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### **What Happened Last Week and What is Next?**

Last week at the Minnesota Legislature, both the House and Senate worked to meet the third legislative deadline on Friday, April 17 by advancing their major finance and appropriation bills. The Senate largely completed its work, with most committees successfully passing their omnibus finance bills to Senate Finance.

On the House side, the challenges of a 67–67 tie were clear. Several committees were unable to put together finance omnibus bills, others did not have the votes to advance them out of committee, and some committees moved smaller

spending packages forward where agreement could be reached. As a result, the House is heading into the final stretch with more limited positions on a number of key budget areas. An omnibus bill tracker is included below.

Looking ahead, the Legislature now enters its final four weeks before the constitutional adjournment date of May 18. The House and Senate will shift their focus to finance, tax, and capital investment (bonding), while also spending increased time in floor sessions to pass bills where agreement can be reached. With divided government and limited time remaining, final outcomes will likely be driven by leadership-level negotiations and targeted bipartisan deals.

## **Summary of 2026 Judiciary and Public Safety Omnibus Bills**

### **House Public Safety Supplemental Budget Bill**

#### **HF 1082 Moller/Novotny**

#### **4/15/2026 Passed to Ways and Means**

The bill spends general fund revenues of \$13.058 million in FY26 and \$2.385 million in FY27 for a total of \$15.443 million with tails funding of \$161k in 2028 and \$98k in 2029

#### **Key financial provisions include:**

- Non-fatal Shooting Clearance Grants - \$1m (2027)
- Task Force on Improving Response to Domestic Violence Crimes (OJP) - \$214k/\$100k (2027/2028)
- Task Force on Standardized Identification of Emergency Responders - \$100k (2027)
- Incarceration and Prerelease Services - \$61k (2028) \$98K (2029) Base increase
- MN Victims of Crime Account - \$12m (2027)
- Philando Castile Memorial Training - \$1,058m/\$1,058m (2026/2027)

- Use of Force Training – extension of time language to utilize existing funds (OHE)

**Key policy provisions include:**

- Sale/transfer of law enforcement vehicles remove identifying characteristics
- Increase penalty for assaulting a security guard in hospitals/clinics
- Increase penalty when in a position of authority
- Increase penalty for grooming
- Increase penalty for impersonating a police officer, enhancement for also using vehicle or entering building and using a firearm
- Requirement by MN police officer to have identifying markers (name/badge number) unless undercover
- Increased penalty for harm to a vulnerable adult, updates definition
- Adds Domestic Violence Policy related to the collection by and reporting of information by local law enforcement agencies when incidents or acts of domestic abuse occur
- Changes timeline for arrest and referral for prosecution for non-felony domestic abuse and allows for a judicial warrant when violations of certain orders to do not result in arrest as well as requires detention of individual arrested of a violation of an OFP/DANCO
- Adds MNCORR updates related to business dealings with private businesses and transparency in reporting financial statements

## **House Capitol Security, Legislature and Courts Funding Package HF 3230 Moller 4/15/2026 Amended/Passed to Ways and Means**

The bill spends general fund revenues of \$5.360 million in FY26 and \$12.001 million in FY27 for a total of \$17.361 million with tails funding of \$7.388 million in 2028 and \$6.327 million in 2029

### **Key Funding Provisions include:**

- Judicial Branch Safety and Security
  - \$394k + base thereafter for Supreme Court
  - \$76k + \$49k in base thereafter for Court of Appeals
  - \$1.068m + \$692k in base thereafter for District Courts
  - \$1m for grants for safe and secure courthouses, includes requirement for 50% nonstate match
- Department of Public Safety
  - State Patrol Deficiency - \$1.920 (2026)
  - Capitol Security - \$2.220m (2026) \$4.463 (2027) + \$6.825m tails (28-29)
    - screening, staffing, OT, scanning equipment
  - Capitol Security Enhancements - \$4.454m (2027) + \$2.940 tails (28-29)
    - \$1.413m must be used for staffing and equipping costs of MN State Patrol personnel
  - Capitol Security Base Adjustment
    - \$5.416m (2028)
    - \$4.349m (2029)
  - Legislature
    - Senate - \$282k (2026) \$104k (2027) + \$316k tails (28-29)
    - House - \$938k (2026) \$442k (2027) + \$1.472 tails (28-29)

