

MINNESOTA DFL RESOLUTION FORM

(Submit one resolution per form and one subject per resolution.)

The State DFL Ongoing Platform embodies the principles of the Minnesota Democratic Farmer-Labor Party. The State DFL Action Agenda is a set of recommended public policy positions which the Party supports and will promote during the next two years. This form must be completely filled out for a resolution to be considered

Congressional
District:

Organizing
Unit:

Precinct:

Proposed by: _____

(Name)

(City)

Contact Phone #/E-mail

This resolution should be considered under the following category: **[check one]**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture, Food, & Land Stewardship | <input type="checkbox"/> Media & Internet Issues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil, Human, & Constitutional Rights | <input type="checkbox"/> National Security & International Policy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Development & Local Business | <input type="checkbox"/> Natural Resources & the Environment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Consumer Protection | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Safety & Crime Prevention |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Corporate & Business Accountability to the Public | <input type="checkbox"/> Racial, Ethnic, Gender, LGBTQ, & Economic Justice |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Retirement Security |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Energy & Climate | <input type="checkbox"/> Tax and Budget Policy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Government Accountability to the Public | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health & Human Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Veterans' Affairs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Labor & Employment | <input type="checkbox"/> Local or Party Issues |

Individuals at their precinct caucuses can submit resolutions. When a majority of the caucus adopts a resolution it advances to the Organizing Unit convention for consideration to send to the State Platform, Issues, and Legislative Affairs Committee. Resolutions having support from at least five Organizing Units drawn from at least two Congressional Districts may be selected for consideration at the State Convention (for inclusion in the DFL Ongoing Platform or Action Agenda).

RESOLUTION TITLE **Mining Conflict of Interest**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the DFL supports eliminating the conflict of interest between mineral regulation and promotion in the Department of Natural Resources by reassigning responsibility for development and economic analysis of state minerals to the Department of Employment and Economic Development.

You may add a brief explanation or your two or three strongest supportive points here.

- By law, Minnesota's government must "provide for the diversification of the state's mineral economy through long-term support of mineral exploration, evaluation, environmental research, development, production, and commercialization." That duty falls largely on the DNR.
- The DNR's dual role of advancing and regulating mining creates a conflict of interest that has influenced permitting decisions. The influence or perception of influence in favor of mineral extraction companies due to this dual role casts doubt on the DNR's objective decision making on permits.
- The Department of Employment and Economic Development does not have responsibility for environmental protection, thereby making it a better agency to handle the promotion of mineral exploration and extraction.

To be filled out at the Precinct Caucus:

This resolution was: Adopted Defeated

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