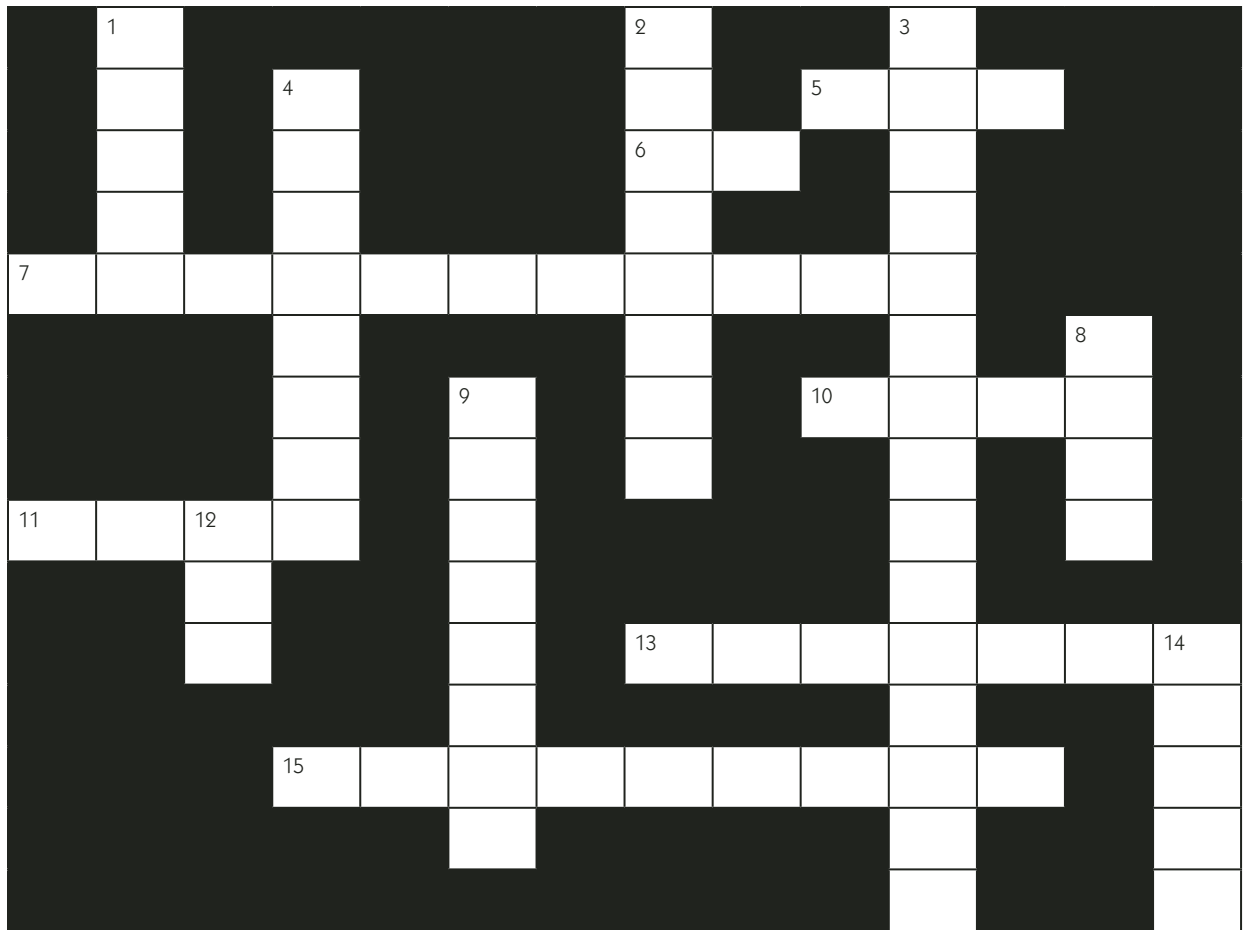


# **Minnesota House of Representatives Puzzle Book**



# Government Crossword

Use the clues below to fill in the puzzle with words about Minnesota government.



## Across

5. An aye vote means \_\_\_\_\_.
6. A nay vote means \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Representatives & senators are part of this branch of government.
10. If the governor rejects a bill, he/she will \_\_\_\_\_ it. Then it will NOT become law.
11. An idea for a new law is called a \_\_\_\_\_.
13. You can \_\_\_\_\_ your legislator by phone or in writing.
15. The governor is part of which branch of government?

