

2018 DFL State Convention Platform Balloting Report

Total completed ballots:1093

Resolution Number and Content	Percentage of Votes
#43 Support and advocate for any efforts to overturn the Citizens United decision.	82.78%
#13 Support measures such as: early voting, automatic registration of voters, and restoration of the Voting Rights Act of 1964; and oppose requirements that prevent equal access to voting for any part of the voting population.	82.69%
#63 Support strong Net Neutrality protections at the federal and state level that ensure all citizens have equal access to and use of the internet, with fees and connectivity guaranteed the same for all, regardless of their size or scale of usage.	82.37%
#12 Support federal legislation allowing Dreamers, and others who qualify under the DACA program, to remain permanently in the United States with a track to citizenship for themselves and their families.	81.77%
#49 Support empowering Medicare to negotiate lower prescription drug prices.	81.22%

<p>#61: Oppose all “Right to Work” legislation, and any amendments to the Minnesota Constitution, which attempt to support “Right to Work”.</p>	<p>80.71%</p>
<p>#2 Support an immigration policy based on respect for humanity and recognition of our immigrant heritage and our increasingly interconnected world.</p>	<p>80.66%</p>
<p>#9 Oppose cuts to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and support promoting local farmers and their efforts within the confines of that program.</p>	<p>80.25%</p>
<p>#26 Support state and federal financial aid and grants, loans, tax credits, and other debt-relief options to make public higher education affordable and accessible for every Minnesota resident.</p>	<p>79.65%</p>
<p>#75 Support the prohibition of for-profit incarceration facilities from operating or leasing facilities in the State of Minnesota.</p>	<p>79.14%</p>

<p>#21 Support comprehensive immigration reform offering a clear path to citizenship for the almost 12 million undocumented immigrants.</p>	<p>78.96%</p>
<p>#83 Support funding to meet veterans' needs, including health care, mental health care, housing, education, and employment services.</p>	<p>78.59%</p>
<p>#10 Support a full continuum of housing across the state to address homelessness, affordable rental opportunities, and home ownership within reach for all.</p>	<p>78.36%</p>
<p>#54 Support full implementation and enforcement of mental-health parity laws to ensure individuals with mental illnesses and substance use disorders receive needed treatment.</p>	<p>77.26%</p>
<p>#16 Support gender equality and racial justice, and put the needs and values of people ahead of the interests of powerful corporations.</p>	<p>77.26%</p>

<p>#36</p> <p>Support increasing the number of school support personnel in the areas of school counselors, nurses, social workers, chemical dependency staff, psychologists and psychiatrists.</p>	<p>77.16%</p>
<p>#51</p> <p>Support requirements that state regulated health plans cover all FDA-approved contraceptive medications and device categories, as well as no-cost patient education and counseling.</p>	<p>77.03%</p>
<p>#1</p> <p>Support, recognize, protect and conserve clean water as a shared resource held in public trust for the health, safety and benefit of the public.</p>	<p>76.93%</p>
<p>#23</p> <p>Prioritize and invest in resources to address sexual harassment in all settings, including prevention, training, reporting, responsiveness to complaints, and protection for bystander intervention.</p>	<p>76.66%</p>
<p>#56</p> <p>Oppose any changes to Medicaid that would reduce benefits, eligibility, or number or people enrolled.</p>	<p>76.06%</p>

<p>#27 Support creating an equitable funding formula in Minnesota, so all public school students have the same opportunities to learn.</p>	<p>76.01%</p>
<p>#11 Support removal of the ratification deadline of the Federal Equal Rights Amendment and support the addition of an Equal Rights Amendment to the Minnesota State Constitution.</p>	<p>75.37%</p>
<p>#29 Support increased resources for vocational and technical training in high schools.</p>	<p>75.28%</p>
<p>#30 Support policies that help schools recruit and maintain teachers of color.</p>	<p>75.23%</p>
<p>#67 Support the United States rejoining the Paris Climate Accord, and that Minnesota cooperate with other states towards the goals of the Paris Accord.</p>	<p>74.82%</p>

