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ONE HUNDRED FIRST CALENDAR DAY
FIFTY-NINTH SESSION DAY

Senate Chamber
Des Moines, Iowa, Wednesday, April 22, 2026

The Senate met in regular session at 9:06 a.m., President Sinclair presiding.

Prayer was offered by the Honorable Mark Costello, member of the Senate from Mills County.

The Journal of Tuesday, April 21, 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 21, 2026, **passed** the following bills in which the concurrence of the House was asked:

[Senate File 2139](#), a bill for an act enacting the athletic trainer compact.

[Senate File 2365](#), a bill for an act relating to public improvement contracts, including notice requirements.

[Senate File 2496](#), a bill for an act relating to Iowa's urban renewal law by modifying the division of revenue for certain emergency medical services property tax levies, and including effective date and applicability provisions.

ALSO: That the House has on April 21, 2026, **amended and passed** the following bills in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked:

Senate File 2289, a bill for an act relating to matters under the purview of the department of inspections, appeals, and licensing, and including effective date provisions. (S-5205)

Senate File 2422, a bill for an act relating to the supplemental nutrition assistance program, the medical assistance program, the Iowa health and wellness plan, and other programs under the purview of the department of health and human services and including effective date provisions. (S-5206)

ALSO: That the House has on April 21, 2026, **concurred** in the Senate amendment and **passed** the following bills in which the concurrence of the House was asked:

House File 990, a bill for an act relating to the licensure of medical cannabidiol dispensaries.

House File 2305, a bill for an act relating to health care decisions related to palliative care, hospice programs, life-sustaining procedures, out-of-hospital do-not-resuscitate orders, and durable power of attorney for health care.

House File 2502, a bill for an act relating to paid parental leave for state employees.

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.

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.

ALSO: That the House has on April 21, 2026, **refused to concur** in the Senate amendment to the following bill in which the concurrence of the House was asked:

[House File 940](#), a bill for an act relating to civil law, including providing notice to named beneficiaries in probate law, a process for named beneficiaries to obtain ownership of property held by others in probate law, and authorizing spouses to amend premarital agreements, and including applicability provisions.

ALSO: That the House has on April 21, 2026, **passed** the following bills in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked:

[House File 2758](#), a bill for an act providing a standing appropriation to the state board of regents for pediatric cancer research at the university of Iowa hospitals and clinics.

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

[House File 2778](#), a bill for an act modifying the individual income tax credit for emergency medical services personnel to include volunteer ambulance drivers, and including retroactive applicability provisions.

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

[House File 2779](#), a bill for an act relating to authorizations to conduct advance deposit wagering.

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

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION
(Regular Calendar)

Senator Klimesh asked and received unanimous consent to take up for consideration [Senate Resolution 117](#).

Senator Busselot took the chair at 9:30 a.m.

Senate Resolution 117

On motion of Senator Zumbach, Senate Resolution 117, a resolution honoring Senator Ken Rozenboom for his service in the Iowa Senate, was taken up for consideration.

The Senate rose and expressed its tribute to Senator Rozenboom.

Senator Zumbach moved the adoption of Senate Resolution 117, which motion prevailed by a voice vote.

Senator Rozenboom addressed the Senate with brief remarks.

The Senate stood at ease at 10:36 a.m. until the fall of the gavel.

The Senate resumed session at 10:43 a.m., President Sinclair presiding.

The Senate stood at ease at 10:44 a.m. until the fall of the gavel for the purpose of party caucuses.

The Senate resumed session at 12:57 p.m., President Sinclair presiding.

QUORUM CALL

Senator Schultz requested a nonrecord roll call to determine that a quorum was present.

The Chair declared a quorum present.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Leaves of absence were granted as follows:

Senator Wahls, until he arrives, on request of Senator Weiner; and Senators Garrett, Guth, Lofgren, Reichman, and Rowley, until they arrive, on request of Senator Klimesh.

CONSIDERATION OF BILL
(Ways and Means Calendar)

Senator Klimesh asked and received unanimous consent to take up for consideration [Senate File 2493](#).

[Senate File 2493](#)

On motion of Senator Taylor, [Senate File 2493](#), a bill for an act relating to the excise tax on certain ethanol blended gasoline purchased exclusively for use in an implement of husbandry used in agricultural production, 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. 2493](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 44:

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

Nays, none.

Absent, 6:

Garrett	Guth	Lofgren	Reichman
Rowley	Wahls		

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 2493](#) be **immediately messaged** to the House.

CONSIDERATION OF BILL
(Appropriations Calendar)

Senator Klimesh asked and received unanimous consent to take up for consideration [Senate File 2480](#).

