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HIGHLIGHTS

What is 'Session Weekly'?

Session Weekly is part of the Minnesota House of Representatives public information service. Each week it includes: 1) a list of bill introductions, 2) the weekly advance committee schedule, 3) House floor and committee action on bills, and 4) highlights of committee and House action.

Coverage of committee action will tell you if the committee recommended a bill to pass, pass as amended, recommended that a bill not pass, or rereferred it to another committee for further consideration.

Coverage of House action will follow what happens to bills on a calendar for action by the full House. (See "How a Bill Becomes a Law" in this issue.)

The House also has two call-in telephone lines: 1) "House Calls," a committee information line, (612) 296-9283, a recorded listing of committee meeting times and agendas; and 2) House Bill Status Line, (612) 297-1264, a recorded message of each day's committee action on bills.

For further help in following the Legislature, or for answers to general questions you may have, call the Minnesota House of Representatives Information Office, (612) 296-2146.

Minnesota House Opens 74th Session

"He was smart enough to get into law school, but had the good judgment to leave after a year," said Rep. Kathleen Blatz (IR-Bloomington), herself a newly admitted attorney, in her nomination of Rep. David Jennings (IR-Truman) for speaker of the Minnesota House. It was Tuesday, Jan. 8, the first day of the 74th legislative session.

Nominee for speaker on the DFL side was Rep. Willard Munger (DFL-Duluth), a 13-term veteran of the House and respected environmentalist. Jennings as nominee of the new IR majority, won the election on a 69-65 party-line vote.

The session focused on formalities—the election of the speaker, the swearing in of members, the election of House officers, and the adoption of temporary rules—all necessary to get the House ready for business as usual.

All revenue bills must originate in the House, and in the first year of the biennium, legislators will take up the major appropriations and tax bills. They'll also determine the state's budget for the next two years.

Under the state constitution, the Legislature can meet up to 120 "legislative" days each biennium, a legislative day being one on which either the House or Senate is in session. The '85 session is likely to last until May 20—the constitutional deadline for adjournment.

House committees will begin meeting Jan. 16. And the full House will convene on Monday and Thursday afternoons at 2 p.m. until the schedule requires daily meetings.

First House action

On Jan. 10, in one of the first actions of the 74th legislative session, the Minnesota House voted 67-59 against a motion to vote on a bill allowing the deductibility of individual retirement accounts (IRS's) on Minnesota income tax returns.

Author of the bill, HF31, Rep. Wes Skoglund (DFL-Mpls) made the motion to suspend the constitution and have an immediate vote on the \$64 million proposal.

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24-HOUR INFORMATION SERVICE

- To follow a bill from introduction, through committee action, to the governor's signature, call:

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Speaking against the motion was Rep. John Himle (IR-Bloomington) who said there was no emergency to pass the legislation prior to committee hearing and debate.

So far, legislators have introduced 31 bills. (See "Bill Introductions" in this issue.) Eighteen of those went to the Committee on Taxes, three to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration, and two each to the Local and Urban Affairs and Environment and Natural Resources Committees.

One bill each went to committees on: Agriculture, Governmental Operations, Education, General Legislation and Veterans Affairs, Judiciary, and Transportation. All committees meetings are open to the public.

The House will convene again on Thursday, Jan. 17 at 12 noon.

High Tech Conference

The Minnesota House of Representatives will not convene on Mon., Jan. 14 to allow legislators to attend the High Technology Conference at the Minnesota Science Museum on Jan. 14 and 15.

'State of the State is better' — Perpich

In the first prime-time broadcast of the State of the State message Gov. Rudy Perpich, Jan. 10, told legislators and television viewers about his vision for the state in the mid-1980's.

"The state of the state is greatly improved and getting better," said Perpich, updating his speech of two years ago when he called the state of the state "not good." Perpich says Minnesota has more people working now than ever before, an improving credit rating, money in the bank, and an economy that's turned around.

"The key to Minnesota's success," said Perpich, "lies in our ability to adapt the state to a nation and a world of profound change."

Perpich asked lawmakers to take action that he says would make the state more competitive: cut personal income taxes and simplify tax forms; control state spending and guarantee fiscal stability; improve education; and increase efforts in economic development and international trade.

The governor says his plan to cut personal income taxes would save Minnesotans \$604 million, and put the state at number 18 instead of number one in taxation in the 50 states, for some wage earners.

Budget plans for 1985-'86, says Perpich, include holding average spending increases to less than six percent a year, and keeping a \$500 million budget reserve. Perpich also announced his support of a constitutional amendment to require a balanced federal budget.

Calling education the "fuel that drives the engine of economic growth and job creation in American's modern society," Perpich touched on his "Access to Excellence" plan to improve the state's education system. He said his proposal will strengthen local control and allow parents and students to make more decisions about education.

Finally, Perpich pledged to continue to support those suffering from unemployment and troubles on the farm. "I will not rest in my efforts until all Minnesotans share in our improving economy," he said.



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The Session Weekly is a publication of the Minnesota House of Representatives Public Information Office. During the 1985 Legislative Session, each issue reports daily House action from Thursday (2 p.m.) to Thursday (2 p.m.), lists bill introductions and advance committee schedules, and provides other information. The publication is free to interested constituents. Contact: Minnesota House of Representatives Public Information Office, Room 9, State Capitol, St. Paul, MN 55155, (612) 296-2146.

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INFO

How a bill becomes a law

● **A bill is an idea** for a new law, or an idea to abolish or change an existing law. Several thousand bills enter the legislative process in Minnesota each time the Legislature meets.

● **Minnesota has a bicameral Legislature**, or two groups of elected citizens—senators in the Senate—representatives in the House of Representatives—who study, discuss, and vote on bills, acting for the people of Minnesota. Bills begin their legislative journey in either the House or Senate, or both. To become a law, all bills must pass both the House and Senate and go to the governor for his approval and signature.

● The Idea

Anyone can propose an idea for a bill—an individual, a consumer group, corporation, professional association, a governmental unit, the governor. Most ideas come from members of the Legislature. The revisor of statutes puts the ideas into proper legal form as a bill for introduction. Only legislators can introduce bills into the process.

● Chief Author

The legislator who sponsors and introduces the bill in the Legislature is the chief author. The chief author's name appears on the bill with the bill's file number to identify it as it moves through the legislative process. The chief author may select other authors, whose names also appear on the bill—no more than five authors on a bill.

● Introduction in the legislature

When the author introduces a bill in the House, it gets a House File

(HF) number (HF264, for example), indicating the chronological order of the bill's introduction. In the Senate the bill gets a Senate File (SF) (SF224, for example). Each HF usually has a companion SF in the Senate. All revenue-raising bills must begin in the House.

● Committee consideration

At introduction, the bill has its first reading (the Minnesota Constitution requires three readings for all bills—on three separate days). The presiding officer of the House or Senate refers it to an appropriate standing committee for committee action. All committee meetings are open to the public.

A committee may: recommend passage of a bill in its original form; recommend passage after amendment by the committee; or make no recommendation, in which case a bill may die when the session ends. After acting on a bill, the committee sends a report to the House or Senate, stating its actions and recommendations.

● General orders

After adoption of the committee report in the House and Senate, the bill has its second reading and goes onto General Orders of the Day. In the Committee of the Whole, legislators discuss bills on General Orders. They may debate the issues, adopt amendments, and present arguments. They may vote to recommend that a bill "do pass," recommend postponement, or recommend further committee action.

● Calendar

The calendar is a list of bills the Committee of the Whole recommends to pass. At this point a bill has its third reading. Amendments to the bill must have the unanimous consent of the entire body. Legislators vote on it for the final time.

By committee recommendation, non-controversial bills can by-pass General Orders and go directly onto a Consent Calendar, usually passing without debate. Every bill requires a majority vote of the full

membership of the House and Senate to pass.

● Conference committee

If the House and Senate do not agree on a bill, a conference committee of three to five senators, and an equal number of representatives, meets to reach an agreement. If both bodies then pass the bill in compromise form, it goes to the governor.

● Governor

When a bill arrives at the governor's office, he may: sign it, and the bill becomes law; veto it (return it, with a "veto message," stating his objections); pocket veto the bill (after final adjournment of the Legislature); exercise his right to line veto portions of appropriations bills.

If he does not sign or veto a bill within three days after receiving it, while the Legislature is in session, the bill becomes law.

1985 - 86 House of Representatives

Member directory — office rooms and phone numbers

District

10B Anderson, Bob (IR) Rm-335	296-4946
20A Anderson, Glen (DFL) Rm-281	296-4228
51A Backlund, Gordon (IR) Rm-529	296-5510
6A Battaglia, David (DFL) Rm-231	296-2190
56B Beard, Patrick W (DFL) Rm-549	296-3135
19A Becklin, Lynn (IR) Rm-337	296-5364
6B Begich, Joseph R (DFL) Rm-229	296-5063
53A Bennett, Tony (IR) Rm-379	296-2907
33B Bishop, David T (IR) Rm-583	296-0573
41B Blatz, Kathleen (IR) Rm-509	296-4218
27A Boerboom, Jim (IR) Rm-423	296-5374
8B Boo, Ben (IR) Rm-407	296-2228
62B Brandl, John E (DFL) Rm-311	296-4837
16B Brinkman, Bernard J (DFL) Rm-251	296-4373
11A Brown, Charles (Chuck) (DFL) Rm-211	296-4929
43A Burger, John (IR) Rm-411	296-9188
14B Carlson, Douglas W (IR) Rm-485	296-4308
9A Carlson, Joel (IR) Rm-531	296-5155
46B Carlson, Lyndon R (DFL) Rm-209	296-4255
60A Clark, Karen (DFL) Rm-225	296-0294
48A Clausnitzer, Dale A (IR) Rm-523	296-5502
64B Cohen, Richard J (DFL) Rm-273	296-5931
23A Dempsey, Terry (IR) Rm-537	296-9303
21B DenOuden, Gaylin (IR) Rm-381	296-4346
36A Dimler, Chuck (IR) Rm-539	296-1072
28A Dyke, Carol (IR) Rm-521	296-5505
5A Elioff, Dominic J (DFL) Rm-233	296-0170
47B Ellingson, Bob (DFL) Rm-221	296-3709
27B Erickson, Wendell O (IR) Rm-563	296-4336
11B Fjoslien, David (IR) Rm-471	296-4317
42B Forsythe, Mary M (IR) Rm-365	296-4363
24B Frederick, Marcel (Sal) (IR) Rm-525	296-5513
28B Frederickson, Dennis C (IR) Rm-429	296-5373
32A Frerichs, Don (IR) Rm-367	296-4378

61A Greenfield, Lee (DFL) Rm-223	296-0173
17B Gruenes, Dave (IR) Rm-571	296-6316
33A Gutknecht, Gil (IR) Rm-491	296-9249
38A Halberg, Charles C (IR) Rm-369	296-4212
50A Hartinger, John M (IR) Rm-413	296-5369
30A Hartle, Dean (IR) Rm-421	296-5368
31A Haukoos, Bob (IR) Rm-371	296-8216
45B Heap, Jim (IR) 409	296-7026
41A Himle, John (IR) Rm-453	296-7803
49B Jacobs, Joel (DFL) Rm-217	296-4231
7B Jaros, Mike (DFL) Rm-503	296-4246
29A Jennings, David (IR) Rm-463	296-3240
19B Jennings, Loren G (DFL) Rm-501	296-0518
34A Johnson, Virgil J (IR) Rm-487	296-1069
58B Kahn, Phyllis (DFL) Rm-389	296-4257
29B Kalis, Henry J (DFL) Rm-277	296-4240
67A Kelly, Randy C (DFL) Rm-307	296-42
18B Kiffmeyer, Ralph R (IR) Rm-431	296-5377
43B Knickerbocker, Gerald C (IR) Rm-443	296-4315
52B Knuth, Daniel J (DFL) Rm-345	296-0141
54B Kostohryz, Richard (DFL) Rm-349	296-4936
12B Krueger, Rick (DFL) Rm-215	296-3201
21A Kvam, Adolph L (IR) Rm-479	296-4344
55A Levi, Connie (IR) Rm-459	296-4124
2A Lieder, Bernie (DFL) Rm-315	296-5091
59A Long, Dee (DFL) Rm-387	296-0171
17A Marsh, Marcus (IR) Rm-449	296-7806
35B McDonald, K J (IR) Rm-437	296-8872
22A McEachern, Bob (DFL) Rm-203	296-4237
39A McKasy, Bert J (IR) Rm-403	296-6828
60B McLaughlin, Peter (DFL) Rm-321	296-7152
55B McPherson, Harriet (IR) Rm-527	296-5511
39B Matzen, James (DFL) Rm-545	296-4370