<p>#71</p> <p>Commit to gun violence protection by supporting common sense prevention measures, including but not limited to: passing Universal Criminal Background Check and Gun Violence Protection Order bills; making state funds available for gun violence programs; and removing prohibitions in current state law against the collection of gun- related data for the purpose of public health research.</p>	<p>74.72%</p>
<p>#31</p> <p>Support funding for universal, school-based, pre-k taught by licensed professional teachers in all Minnesota schools.</p>	<p>74.17%</p>
<p>#35</p> <p>Support significantly increased state and federal funding for special education and ELL services in order to provide a high-quality public education for every child.</p>	<p>73.57%</p>
<p>#22</p> <p>Prioritize and invest in resources to address sexual harassment in all settings, including prevention, training, reporting, responsiveness to complaints, and protection for bystander intervention.</p>	<p>73.30%</p>
<p>#44</p> <p>Support comprehensive campaign finance reform legislation including full disclosure of all contributions and expenditures to end the flood of special-interest monies to political campaigns.</p>	<p>73.30%</p>

<p>#58</p> <p>Support a paid family leave social insurance program that provides access to a minimum of 12 weeks of partial wage replacement for all workers for family leave and 12 weeks of medical leave covering a comprehensive set of critical life changing events.</p>	<p>73.20%</p>
<p>#15</p> <p>Support restoring voting rights to Minnesotans convicted of a felony when they are on probation or parole.</p>	<p>72.79%</p>
<p>#60</p> <p>Support a statewide, earned sick and safe time law that guarantees all workers have access to sick and safe time benefits that are fully paid and enforced.</p>	<p>72.79%</p>
<p>#74</p> <p>Support steps to reduce incarceration and its negative impacts through investment in alternatives to incarceration, sentencing reform, and supervised release policies.</p>	<p>72.79%</p>
<p>#70</p> <p>Support legislation that requires all crude oil pipelines transiting Minnesota to have Environmental Impact Statements (EIS), to have financial assurance for spill and abandonment cleanup, and respects the right of sovereign nations to determine what construction projects take place in their respective territories and require abandonment cleanup.</p>	<p>72.28%</p>

<p>#81 Support passing comprehensive, statewide, long-term transportation funding package without taking funds from education, health-care and economic development.</p>	<p>72.15%</p>
<p>#66 Support funding and legislation to improve monitoring assessment, restoration, and protection of Minnesota waters.</p>	<p>72.01%</p>
<p>#72 Support banning the sale of military style, semi-automatic weapons designed to use high-powered ammunition and high-capacity magazines.</p>	<p>71.96%</p>
<p>#62 Oppose legislation or constitutional amendments which preempts or interferes with local governments authority to establish minimum wages, benefits, working conditions, terms of employment, or attendance or leave policies - that exceed state or federal law..</p>	<p>71.09%</p>
<p>#76 Support the State of Minnesota allowing driver's licenses for undocumented residents.</p>	<p>71.09%</p>

<p>#52 Support ensuring protection of and good care for our senior citizens, elders and vulnerable adults by supporting Governor Dayton's Elder Abuse Consumer Workgroup recommendations.</p>	<p>70.99%</p>
<p>#20 Support strong policies to help fund legal resources for immigrants threatened with deportation and enact strong policies to prevent the conscription of local resources to enforce federal immigration policy.</p>	<p>70.72%</p>
<p>#32 Oppose all vouchers for non-public school.</p>	<p>70.63%</p>
<p>#57 Support a statewide \$15.00 minimum wage for all workers, with no tip penalty.</p>	<p>70.26%</p>
<p>#55 Support the Quality Care Act to require minimum safe ratios of registered nurses to staff.</p>	<p>70.12%</p>