[Senate File 2480](#)

On motion of Senator Warme, [Senate File 2480](#), a bill for an act relating to the taxation and regulation of alternative nicotine products and vapor products, making appropriations, and including effective date provisions, was taken up for consideration.

Senator Warme offered amendment [S-5201](#), filed by the senator on April 21, 2026, to pages 3 and 5 of the bill, and moved its adoption.

Amendment [S-5201](#) was adopted by a voice vote.

Senator Warme 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. 2480](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 44:

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

Nays, none.

Absent, 6:

Garrett	Guth	Lofgren	Reichman
Rowley	Wahls		

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 640](#)

Senator Klimesh called up for consideration [House File 640](#), a bill for an act concerning self-storage facilities, including acceptances and defaults of rental agreements, amended by the Senate and further amended by the House in House amendment [S-5167](#) to Senate amendment [H-1261](#), filed April 8, 2026.

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

The motion prevailed by a voice vote and the Senate **concurred** in the House amendment to the Senate amendment.

Senator Webster 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. 640](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 42:

Alons	Bennett	Blake	Bousselot
Campbell	Costello	Dawson	Dickey
Donahue	Dotzler	Drey	Driscoll
Evans	Green	Gruenhagen	Hardman
Klimesh	Knox	Koelker	Kraayenbrink
McClintock	Pike	Quirnbach	Rozenboom
Salmon	Schultz	Shipley	Sinclair
Sires	Staed	Sweeney	Taylor

Townsend	Trone Garriott	Warme	Webster
Weiner	Westrich	Whitver	Winckler
Zimmer	Zumbach		

Nays, 2:

Bisignano	Petersen
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Absent, 6:

Garrett	Guth	Lofgren	Reichman
Rowley	Wahls		

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT CONSIDERED

Senate File 378

Senator Klimesh called up for consideration Senate File 378, a bill for an act relating to the default speed limit for all vehicular traffic, and making penalties applicable, amended by the House in House amendment S-5153, filed April 2, 2026.

Senator Gruenhagen moved that the Senate concur in the House amendment.

The motion prevailed by a voice vote and the Senate **concurred** in the House amendment.

Senator Gruenhagen moved that the bill, as 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?" (S.F. 378), the vote was:

Yeas, 28:

Alons	Bennett	Bousselot	Campbell
Costello	Dawson	Dickey	Donahue
Dotzler	Evans	Green	Gruenhagen
Klimesh	Kraayenbrink	McClintock	Pike

Rozenboom	Salmon	Schultz	Shipley
Sinclair	Sires	Sweeney	Taylor
Warme	Westrich	Whitver	Zumbach

Nays, 16:

Bisignano	Blake	Drey	Driscoll
Hardman	Knox	Koelker	Petersen
Quirnbach	Staed	Townsend	Trone Garriott
Webster	Weiner	Winckler	Zimmer

Absent, 6:

Garrett	Guth	Lofgren	Reichman
Rowley	Wahls		

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 Files 378** and **2480** and [House File 640](#) be **immediately messaged** to the House.

HOUSE AMENDMENT CONSIDERED

[Senate File 2428](#)

Senator Klimesh called up for consideration [Senate File 2428](#), a bill for an act relating to the responsibilities of school districts and charter schools related to the discipline of students who cause violent or nonviolent disruptions, amended by the House in House amendment [S-5166](#), filed April 8, 2026.

Senator Gruenhagen offered amendment [S-5207](#), filed by the senator from the floor to page 13 of amendment H-use [S-5166](#), and moved its adoption.

Amendment [S-5207](#) was adopted by a voice vote.

Senator Gruenhagen moved that the Senate concur in the House amendment, as amended.

The motion prevailed by a voice vote and the Senate **concurred** in the House amendment, as amended.

Senator Gruenhagen moved that the bill, as amended by the House, further amended 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?” ([S.F. 2428](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 44:

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

Nays, none.

Absent, 6:

Garrett	Guth	Lofgren	Reichman
Rowley	Wahls		

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

CONSIDERATION OF BILL (Unfinished Business Calendar)

Senator Klimesh asked and received unanimous consent to take up for consideration [House File 2498](#).

[House File 2498](#)

On motion of Senator Salmon, [House File 2498](#), a bill for an act enacting the interstate podiatric medical licensure compact, placed on the Unfinished Business Calendar on March 26, 2026, with report of committee recommending passage, was taken up for consideration.

Senator Salmon 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. 2498](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 44:

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

Nays, none.

Absent, 6:

Garrett	Guth	Lofgren	Reichman
Rowley	Wahls		

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 2500](#).

[Senate File 2500](#)

On motion of Senator Driscoll, [Senate File 2500](#), a bill for an act relating to townships, including the appointment and duties of township officers, township budgets, and the provision of fire protection and emergency medical services to townships by cities, and including effective date provisions, was taken up for consideration.

