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NINETY-THIRD CALENDAR DAY
FIFTY-FOURTH SESSION DAY

Senate Chamber
Des Moines, Iowa, Tuesday, April 14, 2026

The Senate met in regular session at 9:04 a.m., President Sinclair presiding.

Prayer was offered by the Honorable Sarah Trone Garriott, member of the Senate from Dallas County.

The Journal of Monday, April 13, 2026, 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 April 13, 2026, **passed** the following bills in which the concurrence of the House was asked:

[Senate File 93](#), a bill for an act relating to qualifications to serve as a commissioner or an executive director for a county commission of veteran affairs.

[Senate File 542](#), a bill for an act relating to the suspension of child support and medical support in certain circumstances.

ALSO: That the House has on April 13, 2026, **amended and passed** the following bill in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked:

[Senate File 2379](#), a bill for an act relating to victim protections including victim counselors, protective orders, sex offender registration, rights of sexual abuse victims, mental competency and civil commitment, restitution, and victim rights. ([S-5178](#))

ALSO: That the House has on April 13, 2026, **concurred** in the Senate amendment **and passed** the following bills in which the concurrence of the House was asked:

House File 2254, a bill for an act relating to the prohibition of noncompete clauses in certain employment contracts entered into by the university of Iowa hospitals and clinics, and including effective date provisions.

House File 2256, a bill for an act relating to adjudication of a child in need of assistance due to the need for treatment of a chemical dependency, mental health disorder, or behavioral disorder.

House File 2532, a bill for an act relating to probate and trust matters, including time limitations on actions, attorney fees, trust code proceedings and notice requirements, damages for wrongful death, and filing deadlines, and including effective date and applicability provisions.

House File 2543, a bill for an act relating to mental health care, including subacute mental health care facility requirements; admission to and discharge from a subacute mental health care facility; employment requirements at a subacute mental health care facility; insurance coverage for subacute mental health care; and the establishment of a psychiatric medical institution for children bed tracking system, and providing penalties and including effective date provisions.

RECESS

On motion of Senator Klimesh, the Senate recessed at 9:09 a.m. until the conclusion of a meeting of the committee on Appropriations.

RECONVENED

The Senate reconvened at 10:15 a.m., President Sinclair presiding.

The Senate stood at ease at 10:16 a.m. until the fall of the gavel for the purpose of party caucuses.

The Senate resumed session at 11:05 a.m., President Sinclair presiding.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Leaves of absence were granted as follows:

Senators Garrett, Reichman, and Rowley, until they arrive, on request of Senator Klimesh.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS
(Unfinished Business Calendar)

Senator Klimesh asked and received unanimous consent to take up for consideration House Files 2655 and 2539.

House File 2655

On motion of Senator Dickey, House File 2655, a bill for an act relating to the operating privileges of drivers of authorized emergency vehicles and police officers riding police bicycles, placed on the Unfinished Business Calendar on March 26, 2026, with report of committee recommending amendment and passage, was taken up for consideration.

Senator Dickey offered amendment S-5112, filed by the committee on Transportation on March 19, 2026, to page 1 of the bill, and moved its adoption.

Amendment S-5112 was adopted by a voice vote.

Senator Dickey moved that the bill be read the last time now and placed upon its passage, which motion prevailed by a voice vote, and the bill was read the last time.

On the question "Shall the bill pass?" (H.F. 2655), the vote was:

Yeas, 47:

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| Alons | Bennett | Bisignano | Blake |
| Bousselot | Campbell | Costello | Dawson |
| Dickey | Donahue | Dotzler | Drey |
| Driscoll | Evans | Green | Gruenhagen |
| Guth | Hardman | Klimesh | Knox |
| Koelker | Kraayenbrink | Lofgren | McClintock |
| Petersen | Pike | Quirnbach | Rozenboom |
| Salmon | Schultz | Shipley | Sinclair |

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| Sires | Staed | Sweeney | Taylor |
| Townsend | Trone Garriott | Wahls | Warme |
| Webster | Weiner | Westrich | Whitver |
| Winckler | Zimmer | Zumbach | |

Nays, none.

Absent, 3:

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| Garrett | Reichman | Rowley |
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The bill, having received a constitutional majority, was declared to have passed the Senate and the title was agreed to.

House File 2539

On motion of Senator Gruenhagen, [House File 2539](#), a bill for an act repealing certain programs and other matters relating to higher education, placed on the Unfinished Business Calendar on March 26, 2026, with report of committee recommending passage, was taken up for consideration.

