

Minnesota Defense Lawyers Association

Legislative Bill Status Report

2018

Bills passed into law in bold; if no action indicated bill was not heard

Bill Summary – Title/Description	Senate File – Number/Author/ Committee Status	House File – Number/Author/ Committee Status
Pre-Judgment Interest Rate changes	SF1197/Johnson/Judic Passed Judiciary in 2017, but left on the Senate floor; DID NOT PASS	HF1281/Zerwas/Civil Included in House Public Safety bills in 2017 and 2018, but not included in final bills sent to Governor
Employment; Working Parents Act; paid family leave; wage protection; sick time		HF239/Thissen/Jobs
Seatbelt gag Rule repeal(support)	SF667/Relph/Judiciary Not heard in Senate committee in 2017 or 2018;	HF251/Loonan/Civil Passed House as part of first Public Safety budget bill in 2017; VETOED; Not included in final Public Safety bill; DID NOT PASS
Employment; requiring payout of earned paid time off at separation	SF198/Newton/Jobs	HF361/Nelson/Commerce
Parental Leave Costs Tax Credit	SF454/Nelson/Taxes	HF315/Anderson, S/ Jobs Passed Jobs, Heard Taxes
Auto Property Damage Claims Standards	SF320/Clausen/Commerce	
Consumer Fraud; any private action alleging violation of 325F.69 is in the public interest(similar language amended on SF327/HF368)(oppose)	Sf1900/Latz/Commerce	HF543/Lesch/Commerce
Military pay/benefits, prohibition on assignment; (consumer fraud amdt removed); permits cause of action to recover damages, attorney fees/costs for violation of prohibition on assignment of military pay/benefits; also permits AG enforcement	SF327/Anderson,B/Vets CHAPTER 174	HF368/Bliss/Vets

Mandatory age 70 Retirement Age for Judges repeal	SF1044/Senjem/Judic	HF621/Liebling/Pub.Saf
Insurance; modifying basic economic loss benefits to include losses to a good Samaritan		HF624/Liebling/Commerce
Insurance; requiring underinsured and uninsured motorist coverage for motorcycles	SF1887/Latz/Commerce	HF626/Youakim/Commerce
Bldg/Construction Contracts Indemnification Agreements	SF696/Utke/Judiciary	HF746/Loonan/Civil Law
Pre-emption of local ordinance on employment/uniformity of employment mandates	SF580/Miller/Jobs Passed in special session 2017; VETOED	HF600/Garofalo/Jobs
Trespass/Owners Duty ; codifies common law (amended on House floor to exempts claims re: injuries to minors)	SF1196/Limmer/Judic VETOED in 2017	HF985/Fabian/Civil Law
Attorney Fees/Settlement Offers	SF1210/Relph/Judic	HF923/Knoblach/Civil Passed/amended Civil; not considered on the floor in 2017; DID NOT PASS
Insurance; limiting certain remedies of uninsured motorists(pay to play)	SF1345/Utke/Commerce	HF1011/Loonan/Commerce
Insurance; no fault benefits; requires deduction of basic economic loss benefit; bars recovery of same damages twice from different sources; caps replacement service loss benefits at care and maintenance actually provided	SF1848/Utke/Commerce Passed Commerce as amended; not considered on the floor in 2018; returned to committee	HF1012/Loonan/Commerce Passed Commerce as amended; not considered on the floor in 2018; returned to committee
Minimum Wage automatic inflation index repeal		HF1313/Gruenhagen/Jobs
Wage Theft	SF1329/Champion/Job language included in special session pre-emption bill, vetoed by Governor in 2017	HF1391/Mahoney/Jobs
Courts Fees Raised	SF1043/Limmer/Judic	HF2319/Hertaus/Public Safety
Govt contracts; prohibiting discrimination on basis of national origin	SF1081/Pappas/State Govt	HF1335/Hornstein/GovOp

Nuisance liability for Ag operation (House floor amdt provides for study of issue)	SF1015/Weber/Ag did not pass in 2017	HF1221/Anderson, P. Ag
Interlocutory Appeal/Class Certification		HF1706/Smith/Civil Law
Statute of Limitations reduced to 4 years		HF1707/Smith/Civil law
Human Rights Act; extends statute of limitations for minor filing claim	SF1819/Latz/Judic	HF1980/Sandstede/Rules
Sick and Safe Time Leave	SF1794/Pappas/Jobs	HF1967/Lesch/Jobs
Workers Comp; presumption of occupational disease for firefighters with certain kind of cancer(Senate floor amdt to WC bill passed making PTSD presumption for firefighters, cops, drs—that language removed from final bill in 2017)		HF2106/Howe/ Commerce See HF3873
Human Rights; amending notice provisions for actions involving architectural barriers(offered as floor amdt in 2017, failed)	SF2168/Frentz/Judic	HF2452/Hilstrom/Civil
Architectural Barriers/Notice Requirements amended(offered as floor amdt in 2017, failed)	SF2181/Latz/Judiciary	
Employment; limiting reliance on criminal history	SF2049/Simonson/Jobs	HF2491/Olson/ Commerce
Human Rights; gender specific accommodation		HF2553/Gruenhagen/ Civil Law
Employee/Student online privacy protection act	SF2320/Latz/Judic	HF2591/Lesch/Civil law
Liability for Pet Attacks		HF2686/Ward/Civil law
Human Rights; prohibiting discrimination by a health plan	SF2422/Lourey/Judic	HF2692/Murphy, E/ Civil law
No fault auto; rental vehicle coverage		HF2721/Loonan/ Commerce
Bar Association bill, limits actions to completion, termination of construction or improvement to real property	SF2468/Newman/Jud CHAPTER 116	HF2743/Smith/Civil
Judicial elections: repealing incumbency designation	SF2936/Anderson,B/ State Govt	HF2861/Gruenhagen/Gov Op
Cause of action established for disparagement of agricultural food products		HF2880/Miller/Ag

