

Conservation Connection

A Minnesota Legislative Outdoor Newsletter

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Important Dates:

- Committee deadlines agreed to by the House and Senate leadership:
 - 3rd Deadline: April 4, 2023 at 5:00pm The third deadline is for committees to act favorably on major appropriation and finance bills.
- The Easter/Passover recess for the Minnesota Legislative Session will begin on April 4, 2023 at 5pm and the Legislature will be in recess through Monday, April 10, 2023.
- May 22, 2023: Regular Session adjourns.

2023 Legislative News Highlights

Budget: It's officially budget bill season in the Minnesota Legislature. The plans all have to fit within limits agreed to by Gov. Tim Walz and DFL legislative leaders. Eventually, they'll make up a two-year state budget totaling more than \$70 billion . . . The plan allows a budget that reaches nearly \$72 billion over two years — compared with about \$52 billion now. But \$10 billion or more of the new figure is considered one time, meaning the money isn't establishing or feeding a permanent program . . . Republican Party leaders at the Capitol have widely panned the framework. They say the spending is excessive and would grow government too fast. And they've criticized the level of tax cuts as meager in relation to Minnesota's \$17 billion-plus projected surplus. Expect Republicans to focus a lot on the total price tag while DFLers frame their message about what Minnesotans will get out of the budget. [Read more.](#)

Omnibus Environment and Natural Resources bills:

Unveiled Tuesday with about \$1 billion in spending, some of the more controversial provisions would put new regulations on pesticide treated seeds and [Cervidae farms](#) . . .The House Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy Committee went through the [delete-all amendment](#) to [HF2310](#) Tuesday and amended and voted on the bill on Wednesday.

The bill contains 2024-25 General Fund appropriations for the Department of Natural Resources (\$472.84 million), Pollution Control Agency (\$233 million) and Board of Water and Soil Resources (\$98.66 million), as well as other organizations. [MORE: [See the detailed spreadsheet](#)] Much of the DNR appropriation would be to maintain current levels of service and provide funding for the department to

improve its programs and properties.

The funding would include:

- \$157.46 million for forest management;
- \$100 million for parks and trails;
- \$51.67 million for ecological and water resources; and
- \$24.5 million for fish and wildlife.

There would also be funding for the Lawns to Legumes program, zero-waste programs, and to develop protocols around microplastics. There would be \$18.7 million to address the [cumulative effects of siting polluters in environmental justice areas](#) – those that are historically poorer and with larger non-white populations. The bill would also authorize spending \$79.3 million on about 85 projects from proceeds of the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund. A [separate bill for the projects](#), such as studying if lichens could be air quality monitors, extending trails, renewing access to a North Shore vista and monitoring old growth forests has already been approved by the committee and sent to the House Floor. [MORE: [See the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund spreadsheet](#)].

Among the scores of policy provisions included in the bill are those that would:

- transfer ownership of the Upper Sioux Agency State Park near Granite Falls to the Upper Sioux Community;
- reestablish an PCA Citizens Board with authority to weigh in on the permitting process;
- allow municipalities to prohibit the use of pesticides that harm pollinators;
- require an inventory of manure storage areas and require feedlot owners show they can pay for closure requirements;
- tighten requirements for bags and food packaging marked biodegradable;
- establish Lowland Conifer Carbon Reserve within some state forests that could include timber and peat harvesting restrictions;
- allow fines up to \$100 for dumping trash such as cigarette butts and offal on frozen lakes; and
- allow the PCA [to act on odor complaints](#).

Throughout the bill are provisions that would regulate the use of PFAs — perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl chemicals — called forever chemicals because they don't break down and may affect human health. Provisions could require disclosures and ban their intentional use in many products such as ski wax, children's products, and firefighting foam.

Among the notable Pollution Control Agency appropriations are:

- \$45 million for Governor's Select Committee on Recycling and the Environment block grants;
- \$35 million to modernize Pollution Control Agency data systems;
- \$25 million for grants to reimburse local public water supply operators' efforts to address PFAs; and
- \$18.7 million to implement an environmental justice, cumulative impact analysis.