Senator Driscoll offered amendment [S-5208](#), filed by the senator from the floor, striking and replacing everything after the enacting clause and amending the title page of the bill, and moved its adoption.

Amendment [S-5208](#) was adopted by a voice vote.

With the adoption of amendment [S-5208](#), the Chair ruled amendment [S-5189](#), filed by Senator Driscoll on April 16, 2026, to pages 8–10, 13, and 14, and amending the title page of the bill, out of order.

Senator Driscoll 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. 2500](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 28:

Alons	Bousselot	Campbell	Costello
Dawson	Dotzler	Driscoll	Green
Gruenhagen	Klimesh	Knox	Koelker
Kraayenbrink	McClintock	Pike	Rozenboom
Salmon	Schultz	Shipley	Sinclair
Sires	Sweeney	Taylor	Warme
Webster	Westrich	Whitver	Zumbach

Nays, 16:

Bennett	Bisignano	Blake	Dickey
Donahue	Drey	Evans	Hardman
Petersen	Quirnbach	Staed	Townsend
Trone Garriott	Weiner	Winckler	Zimmer

Absent, 6:

Garrett	Guth	Lofgren	Reichman
Rowley	Wahls		

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 Files 2428** and **2500** and **House File 2498** be **immediately messaged** to the House.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS
(Ways and Means Calendar)

Senator Klimesh asked and received unanimous consent to take up for consideration House Files 992, 2634, and 2749.

House File 992

On motion of Gruenhagen, **House File 992**, a bill for an act relating to the fee for duplicates or other evidence of interstate fuel use tax permits or licenses, 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. 992**), the vote was:

Yeas, 44:

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

Nays, none.

Absent, 6:

Garrett	Guth	Lofgren	Reichman
Rowley	Wahls		

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

House File 2634

On motion of Senator Taylor, [House File 2634](#), a bill for an act relating to preneed sellers, sales agents and sales agent applicants, and government cemeteries, with report of committee recommending passage, 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?" ([H.F. 2634](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 44:

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

Nays, none.

Absent, 6:

Garrett	Guth	Lofgren	Reichman
Rowley	Wahls		

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

House File 2749

On motion of Senator Bousselot, [House File 2749](#), a bill for an act relating to real estate transfer tax, including declarations of value, with report of committee recommending passage, 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?” ([H.F. 2749](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 44:

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

Nays, none.

Absent, 6:

Garrett	Guth	Lofgren	Reichman
Rowley	Wahls		

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 **House Files 992, 2634, and 2749** be **immediately messaged** to the House.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION (Regular Calendar)

Senator Klimesh asked and received unanimous consent to take up for consideration [Senate Resolution 115](#).

President Pro Tempore Rozenboom took the chair at 3:19 p.m.

Senate Resolution 115

On motion of Senator Dawson, Senate Resolution 115, a resolution honoring Senator Cherielynn Westrich for her service in the Iowa Senate, was taken up for consideration.

The Senate rose and expressed its tribute to Senator Westrich.

Senator Dawson moved the adoption of Senate Resolution 115, which motion prevailed by a voice vote.

Senator Westrich addressed the Senate with brief remarks.

The Senate stood at ease at 4:07 p.m. until the fall of the gavel.

The Senate resumed session at 4:21 p.m., President Sinclair presiding.

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 22, 2026, **amended and passed** the following bill in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked:

Senate File 2472, a bill for an act relating to state and local government taxes, fees, financial authority, and budgets, modifying divisions of revenue, establishing a program for first-time homebuyers, modifying appropriations, and including effective date, applicability, and retroactive applicability provisions. (S-5210)

ALSO: That the House has on April 22, 2026, **concurred** in the Senate amendment **and passed** the following bills in which the concurrence of the House was asked:

House File 960, a bill for an act relating to the sales tax exemption for the purchase of central office equipment or transmission equipment used by certain entities primarily in the furnishing of telecommunications services on a commercial basis.

House File 2490, a bill for an act relating to public notice requirements for meetings of a governmental body.

House File 2562, a bill for an act relating to care facility placement decisions for certain adults.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Senator Klimesh, the Senate adjourned at 4:34 p.m. until 9:00 a.m., Thursday, April 23, 2026.

APPENDIX

AMENDMENTS FILED

<u>S-5205</u>	<u>S.F. 2289</u>	House
<u>S-5206</u>	<u>S.F. 2422</u>	House
<u>S-5207</u>	<u>S.F. 2428</u>	Kerry Gruenhagen
<u>S-5208</u>	<u>S.F. 2500</u>	Dawn Driscoll
<u>S-5209</u>	<u>H.F. 884</u>	Mike Pike
<u>S-5210</u>	<u>S.F. 2472</u>	House