## Down

1. How many branches are there in the Minnesota government?
2. Legislators in the Senate are called \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Legislators in the House are called \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Judges are in which branch of government?
8. Citizens over the age of 18 can cast their \_\_\_\_\_ on Election Day.
9. Highways, state parks, highway patrols & public schools are examples of state government \_\_\_\_\_.
12. The governor's signature turns a bill into a \_\_\_\_\_.
14. The government obtains money to pay for services through \_\_\_\_\_.

# Matching

Match the sentences on the left with the correct answers on the right.

Minnesota has 67 of these legislators. governor

This person is the head of the state government. committee

Senators serve in this legislative body. judges

This city is the state's capital. senators

Minnesota has 134 of these legislators. Senate

A group of legislators chosen to consider bills before sending them to the House or Senate. representatives

Representatives serve in this legislative body. St. Paul

These officials serve in the judicial branch. budget

This is the process of choosing a person to serve in the government by voting. election

This is a plan for how the state will receive and spend money during a certain time period. House of Representatives

# Minnesota Symbols Word Find

Find the hidden words for some of Minnesota's symbols in the puzzle below.

The words may be forward, backwards, vertical or diagonal.

The words are listed at the bottom of the page.

N	T	Y	F	J	P	L	E	R	O	M	D	A	D	R
I	U	C	J	V	U	P	E	E	Y	E	L	L	A	W
F	D	L	H	Y	G	L	N	N	O	O	L	O	E	S
F	F	O	O	D	N	A	I	V	A	E	C	F	R	M
U	U	E	N	Y	W	A	P	F	V	W	X	A	E	O
M	L	C	E	D	L	G	Y	V	W	L	X	J	P	N
Y	I	A	Y	Z	E	Z	A	K	D	P	T	E	P	A
R	F	R	C	L	S	E	W	L	G	X	H	C	I	R
R	D	G	R	M	T	G	R	I	P	O	I	I	L	C
E	S	P	I	F	E	C	O	M	C	M	J	R	S	H
B	L	Y	S	R	R	D	N	K	A	X	O	D	Y	G
E	R	T	P	E	F	R	E	K	Z	Y	N	L	D	Q
U	J	D	I	S	C	Y	K	Z	U	S	E	I	A	N
L	Z	M	R	A	T	S	H	T	R	O	N	W	L	K
B	V	G	D	I	X	Q	K	B	A	G	A	T	E	P

## Minnesota Symbols

Flower: Lady Slipper

Grain: Wild rice

Nickname: North Star

Bird: Loon

Muffin: Blueberry muffin

Fish: Walleye

Tree: Norway Pine

Soil: Lester

Mushroom: Morel

Gem: Agate (Lake Superior)

Beverage: Milk

Sport: Hockey

Fruit: Honeycrisp

Butterfly: Monarch

Photograph: Grace

# Unscrambling

Can you unscramble these state government words?

evot

etngrnoevm

vsescrei

xtsea

llbi

iertesdn

wal

teevixauc

adiciujl

iesglteila

ngovti

# Making Words

Use the letters in the word "Minnesota" to make as many words as you can.

We found 86 words – can you find more?

# MINNESOTA

1	21	41	61	81
2	22	42	62	82
3	23	43	63	83
4	24	44	64	84
5	25	45	65	85
6	26	46	66	86
7	27	47	67	87
8	28	48	68	88
9	29	49	69	89
10	30	50	70	90
11	31	51	71	91
12	32	52	72	92
13	33	53	73	93
14	34	54	74	94
15	35	55	75	95
16	36	56	76	96
17	37	57	77	97
18	38	58	78	98
19	39	59	79	99
20	40	60	80	100

# Breaking the Code

Can you solve each of these Capitol ciphers?

We've provided part of the answer key to get you started.

## 1. A=1, B=2, C=3, D=4 ...

13-9-14-14-5-19-15-20-1 2-5-3-1-13-5 20-8-5 20-8-9-18-20-26-21-9-5-3-15-14 19-20-1-20-5  
9-14 5-9-7-8-20-5-5-14 6-9-6-20-25 5-9-7-8-20.

