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March 22 (meetings after 12 noon)

● **Coordinated campuses and research centers in the University of Minnesota system** got initial approval of more than \$10.7 million in funds from the Education Division of the Appropriations Committee on March 22. The largest allocation for capital improvements the division approved would go to the University of Minnesota, Duluth campus.

Of the Duluth allocation, \$7.2 million breaks down to \$4.4 million to remodel its gym, \$1.8 million to renovate Sage Hall and buy equipment for its mineral research program, and \$1 million to repair its outdoor playing fields.

The governor is recommending more than \$9.8 million for the campuses, but his recommendations did not include any funding for Crookston, Waseca, or Morris campuses.

Division members, however, recommended \$1 million to build an addition to the mechanized agriculture shops and \$300,000 for a road and lighting, both at Waseca; \$331,000 for a greenhouse at Morris; and \$850,000 to remodel Owen Hall at Crookston.

The division heard from the State Departments Division of Appropriations that it is allocating \$227,500 to correct or remove PCB transformers at state universities and community colleges and nearly \$2.7 million to contain or remove asbestos.

● **A Regional Transit Board (RTB) would oversee planning and policy-making of bus service** under a bill the Local and Urban Affairs Committee recommended to pass, as amended, March 22.

HF1797 (Vellenga, DFL-St. Paul) would revamp the governing of mass transit by creating the RTB to take over most of the duties from the Metropolitan Transit Commission.

The RTB would consist of at least four members and a chairman, whom the Metropolitan Council would appoint after consultations with local and state officials. The proposed new organization would restrict the Department of Transportation transit assistance program to only areas outside the metropolitan area.

The committee rereferred the bill to the Governmental Operations Committee.

● **Volunteer ambulance drivers and attendants could get workers' compensation coverage** if HF1401 (CLawson, DFL-Lindstrom) becomes law.

The Workers' Compensation Division recommended HF1401 to pass, as amended, March 22. The bill would make changes to the definition section of the state's workers' compensation law to include any volunteer ambulance drivers and attendants as employees. Daily wages for these employees would remain the same as current law defines them.

A bill that attempts to clarify last year's legislative changes to the workers' comp law, also came out of the division with a recommendation to pass, as amended. Some of the changes that HF1767 (Simoneau, DFL-Fridley) would make to current law include:

- repeal the ridesharing coverage
- clarify when employees who return to work should get lump-sum payments
- permit payment of compensation at death to go to surviving dependent children
- clarify minimum economic re-

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covery compensation

- establish an advisory council
- set time limits on payments when injuries reoccur
- prohibit subpoena of public employees for administrative conferences
- clarify liability for occupational disease cases

● **“The Legislature is not trying to kill bingo but rather make it more profitable for you and the state,”** said Rep. Richard Kostohryz (DFL-North St. Paul). Kostohryz spoke in favor of his bill, HF1707, at a General Legislation and Veterans Affairs Committee meeting, March 22.

HF1707 would create a nine-member Charitable Gambling Control Board to take over responsibility from local governments for licensing and regulating games and to make sure the state gets its share of revenue. The amended version of the bill would tax 10 percent of net profits of the games, rather than the 6 percent of gross receipts, and will actually help bingo operators with unsuccessful events, said Kostohryz. The committee will act on the bill at its next meeting.

● **Gambling was the issue in the Social Services subcommittee** and later in the Health and Welfare Committee, March 22. Members on both committees voted to recommend passage of HF1708 (Coleman, DFL-Spring Lake Park), a bill setting up a pilot program for compulsive gamblers.

Coleman said recent legislation allowing parimutuel betting and the pending lottery bill make the compulsive gambling program especially important. Answering committee members' concern over not enough data to justify the \$200,000 price tag of the bill, Coleman said her bill would set up programs that gather essential information for study.

● **In a late-night Health and Welfare Committee meeting March 22,** members recommended 11 bills

for passage, including the compulsive gambling proposal. Two bills regarding boards go next to the Governmental Operations Committee. HF471 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls) calls for a Foster Care Review Council and HF1848/SF1418* (Welch, DFL-Cambridge) would establish the American Indian Advisory Council in state law.

Bills on welfare programs were HF1853 (Clawson, DFL-Lindstrom), setting up minimum standards for CSSA block grant programs counties may choose to offer; and a bill prohibiting most full-time college students living at home from collecting General Assistance payments, HF1588 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls).

The committee recommended bills that would direct the Welfare Department to: study the need for community-based programs for chronically ill children and apply for a federal waiver if necessary; license adult daycare facilities; redistribute Title 20 funds to counties; authorize the Board of Dentistry to adopt certain rules and regulations; establish rules for rehabilitative services; and regulate installation of vented heat exchangers.

● **On a 9 to 8 vote, the tip credit bill,** HF347 (Murphy, DFL-Hermantown) got a recommendation to pass, as amended, from the Labor-Management Relations Committee on March 22. It goes next to the full House.

The bill would bring waiters' and waitresses' wages up to the hourly minimum wage over a four-year period. Currently, waiters and waitresses get 80 percent of minimum wage if they make over \$35 a month in tips.

● **At the same meeting,** a standing-room-only crowd heard testimony on HF732 (Ludeman, IR-Tracy), a bill which would prohibit union shop agreements for private sector employees in the state.

Supporters of the bill say it upholds the right of the individual to bargain without forcing them to join the union. David Roe of the Minnesota AFL-CIO spoke against the bill which the committee referred to the Labor-Management Relations subcommittee.

● **The Omnibus Energy bill, HF1725 (Voss, DFL-Blaine), is in the Appropriations Committee** after a rereferral and recommendation to pass, as amended, from the Energy Committee, March 22.

The bill would outline state conservation purposes, create an energy extension service to develop energy conservation projects, continue a residential energy audit program, and grant money to communities to establish community energy councils. The councils would plan, coordinate, and provide conservation energy programs locally.

FRI

March 23

● **Parimutuel winnings of less than \$1,000 wouldn't be subject to state income tax withholding** under a bill the House Taxes Committee recommended to pass, as amended, March 23.

HF1680 (Redalen, IR-Fountain), one of several bills the committee discussed, would conform the tax withholding on parimutuel winnings to federal tax codes, allowing the state to withhold 10 percent of the winnings if they are more than \$1,000 on a 300-to-1 bet. (IRS withholds 20 percent on the winnings.) Present law withholds 11 percent on winnings of \$200 or more, a practice that would discourage tourism, Rep. Elton Redalen said.

The bill also would repeal a 7-percent withholding tax on money that goes to trainers, jockeys, and owners who take a cut of the prize winnings.

● **Court unification is an idea that's been around the Legislature**

for a number of years. In a March 23 meeting of the Minnesota Criminal Justice Division, members once again took it up in HF1535, and gave it a recommendation to pass.

"In the bill we do eliminate county, district, and municipal courts, and make the district court the only trial court in the state creating a configuration of a trial court, the court of appeals, and the Supreme Court of appeals. We do move all the county and municipal judges who are learned in the law into the district bench," said Rep. John Clawson (DFL-Lindstrom), author of HF1535.

HF1535 now goes to the floor for full House consideration.

● **This is an important bill for the processing industry in Minnesota**, Rep. Don Bergstrom (DFL-Big Lake) told members of the House Governmental Operations Committee, March 23. Bergstrom is author of HF1376, a bill that would set up a state program to help finance agricultural processing facilities.

Under the bill, which aims to increase marketability of farm products, the state could guarantee up to 90 percent of a loan to finance a facility, and the loan could finance up to 80 percent of the total cost of a project. In case of default, the state would issue general obligation bonds to cover the principal and interest on the guaranteed loan.

The committee recommended HF1376 to pass. It goes next to the Taxes Committee.

● **Education decisions belong to students, parents, teachers, and building administrators** and should happen at the local level. And people most affected by those decisions should have the opportunity to make them, according to Commissioner of Education Ruth Randall. Randall supports a proposal the House of Representatives Education Finance Division heard March

22. The proposal would give six Minnesota schools a chance at determining their own destiny through a school-based management pilot program.

● **The Compensation Council's recommended pay raises** for judges, legislators, and constitutional officers came before the State Departments Division of the Appropriations Committee on March 23. Rep. Wayne Simoneau (DFL-Fridley) reported for the council.

