

2021 Legislative Accountability Ratings by MCCL

2021 House Votes

House Vote 1

Abortion facility licensing

Floor: Procedural vote

In the 2021 session, MCCL supported a bill to require licensing of abortion facilities by the Minnesota Department of Health. Currently, such facilities do not have to be licensed, which potentially puts women at greater risk of injury, infection, lack of information about a facility, etc.

The House Health Committee, chaired by a pro-abortion legislator, chose to not allow a hearing or a vote on the bill, so MCCL worked with pro-life legislators to instead offer the measure as an amendment to another bill, H.F. 2128, the Health and Human Services Omnibus Finance Bill, when it was heard on the floor of the House on April 26, 2021. Rep. Peggy Scott (R-Maple Grove) offered the amendment.

Rep. David Pinto (DFL-St. Paul) raised a point of order claiming that the amendment wasn't germane (related) to the subject of the Omnibus bill, which would mean the amendment couldn't be debated or voted on. The Speaker, Rep. Melissa Hortman (DFL-Brooklyn Park), ruled the amendment was not germane to the overall bill, even though Rep. Scott pointed out that the overall bill had more than 1,100 references to licensing of various businesses, including health industries.

The recourse when a legislator thinks his or her amendment has incorrectly been ruled not germane is to appeal the ruling of the chair, which Rep. Scott did. If the vote on her appeal succeeded, it would overrule the chair and allow the vote on the amendment to license abortion facilities to proceed. Thus, the vote on the procedural issue of whether the Speaker's ruling was correct was an important pro-life vote. Without such a vote, a Speaker could always kill pro-life amendments by simply ruling them not germane.

The vote was taken on Rep. Scott's motion to appeal the ruling of the Speaker. The vote to overturn the Speaker's ruling was defeated (a pro-life loss, because it meant the amendment to require licensing of abortion clinics would not get a vote) by a vote of 62-69.

Representative	Dist #	Vote 1	% #1	% #2
Acomb, Patty	44B	o	0%	0%
Agbaje, Esther	59B	o	0%	0%
Akland, Susan	19A	x	100%	100%
Albright, Tony	55B	x	100%	100%
Anderson, Paul	12B	x	100%	100%
Backer, Paul	12A	x	100%	100%
Bahner, Kristin	34B	o	0%	0%
Bahr, Cal	31B	x	100%	100%
Baker, Dave	17B	x	100%	100%
Becker-Finn, Jaime	42B	o	0%	0%
Bennett, Peggy	27A	x	100%	100%
Berg, Kaela	56B	o	0%	0%
Bernardy, Connie	41A	o	0%	0%
Bierman, Robert	57A	o	0%	0%
Bliss, Matt	05A	x	100%	100%
Boe, Greg	47B	x	100%	100%
Bolden, Liz	25B	o	0%	0%
Burkel, John	01A	x	100%	100%
Carlson, Andrew	50B	o	0%	0%
Christiansen, Shelly	39B	o	0%	0%
Daniels, Brian	24B	x	100%	100%
Daudt, Kurt	31A	x	100%	100%
Davids, Greg	28B	x	100%	100%
Davnie, Jim	63A	o	0%	0%
Demuth, Lisa	13A	x	100%	100%
Detmer, Bob	39A	x	100%	100%
Drazkowski, Steve	21B	x	100%	100%
Ecklund, Rob	03A	o	0%	0%
Edelson, Heather	49A	o	0%	0%
Elkins, Steve	49B	o	0%	0%
Erickson, Sondra	15A	x	100%	100%
Feist, Sandra	41B	o	0%	0%
Fischer, Peter	43A	o	0%	0%
Franke, Keith	54A	x	100%	100%
Franson, Mary	08B	x	100%	100%
Frazier, Cedrick	45A	o	0%	0%
Frederick, Luke	19B	o	0%	0%
Freiberg, Mike	45B	o	0%	0%
Garofalo, Pat	58B	x	100%	100%
Gomez, Aisha	62B	o	0%	0%
Green, Steve	02B	x	100%	100%
Greenman, Emma	63B	o	0%	0%
Grossell, Matt	02A	x	100%	100%
Gruenhagen, Glenn	18B	x	100%	100%
Haley, Barb	21A	x	100%	100%
Hamilton, Rod	22B	x	100%	100%
Hansen, Rick	52A	o	0%	0%

