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NINTH CALENDAR DAY  
SIXTH SESSION DAY

Senate Chamber  
Des Moines, Iowa, Tuesday, January 20, 2026

The Senate met in regular session at 10:01 a.m., President Sinclair presiding.

Prayer was offered by the Honorable Jason Schultz, member of the Senate from Crawford County.

The Journal of Friday, January 16, 2026, was approved.

## ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Senator Klimesh, the Senate adjourned at 10:08 a.m. until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, January 21, 2026.

## APPENDIX

### COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

The following communications were received in the office of the Secretary of the Senate and placed on file in the Legislative Services Agency:

#### DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND LAND STEWARDSHIP

Choose Iowa Food Purchasing Program Report, pursuant to 2025 Iowa Acts, [SF 646](#), section 6. Report received on January 20, 2026.

Home Base Iowa—Licensed Professions and Occupations Annual Report 2022, pursuant to Iowa Code section 272C.12A. Report received on January 16, 2026.

Home Base Iowa—Licensed Professions and Occupations Annual Report 2023, pursuant to Iowa Code section 272C.12A. Report received on January 16, 2026.

Home Base Iowa–Licensed Professions and Occupations Annual Report 2024, pursuant to Iowa Code section 272C.12A. Report received on January 16, 2026.

Home Base Iowa–Licensed Professions and Occupations Annual Report 2025, pursuant to Iowa Code section 272C.12A. Report received on January 16, 2026.

#### COLLEGE STUDENT AID COMMISSION

College Student Aid Commission Annual Report, pursuant to Iowa Code section 256.177. Report received on January 20, 2026.

#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE (INSURANCE DIVISION)

Financial Exploitation of Eligible Adults Report, pursuant to Iowa Code section 502.810. Report received on January 16, 2026.

#### IOWA COUNTY ENGINEERS ASSOCIATION SERVICE BUREAU

Iowa County Engineers Association Service Bureau Annual Report, pursuant to Iowa Code section 312.3B. Report received on January 20, 2026.

#### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Antibullying Program Report, pursuant to 2025 Iowa Acts, [SF 647](#), section 2. Report received on January 20, 2026.

Iowa Reading Research Center Annual Report, pursuant to Iowa Code section 256.9. Report received on January 20, 2026.

#### BOARD OF EDUCATIONAL EXAMINERS

Administrative Rules Review–Triennial Report, pursuant to 2023 Iowa Acts, [SF 514](#), section 2579. Report received on January 20, 2026.

#### IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY

Disaster Recovery Housing Assistance Program Fund Report, pursuant to 2025 Iowa Acts, [SF 619](#), section 21. Report received on January 20, 2026.

#### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC DEFENSE

Offenses Reported to Civilian Law Enforcement Authorities, pursuant to Iowa Code sections 29B.116B and 65.3. Report received on January 20, 2026.

#### BOARD OF REGENTS

Affirmative Action, Diversity, and Multicultural Accomplishment, pursuant to Iowa Code section 19B.5. Report received on January 20, 2026.

Minority and Women Educators Enhancement Program Report, pursuant to Iowa Code sections 262.93 and 262.82. Report received January 20, 2026.

UI Hospitals and Clinics Resident Applicants Report, pursuant to 2025 Iowa Acts, [HF 516](#), section 1. Report received on January 20, 2026.

## INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

[Senate Resolution 102](#), by McClintock and Zumbach, a resolution honoring and congratulating barbecue chef and pitmaster Thyron Mathews for his appearance as a competitor on the reality television cooking competition BBQ Brawl.

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

[Senate Resolution 103](#), by Shipley, a resolution recognizing and honoring Easterseals Iowa on its centennial anniversary.

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

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

[Senate File 2067](#), by Klimesh, a bill for an act relating to easements for hazardous liquid pipelines, including negotiation requirements, eminent domain authorization, and contract execution, and including effective date, applicability, and retroactive applicability provisions.

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

[Senate File 2068](#), by Schultz, a bill for an act relating to the licensure of massage establishments, and making penalties applicable.

Read first time under Rule 28 and referred to committee on **State Government**.