The council, which the Legislature created last year, recommends trial court judges get a raise from \$55,000 to \$60,000 July 1 of this year. The governor's salary would go from the current \$75,000 to \$84,500 on July 1, 1985, and legislators' salaries would rise from the current \$18,500 to \$21,100 also effective July 1 of 1985 if the recommendations go through.

Simoneau, a Council member, said some judges are leaving the bench for higher salaries in the private sector and that it may be hard to get qualified judges if salaries don't go up.

Division members may make their own recommendations or go with what the Council recommends.

● **The Department of Public Welfare (DPW) classified** some of the Department's budget requests before the Health, Welfare and Corrections Division of Appropriations on March 22 and March 23. The division is reviewing the governor's supplemental budget requests.

Frank Giberson, DPW deputy commissioner, said four of the six requests that correspond with legislation will reduce the budget for fiscal year 1985 and generate savings for fiscal year 1986; General Assistance (G.A.) Employment Allowance Reduction (HF1588-Greenfield), Home and Community Based Services Waiver for Chronically Ill Children (HF1660-Wynia), the Special Revenue Account (HF2091-St. Onge), and the Public Welfare Licensing Bill (HF1168-Bergstrom).

Other requests corresponding with legislation are the corrections of misallocations of federal Title XX Funds and The Jobs Program and

G.A. Bill. The request to eliminate the Institution Contingent Account will also generate funds.

MON

March 26

● **Programs that would reach out to a variety of students** in Minnesota's public schools had lawmakers' attention in the Education Committee, March 26, when the committee recommended HF1643 (Hoffman, DFL-Stillwater) to pass.

The bill would open the door for the State Board of Education to require all school districts to offer vocational courses, on a limited basis. Currently, districts may choose whether they want to offer vocational curriculum.

Students with hearing and visual problems would also get help through state-wide assessment programs. Under these programs, state money would allow school nurses and health officials to take a closer look at students with potential hearing and visual problems that hinder their learning.

● **Minnesota has to put some money into advertising and begin selling itself**, says Mark Dayton, commissioner of the Department of Energy and Economic Development. And the governor wants to put \$1.3 million into a marketing and advertising program to attract businesses to the state.

At a March 26 meeting, Dayton told the State Departments Division of Appropriations that budgets in other states average \$650,000 for advertising alone, "which is what we're asking for the advertising part of ours." He said South Dakota spends about \$2.5 million.

Dayton said local governments

asked for \$7 million more than the state had for community development grants last year. This time around, the governor wants an additional \$5 million, or a total of \$8 million, for economic development grants to help communities expand their tax bases, develop vacant industrial land, and create permanent jobs.

● **"It doesn't make sense to have cities enacting their own versions of what they think are appropriate firearm regulations,"** Rep. Bob Vanasek told members of the Judiciary Committee, March 26.

Vanasek spoke in favor of HF1828, a bill that would make firearm policy the same throughout the state. Present law allows Minneapolis, St. Paul, and Duluth to adopt their own, more restrictive ordinances. But, the committee in amending the bill, replaced its language with that of HF1363, a bill Vanasek authored in pre-session hearings. Vanasek's first bill would have avoided a situation, such as occurred in Morton Grove, Illinois, where the city now prohibits gun ownership.

Describing the difference in the two pieces of legislation, Vanasek said that HF1828 goes a bit further than his original bill in that it is a pre-emption bill. He says it would prevent cities of the first class from passing more stringent ordinances and it focuses more clearly on one standard uniform policy on firearms regulations for the state.

The committee adopted the original version of the proposal to prohibit cities from passing ordinances to ban guns. The full House acts on the bill next.

● **"Our state's future, economic growth, and ability to create new jobs will depend on how well we understand technology and how well we position ourselves to take advantage of it,"** Ed Hunter, representing Minnesota Wellspring, told members on the Governmental Operations Committee in a March 26 meeting.

Hunter spoke in support of legislation the committee approved, which would create a Minnesota Telecommunications Council in the executive branch.

Under the authority of HF1671 (Kahn, DFL-Mpls) the council would have duties that include providing advice on telecommunications policy, stimulating use of systems to improve government functions, serving as an information clearinghouse, assisting in state plans development, helping to acquire funds for telecommunications services, reviewing and reporting on its needs and services and on the effectiveness of state telecommunications laws, recommending development of coordinated telecommunications networks, and surveying providers and users to determine where improvements are necessary.

● **The House defeated the mandatory seat belt bill on March 26.** The bill would have, by law, required Minnesotans to buckle up. However, the bill is back on General Orders in the House and could come up again this session.

Legislation the House passed included the bill that would prohibit the use of decompression chambers to destroy animals; a bill that allows municipalities to issue revenue bonds to building owners who want to install fire protection systems; and a school bus bill that broadly defines what a school bus is and increases the time period from two to four hours that police can arrest a person who illegally passes a school bus.

The House also passed a bill that would set standards to prohibit excessive top soil erosion on farmland, forest land, and construction sites. If it becomes law, its effective date would be 1989.

TUE

March 27

● **Repeal of the 10 percent income tax surcharge, retroactive to Jan. 1** won a recommendation to pass from the Minnesota House Taxes Committee, March 27.

The proposal is part of an Omnibus

Tax Bill (Tomlinson, DFL-St. Paul) the committee is studying, which includes the Jan. 1 retroactive repeal of the surtax, and an increase of \$125 million in the state budget reserve.

Committee members were unanimous in their support of a Jan. 1 repeal date, which would cost \$340 million in revenue loss. Price tag of a July 1 repeal would be about \$225 million.

● **Riders of three-wheel vehicles would have an option to register their three-wheels under a proposed bill** the Environment and Natural Resources Committee recommended to pass, as amended, March 27.

HF820 (Welch, DFL-Cambridge) would allow any riders, over 18 years old, to pay \$15 to register their vehicles with the Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

The bill would allow three-wheel vehicles on some state trails, and have the DNR publish a directory of metropolitan areas three wheels could use.

The committee also recommended to pass a "hound dog bill," which would allow people to hunt bears with hound dogs.

Rep. Doug Carlson (IR-Sandstone), author of HF207, said the DNR received nearly 800 complaints about bears last year. They're a nuisance to various people, including beekeepers and farmers, Carlson said.

A DNR spokesman told the committee the Department opposes the bill, because it would be difficult to enforce, and because present law already allows a landowner to kill a bear if the animal poses a danger.

● **A bill to restructure the metro area transit system** got the ap-



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Committee Schedule for the Week of April 2 - 6, 1984

Monday, Apr 2

- 8:00 a.m. JOINT MEETING STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION AND AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATE DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 57.** Chr. Rep. James Rice. Agenda: Final funding recommendations for capital budget bill.
- EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 22.** Chr. Rep. Lyndon Carlson. Agenda: To be announced.
- 10:00 a.m. JUDICIARY, Rm. 81.** Chr. Rep. Bob Vanasek. Agenda: SF7/HF248 (Begich) Providing for the tort liability of the St. Louis County promotional bureau. HF1772 (J. Clark) Clarifying the effect of punitive segregation confinement on an inmate's scheduled release date. HF1473 (Kelly) Specifying the crime of theft of telecommunications service. HF1809 (Wynia) Authorizing aggregation of thefts in medicaid fraud cases; extending the statute of limitations in medicaid fraud cases. HF1638 (Vellenga) Relating to highway traffic regulations; providing for breath tests to be administered using the Intoxilizer 5000 for the purpose of determining the presence of alcohol or a controlled substance. HF1400 (Vellenga) Providing for criminal penalties upon refusal by a driver suspected of driving under the influence of alcohol or a controlled substance to take a chemical test. HF2036 (Minne) Relating to real property; providing that the mortgage and contract for deed moratorium become permanent law. HF1547 (Kahn) Clarifying the rights and responsibilities of resident aliens with respect to the distribution of economic benefits, militia enlistment, and veterans affairs. HF1902 (Ellingson) Relating to real property; allowing service of summons upon dissolved domestic corporations.

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REGULATED INDUSTRIES, Rm. 83. Chr. Rep. Joel Jacobs. Agenda: SF1475/HF1551 (Hokr) Permitting a municipality to be represented by its designee on a joint cable communication commission. (Additional bills may be added to agenda.)