Proposed fee increases: The bill would also increase fees for state park permits and various licenses. DNR officials have sought the increase for several years to keep pace with increasing costs. Potential increases include an annual state park permit fee would rise from \$35 to \$45, and a one-day permit from \$7 to \$10; lifetime angling fees for adult residents would jump from \$574 to \$689; and one-day fishing licenses for adults would increase from \$12 to \$15. [Read more.](#)

Members adopted the [delete-all amendment](#) on a 9-7 vote, with [Rep. Dave Lislegard](#) (DFL-Aurora) joining Republican committee members in voting no. That matched the 9-7 vote on one of several other amendments that were adopted. Offered by [Rep. Sydney Jordan](#) (DFL-Mpls), it would require [nontoxic shot be used for small game in some wildlife management areas](#). The committee also adopted a Hansen amendment to alter the composition of the [Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources](#) to include 10 legislative and nine citizen members and reduce the vote total needed for a recommendation from 12 to 11 . . . [Rep. Josh Heintzeman](#) (R-Nisswa) said lots of language in the bill is concerning and a lot of things are missing, such as money for boat landings, fish hatcheries or invasive carp barriers. He also questioned proposed price hikes for some licenses and permits. [Read more.](#)

The Senate unveiled its respective [Environment Omnibus bill](#) on Tuesday, and amended and voted on the bill on Thursday. See a breakdown of the Senate proposed bill [here](#).

Notable policy provisions include:

- require farmed cervidae owner to notify of an escaped cervid within 24 hours
- require fencing for farmed cervidae that would prevent physical contact with wild cervidae
- prohibits new white-tailed deer farms
- prohibits moving a farmed white-tailed deer from a CWD positive herd
- prohibits the importation of live cervidae or cervidae semen from a herd that has been exposed to CWD
- requires annual testing of farmed white-tailed deer with RT-QuIC (for a more detailed list of CWD-related provisions, [see pages 1-2, 7](#))
- provides for watercraft operator's 12 years-old and older to obtain a operator's permit after completing the safety course and test administered by DNR
- requires the establishment of a water and boater safety course and testing program
- allows for resident angling licenses for military and National Guard spouses
- makes changes to turtle license requirements
- establishes a soil health practices program through BWSR
- requires BWSR to establish a RIM working lands program
- requires reporting of fish kills
- transfers responsibility for white-tailed deer-related duties from BAH to DNR effective July 1, 2025

\$820 million omnibus legacy bill clears committee by narrow margin:

[Rep. Leon Lillie](#) (DFL-North St. Paul) sponsors [HF1999](#), which would appropriate \$820.8 million during the 2024-25 biennium from funds established through the [Clean Water, Land and Legacy Amendment](#). After adopting a [delete-all amendment](#), the House Legacy Finance Committee approved the omnibus

legacy finance bill 6-5 Wednesday. [Rep. Samakab Hussein](#) (DFL-St. Paul) joined Republicans in voting against the bill, now on its way to the House Ways and Means Committee. [MORE: [View the spreadsheet](#)]

Clean Water Fund: Most of the bill's funding would go to the Clean Water Fund. The \$317.4 million appropriation includes:

- \$156.13 million for grants to implement state-approved watershed-based plans;
- \$48.38 million for statewide assessments of surface water quality and trends;
- \$41.68 million to increase monitoring for pesticides in surface water and groundwater;
- \$25.56 million for various projects involving monitoring, preservations, and restoration;
- \$23.2 million for several endeavors involving water contaminants and public health;
- \$16.7 million for small community wastewater treatment grants;
- \$3.75 million for the Metropolitan Council to fulfill projects addressing threats to drinking water supply; and
- \$3 million to the University of Minnesota to develop county geologic atlases and evaluate the best stormwater management practices.

Outdoor Heritage Fund: The [Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council](#) recommends funding 48 programs to restore, enhance or protect an estimated 121,383 acres of wildlife habitats and 39.75 miles of shoreline. The \$171.79 million appropriation in fiscal year 2024 for the Outdoor Heritage Fund, includes:

- \$97.35 million for habitats;
- \$33.47 million for wetlands;
- \$31.92 million for prairies;
- \$6.57 million for forests; and
- \$2.49 million for administration.