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	Rm-579	296-5066
5B	Minne, Lona (DFL)	
	Rm-243	296-0172
7A	Munger, Willard M (DFL)	
	Rm-283	296-4282
8A	Murphy, Mary (DFL)	
	Rm-259	296-2676
49A	Nelson, Darby (DFL)	
	Rm-301	296-1729
62A	Nelson, Ken (DFL)	
	Rm-317	296-4244
3A	Neuenschwander, Bob (DFL)	
	Rm-207	296-1188
65A	Norton, Fred C (DFL)	
	Rm-267	296-5158
66B	O'Connor, Rich (DFL)	
	Rm-357	296-7807
14A	Ogren, Paul Anders (DFL)	
	Rm-323	296-7808
44A	Olsen, Sally (IR)	
	Rm-559	296-3964
2B	Olson, Edgar (DFL)	
	Rm-553	296-4265
16A	Omann, Ben (IR)	
	Rm-581	296-6612
22B	Onnen, Tony (IR)	
	Rm-515	296-1534
66A	Osthoff, Tom (DFL)	
	Rm-597	296-4224
59B	Otis, Todd (DFL)	
	Rm-313	296-9281
37B	Ozment, Dennis (IR)	
	Rm-577	296-4306
55B	Pappas, Sandy (DFL)	
	Rm-241	296-9714
42A	Pauly, Sidney (IR)	
	Rm-451	296-7449
18A	Peterson, Jerome (DFL)	
	Rm-253	296-6746
24A	Piepho, Mark (IR)	
	Rm-565	296-3248
31B	Piper, Pat (DFL)	
	Rm-295	296-9248
10A	Poppenhagen, Dennis (IR)	
	Rm-401	296-5387
56A	Price, Leonard (DFL)	
	Rm-359	296-3018
50B	Quinn, Joe (DFL)	
	Rm-261	296-2439
23B	Quist, Allen (IR)	
	Rm-567	296-7065
32B	Redalen, Elton R (IR)	
	Rm-591	296-9278
36B	Rees, Tom (IR)	
	Rm-439	296-6926
46A	Rest, Ann H (DFL)	
	Rm-213	296-4176
57A	Rice, James I (DFL)	
	Rm-245	296-4262
12A	Richter, Don (IR)	
	Rm-575	296-4293
40B	Riveness, Phillip J (DFL)	
	Rm-327	296-7158
25B	Rodosovich, Peter (DFL)	
	Rm-551	296-8237
63A	Rose, John (IR)	
	Rm-585	296-4342
58A	Sarna, John (DFL)	
	Rm-353	296-4219
35A	Schafer, Gary L (IR)	
	Rm-557	296-8634
47A	Scheid, Linda (DFL)	
	Rm-593	296-3751
30B	Schoenfeld, Jerry (DFL)	
	Rm-201	296-8635
48B	Schreiber, William (IR)	
	Rm-543	296-4128
38B	Seaberg, Arthur W (IR)	
	Rm-377	296-3533
44B	Segal, Gloria (DFL)	
	Rm-393	296-9889
45A	Shaver, Craig (IR)	
	Rm-331	296-9934
34B	Sherman, Tim (IR)	
	Rm-477	296-8637
51B	Simoneau, Wayne (DFL)	
	Rm-239	296-4331
61B	Skoglund, Wes (DFL)	
	Rm-507	296-4330
3B	Solberg, Loren (DFL)	
	Rm-227	296-2365
1B	Sparby, Wally (DFL)	
	Rm-351	296-9918
53B	Stanius, Brad (IR)	
	Rm-329	296-5363
57B	Staten, Randolph W (DFL)	
	Rm-289	296-8659
26A	Sviggum, Steve (IR)	
	Rm-417	296-2273
13A	Thiede, Paul M (IR)	
	Rm-473	296-4333
4A	Thorson, Ted (IR)	
	Rm-533	296-5516
40A	Tjornhom, Chris (IR)	
	Rm-415	296-5375
67B	Tomlinson, John D (DFL)	
	Rm-303	296-4259
37A	Tompkins, Eileen (IR)	
	Rm-517	296-5506
1A	Tunheim, Jim (DFL)	
	Rm-287	296-9635
15A	Uphus, Sylvester (IR)	
	Rm-433	296-5185
9B	Valan, Merlyn O (IR)	
	Rm-375	296-6829
54A	Valento, Don (IR)	
	Rm-343	296-7153
25A	Vanasek, Robert E (DFL)	
	Rm-237	296-4229
64A	Vellenga, Kathleen (DFL)	
	Rm-279	296-8799
52A	Voss, Gordon (DFL)	
	Rm-255	296-4226
26B	Waltman, Bob (IR)	
	Rm-445	296-9236
15B	Welle, Alan W (DFL)	
	Rm-247	296-6206
13B	Wenzel, Stephen G (DFL)	
	Rm-291	296-4247
63B	Wynia, Ann (DFL)	
	Rm-309	296-3824
4B	Zaffke, Maurice J (IR)	
	Rm-569	296-2451

Offices in the State Office Building

1985 House of Representatives Standing Committee Schedule/by day

All meeting rooms are located in the State Office Building.

Monday	Chair
Appropriations	Forsythe
8 am	Room 200
Education	Erickson
8 am	Room 500S
Governmental Operations	Knickerbocker
8 am	Room 400N
Crime and Family Law	Blatz
10 am	Room 500N
Regulated Industries/Energy	Redalen
10 am	Room 500S
Education Finance Div./Ed.	Olsen, S.
12 noon	Room 500N
Labor-Management Relations	Heap
12 noon	Room 400S
Local Gov. Finance Div./Taxes	Dempsey
12 noon	Room 400N

Tuesday	Chair
Appropriations	Forsythe
8 am	Room 200
Governmental Operations	Knickerbocker
8 am	Room 400N
Taxes	Schreiber
8 am	Room 500S
Commerce/Economic Development	Bennett
10 am	Room 300N
Environment/Natural Resources	Rose
10 am	Room 500S
Health/Human Services	Onnen
10 am	Room 500N
Judiciary	Halberg
12 noon	Room 300N
Local/Urban Affairs	Valento
12 noon	Room 200

Wednesday	Chair
Appropriations	Forsythe
8 am	Room 200
Education	Erickson
8 am	Room 500S
Governmental Operations	Knickerbocker
8 am	Room 400N
Agriculture	McDonald
10 am	Room 400N
Crime and Family Law	Blatz
10 am	Room 500N
Financial Institutions/Insurance	Kvam
12 noon	Room 500S
Transportation	Carlson, D.
12 noon	Room 400S

Thursday	Chair
Appropriations	Forsythe
8 am	Room 200
Governmental Operations	Knickerbocker
8 am	Room 400N
Taxes	Schreiber
8 am	Room 500S
Commerce/Economic Development	Bennett
10 am	Room 300N
Environment/Natural Resources	Rose
10 am	Room 500S
Health/Human Services	Onnen
10 am	Room 500N
General Legislation/Veterans Affairs	Fjoslien
12 noon	Room 400N
Local/Urban Affairs	Valento
12 noon	Room 200

Friday	Chair
Taxes	Schreiber
8 am	Room 500S
Education Finance Div./Ed.	Olsen, S.
10 am	Room 500N

Divisions may meet when the full committee does not meet:

Appropriations:	Chair
Ag., Transportation & Semi-State Div.	Valan
Education Division	Haukoos
Human Services Division	Anderson, R.
State Departments Division	DenOuden
Joint Senate/House Subcomm. On Claims	Valan

Education:	Chair
Education Finance Division	(listed above)
Higher Education Division	Piepho

Labor-Management Relations:	Chair
Unemploy. Ins.—Workers' Comp. Div.	Sviggum

Taxes:	Chair
Local Government Finance Division	Dempsey

The **Budget Committee** (Jennings, D., Room 454) and the **Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration** (Levi, Room 400S) meet at the call of the Chair.



January 7 - 11, 1985

BILL INTRODUCTIONS

Bill Introductions

Thursday, Jan 10

HF1—Neuenschwander (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local government; establishing a procedure to consolidate the cities of International Falls and South International Falls; authorizing a special mill levy in the event of consolidation.

HF2—Pauly (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; adopting federal changes relating to interest on mortgage subsidy bonds; amending statutes.

HF3—Sviggum (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration

Legislature; redefining "legislative day" as any calendar day except Sunday; amending statutes.

HF4—Waltman (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; providing income tax incentives to landowners who sell or lease agricultural land to eligible beginning farmers; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF5—Wenzel (DFL)—Taxes

Motor vehicles; providing for free license plates for former prisoners of war; amending statutes.

HF6—Sviggum (IR)—Governmental Operations

Government operations; setting legislator's salaries; providing for the salaries of certain department and agency heads; amending statutes.

HF7—Dimler (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

HF8—Brinkman (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; exempting farm machinery; amending statutes.

HF9—Piepho (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration

A resolution memorializing Congress to call a constitutional convention to propose an amendment to the United States Constitution to require a balanced federal budget.

HF10—Dempsey (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

New Ulm; authorizing payment of health insurance costs for certain retired police officers.

HF11—Wenzel (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; abolishing the tax on charitable gambling; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF12—Dimler (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; abolishing the farm loss modifications; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF13—Olsen, S (IR)—Education

Education; discontinuing the revenue equity aid and levy formula; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF14—Knickerbocker (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

HF15—Wenzel (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; motor vehicle excise; reducing the general rate to five percent; amending statutes.

HF16—Wenzel (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; income; reducing the corporate rates; amending statutes.

HF17—Wenzel (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; changing the definition of capital equipment; exempting capital equipment and special tooling; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF18—Wenzel (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Game and fish; authorizing resident licenses for trainees at Camp Ripley during open seasons; amending statutes.

HF19—Knickerbocker (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration

A resolution memorializing Congress to call a constitutional convention to propose an amendment to the United States Constitution to require a balanced federal budget.

HF20—Wenzel (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

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

HF21—Simoneau (DFL)—Judiciary

Animals; increasing p



January 14 - 18, 1985

ADVANCE COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

All rooms are located in the State Office Building unless otherwise indicated. This schedule is subject to change. For information call House Calls at 296-9283, or contact Terri Hudoba at 296-2146. All meetings are open to the public.

PLEASE NOTE
TO ALL COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION CHAIRS: The deadline for all committee and commission meeting notices is **NOON ON THURSDAY OF EACH WEEK.** Please send notices in time for the Thursday publication deadline to House Information, Rm. 9, State Capitol.

Monday, January 14 &

Tuesday, January 15

No meetings are scheduled. All legislators will be attending the High Technology Conference at the Science Museum of Minnesota.

Wednesday, January 16
8:30 a.m.

APPROPRIATIONS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Mary Forsythe. Agenda: Organizational meeting.

10:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, Rm. 400N. Chr. Rep. K. J. McDonald. Agenda: Background information on the Dept. of Agriculture; Agriculture Extension Service; Soil & Water Conservation Board; and Water Resources Board.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW, Rm. 500N. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: Orientation and presentations from House Research, Dept. of Corrections, Dept. of Public Safety, and Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission.

12:00 noon

GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS, 5th Floor, Veterans Service Building. Chr. Rep. Dave Fjoslien. Agenda: Informal organizational meeting.

Thursday, January 17

8:00 a.m.

APPROPRIATIONS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Mary Forsythe. Agenda: Overview of department heads.

TAXES, Rm. 500S. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: Organizational meeting. HF2 (Pauly), allowing the Housing Finance Agency to sell tax exempt bonds.

10:00 a.m.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, Rm. 500N. Chr. Rep. Tony Onnen. Agenda: Organizational meeting. At 11:00 a.m., move to the Science Museum of Minnesota for the Minnesota Heart Association Program.

12:00 noon

The House will meet in Session.

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Majority Leader: Connie Levi
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HIGHLIGHTS

Appropriations hears two commissioners

Department Commissioners Sandra Hale of Administration and Gus Donhowe of the Finance presented their department overviews, requests, and highlights for the coming year to the full Appropriations Committee Jan. 17.

Hale said her department's mission is "to assure state departments spend wisely", and continue to manage the state government's information and telecommunication resources. Her budget request for fiscal year 1985 is \$31.6 million. Hale also introduced a new management program, "STEP," (Strive Toward Excellence in Performance) for improving efficiency of state agencies. She said, too, that the the employees' suggestion box yielded ideas worth \$600,000 in savings in 1984.

Donhowe announced his forecast for the state budget legislators will work on this session as they decide on state spending for the 1986-87 biennium. According to current projections, the state will have \$12 billion. Subtract from that the governor's proposed \$600 million tax cut and \$500 million reserve fund and the legislators have about \$11 billion to pay the state's way for the coming biennium.

MIA resolution gets committee approval

A resolution memorializing Congress and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam to take all possible action to determine the fate of service people missing in action (MIA's) got the approval of the General Legislation and Veterans Affairs Committee on Jan. 17.

Author Chuck Dimler (IR-Chanhassen) said the resolution, HF89, is "making a strong indication that Minnesotans wish to encourage the speedy compliance with the Paris Peace Accord that was signed on Jan. 27, 1973."

The Minnesota Chapter of the National League of Families is sponsoring a candlelighting ceremony on Sunday, Jan. 27, at the St. Paul Armory on behalf of those families who still have members missing in action in Southeast Asia, said Dimler.

According to the league, 2,483 Americans, including 50 Minnesotans remain unaccounted for. The bill now goes to the Rules Committee.

State employee pay system reviewed

On Jan. 17, members of the Governmental Operations Committee heard an overview of pay systems for state employees and heads of state agencies.

Mark Shepard, House Research staff, told members that about 90 percent of the state work force is unionized. Therefore, the majority of compensation setting takes place in a collective bargaining process the Legislature set up (the Public Employment Labor Relations Act).

The process goes like this: Union representatives and the commissioner of Employee Relations work out a bargaining agreement for any of the state's 16 bargaining units. The Legislative Commission on Employee Relations (LCER) reviews the agreement and gives it to the Legislature for approval. Bargaining takes place in odd-numbered years of the biennium.

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People in managerial positions come under the commissioner of Employee Relations' "Managerial Plan", Shepard says. Another "Commissioner's Plan" covers non-unionized state employees in miscellaneous fields, such as the Bureau of Mediation Services. Both plans need legislative approval.

The Legislature sets pay ranges (\$40,000 - \$70,000) for state agency heads, and the governor decides what commissioners' salaries will be. His salary recommendations then must get legislative approval.

Junior legislators meet

The 31st annual "Youth in Government" convention meets in the State Capitol Jan. 17-20. The Minnesota YMCA sponsors the convention to "encourage life-long, responsible citizenship." Twenty-five delegations attending include 800 high school students from all over the state.

Rep. Peter Rodosovich (DFL-Faribault), in his second year as state director of the Y's "Youth in Government" program, sees the program as an opportunity for participants to "understand the process and what it's like to be a legislator." Rodosovich is one of three former program participants currently in the Minnesota House of Representatives. The others are Craig Shaver (IR-Wayzata) and Mark Piepho (IR-Mankato).

Health and Human Services Committee organizes

The Health and Human Services Committee met for the first time Thursday, Jan. 17.

Chair Tony Onnen (IR-Cokato) said he wants the committee to play an important and realistic role in determining public policy.

To do this, Onnen created two subcommittees: Health Care and Social Services to allow people full opportunity to testify.

The full committee meets Tuesday, Jan. 22 at 10 a.m.

Committee OKs tax-free mortgage subsidy bonds

Holders of mortgage subsidy bonds would get tax free interest under a bill the House Tax Committee approved on Thursday, Jan. 17. Author Sidney Pauly (IR-Eden Prairie) said the state has previously allowed this interest tax free, but federal tax changes require Minnesota to pass HF2 if the policy is to continue.

Jim Solem, executive director of the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, said these bonds finance the low interest mortgage loans first-time home buyers receive from the state. Failing to adopt the bill would seriously jeopardize the program. Investors would find taxable bonds much less attractive than non-taxable bonds, he said.

The committee failed to adopt an amendment which would have made the interest on 1984 bonds taxable.

The bill now goes to the floor of the House.