<p style="text-align: center;">#80</p> <p>Support a strong, secure retirement system for our public educators and employees to support the goal of maintaining a defined benefit pension plan for current and future generations.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">69.89%</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">#50</p> <p>Support legislation that enacts the Minnesota Health Plan at the state level while also supporting enactment of “Medicare for All” at the national level.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">69.71%</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">#42</p> <p>Support establishment of a nonpartisan independent redistricting commission, representative of Minnesota’s diversity, partisan balance, and geography, for all future redistricting.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">69.43%</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">#79</p> <p>Support legislation to scrap the social security payroll and tax cap to make it fair and progressive and to assure full benefits for all future social security recipients. The annual benefit adjustment should be based on the Consumer Price Index for the Elderly (CPI-E) to more accurately reflect expenses faced by the elderly.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">69.43%</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">#78</p> <p>Support residents of other states, while in Minnesota, being governed by Minnesota’s gun laws rather than the laws of their own states.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">69.15%</p>

<p>#38</p> <p>Support securing at least 50% of Minnesota’s electricity from wind and solar by 2030, with a goal of eliminating coal by 2030 using 100% renewables by no later than 2050.</p>	<p>68.32%</p>
<p>#4</p> <p>Pursue policies that result in more traditional farmers on the land raising both crops and livestock, and policies that support and encourage farmers to build soil, protect clean water, and prevent erosion.</p>	<p>67.63%</p>
<p>#59</p> <p>Support the Wage Theft Prevention Act to establish a statutory definition of wage theft, making it a specific violation of the law and provide more authority for the Minnesota Department of Labor & Industry to get wage records.</p>	<p>67.54%</p>
<p>#73</p> <p>Support requirements that that police training must spend at least equal time training in peaceful de-escalation tactics as in use of force tactics.</p>	<p>67.27%</p>
<p>#69</p> <p>Oppose circumvention, weakening, or repeal of environmental laws, or administrative procedures, when this jeopardizes environmental regulations, due process, or public participation, and support strict enforcement of all such regulation and treaty rights and repeal the power of eminent domain for crude oil pipelines.</p>	<p>67.22%</p>

<p>#28</p> <p>Support extended public education to cover expenses for graduating high school students to attend any two-year public college or vocational school in the state.</p>	<p>67.03%</p>
<p>#34</p> <p>Support sexual health education offered by public schools that is medically accurate, age-appropriate and inclusive of LGBTQ concerns.</p>	<p>66.85%</p>
<p>#82</p> <p>Support legislation and funding for adequate, coordinated, and affordable passenger transportation for seniors and disabled persons within cities, counties, and throughout the state.</p>	<p>66.62%</p>
<p>#19</p> <p>Support cities and counties throughout Minnesota adopting Sanctuary City policies to protect immigrant community members and urge the Governor and Legislature to declare Minnesota a Sanctuary State to protect immigrant community members statewide.</p>	<p>66.48%</p>
<p>#41</p> <p>Support adoption of long-term tax credits for alternative energy systems.</p>	<p>66.34%</p>

<p>#17</p> <p>Support the legalization, regulation, and taxation of marijuana in a manner similar to that of tobacco or alcohol.</p>	<p>66.16%</p>
<p>#64</p> <p>Support the implementation and expansion of the Border-to-Border statewide Broadband initiative by providing stable multi-year funding; by eliminating corporate-monopoly sponsored restrictions, obstacles, and preemptions; by encouraging municipalities and rural co-operatives to install and own their own fiber-optic networks.</p>	<p>65.93%</p>
<p>#53</p> <p>Support the ability of terminally ill adults to have access to a full range of end of life options.</p>	<p>65.10%</p>
<p>#77</p> <p>Oppose "Stand your ground" or "shoot first" laws which allow the use of deadly force anytime a person subjectively believes his or her life is threatened – even if there is a clear and safe way to avoid the danger.</p>	<p>65.10%</p>
<p>#65</p> <p>Support treating all internet access and services in Minnesota as public utilities and support granting the State Public Utilities Commission authority to oversee the installation, operation, and regulation of a robust, statewide fiber-optic broadband network.</p>	<p>64.96%</p>

