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ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH CALENDAR DAY
SIXTY-SECOND SESSION DAY

Senate Chamber
Des Moines, Iowa, Tuesday, April 28, 2026

The Senate met in regular session at 10:33 a.m., President Sinclair presiding.

Prayer was offered by the Honorable Annette Sweeney, member of the Senate from Hardin County.

The Journal of Monday, April 27, 2026, was approved.

The Senate stood at ease at 10:35 a.m. until the fall of the gavel for the purpose of party caucuses.

The Senate resumed session at 1:36 p.m., President Sinclair presiding.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Leaves of absence were granted as follows:

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT CONSIDERED

[Senate File 2289](#)

Senator Klimesh called up for consideration [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, amended by the House in House amendment [S-5205](#), filed April 22, 2026.

Senator Dawson 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 Dawson 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. 2289](#)), 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 | Reichman |
| Rozenboom | Salmon | Schultz | Shipley |
| Sinclair | Sires | Staed | Sweeney |
| Taylor | Townsend | Trone Garriott | Warme |
| Webster | Weiner | Westrich | Whitver |
| Winckler | Zimmer | Zumbach | |

Nays, none.

Absent, 3:

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

BILL ATTACHED

[House File 2757](#) was attached to [Senate File 2498](#).

CONSIDERATION OF BILL (Ways and Means Calendar)

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

Senate File 2498

On motion of Senator Dawson, [Senate File 2498](#), a bill for an act relating to nuclear electric generation facilities by creating sales and use tax exemptions and refunds, making appropriations to the state board of regents for establishing and maintaining a nuclear energy workforce, and providing penalties, was taken up for consideration.

Senator Dawson offered amendment [S-5225](#), 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-5225](#) was adopted by a voice vote.

Senator Dawson asked and received unanimous consent that [House File 2757](#) be **substituted** for [Senate File 2498](#).

House File 2757

On motion of Senator Dawson, [House File 2757](#), a bill for an act relating to nuclear electric generation facilities by creating sales and use tax exemptions and refunds, making appropriations to the state board of regents for establishing and maintaining a nuclear energy workforce, and providing penalties, was taken up for consideration.

Senator Dawson offered amendment [S-5226](#), 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-5226](#) was adopted by a voice vote.

Senator Dawson 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. 2757](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 43:

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| Alons | Bisignano | Blake | Bousselot |
| Campbell | Costello | Dawson | Dickey |
| Donahue | Dotzler | Driscoll | Evans |
| Green | Gruenhagen | Guth | Hardman |
| Klimesh | Knox | Koelker | Kraayenbrink |
| Lofgren | McClintock | Petersen | Pike |

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| Reichman | Rozenboom | Salmon | Schultz |
| Shiple | Sinclair | Sires | Sweeney |
| Taylor | Townsend | Trone Garriott | Warne |
| Webster | Weiner | Westrich | Whitver |
| Winckler | Zimmer | Zumbach | |

Nays, 4:

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| Bennett | Drey | Quirnbach | Staed |
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Absent, 3:

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

WITHDRAWN

Senator Dawson asked and received unanimous consent that [Senate File 2498](#) be **withdrawn** from further consideration of the Senate.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT CONSIDERED

[House File 2200](#)

Senator Klimesh called up the conference committee report on [House File 2200](#), a bill for an act relating to prohibited activities in the administration of alcoholic beverage control by the department of revenue, and including effective date provisions, filed on April 23, 2026, and moved its adoption.

The motion prevailed by a voice vote; and the conference committee report, and the recommendations and amendments contained therein, was adopted.

Senator Green 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. 2200](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 43:

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

Nays, 4:

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| Costello | Dotzler | Guth | Taylor |
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Absent, 3:

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| Garrett | Rowley | Wahls |
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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 2289](#) and **House Files 2200** and **2757** be **immediately messaged** to the House.

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 28, 2026, **passed** the following bill in which the concurrence of the House was asked:

[Senate File 472](#), a bill for an act relating to retention and recertification elections for public employee collective bargaining units and including effective date and applicability provisions.