2:00 p.m. The House will meet in Session.

After Session

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 14. Chr. Rep. Phyllis Kahn. Agenda: Supplemental allocations.

6:30 p.m. LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO REVIEW ADMINISTRATIVE RULES, Rm. 57. Chr. Rep. Wayne Simoneau. Agenda: Preliminary assessment; Dept. of Transportation 14 MCAR 1.027, 1.030-32; eligibility of blind for Metro Mobility services.

Tuesday, Apr 3

8:00 a.m. APPROPRIATIONS, Rm. 57. Chr. Rep. James Rice. Agenda: Capital budget.

8:15 a.m. TAXES, Rm. 81. Chr. Rep. John Tomlinson. Agenda: Omnibus tax bill.

10:00 a.m. COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 81. Chr. Rep. John Sarna. Agenda: To be announced.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 83. Chr. Rep. Willard Munger. Agenda: SF1114/HF1030 (Knuth) Relating to park boundaries. HF1769 (Munger) Relating to sewage treatment bonding. HF2188 (Eken) Relating to settlement of Indian land claims on the White Earth Reservation. HF1577 (Long) Relating to Waste Management Act amendments. SF1048/HF1143 (Battaglia) Relating to transportation of wild animals. HF1318 (Segal) Relating to a study of the relationship between hazardous waste contamination of metro water supplies and the incidence of cancer. HF688 (Larsen) Relating to waste tires. HF1945 (Skoglund) Relating to noise abatement at Minneapolis/St. Paul airport. HF1865 (Battaglia) Relating to forestry. SF868/HF1053 (Levi) Relating to the morel mushroom. SF881/HF1194 (D. Nelson) Relating to aggregate deposits.

4:00 p.m. RULES & LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATION, Rm. 22. Chr. Rep. Willis Eken. Agenda: Memorial and congratulatory resolutions; amendments to House Rules (deadline dates); miscellaneous personnel.

Wednesday, Apr 4

8:00 a.m. EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 57. Chr. Rep. Lyndon Carlson. Agenda: HF1393 (K. Nelson) Education aids bill. HF1291 (McEachern) Proposing an amendment to the MN Constitution regarding permanent school fund investment restrictions.

10:00 a.m. AGRICULTURE, Rm. 83. Chr. Rep. Steve Wenzel. Agenda: To be announced.

GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS, Rm. 57. Chr. Rep. Richard Kostohryz. Agenda: To be announced. (House Files and Senate Files pending in Senate.)

CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION/Judiciary, Rm. 81. Chr. Rep. Janet Clark. Agenda: HF1665 (Vanasek) Requiring revocation of a person's driver's license until his or her 19th birthday upon violation of a traffic law relating to the possession or consumption of alcohol. (Other Senate Files will be added to agenda.)

LAW REFORM SUBCOMMITTEE/Judiciary, Rm. 22. Chr. Rep. Bob Ellingson. HF1964 (Ellingson) Relating to trusts; eliminating procedures for confirming appointment of trustees. HF2039 (Ellingson) Relating to commerce; providing for the computation of interest on mechanics' lien claims. SF506/HF878 (Dempsey) Relating to probate; changing the time for closing certain estates. HF1935 (Dempsey) Providing procedures for granting powers of attorney. HF2151 (Norton) Relating to commerce; clarifying the limitations on enforcement of indemnification agreements in construction contracts. SF1562/HF2077 (Cohen) Relating to probate; providing for the transmission of documents to foreign consuls by the office of the secretary of state. SF1454 (Staten) Relating to public welfare; authorizing the commissioner to enter into interstate adoption compacts; establishing procedures for interstate assistance payments. HF1884 (Graba) Relating to commerce; providing an alternative distribution of assets following voluntary dissolution of a cooperative association.

12:00 noon FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE, Rm. 81. Chr. Rep. Bernard Brinkman. Agenda: To be announced.

TRANSPORTATION, Rm. 83. Chr. Rep. George Mann. Agenda: HF1449/SF1435 (Sparby) Authorizing operation of farm truck with Class C drivers' license by employee operating truck during harvest. HF1831/SF1747 (Kalis) Increasing special permit fees for vehicles exceeding weight limitations. HF1845/SF1520 (Kalis) Omnibus Dept. of Public Safety bill. HF1835/SF1334 (Blatz) Allowing prepayment of state contractual obligations to governmental subdivisions under agreements for the construction, improvement, or maintenance of trunk highways. HF2177/SF2076 (Munger) Authorizing extension of I-35 in Duluth. SF877/HF896 (Battaglia) Providing for the inclusion of former municipal state-aid streets in the county state-aid highway system.

7:30 p.m. TAXES, Rm. 83. Chr. Rep. John Tomlinson. Agenda: Omnibus tax bill.

Thursday, Apr 5

8:00 a.m. APPROPRIATIONS, Rm. 57. Chr. Rep. James Rice. Agenda: Supplemental appropriations bill. HF1393 (K. Nelson) School aids bill. HF1291 (McEachern) Proposing an amendment to the MN Constitution regarding permanent school fund investment restrictions.

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ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 83. Chr. Rep. Willard Munger. Agenda: Continue agenda from Tuesday, 10:00 a.m. meeting.

12:00 GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS, Rm. 57. Chr. Rep. Richard Kostohryz. Agenda: To be announced.

2:00 p.m. The House will meet in Session.

Friday, Apr 6

8:00 a.m. AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATE DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 22. Chr. Rep. Henry Kalis. Agenda: To be announced.

8:15 a.m. TAXES, Rm. 81. Chr. Rep. John Tomlinson. Agenda: Omnibus tax bill.

Bill introductions

Monday, Mar 26

HF2101—Gustafson (DFL)—Education
Education; authorizing the purchase of new series textbooks from the capital expenditure fund; amending statutes.

HF2102—Segal (DFL)—Education
Education; requiring elementary schools to offer programs promoting healthy behaviors and lifestyles; establishing a pilot health program for school personnel; proposing new law.

HF2103—Kelly (DFL)—Taxes
Taxation; motor vehicle excise; exempting sales of pioneer cars; amending statutes.

HF2104—Greenfield (DFL)—Health/Welfare
Public welfare; establishing a board of social work examiners; licensing and regulating social workers; providing penalties; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF2105—Gustafson (DFL)—Regulated Industries
City of Duluth; authorizing the Duluth city council to permit the on-sale of liquor at the St. Louis County Heritage and Arts Center by on-sale licensees in the city of Duluth.

HF2106—Vellenga (DFL)—Governmental Operations
Minnesota historical society; concerning unclaimed property of historical significance; amending statutes.

HF2107—Heap (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs
Legislature; reducing its size; amending statutes.

HF2108—Heap (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance
Insurance; accident and health; regulating the advertising and selling of certain insurance purporting to supplement medicare; proposing new law; repealing statutes.

HF2109—Thiede (IR)—Taxes
Establishment of the Croft Mine Historical Board; authorizing a tax levy.

HF2110—Omann (IR)—Education
Education; requiring schools to display state flags; amending statutes.

HF2111—Elioff (DFL)—Education
Education; basing the distribution of certain taconite tax proceeds to certain school districts on a one year earlier pupil unit count; amending statutes.

HF2112—Kelly (DFL)—Taxes
Taxation; sales; reducing the tax rate for certain capital equipment; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF2113—Peterson (DFL)—Transportation
Motor fuels; setting standards for gasoline and gasoline-alcohol blends; providing testing authority for the weights and measures division of the department of public service; requiring alcohol content disclosure; providing for labeling; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF2114—Wenzel (DFL)—Health/Welfare
Health; establishing a state health care plan; proposing new law.

HF2115—Wenzel (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs
Local government; requiring the county board of adjustment to take the town board's recommendation into consideration when making certain decisions; amending statutes.

HF2116—McKasy (IR)—Regulated Industries
Intoxicating liquor; authorizing the city of West St. Paul to issue two additional on-sale licenses.

HF2117—Nelson, K. (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs
Public safety; religion; prohibiting regulation of hand-held candles in religious services; proposing new law.

