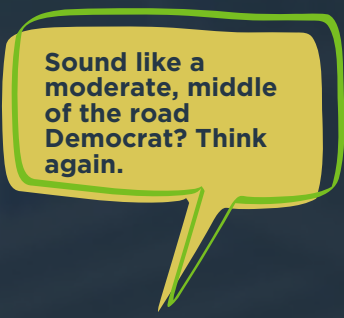


# Tim Walz Fast Facts

Learn more about Kamala Harris's Pick for Vice President, Minnesota Governor Tim Walz

## Basic information

- Grew up in rural Nebraska
- Former High School teacher, football coach, and National Guardsman
- Governor of Minnesota since 2018



Sound like a moderate, middle of the road Democrat? Think again.

## Important Facts - Social Policy

1. In January of 2023, Governor Walz signed the "Protect Reproductive Options Act" HF1 which legalized abortion until birth and removed restrictions on state taxpayer funding of abortion. On the issue of abortion, Walz has been a staunch advocate of the most extreme policy.
2. In May of 2023, Governor Walz signed the Health omnibus policy SF2995 which repealed the following statutes (not a comprehensive list):
  - a. The Born Alive Infants Protection Act which ensured that any infant born alive during attempted and failed abortion would have the right to life-saving medical care. Now babies born during attempted and failed abortions are only entitled to comfort care in statute.
  - b. The physician-only statute which outlined that only physicians can perform abortions.
  - c. The statute which outlined that abortions cannot be performed on unconscious women unless the pregnant mother's life is severely at risk.
3. The Health omnibus policy bill cited above also defunded Pregnancy Resource Centers in Minnesota. The Positive Alternatives Grant was a small state grant established in 2006 which funded (among other family organizations) pregnancy resource centers. That grant has been repealed.

## Social Policy cont'd:

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4. In April of 2023, Walz signed H.F. 146 into law, which allows a court of the state to take temporary emergency jurisdiction of a child from parent(s) if the child has been unable to obtain so-called "gender-affirming health care," which includes, among other things, puberty blockers, cross-sex hormones, and so-called "gender surgery." It also made Minnesota a sanctuary state for children to flee from other states to pursue mutilation as a response to emotional and mental distress. It has been aptly coined by opponents the "Kidnapping Bill."

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5. In 2023, Walz' Department of Human Rights supported legislation removing protections that allowed religious organizations (religious schools, churches, institutions, and other places of worship, etc.) to operate, and thus live out their faith in the public square, consistent with their sincerely held religious beliefs. This applied to the operational policies of any religious organization in Minnesota. Thanks to the work of True North Legal and other allied organizations, religious freedom protections which had already existed in statute for decades before 2023 were restored in the Minnesota Human Rights Act.

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6. In May 2023, Governor Walz signed the Judiciary omnibus bill SF2909, which included changes to the definition of "sexual orientation" in Minnesota statute. Minnesota statute had clearly stated, "Sexual orientation' does not include a physical or sexual attachment to children by an adult." That protection for children was deleted through Governor Walz' signing of the Judiciary omnibus bill. According to the updated law, "Sexual orientation means to whom someone is, or is perceived of as being, emotionally, physically, or sexually attracted to based on sex or gender identity. A person may be attracted to men, women, both, neither, or to people who are genderqueer, androgynous, or have other gender identities."

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### But wait, there's more...

In 2020, after the Minneapolis mayor requested the governor's help to stop the burning and rioting, Walz waited three days before calling in the National Guard to enact justice.

### A man who calls evil "good"

On the same day he signed the Kidnapping Bill and legislation expanding abortion access, Walz stated: "Freedom is on the march in Minnesota. Decency is on the march in Minnesota. Compassion is on the march in Minnesota."