Governmental Operations Committee hears from Pension Commission

"The Legislature established the Pension Commission as an interim commission in 1955 when Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) was going bankrupt, and there were no regular evaluations of how pension plans were functioning," said Karen Dudley. Dud-

ley, from the commission's staff, gave an overview of Minnesota's public pension plans to the House Governmental Operations Committee at a Jan. 16 meeting.

The Pension Commission became a permanent body in 1967. It's made up of five representatives and five senators (not yet appointed for this biennium). Dudley said duties include: studying public pension plans and funds; recommending action for sound pension policy; reporting to the Legislature; and analyzing legislation and amendments.

Monitoring the plans has become a big job over the years. At the end of fiscal year 1983, Dudley said, active pension fund members totaled 227,303; liability for all funds came to \$9.3 billion; and total assets amounted to \$5.8 billion. The \$9.3 billion is the expected value in benefits that funds will have to pay members after retirement.

Committee chair, Rep. Gerald Knickerbocker (IR-Hopkins), said the committee will meet the week of Jan. 21-25 to take up legislation the Senate's worked on dealing with the PERA leadership issue.



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Crime and Family Law becomes standing committee

For the past two years, the Criminal Justice Division of the Judiciary Committee heard issues relating to crime. This year, Crime and Family Law is a separate committee. Rep. Kathleen Blatz (IR-Bloomington), chair, says the committee will handle bills that give criminal penalties and deal with family issues, such as sexual abuse of children.

In a Jan. 16 organizational meeting, committee members heard from the departments of Corrections and Public Safety, Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission, and Attorney General's Office.

Commissioner of Corrections Orville Pung said the department employs 1,856 staff members, and runs on a 1985 budget of \$107 million (figures include federal funds). Pung said the department's responsible for a number of functions from operating prison systems and juvenile programs, to providing programs for battered women and sexual assault victims.

Debra Dailey of the Sentencing Guidelines Commission said a three-year study of the guidelines (enacted in 1980), shows they're achieving their goals. An increased number of offenders who commit crimes against other people go to jail; fewer property offenders get jail sentences; and sentences are more uniform.

The committee plans to take a look at Stillwater and Oak Park Heights prison facilities on Monday, Jan. 21.

House Ag Committee meetings begin

"Free, fair, and open discussion," is what Rep. K.J. McDonald (IR-Watertown), chair, said he expects from Agriculture Committee members this session.

McDonald outlined committee procedures and goals at a Jan. 16 meeting. And the committee heard

a briefing from the Department of Agriculture and the University of Minnesota's Agricultural Extension Service on their programs and services.

Rollin Dennistoun, deputy commissioner of the Department of Agriculture, said the department will introduce legislation that would change the family farm security program, and a bill on soil conservation this session.

Dennistoun said the department, the only state agency that deals with agriculture and agri-business, continues services in areas of trade and promotion, soil and water conservation, dairy and grain inspection, livestock licensing and weighing, and farm programs including the ag development grant program and the farm advocate program.

Pat Borich, dean of directors for the University's Agricultural Extension Service, told committee members that "helping farm families" is what the educational outreach program "is all about."

The nationally recognized Extension Service offers educational programs in: agriculture, home economics, 4H, and community and natural resource development.

New House members review law-making process

New House members reviewed the ins and outs of the legislative process at an orientation meeting with Chief Clerk Edward A. Burdick on Wednesday, Jan. 16.

Wednesday's session was part of a "Wednesday at 2" series of meetings to brief new members on the techniques of the legislative process. The meeting on the 16th began with a capsule history of the House chamber and a step-by-step look at the process a bill follows on its way to becoming Minnesota law.

Burdick explained the use of the sound and electronic voting systems in the House, the meaning of legislative terms, calendars, and parliamentary rules and procedures that make the process work.

The "Wednesday at 2" series of meetings for members continues on Jan. 23, 30, and Feb. 6 in the House chamber.

House members look at high technology industry

Legislators met with high tech industry leaders Jan. 14-15 to learn and to share ideas about the future of the industry in Minnesota.

The two-day seminar, "Minnesota's High Technology Industry — Its Impact: Now and in the Future," under the sponsorship of the Minnesota High Technology Council, the Office of Senate Counsel and Research, and the State Planning Agency, was part of Minnesota High Technology Week, Jan. 14-20.

The week began with panel discussions on the current and future role of high technology in Minnesota's economic development, and what the industry needs in order to grow and prosper in Minnesota. The state is currently "home" to more than 2100 high tech companies.

Discussions focused on: the character, scope, and trend of these industries; their impact on rural and urban Minnesota; and how the Legislature can help assure growth for the benefit of Minnesota residents.

The week ended with demonstrations at the Science Museum of Minnesota and tours of high technology industries in the area.

COMMITTEE ACTION

GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS

Thursday, Jan. 17

- **MIA Resolution HF89** (Dimler, IR-Chanhassen)-recommended to pass as amended and rereferred to the Committee on Rules and Administration. (See Highlight)

TAXES

Thursday, Jan. 17

- **Mortgage subsidy bonds/tax free interest HF2** (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie) - recommended to pass. (See Highlight)

INFO

Where to get answers

Chief Clerk's Office
Rm 211, State Capitol
St. Paul, MN 55155
(612) 296-2314

House Index Department
Rm 211, State Capitol
St. Paul, MN 55155
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House Information Office
Rm 9, State Capitol
St. Paul, MN 55155
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Legislators

Who represents you at the State Capitol?

The House Information Office can tell you which legislative district you live in, and who represents that district.

Legislators' districts, addresses, phone numbers, office locations, biographical details, and photos.

The House Information Office publishes the *Official Directory of the Minnesota Legislature* and the *Members Directory* with committee assignments. You can get copies in the House Information Office.

What legislation did your representative introduce?

The House Index Department has a Cathode Ray Tube (CRT) which shows information on a television-like screen. The CRT lists each member's name and the bills s/he sponsored in the current session. Staff members will help you use the CRT.

Where members sit in the House Chamber

The House Information Office publishes a *Seating Arrangement of the Minnesota Legislature* with members' photos.

United States Congress

The House Information Office can give you names of Minnesota's members of Congress.

To write your legislator, address him/her as follows:

The Honorable (name)
Minnesota House of Representatives
(or Minnesota Senate)
State Capitol
St. Paul, MN 55155

Dear Representative (or Senator)
name:

Bills

Need a copy of a bill?

The Chief Clerk's Office can give you copies of bills and resolutions.

Want to know a bill's author, status, or committee assignment?

The computerized House Index tracks all bills through the legislative process. You can get the information you want about bills on the CRT. House Index lists bills by committee and by over 150 topics (e.g. environment, taxes, education) on the CRT.

You can call the *House Bill Status Line*, a 24-hour recorded message on the day's committee action on bills, (612) 297-1264.

Which bills became law?

Bills that became law are on the CRT in House Index, and the House Information Office publishes brief summaries of new laws each session. Contact the Information Office to get on the mailing list for the summaries.

Committees

For committee meeting schedules

Call *House Calls*, (612) 296-9283, for a 24-hour recording of up-to-date information on committee schedules (time, place, and agendas). The House Information Office and the Chief Clerk's Office have copies of daily schedules.

Committee action during interim

The House Information Office summarizes committee action during the interim (the time between the end of one session and the beginning of the next) in *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. Both are available in the House Information Office and Chief Clerk's Office.

Government

The Legislature—how it works

The House Information Office has brochures on Minnesota and its government, including: *How a Bill Becomes a Law*; *Citizen's Participation Course*, a 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, how legislators make voting decisions, and an explanation of the differences between state and federal government.

For youngsters, the House 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.

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.

House Agendas

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

Structure of Government

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

Capitol Tours

The Minnesota Historical Society gives regular daily tours of the State Capitol, (612) 296-2881.

In the Senate

The Secretary of the Senate's Office (612) 296-2343 and Senate Index (612) 296-2887, Rm 231, State Capitol, provide services similar to the Chief Clerk's Office and House Index. The Senate Information Office, Rm B-29, State Capitol, (612) 296-0504, provides services similar to those of House Information. Call the *Senate Hotline*, (612) 296-8088, for committee meeting schedules.



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BILL INTRODUCTIONS

Bill Introductions

Thursday, Jan 10

(addition to Jan 7 - 11 bill listing)

HF21—Simoneau (DFL)—Judiciary

Animals; increasing penalties for certain cruel acts against animals; amending statutes.

HF22—Wenzel (DFL)—Transportation

Recreational vehicles; exempting recreational vehicles licensed for highway use from registration with the department of natural resources; amending statutes.

HF23—Simoneau (DFL)—Judiciary

Game and fish; allowing senior citizens to take small game and deer without licenses; amending statutes.

HF24—Neuenschwander (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

HF25—Scheid (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

HF26—Pappas (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

HF27—Staten (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

HF28—Schoenfeld (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

HF29—Osthoff (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

HF30—Elioff (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

HF31—Skoglund (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

Thursday, January 17

HF32—Redalen (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; providing a mechanism to aid restructuring existing farm loans; providing an interest reimbursement program to qualified banks; appropriating money; proposing new law.

HF33—Simoneau (DFL)—Labor/Management Relations

Labor; providing that contracts for loans include clauses which allow unemployed borrowers to make reasonable payments; requiring that employers provide notice of substantial changes in the number of people they employ; providing that employees can only be discharged for just cause; requiring that employers provide part-time employees the same fringe benefits as full-time employees on a pro rata basis; providing that workers engaged in approved training are eligible for unemployment compensation; requiring that corporations include employees on their board of directors; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF34—Redalen (IR)—Commerce

Liquor; use of Minnesota grown grapes by farm wineries; amending statutes.

HF35—Dimler (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; making certain changes in the family farm security program; amending statutes.

HF36—Jacobs (DFL)—Rules/Legislative Management

Legislature; reducing the number of members of the senate and house of representatives; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF37—Jacobs (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

HF38—Sparby (DFL)—Transportation

Transportation; motor vehicles; exempting certain farm vehicles from the vehicle identification rule; amending statutes.

HF39—Redalen (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; exempting the raising of horses from the farm loss modification; amending statutes.

HF40—Uphus (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Elections; changing the hours for voting in certain elections in towns; amending statutes.

HF41—Fjoslien (IR)—Transportation

Motor vehicles; exempting agricultural carriers from vehicle identification requirements; amending statutes.

HF42—Dempsey (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; eliminating accelerated payment of liability; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF43—Johnson (IR)—Judiciary

Commerce; providing for payment to a farm implement retailer by the manufacturer, wholesale, or distributor who repurchases inventory; requiring the payment of interest on overdue accounts; amending statutes.

HF44—Johnson (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Game and fish; allowing one deer to be taken by each method of hunting in any year; amending statutes.

HF45—Johnson (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Elections; authorizing certain municipalities to fix a later time for voting to begin; amending statutes.

HF46—Johnson (IR)—Education

Education; allowing financial aid after the time normally required to complete a bachelor's degree; amending statutes.

HF47—Lieder (DFL)—Transportation

Transportation; motor vehicles; exempting certain farm vehicles from the vehicle identification rule; amending statutes.

HF48—Lieder (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; sales; including replacement parts in the definition of farm machinery; amending statutes.

HF49—Boerboom (IR)—Education

Education; changing the basic maintenance mill rate to 20 mills; amending statutes.

HF50—Carlson, L (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

HF51—Simoneau (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; establishing a uniform defined contribution public employee retirement plan; proposing new law.

HF52—Kvam (IR)—Agriculture

Business regulation; requiring the commissioner of agriculture to find that reasonable economic necessity exists for the licensure and construction of new dairy processing plants; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF53—Fjoslien (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; reducing the rate of tax on farm machinery; including repair and replacement parts in the definition of farm machinery; amending statutes.

HF54—Kelly (DFL)—Education

Education; requiring post-secondary governing boards to develop procedures to facilitate the transfer of credit between institutions.

HF55—Olsen, S (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; providing a credit for home care of the elderly; amending statutes.

HF56—Piepho (IR)—Labor-Management Relations

Labor; creating an employees social responsibility act; providing penalties; proposing new law.

HF57—Olsen, S (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

HF58—Valan (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Town of Moorhead; allowing the town certain powers.

HF59—Valento (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; motor vehicle excise; reducing the general rate to five percent; amending statutes.

HF60—McEachern (DFL)—Education

Education; prohibiting school districts from beginning the school year before Labor Day; amending statutes.

HF61—Wenzel (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; exempting farm machinery and replacement parts; amending statutes.

HF62—Backlund (IR)—Education

Education; changing the basic maintenance mill rate to 20 mills; amending statutes.

HF63—Nelson, K (DFL)—Rules/Legislative Administration

Legislature; reducing the number of members of the senate and house of representatives; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF64—Nelson, K (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

HF65—Kvam (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; eliminating accelerated payment of liability; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF66—Erickson (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Elections; allowing certain municipalities to set shorter voting hours; amending statutes.

HF67—Kelly (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Judges; providing for the manner of filling vacancies in the office of judge; proposing new law.

HF68—McKasy (IR)—Judiciary

Trusts; eliminating the requirement of qualifying trustees in certain cases; amending statutes.

HF69—Gutknecht (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration

A resolution memorializing Congress to call a constitutional convention to propose an amendment to the United States Constitution to require a balanced budget.

HF70—Gruenes (IR)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; inclusion of librarians in the correctional officer's retirement plan; amending statutes.

HF71—Anderson, R (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of Fergus Falls; granting the city the powers of a port authority; requiring local approval.

HF72—Schafer (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration

A resolution memorializing Congress to call a constitutional convention to propose an amendment to the United States Constitution to require a balanced federal budget.

HF73—Schafer (IR)—Education

Education; prohibiting a school district from beginning the school year before Labor Day; amending statutes.

HF74—Backlund (IR)—Education

Independent School District Number 14, Fridley; allowing it to deposit certain excess proceeds from the sale of a building into the general fund.

HF75—Simoneau (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Human services; expanding the definition of mentally retarded person; requiring the commissioner of human services to include autistic children and adults in programs; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF76—Staten (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Financial institutions; prohibiting fees for checks cashed by medical assistance recipients or elderly persons; proposing new law.

HF77—Backlund (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

HF78—Staten (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; defining the crime of owning or operating a disorderly house; requiring a mandatory fine for a person owning or operating a disorderly house; amending statutes.

HF79—Schafer (IR)—Education

Education; increasing the weighting of kindergarten pupil units for those attending full day programs; amending statutes.

HF80—Cohen (DFL)—Rules/Legislative Administration

Legislature; reducing the number of members of the senate and house of representatives; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF81—Cohen (DFL)—Judiciary

Minnesota Constitution; providing for equality of rights under the law for men and women.