Senator Gruenhagen moved that the bill be read the last time now and placed upon its passage, which motion prevailed by a voice vote, and the bill was read the last time.

On the question "Shall the bill pass?" ([H.F. 2539](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 30:

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| Alons | Bousselot | Campbell | Costello |
| Dawson | Dickey | Driscoll | Evans |
| Green | Gruenhagen | Guth | Klimesh |
| Koelker | Kraayenbrink | Lofgren | McClintock |
| Pike | Rozenboom | Salmon | Schultz |
| Shiple | Sinclair | Sires | Sweeney |
| Taylor | Warme | Webster | Westrich |
| Whitver | Zumbach | | |

Nays, 17:

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| Bennett | Bisignano | Blake | Donahue |
| Dotzler | Drey | Hardman | Knox |
| Petersen | Quirnbach | Staed | Townsend |
| Trone Garriott | Wahls | Weiner | Winckler |
| Zimmer | | | |

Absent, 3:

Garrett Reichman Rowley

The bill, having received a constitutional majority, was declared to have passed the Senate and the title was agreed to.

CONSIDERATION OF BILL
(Ways and Means Calendar)

Senator Klimesh asked and received unanimous consent to take up for consideration [Senate File 629](#).

Senate File 629

On motion of Senator Boussetot, [Senate File 629](#), a bill for an act providing for an expedited filing service for filers of business documents administered by the secretary of state, and providing fees, was taken up for consideration.

Senator Boussetot moved that the bill be read the last time now and placed upon its passage, which motion prevailed by a voice vote, and the bill was read the last time.

On the question "Shall the bill pass?" ([S.F. 629](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 47:

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| Alons | Bennett | Bisignano | Blake |
| Boussetot | Campbell | Costello | Dawson |
| Dickey | Donahue | Dotzler | Drey |
| Driscoll | Evans | Green | Gruenhagen |
| Guth | Hardman | Klimesh | Knox |
| Koelker | Kraayenbrink | Lofgren | McClintock |
| Petersen | Pike | Quirnbach | Rozenboom |
| Salmon | Schultz | Shipley | Sinclair |
| Sires | Staed | Sweeney | Taylor |
| Townsend | Trone Garriott | Wahls | Warne |
| Webster | Weiner | Westrich | Whitver |
| Winckler | Zimmer | Zumbach | |

Nays, none.

Absent, 3:

Garrett Reichman Rowley

The bill, having received a constitutional majority, was declared to have passed the Senate and the title was agreed to.

IMMEDIATELY MESSAGED

Senator Klimesh asked and received unanimous consent that [Senate File 629](#) and **House Files 2539** and **2655** be **immediately messaged** to the House.

The Senate stood at ease at 11:22 a.m. until the fall of the gavel for the purpose of Republican party caucus.

The Senate resumed session at 11:35 a.m., President Sinclair presiding.

CONSIDERATION OF BILL
(Unfinished Business Calendar)

Senator Klimesh asked and received unanimous consent to take up for consideration [House File 2670](#).

[House File 2670](#)

On motion of Senator Evans, [House File 2670](#), a bill for an act relating to education, including by modifying provisions related to summative testing in schools and the educational program provided to students enrolled in kindergarten through grade twelve, and including applicability provisions, placed on the Unfinished Business Calendar on March 26, 2026, with report of committee recommending amendment and passage, was taken up for consideration.

Senator Evans offered amendment [S-5113](#), filed by the committee on Education on March 19, 2026, to pages 4, 6, 7, 9, and 10 of the bill, and moved its adoption.

Amendment [S-5113](#) was adopted by a voice vote.

Senator Evans moved that the bill be read the last time now and placed upon its passage, which motion prevailed by a voice vote, and the bill was read the last time.

On the question "Shall the bill pass?" ([H.F. 2670](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 30:

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| Alons | Bousselot | Campbell | Costello |
| Dawson | Dickey | Driscoll | Evans |
| Green | Gruenhagen | Guth | Klimesh |
| Koelker | Kraayenbrink | Lofgren | McClintock |
| Pike | Rozenboom | Salmon | Schultz |
| Shiplely | Sinclair | Sires | Sweeney |
| Taylor | Warme | Webster | Westrich |
| Whitver | Zumbach | | |

Nays, 17:

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| Bennett | Bisignano | Blake | Donahue |
| Dotzler | Drey | Hardman | Knox |
| Petersen | Quirnbach | Staed | Townsend |
| Trone Garriott | Wahls | Weiner | Winckler |
| Zimmer | | | |

Absent, 3:

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| Garrett | Reichman | Rowley |
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The bill, having received a constitutional majority, was declared to have passed the Senate and the title was agreed to.