Workers comp; mental impairment of firefighter, police presumed to be occupational disease due to nature of employment	SF125/Frenz/Jobs Offered as floor amendment to budget bill, defeated 33/34 IN 2017	HF327/Zerwas/ Commerce Amended onto omnibus budget bill on the House floor; see HF 3873
Wages; prohibits disclosure of past wages	SF2716/Pappas/jobs	HF2913/Thissen/Jobs Heard and amended 3/13; laid on the table; offered as floor amdt to budget bill, failed
Employment, requires written contracts for public/private employees; prohibits certain noncompete agreements	SF2770/Torres Ray/Jobs	HF2914/Thissen/Jobs
Clearwater Co. private roads; prohibits civil action to obtain access	SF2459/Utke/ENR	HF2885/Grossell/ENR
Judgment Interest rate; removes minimum req of 4%	SF2604/Chamberlain/ Judic	HF3408/Loonan/Civil
Employment; exemptions from mandatory flu shot, excluding as employee misconduct	SF2660/Tomassoni/ Jobs Bill withdrawn and returned to author	
Commercial Email messages; provides opt out requirement	SF2677/Latz/ Commerce	HF2916/Thissen/ Commerce
Immunity for real property owners required to provide access to assistance animals	SF2680/Rest/Judic	Hf 3385/Green/Civil
\$2 Court Technology Fee extended to 2023	SF2721/Limmer/Judic Included in 2018 omn.budget bill; VETOED	Hf3231/Hilstrom/Public Safety Included in omnibus budget bill, VETOED
Voiding waiver of liability for ordinary negligence involving consumer service	SF2742/Latz/Judic	Hf3636/Lesch/Civil
Trespass; codifies common law on owners duty		Hf3025/Fabian/Civil
Judges retirement age raised from 70 to 80	SF2789/Carlson(by request) Judiciary	HF3321/Masin/Public Safety
Elder Abuse Tax Force Report; civil remedies	SF3088/Lourey/Aging	HF3468/Olson/HHS
Service Animals Misrepresentation/Criminal Penalty	SF2646/Eichorn/Jud CHAPTER 106	HF3157/Green/Public Safety/HF2815

Human Rights; changing statute to conform to MN HRA	SF3257/Laine/Judic	HF4054/Youakim/Civil
Human Rights; changing reasonable accommodation provisions	SF3258/Latz/Judic	Hf4053/Youakim/Civil
Salt Liability	SF3199/Ruud/ENR Finance Passed ENR, to Judic	HF3577/Anselmo/ENR Passed Enviro and Civil; back to ENR; In omnibus budget bill; removed from omnibus budget bill in conference cmte DID NOT PASS
Trespass to Critical Structures; creates joint and several liability and vicarious liability for trespass	SF3463/Utke/Judic VETOED	HF3693/Smith/Civil
Workers Comp Advisory Council recommendations; amended to include rebuttable PTSD presumption for disability claims for certain law enforcement and public service employees	SF3420/Utke/Jobs CHAPTER 185	HF3873/Albright/ Commerce
Civil Actions; modifying recovery actions against unlicensed contractors	SF3446/Draheim/Jud	HF3944/Theis/ Commerce
Insurance liability coverage; right of direct action		HF4178/Applebaum/ Commerce
Insurance; providing for family coverage for boat insurance	SF3610/Anderson, P/ Commerce	HF4047/Fenton/ Commerce
Health; authorizing private right of action for failing to release patient health info or records, and for violation of patient bill of rights		Hf4223/Thissen/ HHS Reform
Republicans omnibus court budget bill(Senate bill included technology fee extension; House bill included technology fee, no cameras in criminal cases in courtroom without approval of victim and defendant; prejudgment interest rate provision; \$ for case mgmt., one judge for ignition interlock program; \$ for guardian ad litem program, public defenders; final bill sent to Governor had money for guardian ad litem and technology fee extension only	SF2755/Limmer/Jud VETOED	Hf2856/Johnson, B/ Public Safety
Sex Harassment legal standard changed	SF4031/Housley/Judic DID NOT PASS	HF4459/Peppin/Civil Passed Civil law; to General Register; amended on to omnibus budget bill on the floor; removed from bill in conference committee

Social Media Bill of Rights cause of action created		HF4472/Scott/Civil law
Auto insurance; changing requirement relating to assignment of benefits and arbitration	SF4065.Utke/ Commerce	HF4481/Hoppe/ Commerce Informational hearing 5/16/18
Workers Comp; modifying coverage for injury due to intoxication		HF4503/Zerwas/ Commerce
Workers Comp; modifying plan requirements		HF4504/Zerwas/ Commerce
Workers Comp; extending the commencement of compensation for temporary total or temporary partial disability		HF4505/Anderson,S/ Commerce
Workers Comp; modifying wage calculation for ag employees		HF4506/Kiel/ Commerce