HF82—Valento (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration

Legislature; requiring action on tax bills to be taken before the 50th legislative day and action on general appropriations must be taken after that; proposing new law.

HF83—Forsythe (IR)—Judiciary

Courts; eliminating restrictions on the chief judge's ability to make assignments to juvenile court in Hennepin and Ramsey counties; amending statutes.

HF84—Simoneau (DFL)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Communications; providing for membership on the telecommunications council; amending statutes.

HF85—Brinkman (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Town of Santiago; authorizing the establishment of a detached banking facility.

HF86—Sparby (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; increasing survivor benefits payable by the Thief River Falls police relief association; amending statutes.

HF87—Staten (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Economic development; establishing a jobs program for unemployed youths; appropriating money; proposing new law.

HF88—Olsen, S (IR)—Education

Education; removing the age limits on the apportionment of the school endowment fund; amending statutes.

HF89—Dimler (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

A resolution memorializing the Governments of the United States and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam to take all possible actions to determine the fate of persons missing in action in Southeast Asia; join in with the families of those who are missing in the hope that their long wait will soon be over.

HF90—Rose (IR)—Governmental Operations

State government; creating the Council on Asian-Pacific Minnesotans; appropriating money; proposing new law.

HF91—Shaver (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Elections; providing for the preparation and availability of correct precinct lists; amending statutes.

HF92—Forsythe (IR)—Education

School districts; authorizing a capital expenditure levy for surplus school buildings used for community purposes; amending statutes.

HF93—Redalen (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; sales; including replacement parts in the definition of farm machinery; amending statutes.

HF94—Redalen (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; changing certain soil and water conservation priorities; amending statutes.

HF95—Wenzel (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; property; changing the assessment ratios for commercial and industrial property; amending statutes.

HF96—Dimler (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; exempting business equipment, including farm machinery, from the sales tax; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF97—Redalen (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Liquor; authorizing farm winery licensees to sell cheese and cheese spreads; amending statutes.

HF98—Knickerbocker (IR)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; expanding the availability of certain appropriations for actuarial services.

HF99—Dimler (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; sales; providing a reduced rate for business equipment, including farm machinery; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF100—Beard (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Alcoholic beverages; increasing the age for licensing, sale, purchase, consumption, possession, and furnishing of alcoholic beverages; amending statutes.

HF101—Simoneau (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Health; establishing a system for the provision of health care services for unemployed workers; proposing new law.

HF102—Schafer (IR)—Crime/Family Life

Alcoholic beverages; increasing the age for licensing, sale, consumption, possession, and furnishing; amending statutes.

HF103—Wenzel (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; property; providing state paid re-funds for homestead agricultural property.

HF104—Wenzel (DFL)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Regulated industries; authorizing certain organizations to conduct lawful gambling; authorizing local units of government to regulate this activity; amending statutes; proposing new law; repealing statutes.

HF105—Anderson, G (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; property; providing state paid re-funds for homestead agricultural property.

HF106—Heap (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Alcoholic beverages; increasing the age for licensing, sale, purchase, consumption, possession, and furnishing of alcoholic beverages; amending statutes.

HF107—Sviggum (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; allowing an income tax credit for pollution control feedlot equipment purchased during tax years 1983 and 1984.

HF108—Sviggum (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; exempting admissions to school events; amending statutes.

HF109—Himle (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

HF110—Knickerbocker (IR)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; public employees retirement association; setting the salary range of the executive director; changing the membership of the board; providing qualifications for the executive director; requiring advice and consent of the senate for appointment of the executive director; providing that public employees retirement association is a state agency in the executive branch; defining the duties of the board; ending the terms of current board members; defining the duties of the executive director; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF111—Sviggum (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration

Government operations; regulating salaries and benefits of legislators, constitutional officers, and judges; amending statutes; repealing statutes.



January 21 - 25, 1985

ADVANCE COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

All rooms are located in the State Office Building unless otherwise indicated. This schedule is subject to change. For information call House Calls at 296-9283, or contact Terri Hudoba at 296-2146. All meetings are open to the public.

PLEASE NOTE

TO ALL COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION CHAIRS: The deadline for all committee and commission meeting notices is **NOON ON THURSDAY OF EACH WEEK.** Please send notices in time for the Thursday publication deadline to House Information, Rm. 9, State Capitol.

Monday, January 21**8:00 a.m.**

APPROPRIATIONS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Mary Forsythe. Agenda: Dept. of Corrections, overview; Dept. of Economic Security, overview; Dept. of Employee Relations, trends in state employment.

EDUCATION, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Wendell Erickson. Agenda: Organizational meeting; presentations by education groups.

8:30 a.m.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: PERA reorganization.

9:30 a.m.

RULES & LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATION, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Connie Levi. Agenda: To be announced.

10:00 a.m.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW, Tour. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: Tour the prisons at Stillwater and Oak Park Heights. (Meet in the parking area west of the State Office Building shortly before 10:00 a.m.)

REGULATED INDUSTRIES & ENERGY, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Elton Redalen. Agenda: Introduction to Public Utility Regulation, House Research. General overview from Public Utilities Commission and Dept. of Public Service.

12:00 noon

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/Education, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Sally Olsen. Agenda: Executive Summary: "Minnesota School Finance - A Guide for Legislators" December 1984.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Jim Heap. Agenda: Organizational meeting. Presentation by Ken Dau-Schmidt, House Research Legislative Analyst. General overview of Labor-Management Relations committee.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: Background discussion on Local Government Aid, Stephen Hinze, Legislative Analyst, House Research. Information concerning the fiscal health of cities, and an overview of "Report of the State Auditor on the Revenues, Expenditures, and Debt of the Cities in Minnesota." Speaker: Arne Carlson, State Auditor.

1:00 p.m.

AGRICULTURE, St. Paul Armory. Chr. Rep. K.J. McDonald. Agenda: Public testimony on the farm financial crisis.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

Tuesday, January 22**8:00 a.m.**

APPROPRIATIONS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Mary Forsythe. Agenda: Dept. of Health, overview; Dept. of Human Services, overview.

TAXES, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: Dept. of Finance revenue projection for next biennium.

8:30 a.m.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: PERA reorganization.

10:00 a.m.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Organizational meeting.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, Rm.

500 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Onnen. Agenda: Presentation and discussion of MN Dept. of Health programs.

12:30 p.m.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE/WORKER'S COMPENSATION DIVISION/Labor-Management Relations, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Steve Sviggum. Agenda: Introductory meeting featuring an overview of the Unemployment Compensation program by Barbara Beerhalter, Commissioner, Dept. of Economic Security, and Ken Dau-Schmidt, House Research Legislative Analyst.

12:45 p.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Tour. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Tour MN Zoological Gardens, Apple Valley MN. Meet at Rm. 381; tour begins approximately 1:30 p.m.



Wednesday, January 23

8:00 a.m.

APPROPRIATIONS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Mary Forsythe. Agenda: Higher Education Coordinating Board, overview; Dept. of Education, overview; University of Minnesota, overview.

EDUCATION, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Wendell Erickson. Agenda: Continuation of presentations by educational groups.

10:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. K.J. McDonald. Agenda: "Crisis in farm management." Speakers include Phil Raup, University of Minnesota; representatives from the Dept. of Agriculture and Financial Institutions Division/Dept. of Commerce; and testimony from various banking organizations and farm organizations.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Tour. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Tour Dept. of Human Rights. Meet at Rm. 381; tour begins at 10:15 a.m.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: House Research and Dept. of Public Safety presentation on DWI.

12:00 noon

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Adolph Kvam. Agenda: Presentation: "Why should the State regulate the insurance industry?" Speaker: Professor C. Arthur Williams, University of Minnesota's School of Management.

TRANSPORTATION, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Doug Carlson. Agenda: Introduction of members and staff; staff overview; and presentation of "Highway Study Commission" report.

1:15 p.m.

APPROPRIATIONS, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Mary Forsythe. Agenda: Dept. of Finance overview continued.

3:00 p.m.

BUDGET, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Dave Jennings. Agenda: Presentation by the Finance Department on Revenue Projections for the coming biennium.

Thursday, January 24

8:00 a.m.

APPROPRIATIONS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Mary Forsythe. Agenda: Dept. of Agriculture, overview; Dept. of Natural Resources, overview.

TAXES, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: Overview of Minnesota Tax Study Commission report.

8:30 a.m.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: PERA reorganization.

10:00 a.m.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: Informational meeting.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. John Rose. Agenda: Introductory meeting.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Onnen. Agenda: Presentation and discussion of MN Dept. of Human Services programs.

12:00 noon

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: Informational meeting on State and Local relationships, Gary Currie, House Research; and State and Metro relationships, Tom Todd, House Research.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

Friday, January 25

9:00 a.m.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS, Tour. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: Special MWCC tour. (Meet the bus at the South entrance of the State Office Building.)



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HIGHLIGHTS

Seminar for legislators

For legislators and staff:
“Groundwater: A Renewable Resource for Economic Development in Minnesota”, a seminar at the Science Museum of Minnesota in St. Paul.

The date: Wednesday, February 6. The time: 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The cost: \$20 for legislators and other government employees. Fee includes materials, lunch, and reception. For information call (612) 221-9438.

Seminar topics are: current issues and economic implications of groundwater use and protection in the state; legislative concerns in the monitoring of groundwater; groundwater as a renewable resource, its potential uses, and its role in future economic development in the state.

Speakers include: “Mr. Groundwater”, Dr. Jay Lehr, president of the National Waterwell Association; Calvin Alexander of the University of Minnesota; Linda Bruemmer, State Planning Agency; and Jerrold Peterson from the U of M, Duluth. All are specialists in their fields, ranging from geology, geophysics, and hydrology to economics.

Sponsors are: The Minnesota Science and Technology Resource Council and The Science Museum of Minnesota, in cooperation with the Minnesota House Research Office, the Legislative Reference Library, the State Planning Agency, and the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.

Business issues

On Jan. 24, members of the Commerce and Economic Development Committee had a briefing

on issues they can expect to confront this session. The committee covers the areas of consumer affairs, economic development, and business regulation (including liquor laws), and housing.

Issues to expect include: updating Minnesota liquor laws; the sale of wine in grocery stores; raising the drinking age to 21; corporate takeover law; credit card interest charge; small business legislation; manufactured homes; and state housing programs, according to members of the House Research staff.

The committee meets Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10 a.m.

Tax study commission

Minnesota’s current tax system “hides more than it reveals,” says St. Paul Mayor George Latimer. Latimer chairs the governor’s 16-member Tax Study Commission, and he and other commission members gave the Tax Committee a general review of their findings and recommendations at a Jan. 24 meeting.

“This is a great opportunity for us in a bipartisan way to reform this tax policy and make it more plain, more competitive, and more fair,” said Latimer. The commission studied tax policies for the past 18 months. Its recommendations present a major overhaul of the state’s tax system.

The report calls for sharply reduced personal income taxes, extension of the sales tax to clothing and personal services, simplification of property taxes, and other changes. The committee plans several more hearings to study the report in depth.

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Rep. Gordon Voss (DFL-Blaine) questioned one of the commission's goals - distributing the tax burden according to benefits received and ability to pay - and the commission's recommendations. Voss said expanding the sales tax would hurt those who could least afford it. Latimer said the commission findings disagreed. Its study showed an expanded sales tax would be slightly more progressive, taxing consumers on their ability to pay.

PERA

Throughout the week, the House Governmental Operations met to determine the fate of the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) board. On Jan. 21, Senate Committee Aide Mike Norton briefed House members on Senate findings about PERA.

Norton said the PERA acting interim director, now under suspension with pay, the former executive director, and some board members were responsible for numerous abuses and questionable practices.

On Jan. 23, Rep. Gerald Knickerbocker (IR-Hopkins) presented to the committee a proposal he said will help restore confidence in the organization among PERA retirees. Knickerbocker said, at this point, he wants to look at the issue of board reorganization and set personalities aside.

Knickerbocker's proposal would abolish the current 15-member board, and replace it with 11 members—5 elected, 5 appointed, and the state auditor. The Senate version of the bill calls for a 7-member appointed board.

In a Jan. 24 meeting, members discussed the board makeup and whether members should be appointed, elected, or a combination of both.

Carol Ogren, an elected minority member on PERA's divided board, supports appointment. "I think the elective process only works when there's an informed electorate. Under the present situation, I don't know how you can have an informed electorate voting for members of the PERA board," says Ogren.

The committee meets next week to hear further testimony and take up reorganization legislation.

Highways

Highway jurisdiction—the question of who owns the roads and who ought to own them is an issue as old as the century, John Williams told members of the Transportation Committee Jan. 23.

Williams, a staffer from the House Research Office, reviewed a report the Highway Study Commission put together. It covers such areas as highway financing, road network, and the history of the state highway systems.

The report noted that Minnesota has too many roads with inappropriate jurisdiction; it recommends the Legislature set up a jurisdiction realignment process.

In other business, the committee passed a resolution memorializing Congress to enact an Interstate Cost Estimate bill.

Agricultural trends

Members of the House Agriculture Committee tracked agricultural trends at its Jan. 23 meeting.

Staff members from state departments, farm businesses and groups, and lending institutions warned members that Minnesota could lose 1300 farmers in the next two years if farm prices continue to drop, operating costs and land prices continue to climb and fall, farm debts go unpaid, and interest rates stay on the upswing.

Carroll Rock, Department of Agriculture, said trends show most farmers earn more income off the farm than on. He said farm income which peaked in 1973, has not kept pace with inflation in the state. Rock said interest expenses and rising farm costs take up most of the pay farmers do get.

Outlining farmland price trends, Dr. Phillip Raup, University of Minnesota, said the state has now come out of the worst inflation in land values. Land that once sold for \$1310 per acre in 1981, has now dropped to below \$1000 per acre.

Raup warned legislators that using a meat-axe to solve a problem (land price declines) that calls for a scalpel is going to risk doing more damage. He calls for a write-down in interest rates and debt renegotiation.

Lenders at the meeting pledged their continued support and commitment to Minnesota agriculture. Others shared their views on some of the farm issues legislators will hear this session.



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Pressure on schools

For the first time since 1967, public school enrollments have increased in Minneapolis and are likely to go up throughout the state. Minnesota kindergarten enrollments are also climbing fast.

Growing numbers of children with learning problems, large numbers of student pregnancies, and a steady influx of out-of-state children with learning difficulties will continue to put increasing pressure on Minnesota's public education system.