CONSIDERATION OF BILL (Ways and Means Calendar)

Senator Klimesh asked and received unanimous consent to take up for consideration [Senate File 2468](#).

[Senate File 2468](#)

On motion of Senator Taylor, [Senate File 2468](#), a bill for an act providing for the conversion of partnerships into other forms of domestic or foreign organizations, and providing for fees, was taken up for consideration.

Senator Taylor moved that the bill be read the last time now and placed upon its passage, which motion prevailed by a voice vote, and the bill was read the last time.

On the question “Shall the bill pass?” ([S.F. 2468](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 47:

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| Alons | Bennett | Bisignano | Blake |
| Bousselot | Campbell | Costello | Dawson |
| Dickey | Donahue | Dotzler | Drey |
| Driscoll | Evans | Green | Gruenhagen |
| Guth | Hardman | Klimesh | Knox |
| Koelker | Kraayenbrink | Lofgren | McClintock |
| Petersen | Pike | Quirnbach | Rozenboom |
| Salmon | Schultz | Shipley | Sinclair |
| Sires | Staed | Sweeney | Taylor |
| Townsend | Trone Garriott | Wahls | Warme |
| Webster | Weiner | Westrich | Whitver |
| Winckler | Zimmer | Zumbach | |

Nays, none.

Absent, 3:

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| Garrett | Reichman | Rowley |
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The bill, having received a constitutional majority, was declared to have passed the Senate and the title was agreed to.

HOUSE AMENDMENT TO SENATE AMENDMENT CONSIDERED

House File 2591

Senator Klimesh called up for consideration [House File 2591](#), a bill for an act relating to open enrollment, student transfers, and interscholastic athletic eligibility requirements, amended by the Senate and further amended by the House in House amendment [S-5169](#) to Senate amendment [H-8283](#), filed April 8, 2026.

Senator Shipley moved that the Senate concur in the House amendment to the Senate amendment.

A record roll call was requested.

On the question "Shall the motion to concur be adopted?" ([H.F. 2591](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 35:

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| Alons | Bisignano | Blake | Bousselot |
| Campbell | Costello | Dawson | Dickey |
| Driscoll | Evans | Green | Gruenhagen |
| Guth | Klimesh | Knox | Koelker |
| Kraayenbrink | Lofgren | McClintock | Pike |
| Rozenboom | Salmon | Schultz | Shiple |
| Sinclair | Sires | Sweeney | Taylor |
| Trone Garriott | Wahls | Warme | Webster |
| Westrich | Whitver | Zumbach | |

Nays, 12:

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| Bennett | Donahue | Dotzler | Drey |
| Hardman | Petersen | Quirnbach | Staed |
| Townsend | Weiner | Winckler | Zimmer |

Absent, 3:

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| Garrett | Reichman | Rowley |
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The motion prevailed and the Senate **concurred** in the House amendment to the Senate amendment.

Senator Shipley moved that the bill, as amended by the Senate, further amended by the House and concurred in by the Senate, be read the last time now and placed upon its passage, which motion prevailed by voice vote and the bill was read the last time.

On the question "Shall the bill pass?" ([H.F. 2591](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 43:

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| Alons | Bisignano | Blake | Bousselot |
| Campbell | Costello | Dawson | Dickey |
| Dotzler | Drey | Driscoll | Evans |
| Green | Gruenhagen | Guth | Hardman |
| Klimesh | Knox | Koelker | Kraayenbrink |
| Lofgren | McClintock | Petersen | Pike |
| Quirnbach | Rozenboom | Salmon | Schultz |
| Shiple | Sinclair | Sires | Sweeney |
| Taylor | Townsend | Trone Garriott | Wahls |
| Warme | Webster | Weiner | Westrich |
| Whitver | Winckler | Zumbach | |

Nays, 4:

Bennett Donahue Staed Zimmer

Absent, 3:

Garrett Reichman Rowley

The bill, having received a constitutional majority, was declared to have passed the Senate and the title, as amended, was agreed to.

IMMEDIATELY MESSAGED

Senator Klimesh asked and received unanimous consent that [Senate File 2468](#) and **House Files 2591** and **2670** be **immediately messaged** to the House.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Senator Klimesh, the Senate adjourned at 12:15 p.m. until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, April 15, 2026.

APPENDIX

COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

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

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Nursing Facilities Private Room Supplementation Report, pursuant to Iowa Code section 249A.4. Report received on April 14, 2026.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

APPROPRIATIONS

Convened: Tuesday, April 14, 2026, 10:00 a.m.

