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FIFTY-SECOND CALENDAR DAY
THIRTY-FIRST SESSION DAY

Senate Chamber
Des Moines, Iowa, Wednesday, March 5, 2025

The Senate met in regular session at 9:00 a.m., President Sinclair presiding.

Prayer was offered by the Honorable Kevin Alons, member of the Senate from Woodbury County.

The Journal of Tuesday, March 4, 2025, was approved.

HOUSE MESSAGES RECEIVED AND CONSIDERED

The following messages were received from the Chief Clerk of the House:

MADAM PRESIDENT: I am directed to inform your honorable body that the House has on March 4, 2025, **passed** the following bills in which the concurrence of the House was asked:

[Senate File 162](#), a bill for an act relating to the Iowa public employees' retirement system's notification requirements to members.

[Senate File 278](#), a bill for an act relating to robotics extracurricular activities, including requiring the department of education to provide technical assistance to school districts related to chartering career and technical student organizations related to robotics and authorizing high school athletic organizations to sponsor interscholastic contests related to robotics.

ALSO: That the House has on March 4, 2025, **passed** the following bills in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked:

[House File 178](#), a bill for an act relating to the penalty for speeding in excess of twenty miles per hour over the limit.

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

[House File 259](#), a bill for an act relating to public notice requirements for meetings of a governmental body.

Read first time and attached to [Senate File 388](#).

[House File 532](#), a bill for an act enacting the dietitian licensure compact.

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

RECESS

On motion of Senator Whitver, the Senate recessed at 9:06 a.m. until the completion of a meeting of the committee on Rules and Administration.

RECONVENED

The Senate reconvened at 9:11 a.m., President Sinclair presiding.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Senator Whitver, the Senate adjourned at 9:11 a.m. until 9:00 a.m., Thursday, March 6, 2025.

APPENDIX**REPORTS OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS****HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

Convened: Wednesday, March 5, 2025, 10:45 a.m.

Recessed: 11:00 a.m.

Reconvened: 2:35 p.m.

Members Present: Klimesh, Chair; Costello, Vice Chair; Trone Garriott, Ranking Member; Alons, Campbell, Donahue, Guth, Lofgren, Petersen, Pike, Rowley, Salmon, Sweeney, Wahls, and Zimmer.

Members Absent: Celsi, Garrett, and Warme (all excused).

Committee Business: [SSB 1138](#), [SSB 1163](#), [SSB 1171](#), [SF 363](#), [SSB 1170](#), [SF 6](#), [SF 48](#), [SF 329](#), [SF 251](#), and [SF 128](#).

Adjourned: 3:30 p.m.

JUDICIARY

Convened: Tuesday, March 4, 2025, 2:30 p.m.

Members Present: Schultz, Chair; Garrett, Vice Chair; Blake, Ranking Member; Bisignano, Boussetot, Dawson, Dickey, Evans, Green, Knox, Lofgren, Petersen, Quirnbach, Reichman, Rowley, Shipley, Taylor, Webster, Weiner, and Westrich.

Members Absent: None.

Committee Business: [SF 182](#), [SF 294](#), [SF 241](#), [SF 374](#), [SSB 1124](#), [SF 54](#), [SSB 1179](#), [SSB 1123](#), [SSB 1005](#), and [SF 180](#).

Adjourned: 4:35 p.m.

RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

Convened: Wednesday, March 5, 2025, 9:05 a.m.

Members Present: Whitver, Chair; Sinclair, Vice Chair; Weiner, Ranking Member; Dickey, Donahue, Klimesh, Koelker, Kraayenbrink, and Rozenboom.

Members Absent: Bisignano (excused).

Committee Business: Consideration of [SSB 1202](#).

Adjourned: 9:10 a.m.

STATE GOVERNMENT

Convened: Wednesday, March 5, 2025, 12:25 p.m.

Members Present: Rozenboom, Chair; Reichman, Vice Chair; Winckler, Ranking Member; Alons, Bisignano, Blake, Boussetot, Campbell, Driscoll, Green, Guth, Koelker, Salmon, Schultz, Staed, Townsend, Webster, and Westrich.

