduction of VEISHEA at Iowa state university, and including effective date provisions.

H.S.B. 546 Higher Education

Relating to continuing education requirements for licensed professions.

H.S.B. 547 Higher Education

Regarding student admission factors to regents universities.

H.S.B. 548 Higher Education

Directing regents institutions to sign the federal Compact for Academic Excellence in Higher Education and including effective date provisions.

H.S.B. 549 Higher Education

Relating to tuition charged to resident undergraduate students enrolled at regents institutions.

H.S.B. 550 Higher Education

Providing for accreditation of regents institutions by the commission for public higher education.

H.S.B. 551 Public Safety

Relating to salaries of peace officers of the department of public safety.

SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**House File 2022**

Public Safety: Meggers, Chair; Brown-Powers and Fisher.

House File 2023

Public Safety: Meggers, Chair; Kressig and Wills.

House File 2031

Public Safety: Gustoff, Chair; Gjerde and Hermanson.

STUDY BILL SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**House Study Bill 511**

Public Safety: Vondran, Chair; Thomson and Wessel-Kroeschell.

House Study Bill 512

Transportation: Sieck, Chair; Behn and Gosa.

House Study Bill 513

Commerce: Wilz, Chair; Bagniewski and Vondran.

House Study Bill 514

Commerce: Lawler, Chair; Harris and Wilson.

House Study Bill 515

Commerce: Young, Chair; McBurney and Wilz.

House Study Bill 516

Commerce: Young, Chair; Judge and Lundgren.

House Study Bill 517

Commerce: Vondran, Chair; Wills and Zabner.

[House Study Bill 518](#)

Commerce: Lundgren, Chair; Blom and Srinivas.

[House Study Bill 519](#)

Commerce: Wilz, Chair; Bagniewski and Young.

[House Study Bill 520](#)

Commerce: Vondran, Chair; Wills and Zabner.

[House Study Bill 521](#)

Commerce: Blom, Chair; Barker and Kressig.

[House Study Bill 522](#)

Commerce: Thomson, Chair; Judge and Wilz.

[House Study Bill 523](#)

Commerce: Lundgren, Chair; Latham and Wilson.

[House Study Bill 524](#)

Commerce: Barker, Chair; Bossman and Zabner.

[House Study Bill 525](#)

Commerce: Mohr, Chair; Baeth and Bossman.

[House Study Bill 526](#)

Commerce: Latham, Chair; Srinivas and Thomson.

[House Study Bill 527](#)

Commerce: Vondran, Chair; McBurney and Young.

[House Study Bill 528](#)

Public Safety: Wengryn, Chair; Dieken and Levin.

[House Study Bill 529](#)

Public Safety: Vondran, Chair; Amos Jr. and Rinker.

[House Study Bill 530](#)

Higher Education: Wills, Chair; Brown-Powers and Hora.

[House Study Bill 531](#)

Higher Education: Collins, Chair; Hora and Jacoby.

[House Study Bill 532](#)

Higher Education: Wills, Chair; Holt and Wilburn.

[House Study Bill 533](#)

Higher Education: Collins, Chair; Brown-Powers and Wills.

[House Study Bill 534](#)

Higher Education: Collins, Chair; Hora and Matson.

[House Study Bill 535](#)

Higher Education: Wheeler, Chair; Stone and Wilburn.

[House Study Bill 536](#)

Higher Education: Wheeler, Chair; Brown-Powers and Stone.

[House Study Bill 537](#)

Higher Education: Stone, Chair; Brown-Powers and Wheeler.

[House Study Bill 538](#)

Higher Education: Collins, Chair; Matson and Shipley.

[House Study Bill 539](#)

Higher Education: Holt, Chair; Jacoby and Shipley.

[House Study Bill 540](#)

Higher Education: Collins, Chair; Matson and Shipley.

[House Study Bill 541](#)

Higher Education: Collins, Chair; Matson and Wills.

[House Study Bill 542](#)

Higher Education: Stone, Chair; Wheeler and Wilburn.

[House Study Bill 543](#)

Higher Education: Collins, Chair; Holt and Matson.

[House Study Bill 544](#)

Higher Education: Collins, Chair; Brown-Powers and Hora.

[House Study Bill 545](#)

Higher Education: Hora, Chair; Shipley and Wilburn.

[House Study Bill 546](#)

Higher Education: Holt, Chair; Hora and Wilburn.

[House Study Bill 547](#)

Higher Education: Shipley, Chair; Jacoby and Wills.

[House Study Bill 548](#)

Higher Education: Stone, Chair; Hora and Jacoby.

[House Study Bill 549](#)

Higher Education: Collins, Chair; Hora and Jacoby.

[House Study Bill 550](#)

Higher Education: Wills, Chair; Shipley and Wilburn.

[House Study Bill 551](#)

Public Safety: Gearhart, Chair; Kurth and Wills.

On motion by Kaufmann of Cedar, the House adjourned at 6:57 p.m., until 8:30 a.m., Wednesday, January 14, 2026.