Parks and Trails Fund: The Parks and Trails Fund has a \$136.61 million appropriation and would give \$82.51 million of it to the Department of Natural Resources to connect people to the outdoors, acquire land and create opportunities. For projects and grants supporting parks and trails, the other main appropriation in that fund would send around \$54.1 million to the Metropolitan Council.

[Read more.](#)

House public safety panel gives \$2.2 billion omnibus bill — including controversial gun measures — first hearing: [Rep. Kelly Moller](#) (DFL-Shoreview) sponsors [HF2890](#), the omnibus public safety finance bill, that proposes spending \$2.2 billion in the 2024-25 biennium and make what Moller calls “transformational changes” in all corners of the criminal justice system. The House Public Safety Finance and Policy Committee, which Moller chairs, did a walkthrough Tuesday of a [delete-all amendment](#) to the bill, took testimony from nearly two-dozen people, and on Thursday, the committee considered amendments and voted on the package. Testifiers spoke on several high-profile provisions in the bill, including banning [no-knock warrants](#), [“red-flag” provisions](#) allowing family members and others to petition a court to have firearms removed from a person found to pose a significant danger to themselves or others, and instituting [universal background checks](#) on handgun sales. [Read more](#) and [here](#).

Specifically, the bill includes the following relevant language related to firearms:

- Amends the definition of “trigger activator” to include a device that allows a semiautomatic firearm to shoot more than one shot with a single pull of the trigger or by harnessing the recoil of energy of the semiautomatic firearm to which it is affixed so that the trigger resets and continues firing without additional physical manipulation of the trigger. [H.F. 2609] and increases the penalty for persons who unlawfully possess or operate machine guns, trigger activators, or machine gun conversion kits from a five-year felony to a 20-year felony. [H.F. 2609]
- Background Checks This article requires that private transfers of pistols and semiautomatic military-style assault weapons be preceded by a firearms eligibility background check of the person receiving the firearm. [H.F. 14]
 - Grants a chief law enforcement officer the additional authority to deny an application for a transferee permit if there is a substantial likelihood that the person is a danger to self or the public when in possession of a firearm or is listed in the gang database.
 - Private party transfers; background check required: Requires that private parties who transfer a pistol or semiautomatic military-style assault weapon complete a record of transfer unless they used a certified firearms dealer.
 - Exclusions include a transfer between immediate family members, including grandparents and grandchildren; transfer of an antique firearm; temporary transfer at a shooting range, while hunting or trapping. [See Subd. 7 for the complete list of Exclusions.](#)

Agriculture Omnibus bill: Through a [delete-all amendment](#) to [HF2278](#) adopted Tuesday, the House omnibus agriculture finance and policy bill contains investments in rural broadband, emerging farmers and marketing of agricultural products. The House Agriculture Finance and Policy Committee considered amendments and took a final vote Thursday and moved the bill to Ways and Means. [Rep. Samantha Vang](#) (DFL-Brooklyn Center), the committee chair, is the bill sponsor. The omnibus proposal includes provisions that address food access, land access, pollinators, and ensures state agencies have resources to serve the agricultural community. The bill would also alter the makeup of the Board of Animal Health, which would go from six to 11 members who would no longer require Senate confirmation. It would eliminate a requirement that board members be livestock producers or veterinarians, though they would need to be knowledgeable about raising or caring for animals. Another provision would have the Department of Agriculture prepare a plan to regulate pesticide treated seeds. [Read more.](#) The committee’s Republican lead, [Rep. Paul Anderson](#) (R-Starbuck) . . .has concerns about several provisions, citing an increase in the fertilizer tax and higher permit fees as examples. Two amendments unsuccessfully offered sought to modify a provision that would prohibit the Department of Agriculture from registering pesticides that have perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances as an active or inert ingredient. Anderson offered an amendment to delete the provision, and [Rep. Bobbie Harder](#) (R-Henderson) offered an amendment that would have the provision apply only to active ingredients.

Both expressed concerns about the cost and the Department of Agriculture's testing capacity. [Read more.](#)

Other specific appropriations for the 2024-25 biennium include:

- \$2.5 million to a pollinator research account;
- \$2 million for research into avian flu and other turkey-related diseases and \$1.2 million for a rapid response team to disease outbreaks;
- \$2 million to promote genetic diversity in oilseeds, grains, grasses and legumes;
- \$1.68 million to identify and regulate pesticides containing PFAS; and
- \$800,000 for grants to fight noxious weeds.