Members Absent: Celsi (excused).

Committee Business: Considered and passed [SF 140](#), [SF 198](#), [SF 316](#), [SF 359](#), [SSB 1038](#), [SSB 1088](#), [SSB 1130](#), [SSB 1175](#), [SSB 1176](#), and [SF 464](#).

Adjourned: 1:15 p.m.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

[Senate Joint Resolution 10](#), by Trone Garriott, Wahls, Zimmer, Donahue, Blake, and Townsend, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Iowa limiting years of service for members of the general assembly.

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

[Senate Resolution 3](#), by committee on Rules and Administration, a resolution promoting mutually beneficial cooperation between the state of Iowa and Taiwan in certain economic sectors.

Read first time under Rule 28 and **placed on calendar**.

[Senate Resolution 4](#), by Sinclair, a resolution commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of the State Government Affairs Council.

Read first time under Rule 28 and referred to committee on **Rules and Administration**.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

[Senate File 512](#), by committee on Judiciary, a bill for an act relating to statutes of limitations in civil actions.

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

[Senate File 513](#), by committee on Judiciary, a bill for an act prohibiting a court from ordering payment of a postsecondary education subsidy for a child under a dissolution of marriage temporary order or final judgment or decree, and providing for application to existing orders, judgments, and decrees.

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

[Senate File 514](#), by committee on Judiciary, a bill for an act relating to temporary orders of child custody in dissolution proceedings.

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

[Senate File 515](#), by committee on Judiciary, a bill for an act relating to consideration of the educational setting of a minor child in a child custody proceeding.

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

[Senate File 516](#), by committee on Education, a bill for an act directing the department of education to convene a working group to study the impact of technology on the cognitive function and academic performance of students.

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

[Senate File 517](#), by committee on Education, a bill for an act relating to child abuse and employees and agents of public schools and nonpublic schools.

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

[Senate File 518](#), by committee on Education, a bill for an act requiring school employees to be put on administrative leave in certain specified circumstances.

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

[Senate File 519](#), by committee on Education, a bill for an act establishing a school of intellectual freedom at the university of Iowa.

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

[Senate File 520](#), by committee on Education, a bill for an act relating to education, including by modifying provisions related to community college and department of education reporting requirements, employees of the Iowa educational services for the blind and visually impaired program or the Iowa school for the deaf, and employment contracts between community colleges and community college instructors.

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

[Senate File 521](#), by committee on Judiciary, a bill for an act relating to payment of reasonable attorney fees for contempt relative to a dissolution of marriage proceeding.

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

[Senate File 522](#), by committee on Agriculture, a bill for an act providing for programs and regulations related to agriculture, including crop production, animal health, and agricultural processing, providing for powers and duties of the department of agriculture and land stewardship, providing fees, and providing penalties.

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

[Senate File 523](#), by committee on Judiciary, a bill for an act relating to the establishment or modification of legal custody of a child.

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

[Senate File 524](#), by committee on Judiciary, a bill for an act relating to awarding the costs in administrative hearings or court proceedings involving the collection of tax, penalties, and interest by the department of revenue.

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

[Senate File 525](#), by committee on Agriculture, a bill for an act relating to student nutrition, including by modifying the curricula provided to students enrolled in kindergarten through grade twelve to include instruction related to nutrition, modifying provisions related to the agriculture, food, and natural resources component of the career and technical education instruction provided to students enrolled in grades nine through twelve, and modifying provisions related to school meal programs, and including effective date provisions.

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

[Senate File 526](#), by Celsi, a bill for an act relating to nursing facility revenue requirements.

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

[Senate File 527](#), by Celsi, a bill for an act relating to nursing facility staffing requirements.

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

[Senate File 528](#), by Celsi, a bill for an act relating to the personal needs allowance for residents of certain facilities under the Medicaid program, and providing an appropriation.

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

[Senate File 529](#), by Celsi, a bill for an act relating to nursing facilities and cost reports.

