

Minutes: Senate State Affairs

Friday, January 16, 2026 10:00 AM

Roll Call

Present: Sen. Deibert, Sen. Jensen (Kevin), Sen. Karr, Sen. Larson, Sen. Pischke,
Sen. Kolbeck (Steve), Sen. Perry, and Sen. Mehlhaff

Excused: Sen. Beal

The meeting was called to order by Senator Mehlhaff

SB 5 : require the disclosure of whether a ballot question was proposed by initiative or by the Legislature.

Presented by: Senator Michael Rohl (Handout(s) HO#1)

MOTION: DO PASS SB 5

Moved by: Karr
Second by: Perry
Action: Prevailed by Majority Members Elect (8-0-1-0)

Voting Yes: Deibert, Jensen (Kevin), Karr, Larson, Pischke, Kolbeck (Steve), Perry, and Mehlhaff

Excused: Beal

HAVING PASSED UNANIMOUSLY, THE CHAIR CERTIFIED SB 5 AS UNCONTESTED AND AS SUCH BE PLACED ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR.

SB 56 : require that agencies promulgating permanent rules publish the rules and associated rulemaking forms on a state website.

Presented by: Senator Taffy Howard

Proponents: Representative Jon Hansen

MOTION: DO PASS SB 56

Moved by: Jensen (Kevin)
Second by: Deibert
Action: Prevailed by Majority Members Elect (8-0-1-0)

Voting Yes: Deibert, Jensen (Kevin), Karr, Larson, Pischke, Kolbeck (Steve), Perry, and Mehlhaff

Excused: Beal

HAVING PASSED UNANIMOUSLY, THE CHAIR CERTIFIED SB 56 AS UNCONTESTED AND AS SUCH BE PLACED ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR.

SB 57 : clarify when agency financial resource information must be filed in the permanent administrative rulemaking process.

Presented by: Senator Taffy Howard

Proponents: Representative Jon Hansen

MOTION: **AMEND SB 57**

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On page 1, line 24, of the Introduced bill, after "§ 1-26-2.3;" insert " the agency financial resource information required by § 1-26-4. 8;"

Moved by: Deibert
Second by: Pischke
Action: Prevailed by voice vote

MOTION: **DO PASS SB 57 AS AMENDED**

Moved by: Pischke
Second by: Kolbeck (Steve)
Action: Prevailed by Majority Members Elect (8-0-1-0)

Voting Yes: Deibert, Jensen (Kevin), Karr, Larson, Pischke, Kolbeck (Steve), Perry, and Mehlhaff

Excused: Beal

HAVING PASSED UNANIMOUSLY, THE CHAIR CERTIFIED SB 57 AS UNCONTESTED AND AS SUCH BE PLACED ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR.

SB 1 : amend the process by which moneys are distributed from the employer's investment in South Dakota's future fund.

Presented by: Senator Taffy Howard (Handout(s) HO#2)

Proponents: Representative Marty Overweg
Representative Julie Auch
Chet Ellsworth, Self
Representative Erik Muckey
Representative Eric Emery
Senator Red Dawn Foster

Opponents: Bill Even, Gov's Office of Econ Dev (Handout(s) HO#3)
Kendra Ringstmeyer, SD Dept. of Labor and Regulation
Michael Lee Bockorny, Economic Development Professionals Association (Handout(s) HO#4)
Ryan Budmayr, South Dakota Chamber of Commerce & Industry
Julie M. Johnson, Self

Nathan Sanderson, South Dakota Retailers Association
Sara Rankin, South Dakota Municipal League
Mitch Rave, Greater Sioux Falls Chamber of Commerce
Drew Duncan, South Dakota Biotechnology Association
Grace Beck, South Dakota Board of Technical Education
Liza Clark, Board of Regents
Mike Headley, SD Science & Technology Authority

Others: Joe Fiala, Govenor's Office of Economic Development

MOTION: AMEND SB 1

1A

On page 1, line 23, of the Introduced bill, after "disbursed." delete "The interest rate set on a loan disbursed from the fund may not exceed two hundred basis points more than the federal funds rate set by the Federal Reserve System."

Moved by: Kolbeck (Steve)
Second by: Perry
Action: Prevailed by voice vote

MOTION: DO PASS SB 1 AS AMENDED

Moved by: Karr
Second by: Pischke
Action: Failed by Majority Members Elect (4-4-1-0)

Voting Yes: Jensen (Kevin), Karr, Pischke, and Perry

Voting No: Deibert, Larson, Kolbeck (Steve), and Mehlhaff

Excused: Beal

THE CHAIR DEFERRED SB 1**MOTION: ADJOURN**

Moved by: Perry
Second by: Deibert
Action: Prevailed by voice vote

Doug Mortenson, Committee Secretary

/s/ JIM MEHLHAFF
Jim Mehlhaff, Chair