These were some of the concerns public education groups aired at the Education Committee's meeting Jan. 23 as committees continue to gather background information on legislative issues they'll need to act on this session.

The Education Committee next meets at 8 a.m., Monday, Jan. 28.

Higher education funding

The extension of state scholarship funds to older and part-time students was one of the proposals of Dr. David Longanecker of the Higher Education Coordinating Board. Longanecker appeared before the Minnesota House Appropriations Committee Jan. 23.

Scholarship money for part-time students would go up from \$600,000 to \$9 million under the proposal. And Longanecker said funds would be "targeted to those who need it most" and that "we have to increase quality and define standards and let the students know early what is involved in a post-secondary education." The state plans to give out \$110 million in loans and grants in 1985.

Commissioner of Education Ruth Randall's budget request was for \$23 million in state funds for 1985. She also introduced to the committee the Governor's Education Plan which would ultimately return most responsibility for student curriculum and education to local districts.

Ken Keller, interim president of the University of Minnesota, presented his institution's requests, including \$120 million for capital improvements. Buildings would include electrical engineering centers in Minneapolis and Duluth and an animal sciences building.

Keller said the University ranks last or near the bottom among Big Ten schools in spending on equipment, faculty, students, engineering, physical science, and computer science. He said the system "will need a 12 percent increase or \$100 million in addition to the \$870 million base to stand still, to simply not lose any ground, and an additional 12 percent to deal with the quality issue of the instructional problem."

DWI laws are not new

Drunk driving laws have been on Minnesota's law books since 1911. In 1957, the law included the concept of blood-alcohol concentrations and illegal levels. Four years later, the state adopted the implied-consent law. Under implied consent, arrested motorists can lose their licenses for refusing to take a chemical test for drunkenness.

In a Jan. 23 meeting of the House Crime and Family Law Committee, House Research analysts gave committee members a historical account of DWI laws, and talked about the impact recent legislation is having.

Currently, drivers with an alcohol concentration of .10 or more, or who drive under the influence of alcohol, are subject to criminal penalties, such as jail or fines, and stand a chance of losing their licenses. And, drivers who refuse chemical testing lose their licenses for a year.

House researchers say changing social attitudes about drinking and driving and the fear of getting caught are increasing public awareness on the issue. As a result, many people have changed their drinking and driving habits and influencing others to do the same.

Though DWI arrests have stayed about the same, researchers said their studies of public perceptions, professionals' observations, and statistics show the number of people drinking and driving is down.

State budget outlook

Forecasting how much revenue the state will have for the 1986-87 biennium got the attention of both the House Tax and Budget Committees during the third week of the session. Finance Commissioner Gus Donhowe presented the state's budget outlook to the legislators at Jan. 22 and 23 committee hearings.

Donhowe projects that the state will have \$12 billion for the next biennium, with \$500 million for a reserve, \$600 million for a tax cut, and \$11 billion for spending. The \$11 billion for spending represents a 12.8 percent increase over last biennium.

Speaker David Jennings (IR-Truman), chair of the newly created House Budget Committee, said the committee plans to look at the state's revenue picture and what the economy is likely to do over the next couple of years, and then come to some decision as to what the state budget should be. The committee will then adopt a resolution on that budget.

Jennings said the Budget Committee and the budget resolution is a "bit of an experiment in Minnesota, but we believe it is a responsible approach . . . that will bring better revenue planning to the budget process."

The Budget Committee will meet next week to review the governor's proposed budget along with responses to the budget. Commissioner Donhowe said his department will release the budget on Monday, Jan. 28.

Unemployment insurance

"Workers' compensation is going to take a back seat to unemployment insurance this session," Subcommittee Chair Steve Sviggum (IR-Kenyon) said at the first meeting of the Minnesota House of Representatives Unemployment Insurance-Workers' Compensation Division.

The system could be as much as \$300 million in debt by April of this year; Rep. Jim Heap (IR-Plymouth) said that although the compensation debt is seasonal, "unless something changes the system is doomed to debt."

Health and human services

"Smoking related diseases are the primary cause of death in Minnesota," announced Sister Mary Madonna Ashton, Commissioner of Health. She appeared before the Minnesota House Appropriations Committee to present an overview of her department Jan. 22. According to Ashton the three primary causes of death in the state are cancer, heart disease, and stroke.

Ashton also introduced six major issues her department plans to push for in the session:

- omnibus nonsmoking bill
- block grant funds for maternal and child health care
- community health service subsidy
- licensure of home health care
- swing bed limit and licensure
- mosquito control study and program

Commissioner Len Levine of the Human Services Department reviewed the department's structure. "Welfare programs are designed to be short term, our programs are structured to promote independence and self-sufficiency," he said.

The total 1984 spending for the Human Services Department was \$1.9 billion, of this, the state provided \$845 million.

Levine cautioned lawmakers about the economical affects of the rising number of aged in our society. Aid to nursing homes and to people over 65 make up nearly 45% of the medical assistance payments. Their numbers of older Minnesotans will continue to grow, said Levine. By the year 2010 the number of women in that age group will be up 250 percent from 1985, he said.

Environment program

A \$603 million, ten-year program to improve the state's \$1 billion-a-year hunting and fishing industry is coming up for consideration in the House Environmental and Natural Resources Committee. That's what Rep. John Rose (IR-Roseville), chair of the committee, told reporters at a Jan. 22 press conference where he outlined the committee's session agenda.

Changes to the state's hazardous waste superfund law, now under discussion in a governor's task force, and remedies to the sewer overflow problems in the metro area are among other issues that will also go on the agenda, Rose said.

The committee will look, too, into a proposal that would mean an added six cents to the tax on leaded gas, he said.

"The potential for causing lead poisoning is of great concern for many people, particularly in the metro area. It is suspected that brain damage in children is caused by the continued use of leaded gas," said Rose.

He said alternatives to the six-cent increase include lower taxes on unleaded gasoline, or a combination of the two options.

In addition to those four issues, Rose said other upcoming legislation may deal with trespassing laws relating to hunters and fishermen, peatlands, landfills, and recreation laws.

Health Economics Office

"We are becoming very aware that no matter how good our services are, unless they're affordable and accessible to the people in the state, they have very little meaning," says Sister Madonna Ashton, Minnesota Department of Health Commissioner.

She made her comments when she explained the recent establishment of the Health Economics Office to the Health and Human Resources Committee at its Jan. 22 meeting.

Other Health Department officials at the meeting described functions and goals of the department and answered committee members' questions.

State departments report

"One of the most unique and modern maximum security facilities in the nation" is Orville Pung's description of Minnesota's new Oak Park Heights maximum security prison.

Pung, commissioner of Corrections, was one of three commissioners who reported on the health and well being of their departments at a Monday, Jan. 21 meeting of the full Appropriations Committee. He said that Minnesota has one of the smallest prison populations in the country and a low 20 percent rate of people who return after release (over a period of three years). It also has 30 percent of the prison population working in the prison industry.

Barbara Beerhalter, commissioner, Department of Economic Security, says her department, needs \$330 million for fiscal year 1985. The state will provide \$80 million, this includes funding of MEED, the Minnesota Emergency Employment Development program.

The department helps with the problems of the unemployed and disadvantaged in the state. And Beerhalter said, in Minnesota, the increase in the number of single parent families is the largest single cause of growth in numbers of people living below the poverty line.

Nina Rothchild, commissioner, Department of Employee Relations, announced that Minnesota has fewer public employees per population than the national average. She also said the number of minorities in the state work force and women in managerial positions in state employment has gone up.

Utility rates

Utility regulations was the topic of the first meeting of the Regulated Industries and Energy Committee Jan. 21.

Cynthia Kitlinski, chair of Public Utility Commission (PUC) and Commissioner Ray Bohn of the Department of Public Service (DPS) briefed committee members on day-to-day functions.

Kitlinski said the commission regulates the rates and practices of the state's 301 gas, electric, and telephone utility companies and reviews requests for rate increases from these companies.

After the commission reviews the request, she said DPS begins investigations to enforce the commission's order. The department, which until 1980 was part of one organization with the Utility Commission, works to protect Minnesota ratepayers from unfair rates.

Plus its regulatory duties, the department and commission govern such matters as:

- miscellaneous tariff changes
- fuel and purchased energy adjustments
- depreciation certification
- cold weather rule

The department also has a Weights and Measures Division that handles commercial weighing and measuring transactions.

Farm crisis rally

After their hour-long farm rally on the Capitol steps, many farmers on Jan. 21, piled into the St. Paul Armory where members of the Agriculture Committee set up microphone and podium to continue hearing public testimony on the farm crisis.

At the Armory, farmers told members that they need their help. They asked legislators to support a moratorium for agriculture, to give them a fair price for their crops, lower loan interest rates, guarantee farm operating loans, and help them restructure farm debt.

The committee will hear more about the farm crisis when it meets with the Groundswell Farm Crisis Group.

More on the farm crisis

"The people of rural America are suffering severe financial stress," rally organizer Bobbi Polzine told an overflow crowd at the State Capitol Jan. 21. The rallying farmers, businesspeople, and supporters, an estimated 10,000 people, came to call attention to Minnesota's troubled farm industry.

Among the group's demands is a moratorium on farm, home, and business foreclosures, a program of guaranteed farm operating loans, and support for high enough prices on farm products to give farmers a 15 percent return on production.

Polzine says the goal of the Groundswell group, organizers of the rally, is to reclaim rural Minnesota for family farmers, independent businesspeople, and laborers, and to fight social and economic injustice.

"We're threatened by corporate control of our nation's food supply and economic disaster in our rural communities," says Polzine.

Gov. Perpich and legislative leaders at the rally pledged to work with farmers for improved policies at the state and federal levels.

Perpich said he planned to appoint a panel of farm leaders, legislators, and lenders to review the group's requests and make recommendations on farm relief to the Legislature.

After the rally, some attended a meeting of the House Agriculture Committee, while others visited the offices of state representatives and senators.

Budgeting for education

At a Monday meeting, the House Education Committee re-emphasized the role of education in Minnesota.

Noting that 41% of the 1984 state budget went to education, Chair Wendell Erickson (IR-Hills) said education is the single most important function of state government.

Rep. Gloria Segal (DFL-St. Louis Park) also pledged her continuing strong support for "Minnesota's fantastic education system."

COMMITTEE ACTION

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

Wednesday, Jan. 23

- **PERA reorganization**
HF110 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—
Heard. (See Highlight)

Thursday, Jan. 24

- **PERA reorganization**
HF110 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—
Heard. (See Highlight)

RULES & LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATION

Monday, Jan. 21

- **Legislative pay and pension**
HF111 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)-referred to Governmental Operations.

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Dyke-R	Piepho-R
Frerichs-R	Rivenness-D
Heap-R	Sarna-D
Himle-R	Seaberg-R
Jacobs-D	Solberg-D
McLaughlin-D	Sparby-D
Marsh-R	Thorson-R
Murphy-D	Tjornhom-R
O'Connor-D	Zaffke-R

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CRIME & FAMILY LAW**(22 members)****Mon, Wed, 10 am, Rm 500N****Information 296-5994****Blatz-R, Chair****Marsh-R, Vice Chair**

Clausnitzer-R	Rest-D
Greenfield-D	Rose-R
Hartinger-R	Seaberg-R
Jaros-D	Segal-D
Kelly-D	Sherman-R
Kiffmeyer-R	Stanius-R
Lieder-D	Staten-D
Nelson, K-D	Thorson-R
Ozment-R	Valento-R
Pappas-D	Vellenga-D

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EDUCATION**(29 members)****Mon, Wed, 8 am, Rm 500S****Information 296-5992****Erickson-R, Chair****Gruenes-R, Vice Chair**

Backlund-R	Piepho-R
Beard-D	Price-D
Elioff-D	Quinn-D
Hartle-R	Rees-R
Heap-R	Schafer-R
Kiffmeyer-R	Segal-D
Kostohryz-D	Sherman-R
Levi-R	Solberg-D
McEachern-D	Thiede-R
Nelson, D-D	Thorson-R
Nelson, K-D	Tompkins-R
Olsen, S-R	Tunheim-D
Omann-R	Wenzel-D
Otis-D	

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EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/**Education****(10 members)****Monday, 12 noon, Rm 500N****Information 296-9710****Olsen, S-R, Chair****Schafer-R, Vice Chair**

Backlund-R	Nelson, K-D
Erickson-R	Rees-R
Kostohryz-D	Thiede-R
McEachern-D	Wenzel-D

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HIGHER EDUCATION**DIVISION/Education****(20 members)****Information 296-4279****Piepho-R, Chair****Sherman-R, Vice Chair**

Beard-D	Omann-R
Elioff-D	Otis-D
Erickson-R	Price-D
Gruenes-R	Quinn-D
Hartle-R	Segal-D
Heap-R	Solberg-D
Kiffmeyer-R	Thorson-R
Levi-R	Tompkins-R
Nelson, D-D	Tunheim-D

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ENVIRONMENT &**NATURAL RESOURCES****(26 members)****Tues, Thur, 10 am, Rm 500S****Information 296-7435****Rose-R, Chair****Thiede-R, Vice Chair**

Backlund-R	McDonald-R
Battaglia-D	McPherson-R
Becklin-R	Munger-D
Begich-D	Nelson, D-D
Carlson, D-R	Neuenschwander-D
DenOuden-R	Richter-R
Fjoslien-R	Schafer-R
Hartinger-R	Schoenfeld-D
Jennings, L-D	Shaver-R
Kahn-D	Skoglund-D
Krueger-D	Vanasek-D
Long-D	Waltman-R

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FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS**& INSURANCE****(26 members)****Wednesday, 12 noon, Rm 500S****Information 296-5397****Kvam-R, Chair****Rees-R, Vice Chair**

Blatz-R	McKasy-R
Boo-R	Metzen-D
Brinkman-D	Olsen, S-R
Burger-R	Otis-D
Carlson, L-D	Poppenhagen-R
Ellingson-D	Scheid-D
Halberg-R	Sherman-R
Hartle-R	Skoglund-D
Haukoos-R	Valan-R
Kalis-D	Voss-D
Knickerbocker-R	Wenzel-D
Kostohryz-D	Wynia-D

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GENERAL LEGISLATION &**VETERANS AFFAIRS****(20 members)****Thursday, 12 noon, Rm 400N****Information 296-5388****Fjoslien-R, Chair****Shaver-R, Vice Chair**