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

[Senate File 530](#), by Celsi, a bill for an act relating to support of direct care services and the direct care workforce, establishing a state minimum hourly wage for direct care workers under the Medicaid program, and including a contingent effective date.

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

[Senate File 531](#), by Celsi, a bill for an act relating to nursing facilities and submission of the financial and statistical report.

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

[Senate File 532](#), by Celsi, a bill for an act relating to health care facilities, providing penalties, making an appropriation, and including effective date and retroactive applicability provisions.

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

[Senate File 533](#), by Celsi, a bill for an act prohibiting certain changes of ownership of a previously licensed nursing facility.

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

[Senate File 534](#), by Celsi, a bill for an act relating to options for long-term care, and making appropriations.

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

[Senate File 535](#), by Celsi, a bill for an act relating to nursing facility change of ownership applications.

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

[Senate File 536](#), by Celsi, a bill for an act relating to the office of long-term care ombudsman and making an appropriation.

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

[Senate File 537](#), by Celsi, a bill for an act relating to the requirements for authorized electronic monitoring in nursing facilities, and providing penalties.

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

[Senate File 538](#), by Celsi, a bill for an act establishing a working group on nursing home Medicaid payment recovery following the closure or sale of a nursing home.

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

[Senate File 539](#), by Celsi, a bill for an act relating to oversight for long-term care facilities.

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

STUDY BILLS RECEIVED

[SSB 1206](#) **Local Government**

Requiring the state fire marshal to conduct a study on the consolidation of fire protection services.

[SSB 1207](#) **Commerce**

Relating to pharmacy benefits managers, pharmacies, and prescription drugs.

SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

[House File 173](#)

TRANSPORTATION: Warme, Chair; Koelker and Townsend

[House File 318](#)

COMMERCE: Driscoll, Chair; Petersen and Warme

[House File 330](#)

COMMERCE: Driscoll, Chair; Trone Garriott and Warme

[SSB 1206](#)

LOCAL GOVERNMENT: Webster, Chair; Driscoll and Knox

[SSB 1207](#)

COMMERCE: Boussetot, Chair; Klimesh and Knox

FINAL COMMITTEE REPORTS OF BILL ACTION

AGRICULTURE

Bill Title: [SENATE FILE 522 \(SSB 1160\)](#), a bill for an act providing for programs and regulations related to agriculture, including crop production, animal health, and agricultural processing, providing for powers and duties of the department of agriculture and land stewardship, providing fees, and providing penalties.

Recommendation: APPROVED COMMITTEE BILL.

Final Vote: Yeas, 15: Driscoll, Rozenboom, Zimmer, Alons, Bennett, Bisignano, Costello, Guth, Knox, McClintock, Quirnbach, Shipley, Sires, Sweeney, and Zumbach. Excused, 1: Green.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

Bill Title: [*SENATE FILE 525 \(SSB 1158\)](#), a bill for an act relating to student nutrition, including by modifying the curricula provided to students enrolled in kindergarten through grade twelve to include instruction related to nutrition, modifying provisions related to the agriculture, food, and natural resources component of the career and technical education instruction provided to students enrolled in grades nine through twelve, and modifying provisions related to school meal programs, and including effective date provisions.

Recommendation: APPROVED COMMITTEE BILL.

Final Vote: Yeas, 11: Driscoll, Rozenboom, Alons, Costello, Guth, Knox, McClintock, Shipley, Sires, Sweeney, and Zumbach. Nays, 4: Zimmer, Bennett, Bisignano, and Quirnbach. Excused, 1: Green.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

*Pursuant to Rule 40, the Legislative Services Agency reported nonsubstantive changes to the members of the Agriculture Committee on [Senate File 525](#), and they were attached to the committee report.

EDUCATION

Bill Title: [*SENATE FILE 516](#) (formerly [SF 237](#)), a bill for an act directing the department of education to convene a working group to study the impact of technology on the cognitive function and academic performance of students.

Recommendation: APPROVED COMMITTEE BILL.

