

2024 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

Hospitality Minnesota is a state-wide member-driven association of hospitality businesses. We are dedicated to educating, supporting and advocating for Minnesota's hospitality industry.

BUSINESS MODELS OF MEMBERSHIP INCLUDE:



Restaurants



Food Service



Hotels



Lodges



Resorts



Campgrounds



Tourism Partners



Entertainment Centers



Membership Clubs

HOSPITALITY BY THE NUMBERS:

\$18B

annual gross sales in Minnesota¹

\$985

annual tax savings per household²

270K

hospitality jobs in Minnesota³

\$7.4B

in annual labor income⁴

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BUSINESS

We support a competitive marketplace that allows hospitality businesses to provide the best products and services. It is important to modernize regulations within our industry to allow for alcohol to be sold in non-contiguous spaces and considerations of best practices for cannabis sales in hospitality settings.



EMPLOYER MANDATES

We recognize that hospitality hosts various business models, and a “one-size-fits-all” approach to employer issues such as wage mandates, paid family medical leave, earned sick and safe time and predictive scheduling are not viable for businesses operating under thin margins and economic challenges.



TOURISM INVESTMENTS

We rely on key tourism investments to help promote and market all of Minnesota. It is important for the state to continue to make investments into Explore Minnesota Tourism, as well as find alternative opportunities to support our communities.



SUSTAINABILITY

We support waste management and sustainability programs that can limit what goes into the waste stream and reduces costs for hospitality businesses. We are committed to seeking opportunities to understand and share sustainability practices that can benefit hospitality businesses and customers alike.



TAXES

We oppose tax increases that hinder economic growth. We support reducing taxpayer administrative burdens, uniform regulation and taxation for sales and lodging taxes, providing tax relief to homestead resort properties and repealing the sales tax on restaurant capital equipment.



WORKFORCE

Workers are the cornerstone of our industry. It is critical to provide investments that build pathways for workers to excel. Policies should encourage job growth and fund non-traditional opportunities to bring more workers into the industry.