HF2118—Wenzel (DFL)—Taxes
Agriculture; providing income tax incentives to landowners who sell or lease agricultural land to eligible beginning farmers or family farm corporations; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF2119—Wenzel (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs
Local government; restoring local government aid reductions; amending statutes.

HF2120—Elioff (DFL)—Transportation
Local government; appropriating money for upgrading access road to new elementary school.

HF2121—Beard (DFL)—Education
Education; requiring elementary and secondary physical education classes to be taught by instructors licensed in physical education by the board of teaching; amending statutes.

HF2122—Minne (DFL)—Taxes
Local government; providing for the distribution of certain federal payments in lieu of property taxes; proposing new law.

- HF2123—Wenzel (DFL)—Taxes**
Taxation; changing the definition of wetlands for purposes of the property tax exemptions and credit; amending statutes.
- HF2124—Brinkman (DFL)—Agriculture**
Agriculture; authorizing the commissioner to use certain funds for short-term loans to help participants meet their family farm security loan obligations; amending statutes.
- HF2125—Murphy (DFL)—Governmental Operations**
Retirement; authorizing the purchase of prior service credit in the teachers retirement association by a certain member of the public employees retirement fund.
- HF2126—Levi (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration**
A resolution memorializing the Congress of the United States to provide an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to provide the president with the authority to veto individual line items in appropriations bills.
- HF2127—Simoneau (DFL)—Labor/Management Relations**
Workers' compensation; providing for determination of disability in cases of occupational disability; amending statutes.
- HF2128—Greenfield (DFL)—Health/Welfare**
Public welfare; establishing an experimental family-based services program for children; providing grants; proposing new law.
- HF2129—Piper (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs**
Regional planning; permitting school districts to participate in regional planning activities; authorizing counties to exercise regional planning powers where regional development commissions have been terminated; amending statutes.
- HF2130—Knuth (DFL)—Governmental Operations**
Administrative procedure; providing for a hearing procedure on certain proposed rules; providing an exemption from the contested case procedures; encouraging the use of negotiated rule-making; regulating certain incorporations by reference, providing for the adoption of the rule after the hearing; requiring certain information to be contained in a notice to adopt a rule without a public hearing; authorizing interested persons to request a public hearing under certain circumstances; providing for notice of the modification of certain proposed rules; establishing a procedure for the adoption of emergency rules; providing for the expiration of authority for temporary rulemaking; providing for the legal status of certain exempt rules; requiring agencies to maintain official rulemaking records; providing for the judicial determination of the validity of a rule; making various technical changes; amending statutes; proposing new law; repealing statutes.
- HF2131—Gustafson (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs**
City of Duluth; changing the boundaries of the tracts of land administered by the Sprit Mountain recreation area authority; amending laws.
- HF2132—Brinkman (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance**
Health; authorizing the commissioner of insurance to adopt rules related to financial affairs of health maintenance organizations; requiring certificates of authority to be jointly issued by the commissioners of health and insurance; amending statutes.
- HF2133—Anderson, G. (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs**
Metropolitan government; providing for the appointment of certain chairmen; providing for additional consultation on appointments; amending statutes.
- HF2134—Brinkman (DFL)—Rules/Legislative Administration**
A resolution memorializing the governments of the United States and the Federal Republic of Germany that the State of Minnesota adopts the Land of Bayern as a sister state.
- HF 2135—Simoneau (DFL)—Health/Welfare**
Public safety; prohibiting the state fire marshal from adopting or enforcing certain rules relating to family or group family day care homes; amending statutes.
- HF2136—Johnson (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance**
Agriculture; requiring commercial feed manufacturers to carry liability insurance; amending statutes.
- HF2137—McEachern (DFL)—Appropriations**
Education; establishing a scholarship program at certain state universities and certain campuses of the University of Minnesota to recruit top scholars in certain fields of study; appropriating money; proposing new law.
- HF2138—Clark, J. (DFL)—Judiciary**
Public nuisances; defining a nuisance; providing for the enjoinder of nuisances; proposing new law; repealing statutes.
- HF2139—Gustafson (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance**
Insurance; requiring health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for services within the scope of the license of a dentist or podiatrist; requiring employers to offer alternative prepaid health plan coverage to employees; authorizing any licensed dentist to participate in certain prepaid dental plans; amending statutes.
- HF2140—Himle (IR)—Governmental Operations**
Unemployment compensation; regulating benefit eligibility related to receipt of severance payment; amending statutes.
- HF2141—Ogren (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development**
Commerce; modifying the definition of "franchise" for purposes of franchise regulation; amending statutes.
- HF2142—Himle (IR)—Taxes**
Taxation; income; conforming to federal law for treatment of contributions in individual retirement plans and other pension plans; amending statutes.
- HF2143—Metzen (DFL)—Taxes**
Taxation; income; abolishing the farm loss modification; amending statutes; repealing statutes.
- HF2144—Onnen (IR)—Taxes**
Taxation; sales; exempting sales by certain organizations; amending statutes.
- HF2145—Munger (DFL)—Appropriations**
University of Minnesota; conditioning appropriations for the Duluth campus on its administration reporting directly to the Board of Regents or on the Board of Regents' appointment of chief executive officers for the Twin Cities campus and each coordinate campus; proposing new law.
- HF2146—Brinkman (DFL)—Judiciary**
Crimes; regulating public dances; amending statutes.
- HF2147—Shaver (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration**
Legislature; extending the laws on post-auditing, attribution of published documents, ethics, and open meetings now relating just to the executive branch to include the legislative branch; amending statutes.
- HF2148—Skoglund (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance**
Insurance; authorizing the use of smoker and nonsmoker mortality tables; proposing new law.
- HF2149—Long (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources**
Hazardous waste management; indemnifying persons liable under the environmental response and liability act; requiring operators to demonstrate financial responsibility; creating a state liability trust fund; imposing a disposal surcharge; appropriating money; proposing new law.
- HF2150—Waltman (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs**
Newspapers; making certain publications legal newspapers; proposing new law.
- HF2151—Norton (DFL)—Judiciary**
Commerce; clarifying the limitations on enforcement of indemnification agreements in construction contracts; amending statutes; proposing new law.
- HF2152—Wenzel (DFL)—Agriculture**
Agriculture; changing the eligibility requirements for a family farm security loan; amending statutes.
- HF2153—Graba (DFL)—Taxes**
Taxation; sales; expanding the exemption for electricity for agricultural production; amending statutes.
- HF2154—Clawson (DFL)—Health/Welfare**
Civil commitment; providing for status review of persons residing in state facilities pursuant to an order of guardianship; amending statutes.
- HF2155—Clawson (DFL)—Health/Welfare**
Civil commitment; clarifying the conditions under which a guardian may place a minor ward in certain treatment facilities; amending statutes.
- HF2156—Clark, J. (DFL)—Health/Welfare**
Public welfare; establishing financial responsibility for newborn infants remaining in excluded time facilities; establishing time spent in correctional facilities as excluded time for purposes of medical assistance; amending statutes.
- HF2157—Welch (DFL)—Governmental Operations**
Legislative auditor; authorizing the audit of metropolitan agencies, boards, and commissions; amending statutes.
- HF2158—Jacobs (DFL)—Regulated Industries**
Intoxicating liquor; providing for the validation and issuance of intoxicating liquor licenses on Indian reservations; amending statutes.
- HF2159—Zaffke (IR)—Regulated Industries**
Intoxicating liquor; allowing Shingobee township to issue and renew certain off-sale licenses.
- HF2160—Simoneau (DFL)—Labor-Management Relations**
Public employment labor relations; recodifying the public employment labor relations act; repealing statutes.
- HF2161—Ellingson (DFL)—Judiciary**
Statutes; revising the text of certain laws to remove redundant and obsolete language, to simplify grammar and syntax, and to improve the style of language without causing changes in the

meaning of the laws affected; requiring the revisor of statutes to editorially change criminal fines in a manner consistent with 1983 regular session changes made in maximum authorized fines; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF2162—Piper (DFL)—Judiciary

Minnesota Statutes; providing for the replacement of gender-specific references with neutral or equal references to gender; imposing duties on the revisor of statutes and other legislative staff; setting goals; providing for the accomplishment of goals within existing resources.

HF2163—Heinitz (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; eliminating the income tax surtax; repealing statutes.