Final Vote: Yeas, 16: Evans, Taylor, Quirnbach, Campbell, Donahue, Garrett, Green, Gruenhagen, Kraayenbrink, Pike, Rozenboom, Salmon, Shipley, Trone Garriott, Winckler, and Zimmer. Excused, none.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

*Pursuant to Rule 40, the Legislative Services Agency reported nonsubstantive changes to the members of the Education Committee on [Senate File 516](#), and they were attached to the committee report.

ALSO:

Bill Title: [SENATE FILE 517](#) (formerly [SF 221](#)), a bill for an act relating to child abuse and employees and agents of public schools and nonpublic schools.

Recommendation: APPROVED COMMITTEE BILL.

Final Vote: Yeas, 16: Evans, Taylor, Quirnbach, Campbell, Donahue, Garrett, Green, Gruenhagen, Kraayenbrink, Pike, Rozenboom, Salmon, Shipley, Trone Garriott, Winckler, and Zimmer. Excused, none.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

Bill Title: [SENATE FILE 518](#) (formerly [SF 366](#)), a bill for an act requiring school employees to be put on administrative leave in certain specified circumstances.

Recommendation: APPROVED COMMITTEE BILL.

Final Vote: Yeas, 16: Evans, Taylor, Quirnbach, Campbell, Donahue, Garrett, Green, Gruenhagen, Kraayenbrink, Pike, Rozenboom, Salmon, Shipley, Trone Garriott, Winckler, and Zimmer. Excused, none.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

Bill Title: [SENATE FILE 519](#) (formerly [SF 127](#)), a bill for an act establishing a school of intellectual freedom at the university of Iowa.

Recommendation: APPROVED COMMITTEE BILL.

Final Vote: Yeas, 11: Evans, Taylor, Campbell, Garrett, Green, Gruenhagen, Kraayenbrink, Pike, Rozenboom, Salmon, and Shipley. Nays, 5: Quirnbach, Donahue, Trone Garriott, Winckler, and Zimmer. Excused, none.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

Bill Title: *[SENATE FILE 520 \(SSB 1075\)](#), a bill for an act relating to education, including by modifying provisions related to community college and department of education reporting requirements, employees of the Iowa educational services for the blind and visually impaired program or the Iowa school for the deaf, and employment contracts between community colleges and community college instructors.

Recommendation: APPROVED COMMITTEE BILL.

Final Vote: Yeas, 16: Evans, Taylor, Quirnbach, Campbell, Donahue, Garrett, Green, Gruenhagen, Kraayenbrink, Pike, Rozenboom, Salmon, Shipley, Trone, Garriott, Winckler, and Zimmer. Excused, none.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

*Pursuant to Rule 40, the Legislative Services Agency reported nonsubstantive changes to the members of the Education Committee on [Senate File 520](#), and they were attached to the committee report.

JUDICIARY

Bill Title: [SENATE FILE 180](#), a bill for an act relating to the right to refuse certain medical services for reasons of conscience.

Recommendation: DO PASS.

Final Vote: Yeas, 14: Schultz, Garrett, Bousselot, Dawson, Dickey, Evans, Green, Lofgren, Reichman, Rowley, Shipley, Taylor, Webster, and Westrich. Nays, 6: Blake, Bisignano, Knox, Petersen, Quirnbach, and Weiner. Excused, none.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

Bill Title: [SENATE FILE 512 \(SSB 1179\)](#), a bill for an act relating to statutes of limitations in civil actions.

Recommendation: APPROVED COMMITTEE BILL.

Final Vote: Yeas, 14: Schultz, Garrett, Bousselot, Dawson, Dickey, Evans, Green, Lofgren, Reichman, Rowley, Shipley, Taylor, Webster, and Westrich. Nays, 6: Blake, Bisignano, Knox, Petersen, Quirnbach, and Weiner. Excused, none.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

Bill Title: [SENATE FILE 513](#) (formerly [SF 241](#)), a bill for an act prohibiting a court from ordering payment of a postsecondary education subsidy for a child under a dissolution of marriage temporary order or final judgment or decree, and providing for application to existing orders, judgments, and decrees.

