

House Democrats Caucus Meeting

Date: Monday, August 18, 2025 @ 8:30am

Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81337606183

Attendance: Members of the House Majority caucus and staff

Agenda: Discussion of the upcoming special session

Minutes:

• 8:32am: Speaker brought the meeting to order.

• 8:34am: Majority Leader gave updates about special session logistics.

- 8:40am: Speaker gave updates about special session logistics.
- 8:50am: Members sponsoring AI legislation (Rep. Titone, AML Bacon, Rep. Lindstedt and Rep. Carter) shared about the AI bills they're working on.
- 9:22am: Speaker McCluskie asked bill sponsors to give overviews of their bills.
 - Rep. Garcia discussed her bill on Healthy School Meals for All, amending a ballot question to go before the voters to include funding for SNAP.
 - Rep. Zokaie spoke to the package of bills closing corporate tax loopholes and let members know of other opportunities to learn more.
 - Rep. Sirota discussed a bill concept coming from the JBC that puts guardrails on the Governor's authority to implement an emergency spending plan when state revenue falls below a certain threshold.
 - Rep. Brown shared about his bill with Rep. Gilchrist on bolstering the
 Health Insurance Affordability Enterprise and private insurance market.
 - Rep. Story shared about her bill redirecting unappropriated ARPA funding to the Health Insurance Affordability Enterprise.
 - Rep. English and Rep. Joseph discussed a bill they are bringing focused on health care access for disproportionately impacted communities.
 - Rep. Willford shared about her bill on state funding for entities like
 Planned Parenthood that are prohibited from receiving federal
 Medicaid reimbursement for reproductive health services under HR1.
 - Rep. Ricks shared about her bill on the continuity of care.
- 9:50am: Speaker McCluskie adjourned the meeting.