HF2164—Schoenfeld (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local government; requiring payments as a condition of annexations; amending statutes.

HF2165—Sarna (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; highway patrol; age and service requirements; annuity formula; amending statutes.

HF2166—Battaglia (DFL)—Regulated Industries

Public utilities; requiring certain utility pole guy lines to be marked with reflector tape; proposing new law.

HF2167—Battaglia (DFL)—Transportation

Transportation; prohibiting certain types of barricades, fences, or obstructions across highways and roads; imposing a penalty; amending statutes.

HF2168—Battaglia (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Parks; providing for the conveyance of certain land for Voyageurs National Park; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF2169—Battaglia (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

State lands; conveying lands to the federal government for Voyageurs National Park; appropriating money.

HF2170—Battaglia (DFL)—Judiciary

Lake County; authorizing the county to establish a loan program to forestall foreclosures of mortgages on residential and agricultural homesteads.

HF2171—Battaglia (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Cities; providing that certain cities shall not be reclassified for purposes of the municipal state-aid street system; amending statutes.

HF2172—Wenzel (DFL)—Transportation

Transportation; highways; modifying restrictions on loading of vehicles driven on highways; amending statutes.

HF2173—McEachern (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Housing; prohibiting certain rent control ordinances in cities, counties, and towns; proposing new law.

HF2174—Gustafson (DFL)—Appropriations

Corrections; providing for costs of transporting convicted persons and children adjudicated delinquent to correctional facilities; amending statutes.

HF2175—Heap (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Gambling; allowing certain organizations to wager on golf matches under specified conditions; amending statutes.

HF2176—Metzen (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Cannon Falls; authorizing the establishment of detached banking facilities.

HF2177—Munge (DFL)—Transportation

Transportation; authorizing extension of I-35 in Duluth; amending statutes.

HF2178—Anderson, Buzz (DFL)—Appropriations

Claims; transportation; requiring the commissioner of transportation to pay claims for damages arising from an inadequate drainage culvert under highway number 30; appropriating money.

HF2179—Wenzel (DFL)—Education

Education; providing additional funding for a certain technology demonstration site proposal; appropriating money.

HF2180—Elioff (IR)—Transportation

A resolution memorializing the President and Secretary of Transportation of the United States, the National Transportation Safety Board, and the Minnesota Congressional delegation to implement a program for the reflectorization of railroad rolling stock.

HF2181—Heap (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; providing an exclusion for governmental pensions; amending statutes.

HF2182—Wenzel (DFL)—Agriculture

Agriculture; changing certain duties of the commissioner; changing certain reporting requirements concerning agricultural land ownership; exempting the family farm security program from certain loan commitment approval requirements; amending statutes.

HF2183—Valan (IR)—Health/Welfare

Health; providing counseling and education services for sudden infant death syndrome families; requiring autopsies on victims of sudden infant death syndrome; requiring the report of sudden infant death to the registrar of vital statistics; amending statutes.

HF2184—Krueger (DFL)—Agriculture

Agriculture; directing further study on the problem of stray voltage; appropriating money.

HF2185—Schoenfeld (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local government; providing for the conduct of the business of towns; setting various conditions for elections; providing for certain town debt; revising various other town laws; providing penalties; amending statutes.

HF2186—Scheid (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Public finance; providing for allocation of federal authority to issue certain state and local obligations; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF2187—Wynia (DFL)—Health/Welfare

Medical assistance; changing responsibilities of screening teams for mentally retarded services; amending statutes.

HF2188—Eken (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Indians; providing for partial settlement of Indian land claims on the White Earth Reservation; appropriating money.

HF2189—Tunheim (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

A resolution memorializing the International Joint Commission, the President and Congress to effectuate an agreement between Minnesota and Ontario on joint management of their border waters.

HF2190—Knuth (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Ramsey County; providing for the creation, organization, powers and duties of a personnel system; amending statutes; proposing new law; repealing statutes.

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HF2191—Gutknecht (IR)—Governmental Operations

Unemployment compensation; amending the term "credit week" to mean a week in which an individual earns 30 times the state minimum wage; extending the unemployment compensation ten percent surtax through 1986; increasing from 15 to 26 the number of credit weeks an individual needs to qualify for unemployment compensation; capping the maximum benefit at \$198 until the unemployment compensation fund reaches \$100 million; requiring that an individual seek full-time work to be eligible for unemployment compensation; increasing from four to eight the number of weeks and weekly benefit amounts in earnings which are necessary to requalify for unemployment compensation; amending statutes.

HF2192—Wenzel (DFL)—Agriculture

Agriculture; milk quality standards; refining procedures and deadlines for investment reimbursement; amending statutes.

HF2193—Heinitz (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Financial institutions; credit unions; authorizing the board of directors to establish certain interest rates; amending statutes.

HF2194—Wynia (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; making permanent the withholding of tax refunds of child support debtor; amending statutes.

HF2195—Segal (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; limiting the number of years which certain leased property is eligible for homestead benefits; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF2196—Wenzel (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Local government; providing for the conveyance of certain tax forfeited land in Morrison County.

HF2197—Bishop (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Olmsted County; allowing contracts for solid waste management property, facilities, and services to be let without advertisement for bids.

HF2198—Nelson, D. (DFL)—Judiciary

Crimes; providing a penalty for falsely reporting a medical emergency; imposing a penalty; amending statutes.

HF2199—Brandl (DFL)—Education

Education; modifying various aids and levies; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF2200—Minne (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; modifying the taxation of certain railroad property; allowing the commissioner more discretion in valuing railroad property; providing for additional property taxes to be paid in certain cases; appropriating money to make certain property tax refunds for railroad property; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF2201—Schoenfeld (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; changing the computation of the school agricultural credit retroactive to taxes payable in 1984 in certain cases; removing the maximum targeting credit; increasing local government aid for townships; directing the department of revenue to issue guidelines on certain topics; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF2202—Graba (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; changing the computation of the school agricultural credit retroactive to taxes payable in 1984 in certain cases; removing the maximum targeting credit; increasing local government aid for townships; directing the department of revenue to issue guidelines on certain topics; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF2203—Peterson (DFL)—Agriculture

Agriculture; allowing milk to be standardized; providing an effective date; amending statutes.

HF2204—Sparby (DFL)—Rules/Legislative Administration

A resolution memorializing the President and the Congress of the United States to repeal the Federal Reserve Act.

HF2205—Swanson (DFL)—Taxes

Public safety; providing for use of a portion of the proceeds of the tobacco tax; amending statutes.

HF2206—Hoffman (DFL)—Health/Welfare

Public and welfare; providing for special transportation services for the blind elderly; amending statutes.

HF2207—Bishop (IR)—Judiciary

Minnesota Statutes; correcting erroneous, ambiguous, omitted, and obsolete references and text; eliminating certain redundant, conflicting and superseded provisions; reenacting certain laws; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF2208—Shaver (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Elections; eliminating the party designated check-off system; amending statutes.

HF2209—Shaver (IR)—Judiciary

Crimes; authorizing the commissioner of corrections to bring a civil action to collect felony fines; exempting indigent inmates from imprisonment for failure to pay felony fines; providing that revenue from felony fines shall be used to finance the operation of correctional institutions; appropriations money; proposing new law.

HF2210—Clark, J. (DFL)—Judiciary

Crimes; providing a penalty for theft of certain records; amending statutes.

HF2211—Graba (DFL)—Education

Education; providing for a three-year probationary period for teachers employed in independent school districts; amending statutes.

HF2212—DenOuden (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; property; changing computation of the school agricultural credit beginning with taxes payable in 1984; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF2213—Clark, K. (DFL)—Appropriations

Job training; authorizing demonstration grants for training and habilitation services for persons with certain disabilities; appropriating money.

HF2214—Vanasek (DFL)—Judiciary

Civil actions; requiring agreements for loans of money, repayment of money, or extension of credit to be in writing; amending statutes.

HF2215—Carlson, L. (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Economic development; authorizing certain incorporators to establish two innovation center public corporations to assist in the development of the state's high technology businesses, products, and systems by providing certain services and assistance; establishing the purposes, powers, and duties of the corporation; providing for directors, articles, and by-laws; appropriating money; proposing new law.

