

Straight talk from the Governor - On the	★ The Governor's Big Plan Intiatives	X The Governor's Legislative Initiatives	Fiscal Year 2002 -2003 Budget Process	Information about the Governor's Commmissio
News & About the Events Governor		t the Lie Go	The Lieutenant Governor's Home Page	

Legislative Initiatives Legislative Log 2000 Veto Message Chapter 277, HF118

March 24, 2000

The Honorable Steve Sviggum Speaker of the House of Representatives 463 State Office Building Saint Paul, Minnesota 55155

Dear Speaker Sviggum:

I have vetoed and am returning Chapter Number 277, House File Number 118, a bill relating to appointed commissioners who are required to serve as acting commissioners pending Senate approval and limited to temporary service of 18 months.

It is the Senate's constitutional responsibility to confirm commissioners appointed by the Governor. However, this bill is problematic because it presumes an acting commissioner would be dismissed if the Senate failed to fulfill its obligation to act on the appointment within the 18 month period of time. The confirmation of commissioners is an important role for the Senate. It is imperative to maintain a certain level of accountability and a clear expectation for all parties involved.

I look forward to working with the legislature to create a comprehensive piece of legislation that addresses the concerns of both

the legislative and executive branches of government on this matter.

Sincerely,

Jesse Ventura Governor

cc: Senator Allan Spear, President of the Senate Senator Roger Moe, Majority Leader Senator Dick Day, Minority Leader Representative Tom Pugh, Minority Leader Chief Senate Author Chief House Author Mr. Patrick E. Flahaven, Secretary of the Senate Mr. Edward A. Burdick, Chief Clerk of the House Ms. Mary Kiffmeyer, Secretary of State

Office of Governor Jesse Ventura Working Real Hard, Keeping Minnesotans First ... We Will Not Fail!

130 State Capitol * 75 Constitution Avenue * Saint Paul, MN 55155

Voice (651) 296-3391 or (800)657-3717 * Fax: (651) 296-2089 * TDD: (651) 296-0075 or (800) 657-3598

An Equal Opportunity Employer Contact Governor Ventura

For question or comments about this web site, contact the Webmaster

Governor's Home Page NorthStar - Minnesota Government's home page