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## 2. A=x, B=y, C=z, D=a, E=b, F=c ...

teb zroobkq pqxqb zxfqli tpx abpfdkba yv cxpp dfiyboq, xka yrfaq fk 1905.

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## 3. Circle every third letter to reveal the hidden message!

ANTgehll eahsancsounmladpetthuspruze zl"EFPorryouulghorpeethsats yoouef njtoyhite ANSdytoularvtiseit"  
toiyos urcstoatmecmapoitnolliny sacinatplaulleind netsohtae SOQLoungafodrnrowibyge!a.

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# How a Bill Becomes Law

Find your way through the maze and learn how a bill becomes a law in Minnesota.

S  
T  
A  
R  
T

Someone has an idea for a law.

The bill is introduced in the House.

The bill is sent to a committee for discussion & changes.

The idea is written into a bill.

If the committee approves the bill, it is sent back to the House for discussion & a vote.

If the bill wins a majority of the votes, it is sent to the Senate and the process begins again!

The Senate must also pass the bill.

If the House & Senate versions of the bill differ, the bills go to a conference committee.

The conference committee will work out the differences between the two versions of the bill.

The Governor can sign it into law or veto it.

The bill is sent to the Governor for review.

Both the House & the Senate must pass the bill again after it is approved by the conference committee.

If a bill is vetoed, the House & Senate can try to override the veto with a 2/3 majority vote.

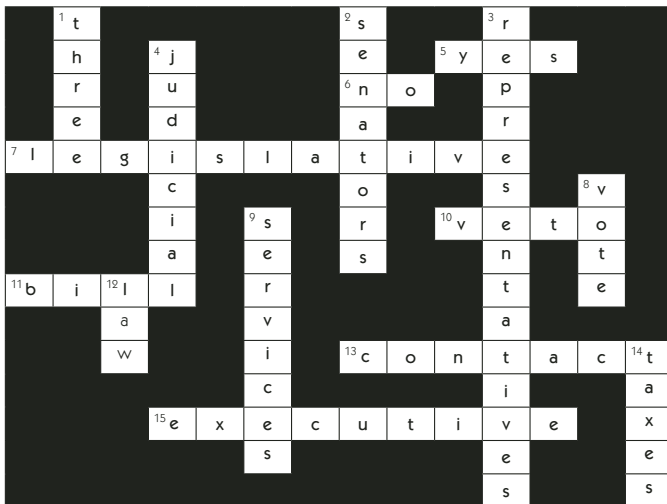
The bill becomes law and is given to the Secretary of State.

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# Answers

## Government Crossword



## Unscrambling

- |            |              |
|------------|--------------|
| evot       | veto or vote |
| etngrnoevm | government   |
| vsescrei   | services     |
| xtsea      | taxes        |
| llbi       | bill         |
| iertesdn   | resident     |
| wal        | law          |
| teevixeuc  | executive    |
| adiciujl   | judicial     |
| iesglveila | legislative  |
| ngovti     | voting       |

## Matching

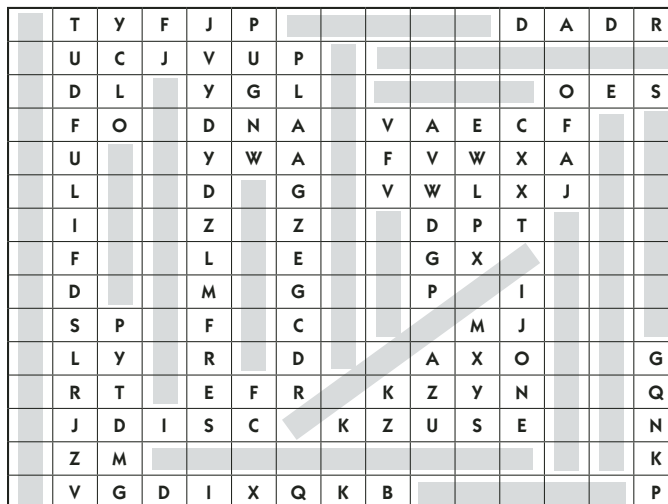
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|---|--------------------------|
| Minnesota has 67 of these legislators.  | governor                 |
| This person is the head of the state government.  | committee                |
| Senators serve in this legislative body.  | judges                   |
| This city is the state's capital.   | senators                 |
| Minnesota has 134 of these legislators.   | Senate                   |
| A group of legislators chosen to consider bills before sending them to the House or Senate. | representatives          |
| Representatives serve in this legislative body.   | St. Paul                 |
| These officials serve in the judicial branch.   | budget                   |
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| This is a plan for how the state will receive and spend money during a certain time period. | House of Representatives |