Backlund-R	Minne-D
Brown-D	Osthoff-D
Dimler-R	Price-D
Frederick-R	Quinn-D
Gutknecht-R	Richter-R
Hartinger-R	Scheid-D
Kiffmeyer-R	Simoneau-D
Kostohryz-D	Thorson-R
Metzen-D	Uphus-R

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GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS**(28 members)****Mon-Thur, 8 am, Rm 400N****Information 296-5379****Knickerbocker-R, Chair****Waltman-R, Vice Chair**

Bennett-R	McDonald-R
Burger-R	McPherson-R
Clark-D	O'Connor-D
Clausnitzer-R	Ozment-R
Dyke-R	Piper-D
Frederick-R	Richter-R
Frederickson-R	Riveness-D
Gutknecht-R	Rodosovich-D
Hartinger-R	Simoneau-D
Kelly-D	Sparby-D
Knuth-D	Swiggum-R
Krueger-D	Vellenga-D
Long-D	Welle-D

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HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**(24 members)****Tues, Thurs, 10 am, Rm 500N****Information 296-5507****Onnen-R, Chair****Quist-R, Vice Chair**

Boo-R	Kvam-R
Brandl-D	McEachern-D
Burger-R	Ozment-R
Carlson, J-R	Piper-D
Clark-D	Rodosovich-D
Clausnitzer-R	Segal-D
Elioff-D	Stanius-R
Greenfield-D	Swiggum-R
Gruenes-R	Uphus-R
Jaros-D	Vellenga-D
Kiffmeyer-R	Welle-D

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517 State Office Building	296-5507

JUDICIARY

(20 members)

Tuesday, 12 noon, Rm 300N

Information296-5319

Halberg-R, Chair

McKasy-R, Vice Chair

Backlund-R	McPherson-R
Bishop-R	Onnen-R
Cohen-D	Pappas-D
Dempsey-R	Quinn-D
DenOuden-R	Quist-R
Ellingson-D	Rees-R
Forsythe-R	Rest-D
Kelly-D	Schoenfeld-D
Long-D	Vanasek-D

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LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

(22 members)

Monday, 12 noon, Rm 400S

Information296-7026

Heap-R, Chair

Burger-R, Vice Chair

Battaglia-D	Miller-R
Beard-D	Murphy-D
Begich-D	Poppenhagen-R
Brown-D	Rest-D
Clausnitzer-R	Rice-D
Elioff-D	Simoneau-D
Gutknecht-R	Staten-D
Hartle-R	Sviggum-R
Himle-R	Tompkins-R
McPherson-R	Zaffke-R

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UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE & WORKERS' COMPENSATION DIVISION/

Labor-Management Relations

(12 members)

Information296-5370

Sviggum-R, Chair

Gutknecht-R, Vice Chair

Beard-D	Miller-R
Begich-D	Poppenhagen-R
Heap-R	Rice-D
Himle-R	Schoenfeld-D
McPherson-R	Simoneau-D

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LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS

(30 members)

Tue, Thur, 12 noon, Rm 200

Information296-5366, 296-9194

Valento-R, Chair

Becklin-R, Vice Chair

Anderson, G-D	McEachern-D
Anderson, R-R	McLaughlin-D
Boerboom-R	Nelson, K-D
Carlson, J-R	Ozment-R
Clark-D	Pauly-R
Dyke-R	Peterson-D
Frederickson-R	Piper-D
Haukoos-R	Schreiber-R
Jaros-D	Solberg-D
Jennings, L-D	Stanius-R
Johnson-R	Tjornhom-R
Knickerbocker-R	Tomlinson-D
Knuth-D	Tompkins-R
Lieder-D	Voss-D

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REGULATED INDUSTRIES & ENERGY

(22 members)

Monday, 10 am, Rm 500S

Information296-8845

Redalen-R, Chair

Omann-R, Vice Chair

Beard-D	Minne-D
Bishop-R	Nelson, D-D
Boerboom-R	O'Connor-D
Carlson, J-R	Ogren-D
Cohen-D	Olson, E-D
Gruenes-R	Osthoff-D
Hartle-R	Poppenhagen-R
Jacobs-D	Price-D
McDonald-R	Tjornhom-R
Miller-R	Waltman-R

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RULES & LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATION

(14 members)

Call of the Chair, Rm 400S

Information296-9467

Levi-R, Chair

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Frerichs-R	Osthoff-D
Halberg-R	Schoenfeld-D
Jennings, D-R	Sviggum-R
Knickerbocker-R	Thiede-R
McEachern-D	Wynia-D

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TAXES

(31 members)

Tue, Thur, Friday, 8 am., Rm 500S

Information296-5526

Schreiber-R, Chair

Pauly-R, Vice Chair

Begich-D	Norton-D
Blatz-R	Ogren-D
Brandl-D	Olsen, S-R
Brinkman-D	Onnen-R
Dempsey-R	Osthoft-D
Dimler-R	Redalen-R
Halberg-R	Scheid-D
Himle-R	Shaver-R
Jacobs-D	Skoglund-D
Jennings, D-R	Tjornhom-R
Kvam-R	Tomlinson-D
McKasy-R	Valento-R
Marth-R	Vanasek-D
Minne-D	Voss-D
Neuenschwander-D	

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes

(12 members)

Monday, 12 noon, Rm 400N

Information296-5356

Dempsey-R, Chair

Dimler-R, Vice Chair

Blatz-R	Scheid-D
Marsh-D	Schreiber-R
Minne-D	Tomlinson-D
Osthoft-D	Valento-R
Redalen-R	Vanasek-D

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TRANSPORTATION

(24 members)

Wednesday, 12 noon, Rm 400S

Information296-5394

Carlson, D-R, Chair

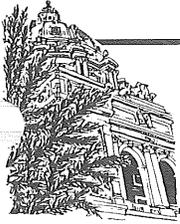
Johnson-R, Vice Chair

Anderson, G-D	Lieder-D
Bennett-R	McLaughlin-D
Boerboom-R	Miller-R
Brown-D	Neuenschwander-D
Dempsey-R	Olson, E-D
Dimler-R	Ozment-R
Erickson-R	Pappas-D
Frederickson-R	Pauly-R
Frerichs-R	Thiede-R
Knuth-D	Tunheim-D
Krueger-D	Welle-D

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BILL INTRODUCTIONS

Bill Introductions

Monday, Jan 21

HF112—Sviggum (IR)—Governmental Operations

Veterans; authorizing certain American Legion officers and employees to elect state employee benefit coverage at their own expense; amending statutes.

HF113—Thiede (IR)—Judiciary

Initiative; proposing an amendment to the Constitution, authorizing initiative on laws; providing a statute implementing the amendment; providing for the manner of petitioning and voting on initiative measures; providing for disclosure of campaign costs on ballot issues; providing that expenditures to promote or defeat a measure may not be taken as a deduction or credit against income taxes; providing for judicial review; providing penalties; amending statutes.

HF114—Knuth (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Game and fish; authorizing elderly hunters to take deer of either sex; amending statutes.

HF115—Carlson, D (IR)—Transportation

Motor vehicles; taxation; accelerating distribution of motor vehicle excise tax by six months; amending statutes.

HF116—Begich (DFL)—Judiciary

Local government; setting authority to regulate firearms and related matters; amending statutes; proposing new law; repealing statutes.

HF117—Battaglia (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Town of Tofte; authorizing the establishment of a detached banking facility.

HF118—Vellenga (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Health; changing eligibility requirements for catastrophic health expense protection; including insurance premiums; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF119—Forsythe (IR)—Transportation

Traffic regulations; requiring the use of seat belts by motor vehicle drivers and passengers; amending statutes.

HF120—Minne (DFL)—Judiciary

Real property; providing that the mortgage and contract for deed moratorium become permanent law; applying moratorium to holders of any mortgage or contract for deed to homestead property; abolishing exclusionary provision; allowing mortgagor to petition for postponement of foreclosure sale for up to 12 months; abolishing sun-setting provision; amending statutes.

HF121—Battaglia (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; authorizing imposition of sales tax on lodging in towns and unorganized territories; amending statutes.

HF122—Staten (DFL)—Taxes

State investment policy; requiring divestiture of investments in banks, financial in-

stitutions, and companies doing business in or with South Africa or Namibia; providing for reinvestment of proceeds from required sales in institutions or companies which invest or conduct business operations in Minnesota; proposing new law.

HF123—Marsh (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration

A resolution memorializing the United States Congress to propose an amendment to the United State Constitution to protect human life.

HF124—Thiede (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Minnesota Constitution; proposing an amendment providing for the recall of elected officials.

HF125—Blatz (IR)—Judiciary

Real property; eliminating the necessity of a court order before requiring registered land surveys; authorizing the use of registered land surveys for multi level tracts; amending the provisions relating to corporate resolutions of dissolution and to instruments executed by owners whose fee title is held in trust; amending the requirements for joint tenancy clearances; amending statutes.

HF126—Blatz (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; extending the community work experience program; amending statutes.

HF127—Solberg (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; exempting residential use of electricity from the sales tax; amending statutes.

HF128—Price (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; extending the definition of capital equipment to include replacement equipment; providing for reduced rates and exemption for sales of capital equipment; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF129—Skoglund (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; sales; exempting sales of child restraint systems; amending statutes.

HF130—Minne (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; motor vehicle excise; exempting sales of certain cars; amending statutes.

HF131—DenOuden (IR)—Labor-Management Relations

Unemployment compensation; providing for refunds of erroneous contributions; amending statutes.

HF132—Jaros (DFL)—Appropriations

Claims against the state; providing for payment of a claim for workers' compensation and attorney fees; appropriating money.

HF133—Marsh (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Corrections; creating a corrections board; requiring inmates to satisfactorily participate in rehabilitative programs as a condition of accruing good time reduction in their sentences; requiring the sentencing guidelines commission to amend the dispositional line on the sentencing guidelines grid and to change the severity level of certain offenses relating to controlled substances; authorizing bonds to be issued for increasing the cell capacity of correctional facilities; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF134—Uphus (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; providing for establishment of certain fees by rule; changing certain fees and procedures; appropriating money; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF135—Uphus (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; changing requirements for certain adulterated milk or cream; providing a penalty; amending statutes.

HF136—Tunheim (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; providing for refunds of certain gasoline taxes paid by resorts; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF137—Himle (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

HF138—Rose (IR)—Appropriations

Appropriations; reducing appropriations to the pollution control agency for solid waste and hazardous waste pollution control; amending laws.

HF139—Blatz (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; reducing rates for individuals, estates, and trusts; amending statutes.

HF140—McKasy (IR)—Judiciary

Financial institutions; providing for deposits by minors and deposits in multi-party accounts; regulating multi-party accounts; amending statutes; proposing new law; repealing statutes.

HF141—Dempsey (IR)—Judiciary

Property; changing effective dates for provisions relating to validation of foreclosure sales; amending statutes.

HF142—Jacobs (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Minnesota Constitution; proposing an amendment which prohibits lotteries.

HF143—Blatz (IR)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Utilities; providing that gas and electric utilities may not seek compensation from landlords for delinquent bills incurred through a service agreement solely with the tenant; proposing new law.

HF144—Blatz (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Insurance; health and accident; requiring coverage for scalp hair prostheses in certain circumstances; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF145—Dimler (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Property; local and metropolitan government; transportation; providing for acquisition and relocation assistance in cases of hardship to owners of homestead property located in a proposed state highway corridor; amending statutes.

HF146—Kelly (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Liquor; providing that an individual may not purchase, possess, or consume or be given or sold various alcoholic beverages until the age of 21; providing penalties; amending statutes.

HF147—Sviggum (IR)—Labor-Management Relations

Unemployment compensation; benefit re-qualification after voluntary quit or discharge for misconduct; amending statutes.

HF148—Olsen, S (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; allowing spouses to apportion the federal tax deduction as they elect; amending statutes.

HF149—Quist (IR)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Energy; repealing the prohibition on installation of decorative residential gas lamps; repealing statutes.

HF150—Sviggum (IR)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; guaranteeing public employees retirement benefits; proposing new law.

HF151—Thiede (IR)—Education

Education; prohibiting a school district from commencing the school year prior to Labor Day; amending statutes.

HF152—McPherson (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; exempting capital equipment and special tooling; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

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HF153—Osthoff (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Minnesota Constitution; proposing an amendment allowing the legislature to authorize lotteries operated by the state with net revenues dedicated to tax relief and lotteries operated by nonprofit organizations for charitable purposes.

HF154—Kelly (DFL)—Taxes

Motor vehicles; exempting purchase or use of a motor vehicle manufactured prior to 1936 from the motor vehicle excise tax; amending statutes.

HF155—Carlson, D (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Weights and measures; specifying the contents of a cord of freshly cut rough green aspen; amending statutes.

HF156—Olsen, S (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Hazardous waste; establishing a hazardous substance compensation trust account; appropriating money; proposing new law.

HF157—Waltman (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Elections; requiring that a candidate for school district office be a qualified voter; amending statutes.

HF158—Solberg (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Taxation; increasing the amount statutory cities and towns may levy for a public cemetery; amending statutes.

HF159—McLaughlin (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Employment and economic development act (MEED III); giving priority to persons eligible for aid to families with dependent children and certain farm households; limiting eligible applicants in certain service delivery areas; increasing authorized expenditures; increasing job placements in permanent private jobs; providing for temporary non-profit jobs; providing incentives; appropriating money; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF160—Staten (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Affirmative action; providing for affirmative action review in state government; providing penalties; proposing new law.

HF161—Kelly (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

No-fault automobile insurance; clarifying legislative intent concerning stacking of insurance policies; coordinating the priority of applicability of security for payment of certain benefits; increasing residual liability benefits; increasing certain uninsured benefits; establishing tort threshold limitations on uninsured motorist coverage; amending statutes.

HF162—Simoneau (DFL)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Public utilities; requiring single zone for telephone service in metropolitan area; proposing new law.

HF163—Krueger (DFL)—Rules/Legislative Administration

A resolution memorializing the President and Congress to design the 1985 farm bill to preserve the family farm system.

HF164—Solberg (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; eliminating accelerated payment of liability; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF165—Stanius (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

HF166—Tomlinson (DFL)—Taxes

Finance; adopting federal taxable income for income tax purposes; simplifying income tax law; increasing the budget reserve account; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF167—Olsen, S (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; allowing a final deduction in 1985 for certain taxes paid in 1981 or 1982 tax year; amending statutes.