<p>#47</p> <p>Support legislations that candidates for federal and statewide office be required to disclose their tax returns from the last five years.</p>	<p>64.59%</p>
<p>#24</p> <p>Support a ban on conversion therapy, also known as sexual orientation/gender-identity change efforts, or reparative therapy, as a therapeutic practice.</p>	<p>64.46%</p>
<p>#33</p> <p>Support increased access for the most vulnerable children to attend high-quality early care and education programs by expanding Early Learning scholarships; continued to support of Parent Aware and eliminating the waitlist for the Child Care Assistance Program so all children from low-income families can access quality early learning programs starting at birth.</p>	<p>63.17%</p>
<p>#18</p> <p>Support pardoning those currently incarcerated for cannabis-related offenses and expunging the records of those convicted of cannabis-related offenses.</p>	<p>62.80%</p>
<p>#40</p> <p>Support ensuring a racially and economically-just clean energy transition that creates high-paying jobs, encourages rural economic development, and provides everyone with access to the benefits of clean energy through programs and priorities to end energy poverty and allow community solar for all.</p>	<p>62.25%</p>

<p>#8</p> <p>Support eliminating corporate farm subsidies and support sustainable farming by promoting local sourcing of food, education and incentives for urban agriculture and community farms.</p>	<p>61.79%</p>
<p>#25</p> <p>Support restricting and regulating the sales and use of neonicotinoids in both urban and agricultural settings; mandate the labeling of treated plants and coated seeds; and adopt statutes that reduce or eliminate the use of systemic seed treatments.</p>	<p>61.42%</p>
<p>#45</p> <p>Support informed participation in the democratic process through public financing for political campaigns and/or through small donor campaign contributions such as matching funds, tax credits and small donor vouchers.</p>	<p>61.00%</p>
<p>#6</p> <p>Support the University of Minnesota's Forever Green Program that puts stewardship and family farmers with new crops and technology first.</p>	<p>60.50%</p>
<p>#37</p> <p>Support creating incentives for teachers with the least training and academic qualifications to improve their practice for the benefit of their students, appropriating money for training and mentoring programs to move Tier 1 and Tier 2 licensed teachers up to Tier 4.</p>	<p>60.13%</p>

<p>#5</p> <p>Support addressing the serious financial and suicide crisis facing farmers by fully funding the Minnesota Farm Advocate Program and Farmers Legal Action Group.</p>	<p>59.48%</p>
<p>#46</p> <p>Support enforcing the "single subject rule," requiring that no bill in the House or the Senate contain more than one subject.</p>	<p>58.84%</p>
<p>#39</p> <p>Support legislation that puts a steadily rising, revenue-neutral fee on carbon (called carbon-fee and dividend) that returns all revenue to households in monthly dividends to reduce our carbon footprint, stimulate local economies, and improve our health.</p>	<p>58.33%</p>
<p>#68</p> <p>Copper-nickel sulfide ore mining has unacceptable environmental and health impacts. To protect the BWCA and Lake Superior, this mining should be banned in Minnesota until similar mines have operated in the United States and been closed 10 years in a water-rich environment without acid mine drainage or pollution, and SNF lands should be removed from sulfide mining leasing for 20 years.</p>	<p>58.06%</p>
<p>#14</p> <p>Support the abolishment of the Electoral College in favor of the popular vote.</p>	<p>56.03%</p>

<p>#48</p> <p>Support Ranked Choice Voting legislation for state elections, including Governor, legislative offices, and congressional offices.</p>	<p>55.66%</p>
<p>#3</p> <p>Support preserving existing strong township rights and the right of townships to enact zoning ordinances to protect the health and well being of local communities.</p>	<p>53.18%</p>
<p>#7</p> <p>Support the Minnesota Legislature enacting a moratorium on any new factory farm construction.</p>	<p>49.82%</p>