

Minnesota Legislative Reference Library

Legislative History: Materials List

Research Locations

Legislative Reference Library (LRL) (645 State Office Building)
(651) 296-8338; refdesk@lrl.leg.mn; [LRL Legislative History Guide](#)
Mon.-Fri. 8-4:30; extended during session: Mon.-Fri. 8-6;
Minnesota Historical Society (MHS) Library (345 W. Kellogg Blvd.)
(651) 259-3300; [MHS Library Legislative History Guide](#)
Tue. 9-8, Wed.-Sat. 9-4; closed Sun. and Mon.

Research for Pay Services

Legal Research Center, Inc.: (612) 332-4950
TriDimension Strategies, LLC: (972) 527-3500
Legislative Intent Service, Inc.: (800) 666-1917
MHS Library: (651) 259-3300

Legislative Multimedia and Floor Logs

Multimedia

2004 – Present [Senate audio](#)
2001 – Present [Senate video](#)
2004 – Present [House audio and video](#)
1998 – 2003 [Selected House audio and video](#)
1991 – 2003

NOTE: Through mid-2018, there will be limited access to House and Senate audio tapes from the 1991-2003 legislative sessions. The tapes are being [digitized](#) as part of a project to provide permanent online access. Digital files of tapes may be available for a fee during this project. For more information, [contact a librarian](#).

Copying Charges: Online multimedia streams are free.

1991 – 2003 Audio: [Contact a librarian](#) for pricing details

Video [House Public Info](#) (175 State Office Building); (651) 297-1338 - [\\$12.50 per item produced](#); Senate does not provide copies.

Floor Logs:

1999 – Present [Senate floor logs](#)
2004 – Present [House floor logs](#)
1999 – 2004 [House floor logs](#)
1991 – 1998 Paper at LRL

Committee Minutes

House

2005 – Present [House committee minutes](#)
1999 – Present Paper at LRL (current in committee offices)
1919 – 1998 Paper at MHS Library
Prior to 1919 Contact MHS to determine if they exist
1883 – 1918 *Judiciary* Committee only: contact MHS Library
1957 – 1988 Microfilm/fiche at LRL

Senate

Present [Senate committee minutes](#)
1999 – Present Paper at LRL (current in committee offices)
1911 – 1998 Paper at MHS Library
Prior to 1911 Contact MHS to determine if they exist
1883 – 1910 *Judiciary* Committee only: contact MHS Library
1973 – 1988 Microfiche at LRL

Bills and Bill Status Indexes

House Bills:

Present Paper copies at [Chief Clerk's Office](#)
(211 Capitol); (651) 296-2314
1995 – Present [Bill status index online](#)
1957 – 2008 Microfilm/fiche at LRL
Prior to 1957 Contact MHS Library

Senate Bills:

Present Paper copies at [Secretary of the Senate's Office](#)
(231 Capitol); (651) 296-2344
1995 – Present [Bill status index online](#)
1957 – 2010 Microfilm/fiche at LRL
Prior to 1957 Contact MHS Library

House Bill Status Indexes:

1995 – Present [Bill status index online](#)
1975 – 1996 Microfilm/fiche at LRL

Senate Bill Status Indexes:

1995 – Present [Bill status index online](#)
1995 – 1996 Bill author index only on microfiche at LRL
1987 – 1992 Microfilm/fiche at LRL

Summaries and News

Session Publications

1849 – Present Session notebooks at LRL
1849 – Present [Time Capsule](#)
2004 – Present [Session Daily](#) (House)
1995 – 2012 [Session Weekly](#) (House)
1985 – 2009 [Senate Briefly](#) (Senate)
1975 – Present [Fiscal Review](#) (Senate)
1999 – Present [House Research Bill Summaries](#)
1975 – 2008 House Research Bill Summaries ([in paper at MHS](#))
1999 – Present [House Research Act Summaries](#)
1990 – Present [New Laws](#) (House)
1979 – 1984 [Session ... New Laws](#) (House)
1979 – 1989 [Session Summary](#) (House)
1977 – 1978 [Summary: Session](#) (House)
1977 – 1992 [Session Review](#) (Senate)
1951 – 1982 [Actions of the ... Minnesota Legislature](#)

News Clippings for Each Legislator by District Number

2009 – Present Online on Capitol computers
in LRL's [News Archive](#)
2000 – 2009 Print in LRL's file cabinets
1972 – 1999 Microfilm at LRL