Recommendation: APPROVED COMMITTEE BILL.

Final Vote: Yeas, 18: Schultz, Garrett, Blake, Bisignano, Bousselot, Dawson, Dickey, Evans, Green, Knox, Lofgren, Reichman, Rowley, Shipley, Taylor, Webster, Weiner, and Westrich. Nays, 2: Petersen and Quirnbach. Excused, none.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

Bill Title: [SENATE FILE 514](#) (formerly [SF 294](#)), a bill for an act relating to temporary orders of child custody in dissolution proceedings.

Recommendation: APPROVED COMMITTEE BILL.

Final Vote: Yeas, 14: Schultz, Garrett, Bousselot, Dawson, Dickey, Evans, Green, Lofgren, Reichman, Rowley, Shipley, Taylor, Webster, and Westrich. Nays, 6: Blake, Bisignano, Knox, Petersen, Quirnbach, and Weiner. Excused, none.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

Bill Title: [SENATE FILE 515](#) (formerly [SF 182](#)), a bill for an act relating to consideration of the educational setting of a minor child in a child custody proceeding.

Recommendation: APPROVED COMMITTEE BILL.

Final Vote: Yeas, 20: Schultz, Garrett, Blake, Bisignano, Bousselot, Dawson, Dickey, Evans, Green, Knox, Lofgren, Petersen, Quirnbach, Reichman, Rowley, Shipley, Taylor, Webster, Weiner, and Westrich. Excused, none.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

Bill Title: [SENATE FILE 521](#) (formerly [SF 374](#)), a bill for an act relating to payment of reasonable attorney fees for contempt relative to a dissolution of marriage proceeding.

Recommendation: APPROVED COMMITTEE BILL.

Final Vote: Yeas, 20: Schultz, Garrett, Blake, Bisignano, Bousselot, Dawson, Dickey, Evans, Green, Knox, Lofgren, Petersen, Quirnbach, Reichman, Rowley, Shipley, Taylor, Webster, Weiner, and Westrich. Excused, none.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

ALSO:

Bill Title: *[SENATE FILE 523 \(SSB 1124\)](#), a bill for an act relating to the establishment or modification of legal custody of a child.

Recommendation: APPROVED COMMITTEE BILL.

Final Vote: Yeas, 20: Schultz, Garrett, Blake, Bisignano, Bousselot, Dawson, Dickey, Evans, Green, Knox, Lofgren, Petersen, Quirnbach, Reichman, Rowley, Shipley, Taylor, Webster, Weiner, and Westrich. Excused, none.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

*Pursuant to Rule 40, the Legislative Services Agency reported nonsubstantive changes to the members of the Judiciary Committee on [Senate File 523](#), and they were attached to the committee report.

ALSO:

Bill Title: *[SENATE FILE 524 \(SSB 1005\)](#), a bill for an act relating to awarding the costs in administrative hearings or court proceedings involving the collection of tax, penalties, and interest by the department of revenue.

Recommendation: APPROVED COMMITTEE BILL.

Final Vote: Yeas, 20: Schultz, Garrett, Blake, Bisignano, Bousselot, Dawson, Dickey, Evans, Green, Knox, Lofgren, Petersen, Quirnbach, Reichman, Rowley, Shipley, Taylor, Webster, Weiner, and Westrich. Excused, none.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

*Pursuant to Rule 40, the Legislative Services Agency reported nonsubstantive changes to the members of the Judiciary Committee on [Senate File 524](#), and they were attached to the committee report.

RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

Bill Title: [SENATE RESOLUTION 3 \(SSB 1202\)](#), a resolution promoting mutually beneficial cooperation between the state of Iowa and Taiwan in certain economic sectors.

Recommendation: APPROVED COMMITTEE BILL.

Final Vote: Yeas, 9: Whitver, Sinclair, Weiner, Dickey, Donahue, Klimesh, Koelker, Kraayenbrink, and Rozenboom. Excused, 1: Bisignano.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

AMENDMENT FILED

[S-3017](#) [S.F. 172](#) Education