- Policy Additions for New Division of Security at the Capitol
  - Requires the director and any state troopers assigned to the Capitol complex to have current training in, or recent experience conducting criminal investigations that include identifying witnesses and report writing.
  - Clarifies the division is the lead agency responsible for investigating alleged criminal offenses that occur in state-owned buildings and state leased-to-own buildings, or on grounds surrounding these buildings, within the Capitol Area. Allows another law enforcement agency to assume responsibility for a criminal investigation under this paragraph if the director and the chief law enforcement officer for the other agency agree, in writing, to transfer responsibility for the investigation.
  - Add new annual reporting
    - **Public Report:** By January 15 of each year, the Commissioner of Public Safety must provide a public report on Capitol Security.
    - **Not Public Report:** By January 15 of each year, the Commissioner of Public Safety must report to the Advisory Committee on Capitol Area Security, the senate majority leader, the senate minority leader, the speaker of the house, and the minority leader of the house of representatives or, if there is no minority leader, the leader of the caucus that is not represented by the speaker of the house on Capitol Security.

The bill spends general fund revenues of \$1.920 million in FY26 and \$2.887 million in FY27 for a total of \$4.807 million with tails funding of \$1.365 million in 2028 and \$1.365 million in 2029

**Key Funding Provisions include:**

- Judicial Branch
  - Operating adjustment of \$1.920m for all levels of court
  - Safety and Security
    - \$529k + \$488k base thereafter for Supreme Court
    - \$82k + \$53k in base thereafter for Court of Appeals
    - \$1.276m + \$824k in base thereafter for District Courts
  - \$1m for grants for safe and secure courthouses, includes requirement for 50% nonstate match

Adds requirement for Supreme Court to submit their address, telephone number and email address, along with immediate family member’s contact information to DPS to participate in an Everbridge type system. Classifies the data and private data on individuals.

**2026 Omnibus Budget and Policy Bills**


<b>Committee</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>Senate</b>
<b>Agriculture, Veterans, Broadband, and Rural Development Finance</b>	No House finance omnibus at this time.	<a href="#">SF5073</a> - Hearing in Senate Finance on 4/24
<b>Agriculture, Veterans, Broadband, and Rural Development Policy</b>	No House policy omnibus at this time.	<a href="#">SF4561</a> — Scheduled for Senate floor on 4/20

<b>Cannabis</b>	<a href="#">HF4203</a> — Passed to Ways and Means.	<a href="#">SF4401</a> — Passed to Senate Finance.
<b>Capitol, Legislative, and Courts Security Bill.</b>	<a href="#">HF3230</a> – Passed to Ways and Means	<a href="#">SF3432</a> - Scheduled in Senate Finance 4/22
<b>Commerce Policy</b>	<a href="#">HF4188</a> — 3/25: Passed to the House Floor.	<a href="#">SF4365</a> – Scheduled in Senate Finance on 4/24
<b>Education Finance</b>	No House finance omnibus at this time.	<a href="#">SF3551</a> – Referred to Senate Finance
<b>Education Policy</b>	No House policy omnibus at this time.	<a href="#">SF3870</a> — 3/25: Passed to the Senate Floor.
<b>Elections Policy</b>	No House policy omnibus at this time.	<a href="#">SF4223</a> — 3/26: Passed to the Senate Floor.
<b>Energy Omnibus</b>	No House omnibus bill at this time.	<a href="#">SF4504</a> – Passed to Senate Finance.
<b>Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund</b>	<a href="#">HF3246</a> -Hearing in Ways and Means on 4/22	<a href="#">SF3857</a> – 3/12: Passed to the Senate Floor.
<b>Health Finance</b>	<a href="#">HF4466</a> - Passed to Ways and Means	<a href="#">SF4612</a> – Scheduled in Senate Finance on 4/23
<b>Health Policy</b>	No House policy omnibus at this time.	<a href="#">SF3295</a> : Schedule for Senate Floor Hearing on 4/22
<b>Health and Human Services Scope and Licensing</b>	No House policy omnibus at this time.	<a href="#">SF3298</a> — 3/26: Passed to the Senate Finance.
<b>Higher Education Budget</b>	No House budget omnibus at this time.	<a href="#">SF4638</a> - Scheduled in Senate Finance on 4/24
<b>Higher Education Policy</b>	No House policy omnibus at this time.	<a href="#">SF3943</a> — Scheduled in Senate Finance on 4/24