HF168—DenOuden (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration

Minnesota Constitution; proposing an amendment providing that neither house of the legislature may consider appropriations until after all tax bills have been passed.

HF169—Heap (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration

Legislature; reducing the number of members of the senate and house of representatives; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF170—Welle (DFL)—Health/Human Services

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; proposing new law.

HF171—Krueger (DFL)—Rules/Legislative Administration

A resolution memorializing the United States Congress to propose an amendment to the Constitution to abolish the electoral college and replace it with direct popular election of the President.

HF172—Jaros (DFL)—Rules/Legislative Administration

Minnesota Constitution; proposing an amendment providing for a senate of 33 members and a house of representatives of 66 members.

HF173—Krueger (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; providing an exemption from sales tax for the gross receipts from sales of tangible personal property, admission charges, and sales of food, meals, or drinks at certain events sponsored by certain nonprofit organizations; amending statutes.

HF174—Neuenschwander (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Game and fish; exempting hunters on licensed game farms in the northern portion of the state from the requirement of a pheasant stamp; amending statutes.

HF175—Neuenschwander (DFL)—Education

Education; prohibiting school districts from beginning the school year before Labor Day; amending statutes.

HF176—Kvam (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; property, changing property tax payments, settlement, and distribution dates; amending statutes.

HF177—Valento (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Veterans; directing the commissioner of veterans affairs to place a memorial to veterans of the Korean conflict in the Court of Honor; appropriating money.

HF178—Frederick (IR)—Education

Education; authorizing Independent School District No. 79 to transfer money from the bus purchase account to the capital expenditure fund.

HF179—Johnson (IR)—Transportation

Taxation; motor fuels; expanding definition of qualified service station for purposes of the excise tax on gasoline; amending statutes.

HF180—McDonald (IR)—Education

Independent School District No. 108 (Norwood-Young America); authorizing a permanent fund transfer.

HF181—Ogren (DFL)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Energy; requiring legislative approval for construction of a nuclear fission electrical generating plant in Minnesota; amending statutes.

HF182—Ogren (DFL)—Education

Education; pupil transportation; authorizing Independent School District No. 1, Aitkin, to transfer moneys appropriated for bus purchases to the unappropriated fund balance account of the transportation fund; providing for local approval.

HF183—Himle (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Commerce; modifying the finance charge on certain open end credit sales; amending statutes.

HF184—Simoneau (DFL)—Rules/Legislative Administration

A resolution memorializing Congress to balance the federal budget.

HF185—Redalen (IR)—Regulated Industries/Energy

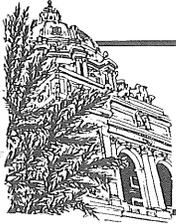
Utilities; prescribing membership on the public utilities commission; amending statutes.

HF186—Sherman (IR)—Health/Human Services

Mental health services; authorizing interstate contracts for mental health services; proposing new law.

HF187—Hartle (IR)—Education

Independent School District No. 202, Dodge Center; permitting a permanent fund transfer; requiring local approval.



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ADVANCE COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

All rooms are located in the State Office Building unless otherwise indicated. This schedule is subject to change. For information call House Calls at 296-9283, or contact Terri Hudoba at 296-2146. All meetings are open to the public.

PLEASE NOTE

TO ALL COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION CHAIRS: The deadline for all committee and commission meeting notices is **NOON ON THURSDAY OF EACH WEEK.** Please send notices in time for the Thursday publication deadline to House Information, Rm. 9, State Capitol.

Monday, January 28
8:00 a.m.

EDUCATION, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Wendell Erickson. Agenda: Presentations by post-secondary education systems.

8:30 a.m.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: Continue consideration of PERA reorganization bill.

9:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Organizational meeting.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Organizational meeting; overview of the Judicial physical plant.

10:00 a.m.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE SUBCOMMITTEE/ Crime & Family Law, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. John Hartinger. Agenda: HF102 (Schafer) relating to alcoholic beverages; increasing the age for licensing, sale, consumption, possession, and furnishing.

REGULATED INDUSTRIES & ENERGY, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Elton Redalen. Agenda: Panel presentations from co-ops; investor owned utilities; regulated telephone companies. Rate case description, Dept. of Public Service.

11:00 a.m.

LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON EMPLOYEE RELATIONS, Rm. 120 Capitol. Chr. Sen. Tom Nelson. Agenda: Election of chair and vice chair. Review of Pay Equity report, Dept. of Employee Relations; review of PERB report on the possible consolidation of the Public Employment Relations Board and the Bureau of Mediation Services; and review the final report of the Advisory Council on Bargaining Impasse Resolution.

12:00 noon

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/Education, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Sally Olsen. Agenda: Review of key document, "School District Profiles 1982-83." Mildred Mueller, MN Dept. of Education.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Jim Heap. Agenda: Dept. of Employee Relations overview, Commissioner Nina Rothschild and staff; Dept. of Labor and Industry overview, Commissioner Steve Keefe.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: Overview of purposes of local government aids. Speakers: David Fricke, executive director, MN Association of Townships; Morris Anderson, executive director, Association of MN Counties; and Mary Anderson, president, League of MN Cities.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

2:30 p.m.

TAXES, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: Minnesota Economy - presentation by MN Tax Study Commission staff. Reaction from Wilbur Macki, state economist, MN Dept. of Finance; and Dick Todd, economist, Research Staff, Minneapolis Federal Reserve Bank.

Tuesday, January 29

8:00 a.m.

APPROPRIATIONS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Mary Forsythe. Agenda: AVTI system; Community Colleges system; State Universities system.

HIGHER EDUCATION DIVISION/Education, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Mark Piepho. Agenda: Organizational meeting; Higher Education Coordinating Board overview.

TAXES, Rm. 15 Capitol. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: Minnesota Business Climate/Fiscal Comparisons. Presentations from MN Tax Study Commission staff. Reactions from Lee Munich, policy analyst, MN Dept. of Energy & Economic Development; and Jim Steubner, former president, National Association of Industrial and Office Parks.

8:30 a.m.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: Continue consideration of PERA reorganization bill.

10:00 a.m.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Tour. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: Tour of Retail Credit Operation.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. John Rose. Agenda: Report from Citizens Committee to Promote Hunting and Fishing in Minnesota. Hugh Price, Frank Schneider and Glen Nyquist will make the report.

12:00 noon

JUDICIARY, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Charles Halberg. Agenda: Orientation and operational meeting.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE & WORKERS' COMPENSATION DIVISION/Labor-Management Relations, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Steve Sviggum. Agenda: Assessment of the unemployment insurance problem and potential solution. Speaker: Francis Fitzgerald, MN Association of Commerce & Industry (MACI).

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS, Tour. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: Metro Council Orientation tour. (Bus will leave promptly at 12:00 noon from the east entrance of the State Office Building.)

12:45 p.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Tour. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Tour the facilities of the Veterans Dept; Fort Snelling; and the Hastings Veterans Home, Hastings.

3:00 p.m.

BUDGET, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. David Jennings. Agenda: Testimony on budget spending priorities.

Wednesday, January 30

8:00 a.m.

APPROPRIATIONS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Mary Forsythe. Agenda: Dept. of Revenue; Dept. of Energy & Economic Development.

EDUCATION, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Wendell Erickson. Agenda: MN Higher Education Coordinating Board, overview and presentation of Teacher Education study.

10:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. K. J. McDonald. Agenda: 1) Agricultural policy activities - State Planning Agency. 2) MN Dept. of Energy & Economic Development - programs supporting agricultural production and processing: Agricultural loan guarantee program and agricultural loans to farmers and farm lenders program. 3) HF52 (Kvam) regulation of agricultural processing facilities. 4) HFxxx Relating to the agricultural loans program administered by the Dept. of Energy & Economic Development.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Tour. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Tour the Dept. of Energy & Economic Development, 150 E Kellogg Blvd, St. Paul.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: Informational meeting on plea negotiation practices.

12:00 noon

TRANSPORTATION, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Doug Carlson. Agenda: Representatives from transportation-related interest groups.

1:00 p.m.

TAXES, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: State taxation of corporations - tax policy affecting business location decisions. Joint meeting with Senate Tax Committee. Presentations from: James Papke, professor, Purdue University; Jennifer Brooks, professor, William Mitchell College of Law; Gerald Goldberg, executive director, California Franchise Tax Board; and Prentiss Willson, Jr., Morrison and Foerster, San Francisco. Presentation sponsored by William Mitchell College of Law and a grant from MN Dept. of Energy & Economic Development.

Thursday, January 31

8:00 a.m.

APPROPRIATIONS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Mary Forsythe. Agenda: Dept. of Public Safety; Dept. of Transportation.

TAXES, Rm. 15 Capitol. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: MN Tax Study Commission - property tax. Presentations and reactions from commission members.

8:30 a.m.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: Presentation by Dept. of Employee Relations Commissioner on trends in the state workforce, pay equity, labor relations overview.

10:00 a.m.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: To be announced.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. John Rose. Agenda: Dept. of Natural Resources, overview and legislative agenda.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Onnen. Agenda: Dept. of Finance presentation on entitlement programs and the state budget.

12:00 noon

GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Dave Fjoslien. Agenda: Presentations from Bill Gregg, Commissioner, Dept. of Veterans Affairs; and Secretary of State's office re: election laws.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS, Tour. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: League of Cities orientation tour. (Bus will leave promptly at 12:00 noon from the east entrance of the State Office Building.)

2:00 p.m.

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2:30 p.m.

TAXES, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: MN Tax Study Commission - income tax, sales tax, and other recommendations. Presentations from Fred Bassinger, chairman, Governor Quie's tax simplification task force; representatives of the MN Society of CPAs; and the MN Bar Association's tax section.

Friday, February 1

9:00 a.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget hearings from the Dept. of Administration.



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Minority Leader: Fred C. Norton



THE SESSION WEEKLY

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HIGHLIGHTS

PERA board

The Governmental Operations Committee continued this week to discuss a bill that would reorganize the Public Employee Relations Association (PERA) board.

Internal struggles and allegations of abuse have rocked the board over recent months. On Jan. 29, Acting Interim Director John Allers, under suspension with pay, defended himself against numerous charges by the Senate.

Allers also told committee members if they find he is the problem, "I would tender my resignation as a result of a vote of this committee within 24 hours notice."

In a Jan. 31 meeting, John Chenoweth, executive director and chief investment officer of the Minneapolis Employees' Retirement Fund (MERF), pointed out problems in abolishing a board where PERA members have elected 11 of the 15 members, as legislation suggests.

Chenoweth asked legislators to preserve the current PERA board structure, and take Allers up on his offer to resign.

"There's a very simple answer to all of this," said Chenoweth. "Take John Allers' resignation. If you don't like the current board, it's very simple — you can add members to the board, and no one can fight you in court on that."

The committee plans to meet again on Feb. 4 for more testimony and possibly a vote on a reorganization bill.

Dram-shop insurance

Minnesota's Dram-Shop Act dates back to 1911. It requires any licensed establishment that sells intoxicating liquors to have liquor-liability insurance.

At a Jan. 31 meeting of the Commerce and Economic Development Committee, Commissioner Mike Hatch said dram-shop insurance is the first of many issues the Department of Commerce will face this year.

Hatch says problems with dram-shop insurance traditionally exist across the country. For Minnesotans in the business, Hatch says the rates are too high and coverage isn't good. Also, he says many insurance companies aren't selling dram-shop insurance.

The Department of Commerce, which regulates securities, real estate, and financial industries in the state, is holding a hearing Monday, February 4. At that meeting, Hatch hopes to come up with a decision on whether to authorize an assigned risk plan that would set up a state-operated dram-shop insurance fund for those without insurance.

Outdoor recreation fees

Fees for outdoor activities may have to go up, the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) testified at the Environment and Natural Resources Committee meeting Jan. 31.

The Department says it needs more money to cover expenses in providing outdoor recreation.

Don Davison, Division of Parks and Recreation, says cost of park permits may have to increase from \$10 to \$15 to pick up part of the tab on next year's budget.

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Also, the DNR may ask legislators to increase fees on hunting and fishing licenses, and require senior citizens to pay for licenses. According to Dr. Larry Shannon, Division of Fish and Wildlife, if Minnesota's senior citizens paid fishing fees, the state would be eligible for an estimated \$700,000 (\$3 per license) in federal aid.

Mandatory seat belts

Mandatory seat belt legislation with a \$25 penalty for violators was one item on the legislative agendas lobbyists brought to the Jan. 30 meeting of the Transportation Committee.

Other issues include:

- The transfer of the motor vehicle excise tax from the general fund to transportation. Under current law, three-fourths of the tax goes to the state highway fund, another fourth to the transit assistance fund, and the remainder to the general fund.
- Indexing state gasoline taxes. This tax would increase automatically as gasoline consumption drops and highway maintenance costs go up.
- Raising the drinking age to 21. If the state does not raise the drinking age to 21 by Oct. 1986, it risks losing federal highway funds.
- Easing truck weight restrictions. The plan is to open all state roads to 80,000-pound trucks. The problem is how to pay for the added maintenance costs.

Some of the lobbying groups attending the meeting were: Seat Belt Coalition, Minnesota Permit Trucking Association, Motor Transport Association, and Minnesota Good Roads.

Farm aid

An interest "buy down" program is the first of a series of ideas the governor is proposing to solve the state farmers' financial crisis, said Tom Triplett of the State Planning Agency. At an Agriculture meeting Jan. 30, Triplett said the governor has set aside \$9 million for such a program.

Triplett says the governor has declared an economic emergency for some parts of the state. And he's setting up a special commission of legislators and some state agency heads to review and give advice on pending proposals. The proposals include use of state funds to help underwrite farm operating loans and determining a way to target aid to farmers who can best benefit.

The commission expects to meet with the governor within 30 days.

Plea bargaining

Plea bargaining. Some see it as wheeling and dealing with criminals — an easy sentence in exchange for a guilty plea.

People who work in the judicial process gave their opinions in a Jan. 30 meeting of the Crime and Family Law Committee. Among them, Judge Joseph Summers of Ramsey County District Court.

"Prosecutors generally have two reasons for negotiating pleas," said Summers. First, alternatives such as the workhouse or treatment sometimes protects the public's best interest more than sending a defendant to prison.

And second, plea negotiations stand a better chance of getting convictions than jury trials because juries hesitate to convict, said Summers.

He cited a recent St. Paul case where prosecutors went to trial on the top charge of murder and got an acquittal.

"That's the kind of case that frequently ends up in acquittals," said Summers. "It makes more sense to plea bargain and get a conviction than have the defendant take a walk."