Sen. Foug Hawj Elected Senate Chair of the Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCCMR): New LCCMR Role Is Third Key Leadership Position Senator Hawj has assumed since January. Senator Foug Hawj (DFL-St. Paul) has been elected as the Senate Chair of the LCCMR, giving him an important role in making funding recommendations to the State Legislature on Important environmental and natural resource projects across Minnesota. His election as Senate Chair of the LCCMR is the third leadership position that Senator Hawj has assumed. Earlier this year, he also was re-elected by his colleagues as an Assistant Leader of the majority DFL Caucus, and was named Chair of the Senate Environment, Climate, and Legacy Committee starting in January. [Read more.](#)

Bill to transfer state park land to Upper Sioux Community clears two Minnesota Senate committees: Legislation to return ancestral lands to the Upper Sioux Community near Granite Falls encountered some opposition in Minnesota Senate hearings in the past week. The legislation would transfer more than 1,000 acres in the Upper Sioux Agency State Park to the Upper Sioux Community, and the park would close. The land would be transferred at no cost to the community. A fiscal report released this week indicates the cost to the state for full transfer of the land and purchasing land for a new park is estimated to cost nearly \$6 million. There is no date for the park closing yet or for the land transfer to take place. It could take several years. [Read more.](#)

DNR EagleCam's newborn eaglet makes its debut: Eagle-eyed viewers of the Minnesota DNR live stream first spotted the open egg and newborn eaglet on Sunday evening. [Read more.](#)

Xcel Energy leak: 'Fish kill' caused by temperature change in Mississippi River: Xcel Energy announced a temperature-related "fish kill" in the Mississippi River caused by the [temporary shutdown](#) of its Monticello nuclear power plant to fix a radioactive water leak. On March 27, Xcel Energy notified the state duty officer with the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) that a change in water temperature led to the death of 230 fish near its Monticello nuclear power plant location . . . The affected fish types so far include bass, channel catfish, common carp, and one or more species of sucker fish, according to the announcement. Xcel Energy says the [tritium leak](#) itself did not cause the fish to be killed. [Read more.](#)

Record snow and cold are having a deadly impact on Minnesota's deer population: The Department of Natural Resources assesses how well deer survive winter by using a measurement called the winter severity index. This has been the eighth snowiest winter in Minnesota history, and it . . . has had a much deadlier impact on the state's deer population. Deer can adapt to winter weather, but the Department of Natural Resources says more frequent severe winters are making it harder for them to find food, move around and escape wolves and coyotes . . . The DNR uses a measurement called the Winter Severity Index (WSI) to provide a general indication of winter conditions. WSI, along with a number of other considerations, can help wildlife managers assess how well deer survive winter. This year, things look especially grim in northern and northeastern Minnesota. [Read more.](#)

Mosquito season could be rough due in part to Minnesota's very snowy winter: The cold air and snow is [fueling] the return of a major pest. Mosquitoes didn't do well during last year's drought, but now experts say our big snow piles could create prime conditions for a major comeback. The snow melting, combined with average-to-above average precipitation anticipated this summer, means greater potential for standing pools of water. Once those warm up, they become good habitats for the pesky insects. [Read more.](#)

Select DNR News releases

- [DNR seeks comments on Northern St. Louis County fisheries management plans](#): The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources invites anglers and others to comment through Friday, April 21, on fish management plans for several lakes in northern St. Louis County that are located in the International Falls fisheries work area.
- [Grant-in-aid snowmobile trails close March 31](#): The statutory end of the snowmobile riding season on grant-in-aid trails is midnight, March 31, when permits with private landowners expire.

Last week at the Legislature:

On Monday at 1:00 PM, House [Capital Investment](#) discussed, among other bills, the following proposed bonding projects: [HF2983](#) (Davids): Blufflands trail system extension funding provided, bonds issued, and money appropriated; [HF751](#) (Reyer): Acquisition of land and easements for habitat and natural area management purposes funding provided, bonds issued, and money appropriated; and [HF2578](#) (Reyer): State-owned public water access facilities funding provided, bonds issued, and money appropriated.