ALSO: That the House has on April 28, 2026, **passed** the following bills in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked:

[House File 2759](#), a bill for an act relating to the payment of claims associated with nonpublic school pupil transportation, making appropriations, and including effective date provisions.

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

[House File 2775](#), a bill for an act relating to a convenience fee for recording applications for the registration of a snowmobile, all-terrain vehicle, or vessel in a county by a person who is not a resident of the county.

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

[House File 2781](#), a bill for an act relating to allocations of moneys from the juvenile detention home fund.

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

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT CONSIDERED

[Senate File 2218](#)

Senator Klimesh called up the conference committee report on [Senate File 2218](#), a bill for an act relating to the verification of the identity and employment eligibility of individuals by the board of educational examiners, school districts, accredited nonpublic schools, charter schools, and innovation zone schools, and including applicability provisions, filed on April 28, 2026, and moved its adoption.

The motion prevailed by a voice vote; and the conference committee report, and the recommendations and amendments contained therein, was adopted.

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?" ([S.F. 2218](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 37:

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

Nays, 10:

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| Bennett | Bisignano | Dotzler | Hardman |
| Knox | Petersen | Quirnbach | Staed |
| Weiner | Winckler | | |

Absent, 3:

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| Garrett | Rowley | Wahls |
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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 (Appropriations Calendar)

Senator Klimesh asked and received unanimous consent to take up for consideration [Senate File 2479](#).

[Senate File 2479](#)

On motion of Senator Guth, [Senate File 2479](#), a bill for an act relating to and making appropriations for state government administration and regulation, including the department of administrative services, auditor of state, ethics and campaign disclosure board, offices of governor and lieutenant governor, department of inspections, appeals, and licensing, department of insurance and financial services, department of management, Iowa public employees' retirement system, public information board, department of revenue, secretary of state, treasurer of state, and utilities commission, was taken up for consideration.

Senator Guth offered amendment [S-5218](#), filed by the senator on April 27, 2026, striking and replacing everything after the enacting clause of the bill, and moved its adoption.

Amendment [S-5218](#) was adopted by a voice vote.

Senator Guth asked and received unanimous consent that [House File 2768](#) be **substituted** for [Senate File 2479](#).

House File 2768

On motion of Senator Guth, [House File 2768](#), a bill for an act relating to and making appropriations for state government administration and regulation, including the department of administrative services, auditor of state, ethics and campaign disclosure board, offices of governor and lieutenant governor, department of inspections, appeals, and licensing, department of insurance and financial services, department of management, Iowa public employees' retirement system, public information board, department of revenue, secretary of state, treasurer of state, and utilities commission, was taken up for consideration.

Senator Guth 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. 2768](#)), the vote was:

Yeas, 31:

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

Nays, 16:

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

Absent, 3:

Garrett

Rowley

Wahls

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

WITHDRAWN

Senator Guth asked and received unanimous consent that [Senate File 2479](#) be **withdrawn** from further consideration of the Senate.

IMMEDIATELY MESSAGED

Senator Klimesh asked and received unanimous consent that [Senate File 2218](#) and [House File 2768](#) be **immediately messaged** to the House.

HOUSE MESSAGE RECEIVED AND CONSIDERED

The following message was received from the Chief Clerk of the House:

MADAM PRESIDENT: I am directed to inform your honorable body that the House has on April 28, 2026, **passed** the following bill in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked:

[House File 2772](#), a bill for an act relating to and making appropriations for the economic development of the state, including to the economic development authority, Iowa finance authority, department of workforce development, and state board of regents and certain regents institutions, and codifying the housing renewal program.

Read first time and attached to [Senate File 2485](#).

CONSIDERATION OF BILL (Appropriations Calendar)

Senator Klimesh asked and received unanimous consent to take up for consideration [Senate File 2465](#).

Senate File 2465

On motion of Senator Shipley, [Senate File 2465](#), a bill for an act relating to agriculture, including by providing for the powers and duties of the department of agriculture and land stewardship, including the promotion and regulation of commodities and products, the regulation of the transportation of agricultural commodities, and the use of agricultural land, making penalties applicable, and including effective date provisions, was taken up for consideration.

