Information:

Bills Making Headway

<u>HF 198 (Koegel)</u> - on **Open Meeting Law** - was passed by the House State and Local Government Committee last week. This bill would strike the words "during a state-declared emergency" from current law and allow remote participation in public meetings up to three times per year for medical reasons. The bill passed committee unanimously and is on its way to the House floor.

HF24 (Jordan) is also moving through committees. This bill would require the Public Facilities Authority to establish a program to **replace all lead drinking water service lines in the state** by 2033. \$80 million would be appropriated in fiscal year 2024 for lead pipe removal grants to municipalities and residential properties in the state. Another \$20 million combined in fiscal years 2024-25 would be used to establish grant programs to help municipalities discover the location of lead-lined pipes in their jurisdictions.

<u>HF100</u> - a bill to **legalize adult-use Marijuana/Cannabis** - took another step forward last week, when it passed out of the House Judiciary Finance and Civil Law Committee. This bill still has many committees to go through and a significant path ahead.

The Senate Jobs and Economic Development Committee approved a measure this week that would give Minnesota workers up to 12 weeks **Paid Family Leave** and up to an additional 12 weeks **Paid Sick Leave**. <u>Paid family and sick leave could come soon for Minnesotans</u>