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Seventeenth Calendar Day - Eleventh Session Day

Hall of the House of Representatives
Des Moines, Iowa, Wednesday, January 28, 2026

The House met pursuant to adjournment at 8:32 a.m., Wills of Dickinson in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Gustoff of Polk.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lilly Morey, Page from West Bend.

The Journal of Tuesday, January 27, 2026, was approved.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

[House Joint Resolution 2005](#), by Bradley, a joint resolution urging the United States Congress to propose an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to require the Supreme Court of the United States to be composed of nine justices.

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

[House File 2182](#), by Collins, a bill for an act relating to retirement benefits of retired members reemployed as school resource officers under the Iowa public employees' retirement system and the municipal fire and police retirement system.

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

[House File 2183](#), by Bradley, a bill for an act crediting excise taxes imposed upon the sale of aircraft to the aviation fund.

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

[House File 2184](#), by committee on Commerce, a bill for an act relating to the applicability of the standard nonforfeiture law for individual deferred annuities to contingent deferred annuities.

Read first time and placed on the **calendar**.

[House File 2185](#), by committee on Commerce, a bill for an act relating to cost sharing for health savings accounts and qualified high-deductible health plans.

Read first time and placed on the **calendar**.

[House File 2186](#), by Fett, a bill for an act modifying provisions related to application periods for the education savings account program.

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

[House File 2187](#), by Barker, a bill for an act requiring the boards of directors of school districts to allow certain youth-oriented community organizations reasonable access to school property.

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

[House File 2188](#), by committee on Judiciary, a bill for an act relating to real estate transfer tax, including declarations of value.

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

[House File 2189](#), by committee on Judiciary, a bill for an act relating to public improvement contracts, including notice requirements.

Read first time and placed on the **calendar**.

[House File 2190](#), by committee on Judiciary, a bill for an act relating to requirements for proof of ownership of dogs and providing penalties.

Read first time and placed on the **calendar**.

[House File 2191](#), by Mommsen, a bill for an act relating to elections for school district and city officers and bonds, and including applicability provisions.

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

[House File 2192](#), by Dieken and Fett, a bill for an act relating to bond election requirements and limitations applicable to school districts.

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

STUDY BILL COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

[H.S.B. 629](#) **Commerce**

Relating to solar energy by establishing a community solar facility program.

[H.S.B. 630](#) **Commerce**

Relating to customer-based energy, including power plants and energy storage.

[H.S.B. 631](#) **Judiciary**

Relating to the collection and publication of judicial officer performance information.

[H.S.B. 632](#) **Judiciary**

Relating to the Iowa rules of criminal procedure including commitment hearings following an acquittal based on insanity.

[H.S.B. 633](#) **State Government**

Relating to the investment of public funds, and making penalties applicable.

[H.S.B. 634](#) **Local Government**

Relating to the display of flags at half-staff on public buildings.

[H.S.B. 635](#) **Economic Growth and Technology**

Relating to the ownership of artificial intelligence output and trained artificial intelligence.

[H.S.B. 636](#) **Education**

Prohibiting school districts, charter schools, and innovation zone schools from entering into certain specified contracts with public libraries and hosting mobile libraries.

H.S.B. 637 Public Safety

Relating to nonvehicular personal transportation, including bicycles, electric personal assistive mobility devices, and pedestrian conveyances, providing penalties, and making penalties applicable.

H.S.B. 638 Transportation

Relating to registration requirements for vehicles designed primarily for off-highway use, including registration of all-terrain vehicles and information required to complete a form to register snowmobiles and vessels, providing fees, making appropriations, providing penalties, and making penalties applicable.

H.S.B. 639 Local Government

Relating to elections to fill vacancies in elective county and city offices.

SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**House File 606**

Commerce: Wills, Chair; Latham and Srinivas.

House File 781

Commerce: Lundgren, Chair; Baeth and Young.

House File 2057

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

House File 2158

Public Safety: Wills, Chair; Gearhart and Kurth.

House File 2161

Transportation: Jones, Chair; Scholten and Young.

House File 2162

Transportation: Wood, Chair; Cooling and Mommsen.

House File 2176

Public Safety: Meggers, Chair; Gosa and Gustoff.

[House File 2179](#)

Transportation: Jones, Chair; Madison and Young.

[House File 2180](#)

Veterans Affairs: Hermanson, Chair; Blom and Wichtendahl.

[Senate File 140](#)

State Government: Harris, Chair; Lundgren and McBurney.

STUDY BILL SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

[House Study Bill 563 Reassigned](#)

Ways and Means: Nordman, Chair; Hermanson, McBurney, Wichtendahl and Young.

