

Legislative Committee of the Whole Resolution

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Sponsor: County Manager's Office Meeting Date: 11/4/2025

Title: 2026 Ramsey County State Legislative Platform File Number: 2025-444

Background and Rationale:

On October 21, 2025, the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners held a second workshop on the 2026 State and Federal Legislative Platforms. Government Relations staff presented an analysis of the upcoming state legislative session as well as proposed draft platform items for discussion by the members of the board.

In preparation for the review of the proposed platform by the Legislative Committee of the Whole, Government Relations staff have included in the latest draft suggested changes from the commissioners and further input from departmental and organizational leadership. The 2026 State Legislative Platform draft includes Ramsey County policy and funding priorities, bonding proposals and a statement of support for platforms of named organizations.

The Legislative Committee of the Whole reviews the draft 2026 Ramsey County State Legislative Platform and recommends its submittal to the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners. The Board of Commissioners is scheduled to vote on final approval on both the state and federal legislative platforms on November 18, 2025.

Recommendation:

The Ramsey County Legislative Committee of the Whole resolved to:

- Approve the 2026 Ramsey County State Legislative Platform and recommend its submittal to the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners.
- Authorize Ramsey County representatives to work with members of the State Legislature and other interested parties to promote legislation reflective of the positions contained in the platform.

A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Ortega, seconded by Commissioner Moran. Motion passed.

Aye: - 7: Jebens-Singh, McGuire, McMurtrey, Miller, Moran, Ortega, and Xiong

Jason Yang, Chief Clerk - County Board