

Human Services Finance and Policy Committee

Rep. Joe Schomacker, Chair Committee

Rep. Mohamud Noor, Chair Committee

Rules for the 2025-2026 Legislative Session

1. All Rules and Parliamentary Procedures for this committee are as specified in the Rules of the House of Representatives, Power Sharing Resolution, Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure, or established custom and usage.
2. Regularly scheduled meetings will meet at 8:15 AM on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays in Capitol 123. The Chairs will make every effort to start meetings promptly. Additional meetings may be scheduled by agreement of the Chairs and approval of the Speaker and Speaker Emerita. If a member is not able to attend, the member must notify his or her caucus Committee Legislative Assistant and Committee Administrator in advance of the meeting by email. Members who notify their Committee Legislative Assistant and Committee Administrator in advance will be listed in the minutes as excused. All other absences will be marked "unexcused." Members who arrive late for a meeting must notify the Committee Legislative Assistant at that meeting to ensure they are recorded as present. The roll may be called for attendance.
3. For in-person meetings, quiet and decorum must be maintained in the committee hearing room. Verbal discussion should occur outside of the committee room. Turn off the audio on all cellular phones or audible communication devices when in the meeting room. All presentations, discussions and questions must go through and be recognized by the Chairs. Signs, noise, or demonstrations that disrupt the committee's work may result in removal from the hearing room. Beverages, but not food items (unless provided to the committee) are permitted in the hearing room. Members and staff are expected to dispose of their own trash.
4. The Chairs may determine time limits on debates, testifiers, and time allowed for bills and amendments. The Chairs will determine the order and number of testifiers. The Chairs have the authority to terminate a presentation at any time if the Chairs feel that the issue or matter has been adequately addressed.
5. It is the responsibility of the author of a bill referred to this committee to submit a request via email for a hearing to the Committee Administrators. Hearings may be granted at the Chairs' discretion. 6. Individuals wishing to testify before the committee should notify the Committee Administrator by 12:00 PM the day before the hearing. Every effort will be made to accommodate testifiers who have traveled from Greater Minnesota and non-lobbyist testifiers.
7. Bill authors are expected to contact their own testifiers and notify the Committee Administrator by 12:00 PM the day prior to the committee meeting for which the testifiers will be presenting.
8. All amendments are to be pre-filed, via email, with the Committee Administrator by 12:00 PM the day before the hearing. An amendment is considered public once it is turned in. Amendments

will be available for review on the committee's website as soon as possible prior to the meeting. To ensure proper format, Members are encouraged to have amendments drafted by House Research

9. All powers and duties of a committee chair not specified by these rules will be exercised by joint agreement of the Chairs. Any rule may be amended or waived by joint agreement of the Chairs.