<b>Housing Finance and Policy</b>	No House omnibus bill at this time.	<a href="#">SF203</a> – Scheduled in Senate Finance on 4/21
<b>Human Services Budget</b>	<a href="#">HF4338</a> - Passed to Ways and Means.	<a href="#">SF4476</a> – Passed to Senate Finance
<b>Human Services Policy</b>	<a href="#">HF729</a> — 3/26: Passed to Ways and Means.	<a href="#">SF476</a> — Scheduled for Senate Floor on 4/23
<b>Labor Omnibus</b>	No House omnibus bill at this time.	<a href="#">SF2373</a> – Passed to Senate Finance
<b>Liquor Omnibus</b>	<a href="#">SF2511</a> – Passed House Floor on 4/13.	<a href="#">SF2511</a> – Passed Senate Floor on 4/14.
<b>Judiciary Policy</b>	No House policy omnibus at this time.	<a href="#">SF4064</a> – Passed to Senate Floor
<b>Judiciary Budget</b>	No House budget omnibus at this time.	<a href="#">SF4067</a> – Scheduled in Senate Finance on 4/22
<b>Outdoor Heritage Fund Omnibus</b>	No House bill at this time.	<a href="#">SF4304</a> - 3/23: Passed to Senate Finance.
<b>Public Safety Policy</b>	<a href="#">HF3990</a> — 3/25: Passed to the House Floor.	<a href="#">SF4760</a> — Scheduled for Senate Floor 4/21
<b>Public Safety Budget</b>	<a href="#">HF1082</a> – Passed to Ways and Means	No Senate budget omnibus at this time.
<b>State and Local Government</b>	No House policy omnibus at this time.	<a href="#">SF4555</a> — 3/27: Passed to the Senate Floor.
<b>Transportation</b>	No House omnibus at this time.	<a href="#">SF3988</a> - Scheduled in Senate Finance 4/22

## News Coverage


### **With a month left in the Minnesota Legislative Session, leaders indicating encouraging conversations.**

Minnesota legislative leaders met with the Governor this week in the first major negotiating session of the year.  [www.kttt.com](http://www.kttt.com)

### **School safety is shared area of Minnesota lawmaker focus, but parties split on Solutions.**

Minnesota lawmakers came into the 2026 legislative session with school safety as top priority. While there's overlap in changes that could help secure schools, the narrowly-split Legislature is still at odds about the best path forward  [www.mprnews.org](http://www.mprnews.org)

### **Bill to make grooming a crime advances in Minnesota Senate**

A bill to make grooming a crime is closer to reality. Lawmakers proposed it following a WCCO Investigates series where Hannah LoPresto shared what she says her high school band director did to her.  [www.cbsnews.com](http://www.cbsnews.com)

## Upcoming Hearings

***Monday April 20, 2026***

**11:00 AM | Senate Floor Session**

**1:00 PM | House Floor Session**

- [H. F. No. 2358](#), (Authors: Van Binsbergen, Baker, Repinski and Curran. Companion to S. F. No. 281.) A bill for an act relating to public safety; providing enhanced criminal penalty for certain violations of coercion crime; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 609.27, subdivision 2. First Engrossment.
- [H. F. No. 3453](#), (Authors: Hanson, J.; Elkins; Baker; Bahner; Gillman and others. Companion to S. F. No. 3704.) A bill for an act relating to public

safety; controlled substances; establishing the legal age to possess kratom as 21 years of age or older; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 152.027, subdivision 7. Printed page No. 246.