## STUDY BILLS RECEIVED

[SSB 3044](#)      **Workforce**

Relating to programs and procedures of the department of workforce development and including effective date provisions.

**SSB 3045 State Government**

Relating to the verification of United States citizenship of persons registering to vote.

**SSB 3046 State Government**

Enacting the athletic trainer compact.

**SSB 3047 State Government**

Relating to an absentee ballot marking pilot program for voters with disabilities.

**SSB 3048 Education**

Relating to teacher education and licensing, including by modifying provisions related to practitioner preparation programs and licenses issued by the board of educational examiners.

**SSB 3049 Education**

Relating to career education, including by modifying provisions related to career academies, the collective statewide articulation agreement between community colleges and the state board of regents, the district-to-community college sharing or concurrent enrollment program, and individual career and academic plans.

**SSB 3050 Education**

Modifying provisions related to the curriculum provided to students enrolled in grades nine through twelve by allowing instruction related to technology, engineering, or manufacturing to meet a portion of the unit requirements related to computer science.

**SSB 3051 Workforce**

Relating to public retirement systems by allowing for the forfeiture of certain portions of the pension of a public employee who commits a felony.

## SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

[Senate Joint Resolution 2003](#)

STATE GOVERNMENT: Rozenboom, Chair; Drey and Schultz

[Senate File 2051](#)

STATE GOVERNMENT: Guth, Chair; Bisignano and Driscoll

[Senate File 2064](#)

TRANSPORTATION: Kraayenbrink, Chair; Townsend and Zumbach

[House File 992](#)

WAYS AND MEANS: Gruenhagen, Chair; Koelker and Petersen

[House File 1010](#)

EDUCATION: Taylor, Chair; Green and Quirnbach

[SSB 3017](#)

(Reassigned)

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES: Warme, Chair; Costello and Petersen

[SSB 3044](#)

WORKFORCE: Dickey, Chair; Dotzler and Koelker

[SSB 3045](#)

STATE GOVERNMENT: Rozenboom, Chair; Webster and Winckler

[SSB 3046](#)

STATE GOVERNMENT: Green, Chair; Blake and Westrich

[SSB 3047](#)

STATE GOVERNMENT: Rozenboom, Chair; Schultz and Winckler

[SSB 3048](#)

EDUCATION: Evans, Chair; Donahue and Pike

[SSB 3049](#)

EDUCATION: Evans, Chair; Taylor and Zimmer

[SSB 3050](#)

EDUCATION: Evans, Chair; Taylor and Zimmer

[SSB 3051](#)

WORKFORCE: Koelker, Chair; Driscoll and Townsend

## COMMITTEE CHANGE

Effective Wednesday, January 21, 2026, Senator Klimesh is appointed to replace Senator Whitver on the Commerce committee.

## REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

January 20, 2026

Re: [Session Delay of ARC 9467C](#)

Dear Senator Sweeney,

On September 8, 2025, the Administrative Rules Review Committee voted to impose a session delay on rulemaking by the Environmental Protection Commission. As a result, the effective date of ARC 9467C, which impacts the regulation of septic systems, will not go into effect until adjournment sine die of the 2026 session if the General Assembly does not take action on it before then. Please see the attached memorandum from the Administrative Rules Review Committee for further details.

Pursuant to Iowa Code 17A.8(9) and Joint Rule 19, this rule is being referred to the Senate Natural Resources Committee and will be recorded in the Senate Journal.

As Chair, your committee has 21 days to take the following committee action:

1. Sponsor a joint resolution to disapprove the rule; OR
2. Propose legislation relating to the rule; OR
3. Refuse to propose either a joint rule or legislation by taking an affirmative vote

AND

1. The committee must then inform the Administrative Rules Review Committee of which action above was taken.

Upon completion of the above tasks, the responsibilities of your committee are complete, and the ultimate outcome is determined through the legislative process. If no further action is taken or if further action is not completed by adjournment sine die, the rule will go into effect.

If my office can be of further assistance, please let me or my chief of staff know.

Sincerely,

Senate President Amy Sinclair