



LEGISLATIVE UPDATE | April 18, 2023

Welcome to the latest Child Care Aware Legislative update. This narrative update, along with our Bill Tracker, will be posted each Tuesday (reflecting activity through the previous Friday) on the Child Care Aware of Minnesota Website.

Each week we will provide action that has been taken at the committee level or on the floor, a brief overview of bills that have been introduced, and any other pertinent news related to early care and education and school-age care issues. If you have additions to recommend to the bill tracker, please contact Ann McCully.

OVERVIEW

The Legislators returned from their break on Tuesday, April 11 and quickly got to work passing the omnibus bills through the House Ways and Means Committee and Senate Finance Committee. As these bills pass through these final stops, they will be brought to the House and Senate for floor votes.

Once bills have passed the House and Senate, conference committee members from each body will be created to work out differences between the House and Senate bills and agree upon a single bill that will receive a final vote. This work must be completed by the last day of the session, which is May 22.

Below is an overview of each of the omnibus bills and their status as of April 14. We will continue to keep you updated on progress.

OMNIBUS BILL STATUS/ACTION

Omnibus bill	Bill number-Author	Status
House Children and Families	HF 238- Pinto	Passed Ways & Means- 4/13
House Education Finance	HF 2497-Youakim	Passed Ways & Means- 4/13
House Omnibus Pre-K language	HF 2292-Pinto	Passed Ways & Means- 4/13
House Health Finance	HF 2930-Liebling	Referred to Ways & Means
House Higher Ed Finance	HF 2073-Pelowski	Passed House Floor on vote of 69-58
House Economic Development	HF 3028-Hassan	Scheduled for Ways & Means- 4/18
House Workforce Development	HF 2233-Xiong	Scheduled for Ways & Means- 4/18
House Tax Bill	TBD	
Senate HHS Finance	SF 2995-Wiklund	Scheduled for Finance- 4/17
Senate Education Finance	SF 2684-Kunesh	Referred to Finance
Senate Higher Ed Finance	SF 2075-Fateh	Passed Finance Committee- 4/14
Senate Jobs & Economic Development	SF 3035-Champion	Passed Finance Committee- 4/12
Senate Tax Bill	TBD	

COMMITTEE ACTION

- The House Commerce Finance and Policy Committee heard:
 - HF 2 (Richardson); Paid family, pregnancy, bonding, and applicant's serious medical condition benefits provided; employment leaves regulated and required; data classified; rulemaking authorized; and money appropriated. Referred to Workforce Development Finance and Policy.
- The House Workforce Development Finance and Development heard:
 - HF 2 (Richardson); Paid family, pregnancy, bonding, and applicant's serious medical condition benefits provided; employment leaves regulated and required; data classified; rulemaking authorized; and money appropriated. Referred to the Tax Committee.

BILL INTRODUCTIONS

There were no related bills introduced during the week of April 10-14. For more information about bills introduced to date, or to see all of the bills introduced, please download our weekly <u>Bill Tracker</u>.

DEADLINES

May 22 - Last day of session

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