On Monday at 3:00 PM, Senate [Agriculture, Broadband, and Rural Development](#) unveiled, walked through, and took testimony on [S.F. 1955 \(Putnam\)](#): Board of Animal Health appropriation, the vehicle for the Committee's omnibus finance bill. See the delete-all amendment to the bill [here](#). See also: Fiscal Analysis [spreadsheet](#) and [Bill Summary](#).

On Tuesday morning at 10:30 AM, [Public Safety Finance and Policy](#) met to walk through the [Public Safety Omnibus bill: HF2890](#) (Moller) Judiciary, public safety, corrections, human rights, firearm, and 911 Emergency Communication System statutory policy provisions amended; reports provided; rulemaking authorized; various judiciary, public safety, and corrections entities funding provided; and money appropriated. See also: [Fiscal Analysis](#) and [House Research Summary](#).

On Tuesday afternoon at 1:00 PM, House [Agriculture Finance and Policy](#) walked through and took testimony on [HF2278](#) (Vang) - the omnibus [Agriculture Finance and Broadband bill](#). See also: [Fiscal Analysis](#).

Also on Tuesday afternoon, House [Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy](#) walked-through and took public testimony on the [Delete-All amendment](#) to [HF2310](#) (Hansen): Environment and Natural Resources Omnibus Bill. See also: Fiscal Analysis for [Environment and Natural Resources omnibus](#) and [Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund](#), [detailed spreadsheet](#), and [list of bills included](#). See also: [written testimony](#) to the committee from.

Also at 3:00 PM, Senate [Environment, Climate, and Legacy](#) walked through [S.F. 2438 \(Hawj\)](#): Environment and natural resources appropriation, the [environment & Climate Budget Omnibus bill](#). The committee did not take public testimony. See also: [Bill Summary](#) and [change items](#).

On Wednesday at 10:30 AM, House [Legacy Finance](#) met to walkthrough, take public testimony, and vote on [HF1999](#) (Lillie) [Legacy Finance Omnibus](#). See also: [fiscal analysis spreadsheet](#) and letters of support for the bill from: [Wilderness Inquiry](#), [Metro Cities](#), [The Nature Conservancy](#), and a [Coalition letter](#) in support of funding recommendations for the Outdoor Heritage Fund. See also [letter](#) in opposition to " transfer of Upper Sioux Agency State Park from Stephanie Chappell.

At 3:00 PM on Wednesday, , Senate [Agriculture, Broadband, and Rural Development](#) discussed, considered amendments and voted on [S.F. 1955 \(Putnam\)](#): Board of Animal Health appropriation, the committee's omnibus finance bill.

Also on Wednesday afternoon, House [Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy](#) convened to markup and vote on [HF2310](#) (Hansen) Environment and Natural Resources Omnibus Bill. The committee amended the bill, and it was voted on and passed to the House Ways and Means committee. The committee recessed and reconvened in the evening to hear the following bills: [HF1900](#) (Hollins) Renewal of environment and natural resources trust fund provided, and constitutional amendment proposed (see also: [Fiscal Note](#) and [House Research Summary](#) as well as [written testimony](#) to the committee from Audubon MN and [coalition letters](#) in support of the proposed legislation; and [HF2778](#) (Hansen) Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources membership and terms modified, availability of fund disbursements modified, and appointments provided: see also: [House Research Summary](#).

On Thursday at 1:00 PM, House [Agriculture Finance and Policy](#) convened to mark-up and vote on [HF2278](#) (Vang): Agriculture Finance Omnibus Bill. See also: written testimony in support of the bill to the

committee from: [Hunger Solutions](#), [Margot Monson](#), entomologist and beekeeper, [MN Farmers Union](#), and [American Bird Conservancy](#).

At 3:00 PM, Senate [Environment, Climate, and Legacy](#) met to consider amendments and vote on [S.F. 2438 \(Hawj\)](#): Environment & Climate Budget Omnibus bill. The committee did not take public testimony at this hearing.

Next Week at the Legislature:

On Monday at 10:30 AM House at 10:30 AM, House [Ways and Means](#) will meet; the committee will recess in the morning and reconvene that afternoon 15 minutes after floor session adjourns. The committee will discuss, among other bills: [HF1999](#) (Lillie) Outdoor heritage, clean water, parks and trails, and arts and cultural heritage funds funding provided, and money appropriated.