HF2216—Rodriguez, C. (DFL)—Education

Education; lengthening membership on the higher education coordinating board to six-year terms; amending statutes.

HF2217—Shaver (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Elections; limiting campaign expenditures by congressional candidates who choose to receive a public subsidy for their campaigns; redefining certain terms in relation to congressional candidates; limiting the applicability of certain provisions of law to state constitutional and state legislative candidates; providing for the

transfer of debts and funds of a principal campaign committee under certain circumstances; providing for filing of campaign reports by certain congressional candidates; proposing expenditure limits for congressional candidates who choose to receive a public subsidy; providing a penalty for exceeding campaign expenditure limits by congressional candidates; providing for the allocation of the general account to certain state and congressional candidates; providing estimates of minimum amounts of public subsidy to be received by certain congressional candidates; requiring signed agreements by congressional candidates who choose to receive a public subsidy; specifying when congressional candidates who accept a public subsidy must return all or part thereof; providing for the return of money from the state elections campaign fund to the general fund; making certain technical amendments; imposing penalties; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF2218—Shea (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Public finance; authorizing investment alternatives; providing for the delivery of municipal obligations in certificated or uncertificated form; providing restrictions on the use of certain data; providing a formula for determining limitations on interest rates on municipal obligations; providing an alternative procedure for conducting a public sale of municipal obligations; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF2219—Wynia (DFL)—Regulated Industries

Intoxicating liquor; authorizing on-sale wine licenses outside the boundaries of liquor patrol limits; amending statutes.

HF2220—Fjoslien (IR)—Appropriations

Agriculture; providing for a full-time extension agent for Grant County; appropriating money.

HF2221—Larsen (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Unemployment compensation; regulating benefit eligibility for certain contractors; repealing statutes.

HF2222—Knuth (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Water; providing for comprehensive local water management; requiring counties to develop and implement county water and land resources plans; authorizing the environmental quality board to make comprehensive water planning grants to counties; providing additional authorities to counties; providing additional duties of the environment quality board; appropriating money; proposing new law.

HF2223—Metzen (DFL)—Energy

Housing; tax exempt financing; changing the formula and competitive system for the allocation of qualified mortgage bonds; amending statutes.

HF2224—Anderson, G. (DFL)—Labor-Management Relations

Public employment; eliminating the presumption of impasse after the passage of time; providing for changes in the required strike notice; granting certain powers to the director of the bureau of mediation services; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF2225—Wenzel (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Elections; changing the date of the state primary; amending statutes.

HF2226—Norton (DFL)—Regulated Industries

City of St. Paul; authorizing the city to issue on-sale intoxicating liquor licenses in excess of the statutory limit for use in city development districts.

HF2227—Simoneau (DFL)—Labor-Management Relations

Workers' compensation; providing for determination of disability in cases of occupational disability; amending statutes.

HF2228—Segal (DFL)—Education

Education; requiring elementary schools to offer programs promoting healthy behaviors and lifestyles; establishing a pilot health program for school personnel; proposing new law.

HF2229—Valan (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Notaries public; authorizing appointment of out-of-state notaries; requiring designation of the clerk of district court of the county in which appointment is sought as agent for out-of-state notaries; amending statutes.

HF2230—Rose (IR)—Appropriations

University of Minnesota; appropriating money for road improvements in the City of Falcon Heights.

HF2231—Staten (DFL)—Judiciary

Public welfare; authorizing the commissioner to enter into interstate adoption compacts; establishing procedures for interstate assistance payments; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF2232—Vanasek (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; providing that certain income tax deductions for contributions may be carried forward; amending statutes.

HF2233—Solberg (DFL)—Taxes

Local government; establishing emergency property tax relief aid; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF2234—Rodriguez, F. (DFL)—Regulated Industries

City of St. Paul; authorizing the issuance of a license for the sale of intoxicating liquor at the Ordway Music Theatre; requiring local approval.

HF2235—Marsh (IR)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; authorizing recalculation of certain annuities and benefits.

HF2236—Welle (DFL)—Health/Welfare

Health; encouraging philanthropic support of nonprofit hospitals and nursing homes; providing that funds derived from specified types of gifts or grants shall not be deducted from the operating costs of a nursing home; amending statutes.

HF2237—Piepho (IR)—Judiciary

District public defenders; providing that district public defenders be appointed by a bid process; requiring the judges of each judicial district to submit the budget for the office of district public defender to the board of county commissioners for approval; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF2238—Elioff (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Natural resources; authorizing the commissioner of natural resources to sell certain lands in Koochiching County; appropriating money.

HF2239—Uphus (IR)—Governmental Operations

State lands; conveying certain lands to the city of Melrose.

HF2240—McKasy (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; exempting sales by certain organizations; amending statutes.

HF2241—Norton (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Operation of state government; changing the law on the administration of state finances and accounting practices; amending statutes; proposing new law; repealing statutes.

HF2242—Vanasek (DFL)—Judiciary

Courts; providing that public defenders in misdemeanors cases shall be appointed by the county board; amending statutes.

HF2243—Otis (DFL)—Regulated Industries

Energy; prohibiting public utilities from establishing large volume contract service rates; amending statutes.

HF2244—Clawson (DFL)—Health/Welfare

Public welfare; establishing procedures for the involuntary administration of antipsychotic medications; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF2245—Clawson (DFL)—Health/Welfare

Crimes; prohibiting the purchase or sale of human organs; amending statutes.

HF2246—Segal (DFL)—Education

Education; ensuring minimum amounts of financial support to the regional public library system; requiring county board of commissioners to appoint at least one representative to the regional public library system board; proposing new law.

HF2247—Begich (DFL)—Health/Welfare

Public health; exempting increases of less than five swing beds from certificate of need review; amending statutes.

HF2248—Norton (DFL)—Judiciary

Probate; providing for ante-mortem probate of wills; proposing new law.

HF2249—Vanasek (DFL)—Taxes

Local government; restoring county government local government aid reductions; amending statutes.

HF2250—McKasy (IR)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; benefits of judges and survivors under the uniform retirement and survivors' annuities law; amending statutes.

HF2251—Cohen (DFL)—Regulated Industries

Authorizing the city of St. Paul to issue on-sale intoxicating liquor licenses in excess of the statutory limit to the city's downtown business district; prohibiting transfers of intoxicating liquor licenses in the city of Saint Paul beginning January 1, 1994; and prohibiting transfer of licenses issued pursuant to this act.

HF2252—Nelson, K. (DFL)—Health/Welfare

Public welfare; establishing a children's trust fund for the prevention of child abuse and neglect; establishing an income tax checkoff to provide money for the fund; proposing new law.

HF2253—Kalis (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; changing the computation of the school agricultural credit retroactive to taxes payable in 1984 in certain cases;

removing the maximum targeting credit; increasing local government aid guidelines on certain topics; appropriating money.

HF2254—Anderson, G. (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; changing the computation of the school agricultural credit retroactive to taxes payable in 1984 in certain cases; removing the maximum targeting credit; increasing local government aid for townships; directing the department of revenue to issue guidelines on certain topics; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF2255—Bennett (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local government; permitting a land transfer between Ramsey County and the city of Shoreview.

HF2256—Norton (DFL)—Judiciary

Probate; clarifying requirement that the attorney general be notified of certain charitable bequests and devises; amending statutes.

HF2257—Norton (DFL)—Governmental Operations

State departments and agencies; requiring senate approval for the governor's appointment of state planning director; amending statutes.

HF2258—Kelly (DFL)—Regulated Industries

Public utilities; amending the definition of public utility; amending statutes.

HF2259—Anderson, G. (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; motor vehicles excise; exempting certain vehicles engaged in interstate transportation; amending statutes.

HF2260—Begich (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; revising contiguous boundary and population requirements for designation of enterprise zones; amending statutes.

HF2261—Norton (DFL)—Governmental Operations

State government; proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution; eliminating the offices of state treasurer and secretary of state and transferring their duties to officers designated by statutes.

