

**CROSSOVER BREAK!! What’s the score?**

The Senate and the House both adjourned until Friday, March 3, signifying official “crossover break.” In all, the Senate passed 307 bills and defeated 81 others. The House introduced 538 bills and killed 139; four bills have been signed into law, and a handful more were withdrawn from further consideration.

It was a short week for the legislature, and two big NDTOA related bills were up for debate:

**SB 2329** requests a portion of the Motor Vehicle Excise Tax revenue be designated for township and county road funding. The Senate engaged in a spirited debate on the merits of the bill and passed the bill



by a vote of 24-23. Senator Terry Wanzek (R-29, pictured above) led the charge on behalf of rural road funding. To watch the full Senate floor discussion (starts at 2:29 mark), [click this link](#).

**Senate Bill 2275** however, did not experience the same fortune. By a vote of 10 ayes and 37 nays, SB 2275 was defeated. SB 2275 would have placed the political subdivision infrastructure “buckets” ahead of other priorities in receiving oil and gas tax revenues, commonly known as “Prairie Dog funding.”

**What is “Township Day” and why now?**

**Township Day** is a chance for township officers from around the State to participate in the legislative process first-hand. The Legislative Session happens for only 80 days every two years, and townships have a great opportunity to become informed and engaged in shaping policy that is positive to townships, particularly rural road funding.

The plan is to gather at the Capitol on Monday, March 6, attend hearings, meet with legislators and network with others who support the township cause. Many legislators are working hard to support Townships, and we can help!

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**NDTOA Bill Tracking Update**

<a href="#">HB 1012</a>	NDDOT Budget; includes \$115M DOT “flex funding”	Support: <i>In Sen. Appropriations Cmte</i>
<a href="#">HB 1236</a>	<b>Township officers compensation and annual meeting dates</b>	<b>Passed House; Sent to Senate State &amp; Local Gov’t Cmte</b>
<a href="#">HB 1379</a>	Legacy Fund earnings; including \$100M for township and country bridge funding	Passed House; <i>In Sen. Approps Cmte</i>
<a href="#">SB 2113</a>	DOT Flexible Transp. Fund	Passes Senate; sent to <i>House Transp Comte</i>
<a href="#">SB 2178</a>	<b>Township special road fund</b>	<b>Passed Senate; sent to House Political Subs Cmte Hng: 3/2 10AM</b>
<a href="#">SB 2183</a>	Emergency snow removal grants	Passed Senate; sent to <i>House Approps Cmte</i>
<a href="#">SB 2329</a>	<b>Uses portion of motor vehicle excise taxes for township/county road funding</b>	<b>Passed Senate 24-23; sent to House</b>
<a href="#">SB 2365</a>	Legislative study regarding township participation in national flood insurance program	Passed Senate 47-0; sent to <i>House IBL Cmte Hng 3/2 11AM</i>

**Join us for Township Day 2023!  
Monday, March 6, 2023  
State Capitol, Bismarck**

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