At 1:00 PM, House [Capital Investment](#) will hear the following bills, among others: [HF24](#) (Jordan) Authority modified to ensure safe drinking water, drinking water revolving fund provisions modified, grant program established to replace lead drinking water service lines, grant program established for mapping lead service lines, report required, and money appropriated, as amended by the [A6 amendment](#) (the committee will only be taking action on this bill as [HF24](#) received a full hearing on Monday, February 27); the following bills will be heard on an informational-only basis: [HF2547](#) (Hanson) Burnsville; cleanup of freeway landfill and dump funded, bonds issued, and money appropriated; [HF2863](#) (Lillie) Wildlife rehabilitation facility funding provided, bonds issued, and money appropriated.

On Tuesday at 8:30, Senate [Finance](#) will discuss, among other bills: [S.F. 0030 \(McEwen\)](#): Lead drinking water service lines grant program establishment; appropriating money.

At 3:00 PM, Senate [Capital Investment](#) will hear the following bills, among others, to be laid over for possible inclusion in a future bonding bill: [S.F. 1966 \(Murphy\)](#): Mississippi River Learning Center bond issue and appropriation; [S.F. 0445 \(Maye Quade\)](#): Minnesota Zoological Garden improvements bond issue and appropriation; [S.F. 1419 \(McEwen\)](#): Lake Superior Zoo asset preservation bond issue and appropriation; [S.F. 2626 \(McEwen\)](#): Great Lakes Aquarium capital improvements appropriation; [S.F. 2189 \(McEwen\)](#): Como Zoo appropriation; [S.F. 2148 \(Oumou Verbeten\)](#): Animal care campus appropriation; [S.F. 1634 \(Hauschild\)](#): International Wolf Center bond issue and appropriation; [S.F. 1092 \(Hawj\)](#): Crosslake national loon center bond issue and appropriation; [S.F. 0640 \(Hawj\)](#): Richfield Wood Lake Nature Center predesign and design bond issue and appropriation; [S.F. 1853 \(Fateh\)](#): [S.F. 2036 \(Hoffman\)](#): Anoka Rum River Dam reconstruction and repair work and studies appropriation.

At 3:00 PM, Senate [Environment, Climate, and Legacy](#) will discuss the Legacy Omnibus bill: [S.F. 1682 \(Hawj\)](#): Clean water, parks and trails, and cultural heritage funds appropriation.

No legislative business is scheduled for Wednesday, April 5, through Friday, April 7, as the Minnesota Legislature will recess for Easter/Passover break.

Bills of Interest:

Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council (LSOHC) and Outdoor Heritage Fund (OHF): Please click [here](#) for a list of bills of pertinence to the OHF that is maintained by LSOHC staff.

Environment and Natural Resources:

Bipartisan legislation:

Jacob, Pelowski, Pursell, Altendorf and Davids introduced: [H. F. 3131](#). A bill for an act relating to natural resources; appropriating money to clean and reestablish earthen dams in certain counties.

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy. *Senate companion:* [SF3132](#) (Drazkowski).

Senators Wesenberg, Eichorn, and Hawj introduced--[S.F. No. 3190](#): A bill for an act relating to natural resources; appropriating money for prescribed burning certification-related activities. Referred to the Committee on Environment, Climate, and Legacy. House companion: [HF2168](#) (Hemmingsen-Jaeger).

Minority party legislation (unlikely to receive a hearing):

Senators Wesenberg and Utke introduced--[S.F. No. 3135](#): A bill for an act relating to natural resources; modifying powers and duties of the Board of Water and Soil Resources; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 103B.101, subdivision 9. Referred to the Committee on Environment, Climate, and Legacy. *House companion:* [HF3073](#) (Kresha).

Outdoor Recreation:

Minority party legislation (unlikely to receive a hearing):

Igo, Bliss, Davis, Joy, Hudson, Zeleznikar, Backer, Perryman, Urdahl, Dotseth, Harder, Burkel, Daniels, Nadeau, Bennett, Knudsen and Skraba introduced: [H. F. 3133](#). A bill for an act relating to natural resources; appropriating money for firearms education. The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy. *No Senate companion.*