[House Study Bill 629](#)

Commerce: Lundgren, Chair; Bagniewski and Wilz.

[House Study Bill 630](#)

Commerce: Wilz, Chair; Barker and Judge.

[House Study Bill 631](#)

Judiciary: Thomson, Chair; Srinivas and Wills.

[House Study Bill 632](#)

Judiciary: Fett, Chair; Gustoff and Wichtendahl.

[House Study Bill 633](#)

State Government: Collins, Chair; Bloomingdale and Srinivas.

[House Study Bill 634](#)

Local Government: Thompson, Chair; Gosa and Watkins.

[House Study Bill 635](#)

Economic Growth and Technology: Sorensen, Chair; Madison and Wood.

[House Study Bill 636](#)

Education: Boden, Chair; Hayes and Levin.

[House Study Bill 637](#)

Public Safety: Henderson, Chair; Hermanson and Kressig.

[House Study Bill 638](#)

Transportation: Jones, Chair; Gosa and Siegrist.

[House Study Bill 639](#)

Local Government: Lawler, Chair; Croken and Wheeler.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

MR. SPEAKER: The Chief Clerk of the House respectfully reports that the following committee recommendations have been received and are on file in the office of the Chief Clerk:

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE

Committee Bill (Formerly [House File 736](#)), relating to the installation of transmission lines on highway rights-of-way.

Fiscal Note: **No**

Recommendation: **Amend and Do Pass** January 28, 2026.

Final Vote: Yeas, 22: Representatives Young-CH, Blom-VC, Judge-RM, Bagniewski, Barker, Bossman, Determann, Harris, Kressig, Latham, Lawler, Lundgren, McBurney, Mohr, Nordman, Srinivas, Thomson, Vondran, Wills, Wilson, Wilz, Zabner. Nays, 0. Excused, 1: Baeth.

Committee Bill (Formerly [House Study Bill 513](#)), 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.

Fiscal Note: **No**

Recommendation: **Amend and Do Pass** January 28, 2026.

Final Vote: Yeas, 22: Representatives Young-CH, Blom-VC, Judge-RM, Bagniewski, Barker, Bossman, Determann, Harris, Kressig, Latham, Lawler, Lundgren, McBurney, Mohr, Nordman, Srinivas, Thomson, Vondran, Wills, Wilson, Wilz, Zabner. Nays, 0. Excused, 1: Baeth.

Committee Bill (Formerly [House Study Bill 516](#)), relating to life insurance, permissible third parties, and financial exploitation of eligible adults.

Fiscal Note: **No**

Recommendation: **Do Pass** January 28, 2026.

Final Vote: Yeas, 22: Representatives Young-CH, Blom-VC, Judge-RM, Bagniewski, Barker, Bossman, Determann, Harris, Kressig, Latham, Lawler, Lundgren, McBurney, Mohr, Nordman, Srinivas, Thomson, Vondran, Wills, Wilson, Wilz, Zabner. Nays, 0. Excused, 1: Baeth.

Committee Bill (Formerly [House Study Bill 526](#)), relating to land restoration following the initial construction of electric transmission lines.

Fiscal Note: **No**

Recommendation: **Amend and Do Pass** January 28, 2026.

Final Vote: Yeas, 22: Representatives Young-CH, Blom-VC, Judge-RM, Bagniewski, Barker, Bossman, Determann, Harris, Kressig, Latham, Lawler, Lundgren, McBurney, Mohr, Nordman, Srinivas, Thomson, Vondran, Wills, Wilson, Wilz, Zabner. Nays, 0. Excused, 1: Baeth.

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Committee Bill (Formerly [House File 2012](#)), 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.

Fiscal Note: **No**

Recommendation: **Do Pass** January 28, 2026.

Final Vote: Yeas, 19: Representatives Wheeler-CH, Fett-VC, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Gosa, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Ingels, C. Johnson, Kniff McCulla, Larson, Levin, Madison, Matson, Moore, Shipley. Nays, 3: Ehlert-RM, Kurth, Ramirez. Excused, 1: Stone.

Committee Bill (Formerly [House File 2079](#)), relating to forms of payment for entry into an extracurricular interscholastic athletic contest or competition.

Fiscal Note: **No**

Recommendation: **Amend and Do Pass** January 28, 2026.

Final Vote: Yeas, 21: Representatives Wheeler-CH, Fett-VC, Ehlert-RM, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Gosa, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Ingels, C. Johnson, Kniff McCulla, Kurth, Larson, Madison, Matson, Moore, Ramirez, Shipley. Nays, 1: Levin. Excused, 1: Stone.