Senator Shipley offered amendment [S-5227](#), filed by the senator from the floor to pages 13–16, 20–21, 23, and amending the title page of the bill, and moved its adoption.

Amendment [S-5227](#) was adopted by a voice vote.

Senator Shipley 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. 2465](#)), 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 | Reichman |
| Rozenboom | Salmon | Schultz | Shipley |
| Sinclair | Sires | Staed | Sweeney |
| Taylor | Townsend | Trone Garriott | Warme |
| Webster | Weiner | Westrich | Whitver |
| Winckler | Zimmer | Zumbach | |

Nays, none.

Absent, 3:

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| Garrett | Rowley | Wahls |
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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 2465](#) be **immediately messaged** to the House.

The Senate stood at ease at 3:04 p.m. until the fall of the gavel for the purpose of a Democratic party caucus.

The Senate resumed session at 3:46 p.m., President Sinclair presiding.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Leave of absence was granted as follows:

Senator Blake, until he arrives, on request of Senator Weiner.

CONSIDERATION OF BILL
(Appropriations Calendar)

Senator Klimesh asked and received unanimous consent to take up for consideration [Senate File 2485](#).

[Senate File 2485](#)

On motion of Senator Gruenhagen, [Senate File 2485](#), a bill for an act relating to and making appropriations for the economic development of the state, including to the economic development authority, Iowa finance authority, department of workforce development, and state board of regents and certain regents institutions, was taken up for consideration.

Senator Gruenhagen offered amendment [S-5228](#), 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-5228](#) was adopted by a voice vote.

Gruenhagen asked and received unanimous consent that [House File 2772](#) be **substituted** for [Senate File 2485](#).

House File 2772

On motion of Gruenhagen, House File 2772, a bill for an act relating to and making appropriations for the economic development of the state, including to the economic development authority, Iowa finance authority, department of workforce development, and state board of regents and certain regents institutions, 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. 2772), the vote was:

Yeas, 30:

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

Nays, 16:

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

Absent, 4:

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

WITHDRAWN

Senator Gruenhagen asked and received unanimous consent that Senate File 2485 be **withdrawn** from further consideration of the Senate.

IMMEDIATELY MESSAGED

Senator Klimesh asked and received unanimous consent that [House File 2772](#) be **immediately messaged** to the House.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Senator Klimesh, the Senate adjourned at 4:39 p.m. until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, April 29, 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

Reversion Report—Training and Technology Expenditures Report, pursuant to Iowa Code section 8.62. Report received on April 28, 2026.

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

Central Collections Unit (CCU) Quarterly Debt Collection Report, pursuant to Iowa Code section 421.17. Report received on April 28, 2026.

SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**[House File 2764](#)**

WAYS AND MEANS: Koelker, Chair; Bisignano and Rowley

[House File 2778](#)

WAYS AND MEANS: Dawson, Chair; Bisignano and Rowley

[House File 2779](#)

WAYS AND MEANS: Dawson, Chair; Bisignano and Rowley

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT RECEIVED

Senate File 2218

A conference committee report, signed by the following Senate and House members, was filed April 28, 2026, on Senate File 2218, a bill for an act relating to the verification of the identity and employment eligibility of individuals by the board of educational examiners, school districts, accredited nonpublic schools, charter schools, and innovation zone schools, and including applicability provisions:

On the part of the Senate:

LYNN EVANS, Chair
KERRY GRUENHAGEN
KEN ROZENBOOM

On the part of the House:

BROOKE BODEN, Chair
STEVEN HOLT
CHARLEY THOMSON

AMENDMENTS FILED

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| <u>S-5225</u> | <u>S.F. 2498</u> | Dan Dawson |
| <u>S-5226</u> | <u>H.F. 2757</u> | Dan Dawson |
| <u>S-5227</u> | <u>S.F. 2465</u> | Tom Shipley |
| <u>S-5228</u> | <u>S.F. 2485</u> | Kerry Gruenhagen |