

## 2024 Legislative Session Update

### Week of April 15th

#### Overview

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This Friday marks the third and final deadline for legislation to make its way through committees of jurisdiction. This deadline also signals the time during session when committees have completed their policy and budget omnibus bills. Some committees completed their omnibus budget bill and their hearings this week and have wrapped up their hearing meetings for the rest of the session.

Committees wrapping up their work for the year signals longer floor sessions in the coming weeks. Now that bills have passed through their committees of jurisdiction and stand before the House and Senate floor, the amount of legislative days comes in to question as to how many days each chamber is able to meet before the session adjournment date of May 20, 2024. There are now only 17 legislative days left for members to pass any remaining legislation before they recess for the year.

#### Public Safety Committees

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This week the House Public Safety Committee met for their final time of this session with the walkthrough and passage of their omnibus budget bill [HF 5216](#) (Moller). The bill now sits before the Ways and Means Committee, then on to the House Floor for a vote. The Senate Judiciary and Public Safety Committee met on Wednesday for a walkthrough of the committee's omnibus budget bill. On Friday the committee took up the same bill as Wednesday while considering amendments and testimony for consideration.

An amendment of interest that came up just before the committee started the hearing was the former language of a bill that came before the committee earlier this session that would require law enforcement officers to collect and report certain data on the individuals race and ethnicity. The amendment ultimately ended up being withdrawn and was not amended on to the Senate judiciary and public safety omnibus budget bill. An additional amendment was adopted on to the omnibus budget bill regarding a bill earlier that would create digital geographic information system mapping data of school facilities that is compatible with a national standard.

#### Bills of Interest

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##### **Public Safety Policy Omnibus**

[SF 4959](#) (Latz) / [HF 3614](#) (Moller): Policy omnibus bills for each committee. The House omnibus policy bill passed the House floor on April 8<sup>th</sup>. The Senate version of the omnibus budget bill was heard on Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup> in the Senate Judiciary and Public Safety Committee. They adopted their amendments and then passed the bill out of their jurisdiction and on with a recommendation to pass on the Senate floor.

##### **Public Safety Budget Omnibus**

[SF 4271](#) (Latz) / [HF 5216](#) (Moller): The House Public Safety Committee met on April 16<sup>th</sup> for a walkthrough and passage of their budget bill, as amended. The bill now sits before the Ways and

Means Committee, then on to the House Floor for a vote. The Senate version of the omnibus budget bill was heard on Friday, April 19th in the Senate Judiciary and Public Safety Committee. The bill was passed out of the committee, as amended, and on moves on to the Senate Finance Committee before moving on to the Senate floor.

### ***In-service Distribution***

[HF 5137 \(Wolgamott\)](#) /SF xxxx (Frentz): MCPA, along with Minnesota Sheriffs Association and Minnesota Police and Peace Officers Association, worked with Rep. Wolgamott and Senator Frentz to draft legislation that would permit payment of a normal retirement annuity from PERA without reduction or suspension upon employment or reemployment on or after age 55.

On Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement (LCPR) heard HF 5137 and amended on the [2A amendment](#) to remove the requirement for a background check and psychology evaluation for individuals reentering the workforce after minimal time in retirement. The [LCPR omnibus bill](#) was released and our legislation is not currently included in the omnibus. Our government relations team will continue to advocate for the support and passage of this bill with legislative leaders.

### ***Disclosure of Personnel Data***

[SF4411\(Latz\)](#) / [HF4424](#) (Frazier): This legislation would require the disclosure of personnel data on peace officers, and other potential government witnesses, to a prosecuting authority required to comply with authority's constitutional disclosure obligations. The House version of the bill has yet to be heard in committee, the Senate version was heard on Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup>. The committee discussion was divided after hearing from the Hennepin County Attorney's office and Chief Werner's testimony. The bill failed the vote to pass out of the Senate Judiciary and Public Safety Committee and will not move on to its next stop until it passes out of Judiciary.

### ***GIS Mapping***

[SF 3900](#) (Seeberger) / [HF3805](#) (Norris): The legislation would appropriate \$6,000,000 in fiscal year 2025 from the fund for 911emergency telecommunications services for the commissioner of public safety to issue grants to the seven regional emergency communications boards. Grant funds must be used to create digital geographic information system mapping data of school facilities that is compatible with a national standard. Mapping must be completed before July 1, 2026, unless the commissioner of public safety grants an extension. The appropriation is one time. The Senate version of the bill was amended on to the omnibus budget bill on Friday, April 19th. The House version remains laid over for possible inclusion in the House Public Safety Committee omnibus bill.

### ***Prohibiting Admission***

[SF 2495](#) (Oumou Verbeten) / [HF2319](#) (Hollins): This legislation would prohibit admission in judicial proceeding of certain custodial statements. The House version was heard on March 20<sup>th</sup> and placed on the general register to be heard on the House floor, the bill has yet to be placed on the calendar. The Senate version was amended on to the omnibus policy bill for the Judiciary and Public Safety Committee.

***Modification to Stop Drivers for Vehicle Equipment Violations***

[SF 2232](#) (Mohamed) / [HF1832](#) (Frazier): This legislation would make an officer's authority limited for to stop or detain drivers for motor vehicle equipment violations. HF1832 was heard in House Public Safety on March 20<sup>th</sup>. The bill received an amendment to clarify some provisions and received testimony from organizations in support for this legislation's initiatives. The bill was laid over as amended for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.

***Personnel Data Collection on Stops***

[SF4245](#) (Oumou Verbeten) / [HF4156](#) (Feist): The bills would require law enforcement officers to collect and report certain data. The commissioner of public safety would then be required to publish report and hold meetings on the data collected. Any law enforcement agencies that fail to comply would be prohibited from receiving grants. The Board of Peace Officer Standards and Training would be required to analyze agency reports and develop statewide reports aimed at eliminating racial disparities in stops.

The house has yet to hear Rep Feist's version of the bill. However, the Senate Judiciary Committee took up SF 4245 on March 22<sup>nd</sup> where an author's amendment was adopted and the Committee heard testimony in support of the bill from Center for Policing Equity and Policing Project. The bill is waiting on a fiscal note from staff and the bill is laid over for possible inclusion in an omnibus bill.