HF2262—Clawson (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; guaranteeing public employees certain pension rights; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF2263—Riveness (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Unemployment compensation; providing for an alternative method of determining credit weeks; raising the maximum contribution rate to eight percent except under certain circumstances; removing the contribution rate increase and decrease limitation; increasing an employer's experience ratio under certain circumstances; extending the emergency surcharge to repay interest on federal loans; tying the maximum weekly benefit amount to the balance in the unemployment compensation fund under certain circumstances; removing the limitation on the application of severance pay as it affects eligibility for benefits; changing certain conditions for requalifying for benefits; eliminating the split taxable wage base; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF2264—Norton (DFL)—Governmental Operations

State government; proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution combining the offices of state treasurer, state auditor, and secretary of state into the office of state comptroller; providing that the office of the secretary of state becomes the office of the state comptroller.

House Advisories

HA55—Clark, K. (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

A proposal to study regulatory policies which restrict the ability of low-income women to start small businesses.

HA56—Frerichs (IR)—Transportation

A proposal to study and design a program to encourage seatbelt usage.

First Reading of Senate Bills

SF1127—Frank (DFL)—Referred to Chief Clerk for comparison

Anoka County; authorizing the issuance of bonds for the construction of library buildings and an annual levy for debt retirement.

SF1139—Sieloff (IR)—Referred to Chief Clerk for comparison

Local government; requiring notice of and hearings on increases in certain license fees; proposing new law.

SF1331—Taylor (IR)—Transportation

Transportation; designating a bridge as the "Veterans Memorial Bridge"; amending statutes.

SF1433—Lessard (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; extension of state timber permits; amending laws; proposing new law.

SF1757—Sieloff (IR)—Referred to Chief Clerk for comparison

Water well contractors; licensing and regulating use of vertical heat exchangers; amending statutes; proposing new law.
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What legislation did your representative introduce?

The House Index* lists all the bills each member sponsored in the current session.

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Bills on a specific topic, or in a specific committee

The House Index Department has lists of bills in each committee and on specific topics, e.g. environment, taxes, education, (175 topics) on the CRT.

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In the Senate

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Which bills became law?

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Committees

For committee meeting schedules

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Committee action during interim

The House Information Office summarizes what happened in committees during the interim in the *Interim* magazine. (Same mailing list as for new law summaries.)

Standing committees and committee assignments

The *Members Directory* and the *Official Directory*, list committees and committee assignments. Available in Information Office and Chief Clerk's Office.

General Information

Proceedings in the House

The Chief Clerk's Office can answer your questions. The office publishes the *Journal of the House*, the official daily record of legislative action.

The Legislature — how it works

The House Information Office and the Chief Clerk's Offices can give you general information. The Information Office has brochures on Minnesota and its government, including: *How a Bill Becomes a Law*; *Citizen's Participation Course*, test yourself quiz on the Legislature; and the *Government is for Everyone* information packet, with single sheets on how to contact your legislator, where to get information, Minnesota facts, and how legislators make voting decisions.

Especially for younger people, the Information Office provides *The Road to Minnesota Laws*, a cartoon version of how a bill becomes a law; and *Joey's Visit*, a coloring book for the very young.

Agendas of House action

The Chief Clerk's Office has copies of the *Calendar*, *General Orders*, etc., schedules of House floor action.

Where members sit in the House Chamber

The Information Office publishes a *Seating Arrangement of the Minnesota Legislature*.

Other areas of state government

The Information Office publishes the *Three Branches of Government*, a wall chart showing the structure of state government. Information Office staff can help you find various state departments and agencies and furnish phone numbers.

proval of the House Governmental Operations Committee, March 27. The bill, HF1797 (Vellenga, DFL-St. Paul), still needs a hearing by the Appropriations Committee for funding approval before it can go to the full House.

The new legislation would reduce the Metro Transit Commission (MTC) to three members, leave the day-to-day bus operations to the commission, but turn policy-making and planning over to a Regional Transit Board. The transit board would promote MTC alternatives in outlying suburbs, and coordinate transit in the metro area.

● **Where to put the new judiciary building was again the question** at a March 27 meeting of the State Departments Division of the Appropriations Committee. Lieutenant Governor Marlene Johnson, who had just come from meeting with the governor, St. Paul Mayor George Latimer, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court Douglas Amdahl, and Minnesota Historical Society Director Russell Fridley, presented a recommendation that came out of that meeting.

The recommendation calls for a new judiciary building north of the Capitol, across University Avenue. The Historical Society would keep the current building but consider a site for museum space on the proposed Mall of Nations on Cedar Street where the St. Paul Public Health Department is. The Society would weigh this idea against use of the Mechanic Arts High School site behind the present Historical Society building.

In a previous meeting, division members unanimously agreed to put the judiciary in the present Historical Society building and look to at other alternatives for a new history building. The division will make a recommendation later this week.

● **A bill that would require manufacturers to repair, refund, or replace motorcycles still under the**

manufacturer's warranty was on the House Commerce & Economic Development Committee agenda, March 27.

The committee recommended HF1446 (Seaberg, IR-Mendota Heights) to pass. The bill, according to its author, Rep. Arthur Seaberg, is an addition to the state's "lemon law," which requires manufacturers to repair, refund, or replace motor vehicles that prove to be lemons.

● **Author of an HMO reform bill presented the proposal as a consumer's bill** at a March 27 meeting of the House Health and Welfare Committee.

Rep. James Swanson (DFL-Richfield) says his HMO reform proposal would make sure HMO's remain non-profit and would require them to consider newborn babies, handicapped children, and disabled, or pregnant persons as regular members of an enrollees' family. Also, people with pre-existing disabilities would not have to pay more than healthy persons in the same HMO group, under the bill.

The committee gave the reform bill a recommendation to pass. It goes next to the full House.

● **Rental housing owners would have to meet energy efficiency standards** within certain time limits under HF288 (Staten, DFL-Mpls). The Energy Committee recommended the bill to pass and re-referred it to the Appropriations Committee, March 27. The bill would require owners of rental housing to comply with state energy efficiency standards, which the author says would conserve energy and lower costs of renters' monthly energy bills.

In other action, the committee recommended to pass and re-referred HF1798 (Vellenga, DFL-St. Paul) to the Appropriations Committee. The bill would allow state grants for emergency, temporary housing for individuals if disaster or family trauma has forced them to move.

● **"How can we help businesses that are in financial trouble and are being pressured to move out of the state?"** Frank Altman, from the Energy Economic Development Au-

thority (EEDA), asked members of the Commerce & Economic Development Committee at a March 27 hearing.

According to Altman, HF1775 (Otis, DFL-Mpls) would help. HF1775 would expand the power of a state lending authority, which manages several loan programs, with bonding power up to \$30 million. The loan program is for encouragement of small businesses in the state. Altman says Minnesota needs to extend that economic development tool to assist large companies in certain situations.

The committee adopted an amendment to reinstate language that states that dollars must first go to small businesses and recommended the bill to pass as amended.

● **Church groups, VFW's, American Legions, and other non-profit organizations** that operate bingo games may find themselves supporting a state high school for the arts if a bill the General Legislation and Veterans Affairs Committee recommended to pass, as amended, March 27 becomes law.

The proposal is part of a larger package that aims at cracking down on tax evasion, "skimming", and corruption in for-charity bingo games. Under HF1707 (Kostohryz, DFL-North St. Paul) 10 percent of net earnings, after prizes, would go toward an arts high school after funding of a new state system regulating bingo.

WED

March 28

● **The "Sell Minnesota" program received a cut in proposed funding** at a State Departments Division of the Appropriations Com-

mittee meeting, March 28. The governor had proposed \$1.3 million to start the program that would advertise Minnesota locally and nationally in efforts to get prospective businesses to locate here. However, division members voted to give \$300,000 to the publicity campaign with instructions to seek matching funds from other sources.

Public television fared better. The division voted to approve the governor's request of \$2.1 million for equipment replacement and improvement at KTCA in the Twin Cities and KAUT in Austin, plus \$500,000 the Public Television Association will have to match. The division also directed that \$420,000 should go to public radio stations in Minnesota.

● **A \$70 million appropriation may support this year's supplemental jobs bill.** The Governmental Operations Committee voted to recommend the appropriation in HF1887 (Norton, DFL-St. Paul), March 28.

The bill would continue the Minnesota Emergency Economic Development, or MEED program, the Legislature enacted last year. Sixty percent of the \$70 million would be for developing jobs in the private sector, and 40 percent for government and non-profit jobs.

