

Minutes: Joint Committee on Appropriations

Tuesday, February 24, 2026 9:30 AM

Roll Call

Present: Sen. Miskimins, Rep. Auch, Rep. Kassin, Rep. Moore, Sen. Vilhauer, Sen. Carley, Sen. Voita, Rep. Jorgenson, Sen. Howard, Sen. Foster, Rep. Sjaarda, Rep. Muckey, Sen. Zikmund, Rep. Kolbeck (Jack), Rep. Novstrup, Sen. Lapka, Sen. Otten, and Rep. Derby

**The meeting was called to order by Representative Derby**

**MOTION: TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20<sup>TH</sup>**

Moved by: Carley  
Second by: Kolbeck (Jack)  
Action: Prevailed by voice vote

**SB 220 : authorize a comprehensive study of juvenile correctional and residential facilities, to make an appropriation therefor, and to declare an emergency.**

Presented by: Senator Joy Hohn  
Proponents: Representative Tesa Schwans  
Representative Al Novstrup  
Senator Lauren Nelson

**MOTION: DO PASS SB 220**

Moved by: Jorgenson  
Second by: Kolbeck (Jack)  
Action: Prevailed by Majority Members Elect (16-1-0-1)

Voting Yes: Miskimins, Auch, Kassin, Moore, Vilhauer, Voita, Jorgenson, Foster, Sjaarda, Muckey, Zikmund, Kolbeck (Jack), Novstrup, Lapka, Otten, and Derby

Voting No: Carley

Absent: Howard

**HB 1244 : repeal the special donations fund and make an appropriation to the Department of Education for the provision of a grant to support the Jobs for America's Graduates-South Dakota program.**

Presented by: Representative Amber Arlint  
Proponents: Chris Daugaard, Self  
Chad Johnson, Self  
Melina Shields, Self  
Marlee Wells, Self  
Mitch Rave, Greater Sioux Falls Chamber of Commerce  
Michael Lee Bockorny, Aberdeen Area Chamber of Commerce  
Michael Lee Bockorny, Aberdeen Development Corporation  
Michael Lee Bockorny, Economic Development Professionals Association  
Nathan Sanderson, South Dakota Retailers Association

Rob L Monson, School Administrators of South Dakota  
Dianna Miller, Large School Group

**MOTION: DO PASS HB 1244**

Moved by: Kassin

Second by: Auch

Action: Prevailed by Majority Members Elect (14-3-0-1)

Voting Yes: Miskimins, Auch, Kassin, Moore, Vilhauer, Jorgenson, Foster, Muckey, Zikmund, Kolbeck (Jack), Novstrup, Lapka, Otten, and Derby

Voting No: Carley, Howard, and Sjaarda

Absent: Voita

**SB 130 : make an appropriation for roadway and related infrastructure improvements required because of construction activity at Ellsworth Air Force Base and to declare an emergency.**

Presented by: Senator Helene Duhamel

Proponents: Doug Curry, City of Box Elder (Handout(s) 1,2)

Gary Drewes, Pennington County

Senator Taffy Howard

Robert Timm, City of Box Elder

Joe Miller, Self

Tony Nishimura, South Dakota Ellsworth Development Authority (Handout(s) 3)

Garth Wadsworth, Elevate Rapid City

Debra Owen, Black Hills Corporation

Ryan Budmayr, South Dakota Chamber of Commerce & Industry

Deb Mortenson, Associated General Contractors of South Dakota

Michael Lee Bockorny, Economic Development Professionals Association

Tim Dougherty, South Dakota Home Builders Association

**MOTION: DO PASS SB 130**

Moved by: Howard

Second by: Muckey

Action: Prevailed by Majority Members Elect (18-0-0-0)

Voting Yes: Miskimins, Auch, Kassin, Moore, Vilhauer, Carley, Voita, Jorgenson, Howard, Foster, Sjaarda, Muckey, Zikmund, Kolbeck (Jack), Novstrup, Lapka, Otten, and Derby

**SB 240 : make an appropriation for county rural access infrastructure and to declare an emergency.**

Presented by: Senator Sydney Davis (Handout(s) 4)

Proponents: Alex Matson, South Dakota Association of Towns and Townships

Kris Jacobsen, South Dakota Association of County Commissioners

**MOTION: DO PASS SB 240**

Moved by: Auch  
Second by: Miskimins  
Action: Prevailed by Majority Members Elect (17-0-0-1)

Voting Yes: Miskimins, Auch, Kassin, Moore, Vilhauer, Carley, Jorgenson, Howard, Foster, Sjaarda, Muckey, Zikmund, Kolbeck (Jack), Novstrup, Lapka, Otten, and Derby

Absent: Voita

**HB 1262 : make an appropriation for a non-residential, school-based, therapeutic services facility in Brown County and to declare an emergency.**

Presented by: Representative Lana Greenfield  
Proponents: Becky Guffin, Aberdeen Public Schools  
Mike Groher, Self  
Michael Lee Bockorny, Aberdeen Area Chamber of Commerce  
Representative Al Novstrup  
Rob L Monson, School Administrators of South Dakota  
Jim Block, Webster Area School District  
Joe Schwan, Groton Area School District

**THE CHAIR DEFERRED HB 1262**

**MOTION: ADJOURN**

Moved by: Voita  
Second by: Auch  
Action: Prevailed by voice vote

Joslyn Jessop, Committee Secretary

/s/ MIKE DERBY  
Mike Derby, Co-Chair

/s/ ERNIE OTTEN  
Ernie Otten, Co-Chair