## Making Words

# MINNESOTA

- |          |           |          |           |           |
|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 ma     | 21 inn    | 41 nest  | 61 tennis | 81 son    |
| 2 main   | 22 innate | 42 net   | 62 time   | 82 sonnet |
| 3 man    | 23 insane | 43 nine  | 63 tin    | 83 stain  |
| 4 mast   | 24 inseam | 44 noise | 64 to     | 84 steam  |
| 5 mat    | 25 inset  | 45 none  | 65 toe    | 85 stem   |
| 6 me     | 26 iota   | 46 nose  | 66 toes   | 86 stone  |
| 7 mean   | 27 is     | 47 note  | 67 ton    | 87        |
| 8 meant  | 28 it     | 48 east  | 68 tone   | 88        |
| 9 meat   | 29 item   | 49 eat   | 69 saint  | 89        |
| 10 met   | 30 a      | 50 eats  | 70 same   | 90        |
| 11 mine  | 31 aim    | 51 oat   | 71 sane   | 91        |
| 12 mint  | 32 am     | 52 oats  | 72 sat    | 92        |
| 13 mist  | 33 an     | 53 omen  | 73 sea    | 93        |
| 14 mite  | 34 ant    | 54 on    | 74 seam   | 94        |
| 15 moan  | 35 as     | 55 one   | 75 seat   | 95        |
| 16 moat  | 36 at     | 56 onset | 76 sent   | 96        |
| 17 most  | 37 ate    | 57 tan   | 77 set    | 97        |
| 18 mote  | 38 atom   | 58 tea   | 78 sin    | 98        |
| 19 in    | 39 name   | 59 team  | 79 sit    | 99        |
| 20 inane | 40 neat   | 60 ten   | 80 some   | 100       |

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More Answers on the next page



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Minnesota became the thirty second state in eighteen fifty eight.

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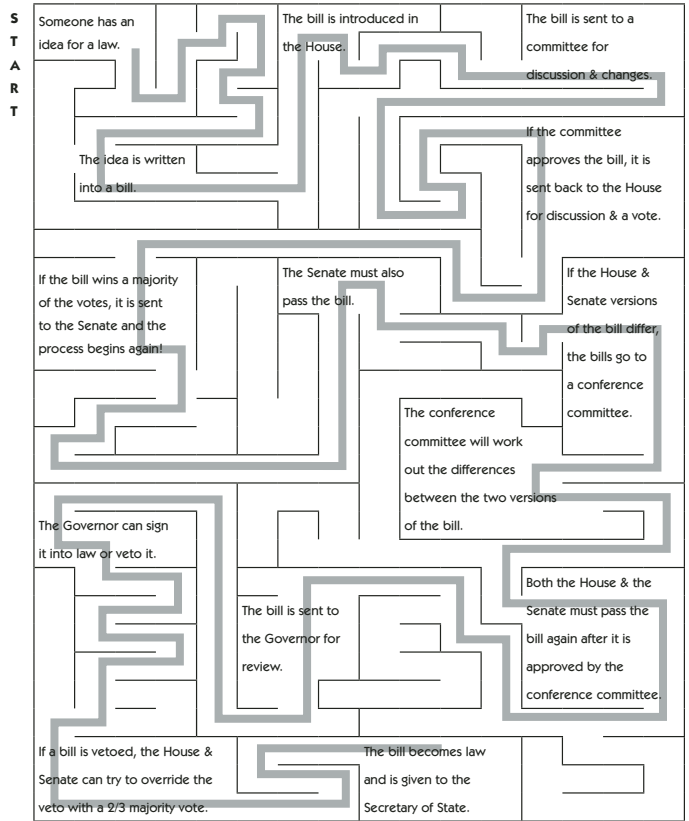
The current state capitol was designed by Cass Gilbert, and built in 1905.

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The sculpture "The Progress of the State" is commonly referred to as the Quadriga.

## How a Bill Becomes Law



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