

Be it resolved that the DFL party...

Tax & Budget Policy

96. supports tax fairness for working families and opposes tax cuts to corporations and the wealthy. (2)
97. supports legislation directing the Minnesota Board of Investment to begin divesting from corporations involved in fossil fuels, and authorizing expenditures to cover consultant fees, transaction fees, or short-term losses from divestment with the current budget surplus. (2)
98. urges the Minnesota legislature to pass a large bonding bill that invests in state infrastructure improvements and creates thousands of jobs.

Transportation

99. supports deep investment in clean transportation options, such as public transit, year-round bicycling, walking, and electric vehicles — options that are racially just, economically competitive, and safer and accessible for all users, of all ages and abilities. A specific example is connecting state bicycle trails. (5)
100. supports funding accessible, affordable public transit and active transportation (bicycle and pedestrian) infrastructure across the state to improve air quality, spread economic opportunity, improve health, and reduce carbon emissions. (4)
101. supports implementing the MnDOT State Passenger Rail plan, including passenger train service from the Twin Cities to Milwaukee, Chicago, St. Cloud, Fargo, Des Moines, Kansas City, and Duluth.
102. supports existing rail safety regulations and new regulations to strengthen rail safety at appropriate governmental levels in light of increased rail transport of oil and other hazardous materials.
103. encourages legislators to fund specialized transportation services, especially for demand response service. Specialized transportation services via van, small bus, or taxi provide transportation for those who have difficulty using traditional fixed-route services. The legislature must fund pilot projects in and out of the metro area to work with private entities to produce viable rideshare options for seniors. These projects can explore use of health insurance funds for non-medically related transportation along the lines for private “Silver Sneaker” funding. The projects must be easy to use, affordable, and open to volunteer participation.
104. supports and recommends to the Minnesota legislature and the U.S. Congress that laws affecting volunteer drivers in organizations that provide volunteer driver programs be clarified to ensure the availability, accessibility, efficiency, and cost-effectiveness of transportation services.

Veterans Affairs

105. supports the Veterans Restorative Justice Act and all efforts to allow any county or city in Minnesota to establish and operate a veterans pretrial diversion program. (2)
106. supports using the state surplus to provide the needed housing and support services for homeless veterans. (2)