Joe Samargia, state coordinator of MEED, says participating businesses feel strongly about continuing the program from which they say they get good, or excellent employees. Many businesses, he said, have been able to expand or continue to survive because of the MEED program.

HF1887 goes next to the Appropriations Committee.

● **News media could no longer take exit polls at voting booths** under a bill the General Legislation and Veterans Affairs Committee recommended to pass March 28.

According to the bill, HF1606 (Shea, DFL-Owatonna), no one in

a polling place, or within 100 feet of its entrance, would be able to ask voters either how they intend to vote or have voted.

The committee also recommended to pass several other election bills, including HF427 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon) which would allow town boards in metropolitan counties to set voting hours for town elections, if they run from at least 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

● **A bill to upgrade employees' fringe benefits** in Minnesota's schools didn't get a recommendation to pass, March 28, when Education Committee members voted down the proposal to set up a state-wide employee benefit plan that would be optional for local school districts.

The bill HF1326 (Simoneau, DFL-Fridley) would have required participating districts to offer health, life, and dental insurance, but at a predicted savings on premiums because of the large number of participants statewide.

● **Senior citizens, 65 years and older, who take an accident prevention course** would pay lower auto insurance rates under HF1949 (Olsen, IR-St. Louis Park). The proposal came out of the Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee with a recommendation to pass, March 28.

HF1949 would require senior citizens to complete a course every three years to stay eligible for lower insurance rates and would authorize the commissioner of public safety to set up guidelines for a course by January 1985.

The committee also recommended HF1352 (Skoglund, DFL-Mpls), as amended, a proposal to allow a bank or trust company to offer trust services in other bank offices anywhere in the state.

● **Gas stations, bars, and private clubs were subjects of two bills** that received recommendations to pass, March 28, from the Commerce and Economic Development Committee and the Gaming Division.

The commerce bill is HF1656 (Solberg, DFL-Bovey), a proposal that calls for a two-year moratorium on

parent oil companies eliminating repair or service garages from subsidiary franchises.

The Gaming Division approved HF1893 (Metzen DFL-South St. Paul), a bill that would require bars and private clubs that run video-type games as gambling machines, to run their games under state licensing and regulation procedures. Distributors, operators, and lessors of the games would pay uniform state-wide fees to insure the games are for amusement only. Twenty-five percent of the fees would go back to local governments for their efforts in policing the problem.

● **Two extensive pieces of legislation** were before the State-Local Fiscal Affairs Division of the Local and Urban Affairs Committee, March 28. The division recommended to pass, as amended, HF1704 (Riveness, DFL-Bloomington) which would set the distribution formula relating to local government aid, based on the previous calendar year, assessed value factors, or mill rate factors.

The other bill, HF2186 (Scheid, DFL-Brooklyn Park), would base bond authority allocations and limits on federal legislation currently pending.

● **When some of Minnesota's 2.5 million bicyclists go to register their bikes** with the Department of Public Safety, they could add a donation to their registration fee to benefit bike programs.

Under HF1315, a bill that Rep. Phyllis Kahn (DFL-Mpls) is sponsoring, the funds from this new registration system would go in the state's general revenue fund for bicycle purposes only, such as, bike safety programs, trails, or maps. The bill goes next to the House Appropriations Committee.

Committee members also recommended to pass HF1545 (Skoglund, DFL-Mpls), which would create a task force to study school bus safety features.

● **A nine to seven vote at a meeting of the Agriculture Committee, March 28, defeated a bill that would provide farmers with higher commodity prices.**

The bill, SF628, which passed the Senate and made it through extensive subcommittee hearings in the House, would have required the commissioner of agriculture to set a minimum price for any agricultural commodity other than sunflowers. It would also have created an advisory commission on agricultural policy and commodity pricing.

Controversy over the bill resulted from an amendment by a subcommittee that would require all 50 states to adopt the measure as a national farm policy.

Two bills that the committee did pass are HF1601, a bill that, according to its IR author, Rep. Bob Anderson from Ottertail, would provide a means of communication between lenders and ag input suppliers, and HF2182 (Wenzel, DFL-Little Falls) a departmental bill that would clarify language in the Family Farm Security Act.

THU

March 29 (meetings before 2 p.m.)

● **American Indian Chemical Dependency Services, for a Women's Resource and Training Center, and for a youth prevention service, in the go and added funds for the Mash-ka-wisen Center were among allocations the Health, Welfare and Corrections Division of Appropriations recommended March 28 and 29.**

A request from the Department of Corrections to combine old and new Displaced Homemaker Program funds to ensure the contin-

uation of old programs also won approval.

● **Day-care isn't just a women's issue. It's a family issue and important to men as well, Rep. Ken McDonald (IR-Watertown) told the Governmental Operations Committee, March 29. McDonald spoke on behalf of HF1371 (Hokr, IR-New Hope), a bill that would provide rental space in the Capitol complex for a private day-care center for children of state employees.**

The committee recommended HF1371 to pass—and other legislation—among which was a bill that would include placing qualified people, 60 years and older, as vacancies occur, on certain state boards, commissions, councils, task forces, and committees.

● **Approval of funds for educational needs came out of the Education Division of the Appropriations Committee, March 29, as the division worked on preliminary allocations in the governor's supplemental budget requests.**

The three highest allocations included \$5 million to the Higher Education Coordinating Board to remedy a student grant shortfall; \$2 million to the Super Computer Institute at the University of Minnesota; and \$1.6 million to the Department of Education for regional computer subsidies.

● **The House Environment and Natural Resources Committee moved, March 29, to put the state one step ahead of the possibility that the federal government may choose areas in Minnesota for disposal of high-level radioactive waste.**

The committee voted to recommend for passage, HF1292 (Clark, K., DFL-Mpls) a bill that would require the federal government to reach an agreement with the state before doing any test drilling of possible disposal sites.

The bill would allow the state to have a say in the various stages of waste disposal. Some of its features include requiring a permit for test drilling, and requiring transporters of high-level radioactive waste to notify the state commissioner of public safety of routes, dates, and

times of shipments. The shipper would also have to pay a \$1,000 fee per shipment.

The committee also approved HF1630 (Neuenschwander, DFL-Int'l Falls), a bill that would require deer hunters to wear blaze orange or red shirts during deer season. Shirts that have a camouflage pattern would have to be at least 50 percent blaze orange.

● **A sales tax break may be coming up on machinery and equipment for businesses building a new plant or expanding an existing one. The Economic Development Division, March 29, recommended to pass, as amended, HF2112 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul), a proposal that would reduce the sales tax from the present six percent to four percent on such machinery and equipment. The bill now goes to the Taxes Committee for consideration.**

In a late evening meeting, March 28, the division approved a proposal to give Minnesota corporations 100 percent tax exclusion on foreign dividends. The exclusion is now 85 percent. The division also recommended to pass a bill that would increase the funding for enterprise zones by \$3.6 million. The added funds are to accommodate \$6.6 million for the City of Duluth.

The bill that would have allowed a three-month amnesty period for delinquent taxpayers failed to get a recommendation to pass.

● **Reducing the size of the Legislature is an issue that surfaced in the General Legislation and Veterans Affairs Committee in HF29 (Gustafson, DFL-Duluth), which the committee recommended to pass.**

The proposal would reduce the state Senate by 11 members and the House of Representatives by 22.

The Senate now has 67 members, the House 134.

● **The hostile takeover bill, HF1422 (Simoneau, DFL-Fridley), moved a step closer** to becoming law, March 29. The bill would prohibit the takeover of one corporation by another, particularly when a company is opposed to the transaction.

HF1422, which the Commerce and Economic Development Committee recommended to pass, as amended, would call for the acquiring company to make a complete disclosure of its plans for the targeted company to stockholders, employees, and, in some cases, to communities. If shareholders approve the takeover, the state will permit the acquiring company to proceed. Firms that don't comply with the bill could face a \$25,000 fine and possibly lose the right to do business within the state.

The committee also recommended to pass, as amended, three bills that would expand and make changes to the state's workers' compensation law.

● **Omission from Thurs., March 22:** the Workers Comp. Division recommended to pass, HF1679 (Boo, IR-Duluth), a bill that would provide workers' compensation coverage to U of M faculty members between academic years, under certain conditions.

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