Committee Bill (Formerly [House Study Bill 555](#)), relating to teacher education and licensing, including by modifying provisions related to practitioner preparation programs and licenses issued by the board of educational examiners.

Fiscal Note: **No**

Recommendation: **Do Pass** January 28, 2026.

Final Vote: Yeas, 15: Representatives Wheeler-CH, Fett-VC, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Gosa, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Ingels, C. Johnson, Kniff McCulla, Larson, Shipley. Nays, 7: Ehlert-RM, Kurth, Levin, Madison, Matson, Moore, Ramirez. Excused, 1: Stone.

Committee Bill (Formerly [House Study Bill 558](#)), establishing a seal of civics excellence program administered by the department of education to recognize student excellence in civics.

Fiscal Note: **No**

Recommendation: **Do Pass** January 28, 2026.

Final Vote: Yeas, 22: Representatives Wheeler-CH, Fett-VC, Ehlert-RM, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Gosa, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Ingels, C. Johnson, Kniff McCulla, Kurth, Larson, Levin, Madison, Matson, Moore, Ramirez, Shipley. Nays, 0. Excused, 1: Stone.

Committee Bill (Formerly [House Study Bill 594](#)), relating to social studies instruction, including instruction in United States government, provided to students enrolled in grades nine through twelve, and including applicability provisions.

Fiscal Note: **No**

Recommendation: **Amend and Do Pass** January 28, 2026.

Final Vote: Yeas, 16: Representatives Wheeler-CH, Fett-VC, Behn, Boden, Bradley, Gehlbach, Gosa, Hayes, Henderson, Hora, Ingels, C. Johnson, Kniff McCulla, Larson, Moore, Shipley. Nays, 6: Ehlert-RM, Kurth, Levin, Madison, Matson, Ramirez. Excused, 1: Stone.

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

[House File 824](#), a bill for an act relating to consideration of the educational setting of a minor child in a child custody proceeding.

Fiscal Note: **No**

Recommendation: **Do Pass** January 28, 2026.

Final Vote: Yeas, 18: Representatives Holt-CH, Lawler-VC, Wilburn-RM, Bagniewski, Dunwell, Fett, Gustoff, Nordman, Olson, Ramirez, Shipley, Thompson, Thomson, Watkins, Wheeler, Wichtendahl, Williams, Wills. Nays, 2: Srinivas, Wessel-Kroeschell. Excused, 1: Stone.

Placed on the **Calendar**, January 28, 2026.

Committee Bill (Formerly [House File 2015](#)), relating to restitution for the torture, injury, or killing of a police service dog, and modifying penalties.

Fiscal Note: **No**

Recommendation: **Do Pass** January 28, 2026.

Final Vote: Yeas, 20: Representatives Holt-CH, Lawler-VC, Wilburn-RM, Bagniewski, Dunwell, Fett, Gustoff, Nordman, Olson, Ramirez, Shipley, Srinivas, Thompson, Thomson, Watkins, Wessel-Kroeschell, Wheeler, Wichtendahl, Williams, Wills. Nays, 0. Excused, 1: Stone.

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

Committee Bill (Formerly [House File 2021](#)), relating to ginseng harvesting privileges for disabled veterans.

Fiscal Note: **No**

Recommendation: **Amend and Do Pass** January 28, 2026.

Final Vote: Yeas, 16: Representatives Wood-CH, Golding-VC, Levin-RM, Andrews, Barker, Collins, Fisher, Gearhart, Harris, Hermanson, Judge, Mommsen, Smith, Wengryn, Wulf, Zabner. Nays, 3: Gjerde, Jacoby, Scholten. Excused, 2: Baeth, Nielsen.

Committee Bill (Formerly [House Study Bill 553](#)), relating to natural resources, including office locations of the director of natural resources, state park user fee pilot programs, the delegation of powers and duties concerning state preserves, and age requirements for hunting deer with pistols or revolvers.

Fiscal Note: **No**

Recommendation: **Do Pass** January 28, 2026.

Final Vote: Yeas, 18: Representatives Wood-CH, Golding-VC, Levin-RM, Andrews, Barker, Collins, Fisher, Gearhart, Gjerde, Harris, Hermanson, Jacoby, Judge, Mommsen, Scholten, Smith, Wengryn, Wulf. Nays, 1: Zabner. Excused, 2: Baeth, Nielsen.

MEGHAN NELSON
Chief Clerk of the House

On motion by Kaufmann of Cedar, the House adjourned at 8:40 a.m., until 8:30 a.m., Thursday, January 29, 2026.