- [H. F. No. 3496](#), (Authors: Harder, Novotny and Engen. Companion to [S. F. No. 3962](#).) A bill for an act relating to corrections; modifying the supervision abatement status policy; amending Minnesota Statutes 2025 Supplement, section 244.46, subdivision 1
- [H. F. No. 3593](#), (Authors: Jacob, Altendorf and Allen. Companion to S. F. No. 3640.) A bill for an act relating to transportation; designating a portion of marked Trunk Highway 58 in Zumbrota as "Officer / Firefighter Gary L. Schroeder, Jr. Memorial Highway"; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 161.14, by adding a subdivision.
- [H. F. No. 3762](#), (Authors: Witte and Novotny. Companion to S. F. No. 3929.) A bill for an act relating to public safety; authorizing chiefs of police and sheriffs to open certain expunged records to determine eligibility to purchase, receive, or carry a firearm
- [H. F. No. 3768](#), (Author: Curran. Companion to S. F. No. 4370.) A bill for an act relating to corrections; clarifying responsibilities of Department of Corrections licensed juvenile and adult community-based residential correctional facilities
- [H. F. No. 3769](#), (Author: Curran. Companion to S. F. No. 4293.) A bill for an act relating to corrections; clarifying in law the multiple levels of substance abuse care provided by the commissioner of corrections; expanding access to mental health unit beds for incarcerated persons; clarifying mandatory tuberculosis screening in correctional facilities
- [H. F. No. 3782](#), (Authors: Moller, Tabke and Curran. Companion to S. F. No. 4144.) A bill for an act relating to public safety; requiring disclosure of chemical irritants used in certain buildings; requiring the commissioner of public safety to develop a standard form; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 626
- [H. F. No. 3825](#), (Author: Repinski. Companion to S. F. No. 3871.) A bill for an act relating to public safety; requiring judge to inquire whether victim has been notified of plea and sentencing hearings; protecting victim from

identification in prosecutor's petition for sentence adjustment; expanding victim notification of defendant eligibility for automatic expungement; protecting identity of minor victim in a crime involving sexual performance; expanding protection from employer retaliation to victims of stalking

- [H. F. No. 3826](#), (Authors: Witte and Engen. Companion to S. F. No. 4284.) A bill for an act relating to public safety; modifying and adding definitions for purposes of identity theft crime; providing the attorney general and county attorneys with additional subpoena authority; altering statutes of limitation for certain fraud-related offenses
- [H. F. No. 3827](#), (Author: Duran. Companion to S. F. No. 4371.) A bill for an act relating to public safety; clarifying certain grants from the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension to local law enforcement as reimbursements; updating law related to recording of crimes; establishing process for determining how certain criminal records are ineligible for sealing; requiring court to provide orders for protection for access by law enforcement;

#### **2:30 PM | Advisory Committee on Capitol Area Security**

- Update from the Department of Public Safety
- Update from the Senate and House Sergeant-at-Arms

#### ***Tuesday April 21, 2026***

#### **11:00 AM | Senate Floor Session**

- [SF 4760--Latz: Omnibus Public Safety policy bill](#)

#### **5:30 PM | Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement**

- [SF1122](#) (Frentz); HF139 (O'Driscoll): PERA Police & Fire; MSRS State Patrol; increasing COLAs; reducing the waiting period for a PERA P&F Plan COLA.

#### ***Wednesday April 15, 2026***

#### **8:30 AM | Senate Finance**

- S.F. 4067 Latz - Omnibus Judicial Branch supplemental appropriations  
S.F. 3432 Latz - The supplemental finance bill (HF 2433) will be taken up,

and an amendment will be offered to add relevant language from SF 3432 to HF 2433, followed by time for consideration of additional amendments. - At the end of the discussion, HF 2433 will be laid over. - Following presentation of SF 3432, amendments will be offered to add relevant Safety & Security language from SF 4067, SF 4167, SF 3988 and SF 4059 followed by time for consideration of additional amendments - A motion will be made to pass SF 3432 to the floor as a Safety & Security package.

11:00 AM | Senate Floor Session

***Thursday April 23, 2026***

**11:00 AM | Senate Floor Session**

- [HF 3593](#)--Drazkowski: Portion of marked Trunk Highway 58 in Zumbrota designation as "Officer/ Firefighter Gary L. Schroeder, Jr. Memorial Highway" (*pending House passage*)

**1:00 PM | House Floor Session**



### **Key Info + Dates**

Follow along each week with key announcements from House and Senate about activity and newsworthy items here:

### **Combined Calendar**

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### **Session Dates**

- May 18 - Constitutional Adjournment Date

### **Election Dates**

- May 19 - June 2 - State and Federal Candidate Filing Period

- May 29 - May 31 - DFL State Convention (Rochester, MN)
- May 29 - May 30 - GOP State Convention (Duluth, MN)
- August 11 - Primary Election
- November 3 - General Election

#### **Other Dates**

- April 27 - State of the State

#### **Security Screening**

If you are planning to visit the Capitol Complex during session, be aware that new screening procedures are in place. Screening additions across the Capitol and Senate Buildings will require extra time and advance planning. Visitors must enter through designated public entrances and pass through weapons screening and bag scanners, similar to other major public buildings. Visitors are encouraged to allow additional time, minimize large bags, and coordinate meetings in advance.

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