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Hanson, Jessica	56A	o	0%	0%
Hassan, Hodan	62A	o	0%	0%
Housman, Alice	66A	o	0%	0%
Heinrich, John	35A	x	100%	100%
Heintzeman, Josh	10A	x	100%	100%
Her, Kaohly Vang	64A	o	0%	0%
Hertaus, Jerry	33A	x	100%	100%
Hollins, Athena	66B	o	0%	0%
Hornstein, Frank	61A	o	0%	0%
Hortman, Melissa	36B	o	0%	0%
Howard, Michael	50A	o	0%	0%
Huot, John	57B	o	0%	0%
Igo, Spencer	05B	x	100%	100%
Johnson, Brian	32A	x	100%	100%
Jordan, Sydney	60A	o	0%	0%
Jurgens, Tony	54B	x	100%	100%
Keeler, Heather	04A	o	0%	0%
Kiel, Debra	01B	x	100%	100%
Klevorn, Ginny	44A	o	0%	0%
Koegel, Erin	37A	o	0%	0%
Kotzya-Witthun, Carlie	48B	o	0%	0%
Koznick, Jon	58A	x	100%	100%
Kresha, Ron	09B	x	100%	100%
Lee, Fue	59A	o	0%	0%
Liebling, Tina	26A	o	0%	0%
Lillie, Leon	43B	o	0%	0%
Lippert, Todd	20B	o	0%	0%
Lislegard, Dave	06B	o	0%	0%
Long, Jamie	61B	o	0%	0%
Lucero, Eric	30B	x	100%	100%
Lueck, Dale	10B	x	100%	100%
Mariani, Carlos	65B	o	0%	0%
Marquart, Paul	04B	o	0%	0%
Masin, Sandra	51A	o	0%	0%
McDonald, Joe	29A	x	100%	100%
Mekeland, Shane	15B	x	100%	100%
Miller, Tim	17A	o	0%	0%
Moller, Kelly	42A	o	0%	0%
Moran, Rena	65A	o	0%	0%
Morrison, Kelly	33B	o	0%	0%
Mortensen, Erik	55A	x	100%	100%
Mueller, Patricia	27B	x	100%	100%
Munson, Jeremy	23B	x	100%	100%
Murphy, Mary	03B	o	0%	0%
Nash, Jim	47A	x	100%	100%
Nelson, Michael	40A	o	0%	0%
Nelson, Nathan	11B	x	100%	100%

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Neu Brindley, Anne	32B	x	100%	100%
Moor, Mohamud	60B	o	0%	0%
Novotny, Paul	30A	x	100%	100%
O'Driscoll, Tim	13B	x	100%	100%
Olson, Bjorn	23A	x	100%	100%
Olson, Liz	07B	o	0%	0%
O'Neill, Marion	29B	e	0%	--
Pelowski, Gene	28A	x	100%	100%
Petersburg, John	24A	x	100%	100%
Pfarr, Brian	20A	x	100%	100%
Pierson, Nels	26B	x	100%	100%
Pinto, Dave	64B	o	0%	0%
Poston, John	09A	e	0%	--
Prior, Laurie	48A	o	0%	0%
Quam, Duane	25A	x	100%	100%
Raleigh, Donald	38A	x	100%	100%
Rasmusson, Jordan	08A	x	100%	100%
Reyer, Liz	51B	o	0%	0%
Richardson, Ruth	52B	o	0%	0%
Robbins, Kristin	34A	x	100%	100%
Sandell, Steve	53B	o	0%	0%
Sandstede, Julie	06A	o	0%	0%
Schomacker, Joe	22A	x	100%	100%
Schultz, Jennifer	07A	o	0%	0%
Scott, Peggy	35B	x	100%	100%
Stephenson, Zack	36A	o	0%	0%
Sundin, Mike	11A	o	0%	0%
Swedzinski, Chris	16A	x	100%	100%
Theis, Tama	14A	x	100%	100%
Thompson, John	67A	n	0%	--
Torkelson, Paul	16B	x	100%	100%
Urdahl, Dean	18A	x	100%	100%
Vang, Samantha	40B	o	0%	0%
Wazlawik, Ami	38B	o	0%	0%
West, Nolan	37B	x	100%	100%
Winkler, Ryan	46A	o	0%	0%
Wolgamott, Dan	14B	o	0%	0%
Xiong, Jay	67B	o	0%	0%
Xiong, Tou	53A	o	0%	0%
Youakim, Cheryl	46B	o	0%	0%