Members Present: Kraayenbrink, Chair; Zumbach, Vice Chair; Petersen, Ranking Member; Blake, Boussetot, Costello, Dawson, Donahue, Dotzler, Green, Gruenhagen, Guth, Koelker, Reichman, Shipley, Staed, Warme, Whitver, and Winckler.

Members Absent: Garrett, Knox, and Rowley (all excused).

Committee Business: [SSB 3194](#).

Adjourned: 10:05 a.m.

WAYS AND MEANS

Convened: Tuesday, April 14, 2026, 3:40 p.m.

Members Present: Dawson, Chair; Gruenhagen, Vice Chair; Bisignano, Ranking Member; Boussetot, Dickey, Driscoll, Green, Koelker, Petersen, Quirnbach, Schultz, Sweeney, Taylor, Townsend, and Winckler.

Members Absent: Dotzler, Reichman, and Rowley (all excused).

Committee Business: [SF 2191](#), [HF 2749](#), [SF 2148](#), [HF 2634](#), [SSB 3181](#), [SSB 3195](#), [SF 2449](#), [SF 2480](#), [SF 2188](#), [SF 2213](#), [SF 2431](#), [HF 960](#), [SF 2292](#), [SF 2460](#), [SF 2476](#), [HF 1031](#), [SF 2446](#), and [SF 2279](#).

Adjourned: 5:05 p.m.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

[Senate Resolution 113](#), by committee on Rules and Administration, a resolution honoring Senator Tom Shipley for his service in the Iowa Senate.

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

[Senate Resolution 114](#), by committee on Rules and Administration, a resolution honoring Senator Julian Garrett for his service in the Iowa Senate.

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

[Senate Resolution 115](#), by committee on Rules and Administration, a resolution honoring Senator Cherielynn Westrich for her service in the Iowa Senate.

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

[Senate Resolution 116](#), by Klimesh, a resolution deferring action on the confirmation of certain appointments.

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

[Senate Resolution 117](#), by committee on Rules and Administration, a resolution honoring Senator Ken Rozenboom for his service in the Iowa Senate.

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

[Senate Resolution 118](#), by committee on Rules and Administration, a resolution honoring Senator Jack Whitver for his service in the Iowa Senate.

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

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

[Senate File 2489](#), by committee on Appropriations, a bill for an act related to the periods of time to bring civil actions for injuries that result from sex offenses against minors for the purpose of filing claims against the bankruptcy estate of a congressionally chartered organization.

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

[Senate File 2490](#), by committee on Ways and Means, a bill for an act relating to oil and gas production, including filing requirements, the authority of the department of natural resources, confidential information, pooling orders, negotiation of surface damage, imposition and distribution of a tax, and jurisdiction.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Senate File 2477

(Reassigned)

WAYS AND MEANS: Green, Chair; Dickey and Winckler

House File 2752

APPROPRIATIONS: Zumbach, Chair; Kraayenbrink and Winckler

House File 2753

APPROPRIATIONS: Zumbach, Chair; Knox and Kraayenbrink

FINAL COMMITTEE REPORTS OF BILL ACTION

APPROPRIATIONS

Bill Title: SENATE FILE 2489 (SSB 3194), a bill for an act related to the periods of time to bring civil actions for injuries that result from sex offenses against minors for the purpose of filing claims against the bankruptcy estate of a congressionally chartered organization.

Recommendation: APPROVED COMMITTEE BILL.

Final Vote: Yeas, 19: Kraayenbrink, Zumbach, Petersen, Blake, Boussetot, Costello, Dawson, Donahue, Dotzler, Green, Gruenhagen, Guth, Koelker, Reichman, Shipley, Staed, Warme, Whitver, and Winckler. Nays, none. Excused, 3: Garrett, Knox, and Rowley.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

WAYS AND MEANS

Bill Title: SENATE FILE 2490 (formerly SF 2449), a bill for an act relating to oil and gas production, including filing requirements, the authority of the department of natural resources, confidential information, pooling orders, negotiation of surface damage, imposition and distribution of a tax, and jurisdiction.

Recommendation: APPROVED COMMITTEE BILL.

Final Vote: Yeas, 10: Dawson, Gruenhagen, Boussetot, Dickey, Driscoll, Green, Koelker, Schultz, Sweeney, and Taylor. Nays, 5: Bisignano, Petersen, Quirnbach, Townsend, and Winckler. Excused, 3: Dotzler, Reichman, and Rowley.

Fiscal Note: NOT REQUIRED UNDER JOINT RULE 17.

AMENDMENT FILED

S-5178 S.F. 2379 House