- 2. Article II, Section 9 appropriating \$150,000 to the Department of Education for a school transportation bus routing study and appearing on page 40, lines 24 through 28 of H. F. 1781.
- 3. Article VIII, Section 3 appropriating \$250,000 to the Department of Education for educational research and development and appearing on page 157, lines 11 through 16 of H. F. 1781.

The preceding items have been vetoed because of the uncertain economic conditions that face the state. As Governor, I have the legal responsibility to ensure that the state maintains a balanced budget. Thus, it has been necessary to examine every spending item to ensure that the state's budget will not be in deficit during this biennium.

Sincerely yours,

ALBERT H. QUIE Governor

## POCKET VETO

The following bill was pocket vetoed by Governor Albert H. Quie:

H. F. No. 1507.

## PROTEST AND DISSENT

We, the undersigned members, protest and dissent from the unprincipled and disgraceful behavior of the Chairman of the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration and several members of his caucus during the closing minutes of the 1979 regular legislative session.

In deliberately attempting to thwart any discussion on a resolution properly presented to the House, the Rules Chairman and a few other of his caucus members acted in reckless disregard of the House's parliamentary rules. A few of the more flagrant violations which we protest included:

- 1. Leaving the House after a call of the House without the permission of the Chair (House Rule 2.2);
- 2. Walking out of the House while the Speaker is putting a question before the body (House Rule 4.7);
- 3. Refusing to vote on a matter before the body when not excused from voting by a majority of the House (House Rule 2.5);
- 4. Improperly interrupting another member who was addressing the House (House Rule 4.2 and Mason's Section 121);