

Dear Neighbor,

Thank you for the privilege of serving our communities in the Minnesota House of Representatives. The 2018 legislative session concluded on May 20. Minnesotans care deeply about our state and want to see one another succeed. While some bipartisan work like the pension and bonding bills were signed into law this year, there's much more to be done to build a Minnesota that works better for all of us. Working together, we can strengthen our communities by improving education opportunities, making affordable healthcare a reality, and increasing economic prosperity for all Minnesotans. There is more work to do to build an economy that works better for everyone, and I look forward to continuing this work next session. Please contact me with your input on the issues important to you and your family. I appreciate hearing from you!



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***YOU MAY  
QUALIFY!***

### Homestead Credit Refund

The Homestead Credit Refund Program benefits homeowners with high property taxes in relation to their incomes.

**Rule of Thumb:** If your property taxes are about **2% or more of your household income, you probably qualify.** Income limits are \$108,659 for homeowners and \$58,879 for renters.

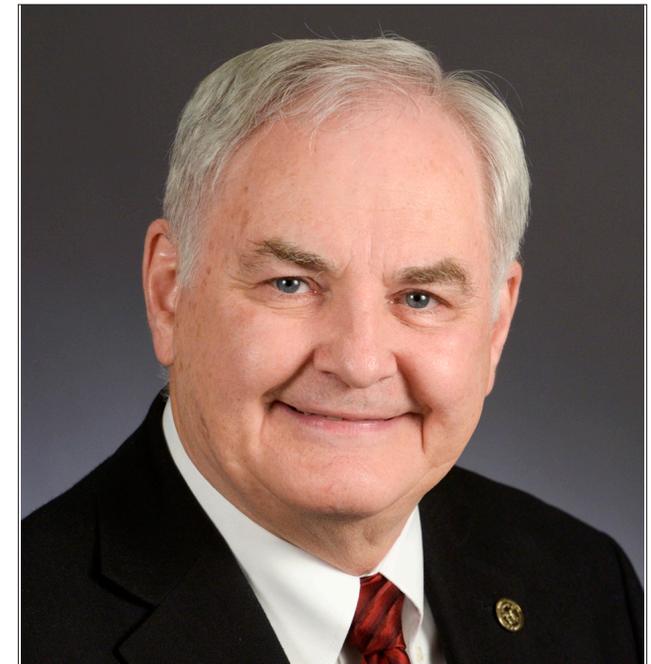
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## 2018 LEGISLATIVE REPORT



# REP. LYNDON CARLSON: Working for Crystal, New Hope, and Plymouth

## EXPANDING EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

All Minnesota students deserve a world-class education. That's why I supported Gov. Dayton's effort to deliver emergency school aid to prevent teacher layoffs and program cuts in school districts like Robbinsdale and Osseo. Unfortunately, the Republican leadership chose not to provide the emergency funding.

## MAKING AFFORDABLE HEALTH CARE A REALITY

With more Minnesotans uninsured and thousands more with insurance they can barely afford. The MinnesotaCare Buy-In program would give all Minnesotans an affordable, high quality health insurance option. This measure did not advance this session, but I will continue working to reduce health care costs for Minnesotans.

## PROTECTING OUR SENIORS

Our seniors deserve to live in safe environments. In the past session, Republicans refused to pass AARP's recommendations for improved oversight and investigative processes to increase accountability in our long-term care and assisted living facilities. Minnesota seniors deserve better, and I will keep working for legislation that brings about meaningful improvements.

## Stay Connected with the State Capitol

Keep up to date with developments from the Legislature by subscribing to periodic email updates from Rep. Carlson at his website ([www.house.mn/45a](http://www.house.mn/45a)). Simply click "Join my email updates list" and enter your email address to sign up.

## ADDRESSING THE OPIOID CRISIS

The opioid crisis continues to devastate Minnesota families, but Republicans refused to hold the pharmaceutical companies that caused the problem accountable. I supported a simple penny-a-pill measure that would have funded treatment and prevention. Unfortunately, this measure did not pass.

## BUILDING AN ECONOMY THAT WORKS FOR ALL OF US

This session, I worked against efforts to put special interests ahead of Minnesota families. I supported paid family leave and earned sick time to benefit working Minnesotans. While these measures did not become law, I will continue to prioritize efforts to make Minnesota's economy work better for everyone.

## INVESTING IN OUR COMMUNITY

I supported legislation to improve local infrastructure in our communities and authored legislation to address flooding issues in the DeCola Ponds area of Crystal, New Hope, and Golden Valley. In addition, I authored legislation that provided state funding to New Hope to share in the cost of a new 50-meter competition swimming pool to serve the Northwest suburban communities. I also supported funding the reconstruction of the Rockford Road Bridge over I-494. The Capital Investment legislation will help maintain our public colleges and universities, as well as provide water and sewer infrastructure improvements in communities throughout the state.



## Keeping an eye toward the future

**INVESTING IN TRANSPORTATION:** I support developing sustainable long-term funding solutions to fix our crumbling transportation infrastructure for roads, bridges, highways and transit for all Minnesotans.

## IMPROVING EDUCATION FROM PRE-K TO COLLEGE:

Early childhood education gives all students the tools to succeed in school, and I am committed to continuing investments in pre-k education. To help our college students, I introduced legislation to freeze college tuition and restore our commitment to funding two-thirds of the cost of a postsecondary education.

## PUTTING WORKING FAMILIES FIRST:

The Legislature can do more to protect workers from wage theft and make sure hard work is rewarded with a fair wage. Minnesotans also deserve expanded access to affordable, quality child care.

**For more information or to provide input on these and other issues, please feel free to contact me.**