

## The Latest: Gun Control Proposals Get Shot Down at Capitol

Minnesota House and Senate negotiators have failed to agree on stronger gun control laws.

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**ST. PAUL, MINN. (AP)** – The Latest on the home stretch of the [Minnesota](#) Legislature's 2019 session (all times local):

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Minnesota House and Senate negotiators have failed to agree on stronger gun control laws.

The conference committee on the main public safety budget bill voted 5-5 on the two proposals, which would have expanded background checks for firearms transfers and allowed police to temporarily confiscate guns from people judged to be an imminent threat.

Tuesday's tie votes, which fell along party lines, means the proposals didn't make it into broader bill, though they could come up again.

Meanwhile, Gov. Tim Walz and top legislative leaders sat down in private Tuesday to try to bridge their deep divisions on taxes and spending. They need to set financial targets to guide the conference committees that have made only patchy progress so far on writing the main budget bills of the session.

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Gov. Tim Walz and legislative leaders are still trying to reach a budget deal but time is running short for ending the 2019 session on time.

Both sides traded new offers Monday but overall there was little progress.

The governor and House Democrats offered to cut their proposed 20 cent gas tax increase to 16 cents.

Senate Republicans offered \$100 million more in spending funded by tapping some of the state's budget reserve. But they said the gas tax increase and renewing an expiring 2% tax on

health care providers remain off the table.

Legislative leaders on both sides agreed that they need to reach a deal on budget targets by Wednesday to allow enough time for drafting the big budget bills and passing them by Monday's adjournment date.

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