



THE 2023-2024 PLATFORM REPORT TO THE HOUSE JUDICIARY FINANCE AND CIVIL LAW COMMITTEE

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The resolutions listed below are from part of our DFL platform, known as the Action Agenda and have been identified as potentially being relevant to the work of your committee. The support for each resolution is given; the number of Congressional Districts and Organizing Units backing the resolution, and the percentage of approval by the delegates to the State Convention.

Voter Rights

Advocates for enhanced access to voting by supporting the John Lewis Freedom to Vote Act, supporting multiple ways to cast ballots such as in-person early voting with immediate ballot counting, automatic voter registration upon obtaining a Driver's License with an opt-out option, and pre-registration of high-school students age 16 and 17. [8 CDs, 96 OUs, 95%]

Safe and Secure Elections

Supports strengthening democracy by using 21st century technology to ensure all Minnesotans are able to cast their ballot freely, safely, and equally. We also support enhanced protections for voters and elections officials against threat or intimidation, foreign or domestic. [8 CDs, 34 OUs, 90%]

Restore felon voting rights

supports the passage of legislation restoring voting rights to Minnesotans convicted of a felony after they are granted supervised probation or parole. [8 CDs, 35 OUs, 90%]

ERA

supports banning discrimination on the basis of gender/sex by strongly advocating for the removal of the deadline for ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) and also for the passage of legislation to add an Equal Rights Amendment to the Minnesota State Constitution. [8 CDs, 33 OUs, 91%]

Women's Reproductive Rights

supports women's right to safe, legal, accessible, affordable abortion services and reproductive health services, and strong measures to equalize access to reproductive services among all populations and classes. [8 CDs, 15 OUs, 93%]

Support Roe v. Wade

Supports Roe v. Wade and see any attempt to control reproductive rights as a violation of our core democratic principles of human rights, equality, privacy, and individual freedom. [8 CDs, 16 OUs, 93%]

Legalize Marijuana

Supports the legalization, regulation, and taxation of marijuana in a manner similar to that of tobacco or alcohol, the pardoning of those currently incarcerated for related offenses, and the retroactive expungement of criminal records for related offenses. [8 CDs, 30 OUs, 83%]

Honor Indigenous Treaties

Supports the state of Minnesota upholding all of our treaties with Indigenous Minnesota tribes, including those involving manoomin(wild rice). These treaties are defined as the “supreme law of the land” under the U.S. Constitution. Failure to uphold treaties is considered a violation of human rights under international law. [7 CDs, 28 OU, 90%]

End-of-Life

Support passing legislation to allow terminally ill adults a full range of end-of-life options, including medical aid in dying, permitting Minnesotans to make the best end-of-life decisions for themselves and their families. [8 CDs, 27 OUs, 81%]

Rights of Water and Wetlands

Supports government entities’ or private citizens’ standing to bring action against any entity that damages Minnesota waters and wetlands, which have a right to exist, flow, and be protected against harm. [7 CDs, 14 OUs, 76%]

Right to Free Speech and Protest

Support our 1st amendment right of free speech, to protest and practice civil disobedience. [4 CDs, 7 OUs 83%]

Citizenship Pathway

Supports comprehensive immigration reform with a fair, humane pathway to citizenship for undocumented immigrants. [5 CDs, 7 OUs, 90%]

National Popular Vote –

Support passage of the National Popular Vote Interstate Compact to elect the President by popular vote. [6 CDs, 17 OUs, 78%]

End Privatization of Public Institutions

Support ending the practice of privatization of public institutions and services, including prisons, hospitals, and educational institutions, and also including other services formerly conducted by public governmental agencies and civil servants. [6 CDs, 10 OUs, 81%]

Oppose Corporatization of Healthcare

The DFL supports preventing further corporatization of health care, stronger regulations to assure community benefit, financial and geographic access to quality health care services based on need, not profit. [6 CDs, 8 OUs, 82%]

Common Sense Gun Violence Prevention

Support common sense gun violence prevention measures to keep guns out of the hands of people who've proven themselves to be dangerous, including criminal background checks on all gun sales and extreme risk protection orders (often referred to as red flag laws). [8CD’s, 62 OU’s, 91%]

Support for Indigenous Women

Support funding and implementation of programs to end the exploitation and murder of missing indigenous women. [7CD’s, 7OU’s, 92%]

We present this report as a summary of the passion of our grass roots, a vision of our caring society. We appreciate your support for the DFL’s legislative priorities as you move forward this session. Thank you for supporting the people of Minnesota.