The committee is looking into the practice of plea bargaining and whether prosecutors should follow more strict guidelines when negotiating pleas.



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Commissioners' reports

On Jan. 30, Finance Commissioner Art Roemer told the Appropriations Committee that in 1984, his department: processed nearly 5 million returns; collected \$4 billion in income, sales, and corporate taxes; and returned \$1.7 million to individuals. All returns were machine audited, and three out of four errors were in the taxpayers favor. As a result, the state collected \$15 million last year.

Mark Dayton, Commissioner of the Department of Energy and Economic Development, presented a brief overview of his diverse \$250 million department. Included are plans for increased efforts in marketing the state and its business climate.

Hunting and fishing

"Reinvest in Minnesota" was the plea. The place, the Environment and Natural Resources Committee meeting, Jan. 29.

"We've got a \$1 billion-a-year hunting and fishing industry here — one of the top industries in the state," said Glen Nyquist from the Governor's Commission to Promote Hunting and Fishing in Minnesota. "At the minimum, it produces \$60 million a year in sales tax revenues," he said.

If the state wants to increase the return on its natural resource assets and reverse the current trend of using them up, Minnesotans are going to have to start paying, said Nyquist.

All Minnesotans benefit, though dollars come from hunters and anglers through license fees and federal excise dollars, he said.

The commission's recommendations include: investing \$60 million a year in fish and wildlife over a period of 10 years, improving promotional efforts, and tapping other sources to make more money available for the fishing and hunting industry.

"We don't want to starve the goose laying the golden egg," said Commission member Sybil Smith.

Labor vs. Business

Two different opinions were aired at a Jan. 29 meeting of the Workers' Compensation/Unemployment Insurance Division of the Labor-Management Relations Committee.

Dan Gustafson of the Minnesota AFL-CIO wants the Legislature to expand eligibility to include more of the 150,000 presently unemployed. According to Gustafson, only 30 percent of the jobless presently receive benefits.

Francis Fitzgerald from the Minnesota Association of Commerce and Industry sees it differently. "We feel the problem is in the benefit payout system," he said.

According to testimony, the program is \$200 million in debt in a period of high employment, and has one of the nation's highest tax rate and benefit payout plans.

Budget reactions

The state auditor and individuals representing groups brought their reactions to the governor's budget before the Budget Committee on Jan. 29.

State Auditor Arne Carlson opposes the proposed budget. For one thing, he says it continues a pattern of spending increases in excess of inflation.

A linkage between taxing and spending is what Minnesota businesses are looking for, said Mark Anderson, general counsel for the Minnesota Association of Commerce and Industry (MACI). He said MACI recommends reduction of individual income taxes, commercial property taxes, corporate income taxes, and sales tax on capital investments.

Other groups recommending limits on future spending growth were the Minnesota Business Partnership and the Minneapolis and St. Paul Chambers of Commerce.

Juvenile court judges

Current juvenile court judges in Hennepin and Ramsey Counties would get to keep their appointments under a bill the Judiciary Committee recommended to pass on Jan. 29.

HF83 (Forsythe, IR-Edina) would remove the restriction that juvenile court judges in those counties can serve for no more than 6 years out of any 12-year period. Chief author Mary Forsythe said this restriction currently applies to only Hennepin and Ramsey counties. The bill would bring those counties into conformity with the other 85. The chief judges in Hennepin and Ramsey counties make the appointments to juvenile court.

Supporters of the bill say current juvenile court judges in those counties have, over the years, developed expertise in juvenile law which the judicial system can't afford to waste.

Scholarship aid

The three education officials who spoke before the Appropriations Committee Jan. 29 endorsed the Higher Education Coordinating Board's proposal to expand scholarship aid to older and part-time students.

"The state university system is well positioned to serve the state culturally, socially, geographically, and now more than ever, economically," said Dr. Jon Wefald, chancellor of the state university system.

Joseph Graba, state director of the state's 33 area vocational-technical institutes, said his program has three goals:

- be responsive to students;
- be responsive to employers; and
- do the first two as efficiently as possible.

Gerald Christenson, chancellor of the state's community college program, reinforced the need for the state to provide quality education. "We have to invest in training and education. Education ought to be for all us — and life long," he said.

Orientation tour

Members of the Local and Urban Affairs Committee toured the downtown chambers of the Metropolitan Council Jan. 29. And Sandra Gardebring, chair of the Council, gave them a rundown on the Council's mission.

She said it is to oversee the orderly and economic development of the Twin Cities through planning and coordination.

State and federal legislation authorizes the 16-member Council to plan for transportation, sewers, parks and open space, airports, air and water quality, health, housing, aging, arts, and land use. The Council publishes over 150 studies annually.

The Council's efforts at coordination include strengthening relationships with the Legislature and local governments, unifying focus, and improving internal workings.

Minnesota's elderly

One in four Minnesotans over the age of 65 will someday live in a nursing home. Typically, they will come from families with few or no daughters, says Len Levine, commissioner of the Department of Human Services.

Broken arms and hips from falls on Minnesota's icy sidewalks take a large part of the \$100,000 the state spends every hour, every day on long-term care for the elderly — the most costly use of Medical Assistance in the state, according to Levine.

The community programs now in effect save about \$4 in nursing home care for every \$1 the state spends, Levine told the Health and Human Services Committee Jan. 24 and 29.

He said Minnesota must develop more of these programs as the over-85 population continues to grow.

Local government aid

Representatives from organizations for cities, townships, and counties came before the Local Government Aids Division on Jan. 28 to present their proposals on local government aid.

David Fricke, executive director of the Minnesota Association of Townships, said the Association needs over \$15 million for the biennium, bringing them to what they received in 1983. He said over \$11 million will go to improve the rural road system.

The Association of Minnesota Counties is also asking for their previous level of aid (\$29 million) for the next biennium, according to Morris Anderson, executive director of the Association.

Cities will want a change in the local government aid formula if members of the League of Minnesota Cities (LMC) adopt a policy statement the League presented to the committee. Mary Anderson, president of LMC, said the proposed statement recommends a formula which reflects a city's need and its local revenue-raising policy. The system now focuses on past aids and levies or levy limits.

Supreme Court building

Associate Supreme Court Justice Lawrence Yetka appeared before the State Departments Division of the Appropriations Committee Jan. 28. He asked for the Legislature's continued support for plans to relocate the Supreme Court on the present site of the Minnesota Historical Society.

The original relocation plans of 1913 got side-tracked, but the reasons are still there, according to Yetka.

"The present situation is an administrative nightmare. The research libraries are scattered over three locations. Boards are located everywhere, and the Appeals Court is in the Amhoist Tower," he said.

Yetka reported that the selection process is on schedule. The 1982-83 Legislature appropriated money for choosing an architect and a plan for the remodeling.

Reviews and overviews

The Higher Education Finance Division of the Education Committee met briefly Jan. 28 for reviews and overviews from the departments of Education and Finance.

Discussion centered around responsibility for financial budgeting, accounting, reporting, and funding of education in Minnesota.

The next meeting is Feb. 4.

Utility regulation

Should Minnesota loosen up utility regulation? According to some gas, electric, and telephone company representatives who testified at a meeting of the Regulated Industries and Energy Committee Jan. 28, the state may have to if competition keeps up and these companies are to stay in business.

The competition these utility reps are talking about is a result of partial deregulation of natural gas, the break up of AT&T, energy conservation, and new attitudes toward energy use which marked changes in gas and electric supplies and pricing.

Under the law now, the Public Utility Commission (PUC) regulates the rates and practices of the state's 301 public, cooperative, and investor-owned utility companies and reviews their requests for rate increases.

After the commission reviews a request, the Department of Public Service (DPS) begins investigative hearings to enforce the commission's order. A hearing examiner then prepares an advisory report of findings, conclusions, and recommendations for the PUC. The PUC must issue a final order on the rate increase request within 10 months of the filing date.

Utility reps at the meeting agreed that this process is fair and reasonable. But, they say, if they are to keep up with competition which, in most cases, isn't as regulated as they are, they need to price utilities and provide services at the levels of their competitors.

Pig's Eye tour

On Jan. 25, the Local and Urban Affairs Committee toured the Metropolitan Wastewater Treatment Plant (Pig's Eye) on the Mississippi River south of St. Paul.

Members looked over the 165-acre plant and met with Metropolitan Waste Control Commission officials to discuss current policy and future concerns.

The plant currently serves 1.5 million people in the metropolitan area and can handle an average of 220 million gallons of wastewater daily.

After the recent completion of a \$300 million dollar improvement program, the cleanliness of the discharged water surpasses federal standards by 40 to 60 percent.

Legal drinking age

Minnesota's legal drinking age dropped from 21 to 18 in 1973 only to climb to 19 in 1976. Almost every year since, proposals to raise the legal age back to 21 have come before the House and Senate.

This year's no different, except that lawmakers have more incentive to vote for a drinking age of 21. Under federal regulation, states that don't adopt the higher legal age by Oct. 1986 stand to lose federal transportation aid in 1987 and '88. To Minnesota, that would mean at least \$31 million, if not more.

In a Jan. 28 meeting of the Criminal Justice subcommittee, members heard from people who support age 21.

Dennis Johnson of Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD), told members that the threat of lost highway money is not the only reason to vote for the bill.

He addressed another side of this issue — that of human suffering. "For every person that dies there are mothers and fathers, brothers and sisters, good friends and relatives that must live out the rest of their lives without that loved one," he said.

No one testified against HF102 at the subcommittee meeting.

Members plan to vote on the bill Feb. 4.

House rules

In a seven-hour debate on Jan. 24, the Minnesota House adopted rules for governing the body.

Most of the debate was over a rule that calls for the speaker of the House to determine whether a bill or an amendment to a bill raises taxes or appropriations above limits the newly appointed Budget Committee sets.

The rules passed on a vote of 72 to 55.

COMMITTEE ACTION

AGRICULTURE

Wednesday, Jan. 30

- Dairy Plant—
licensing
HF52 (Kvam, IR-Litchfield)—heard and referred to subcommittee on Products and Marketing.

JUDICIARY

Tuesday, Jan. 29

- Juvenile judges—
Hennepin, Ramsey counties
HF83 (Forsythe, IR-Edina)—
recommended to pass. (See Highlight)

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Standing committees and committee assignments

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Government

The Legislature—how it works

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Proceedings in the House

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Regulated Industries/Energy	Redalen
10 am	Room 500S
Education Finance Div./Ed.	Olsen, S.
12 noon	Room 500N
Labor-Management Relations	Heap
12 noon	Room 400S
Local Gov. Finance Div./Taxes	Dempsey
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Transportation	Carlson, D.
12 noon	Room 400S

Thursday	Chair
Appropriations	Forsythe
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Governmental Operations	Knickerbocker
8 am	Room 400N
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Taxes	Schreiber
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Education Finance Div./Ed.	Olsen, S.
10 am	Room 500N

**Divisions may meet when
the full committee does not meet:**

Appropriations:

Ag., Transportation & Semi-State Div.	Valan
Education Division	Haukoos
Human Services Division	Anderson, R.
State Departments Division	DenOuden
Joint Senate/House Subcomm. On Claims	Valan

Education:

Education Finance Division	(listed above)
Higher Education Division	Piepho

Labor-Management Relations:

Unemploy. Ins.—Workers' Comp. Div.	Sviggum
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Taxes:

Local Government Finance Division	(listed above)
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The **Budget Committee** (Jennings, D., Room 454) and the **Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration** (Levi, Room 400S) meet at the call of the Chair.



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BILL INTRODUCTIONS

Bill Introductions

Monday, Jan 28

HF188—Vellenga (DFL)—Crime/Family Life
Children; allowing name changes for minor children; amending statutes.

HF189—Begich (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs
Libraries; permitting Arrowhead Library System cities to reduce their budgets for public library service; amending statutes.

HF190—Begich (DFL)—Agriculture
Animals; providing for forfeiture of animals abused by their owners; proposing new law.

HF191—Piepho (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs
Local government; requiring prompt payment of local government bills; proposing new law.

HF192—Piepho (IR)—Governmental Operations
State government; requiring state agencies to calculate interest due on late payments of bills; amending statutes.

HF193—Elioff (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development
Liquor; authorizing St. Louis county to issue one off-sale liquor license.

HF194—Anderson, R (IR)—Appropriations
State government; appropriating interest from the budget reserve account for debt retirement only; amending statutes.

HF195—Welle (DFL)—Transportation
Drainage; changing the definition of the term "repair" for ditch systems; amending statutes.

HF196—Knickerbocker (IR)—Health/Human Services
Human services; establishing limits on payments to vendors of services in the medical assistance and general assistance programs; amending statutes.

HF197—Stanius (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources
Game and fish; closing of lakes to taking of fish by angling and spearing; prohibiting spearing in designated muskellunge lakes; amending statutes.

HF198—Kahn (DFL)—Regulated Industries Energy
Boxing; prohibiting boxing; providing a penalty; amending statutes; proposing new law; repealing statutes.

HF199—DenOuden (IR)—Taxes
Taxation; providing state paid credits for homestead agricultural property.

HF200—Backlund (IR)—Labor-Management Relations
Insurance; workers' compensation; requiring notice of premium increases to insureds; proposing new law.

HF201—Nelson, D (DFL)—Education
Education; establishing an incentive program to attract talented teachers into critical need subject areas; appropriating money; proposing new law.

HF202—Minne (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Elections; providing for a presidential primary election; regulating the selection of convention delegates; providing major political party registration for voting the presidential primary ballot; changing the primary date and certain related dates; providing the manner of changing major political party preference for the presidential primary; specifying application information for absentee ballot requests; providing certain procedures for verifying right to vote, marking ballots, and reconciliation of the number of ballots cast; requiring certain information on certain election reports; providing for the preparation of a presidential primary ballot for each major political party; providing certain requirements for municipalities using voting machines or electronic voting systems for a presidential primary; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF203—Krueger (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources
Game and fish; priority of certain landowners in drawings for doe permits; amending statutes.

HF204—Piepho (IR)—Education
Higher education; creating a student advisory council to the higher education coordinating board; amending statutes.

HF205—Begich (DFL)—Labor-Management/Relations
Unemployment compensation; eliminating the waiting week; amending statutes.

HF206—Olsen, S (IR)—Taxes
Property taxation; discontinuing the revenue equity aid and levy formula; changing the basic maintenance mill rate to 20 mills; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF207—Sviggum (IR)—Governmental Operations
Public employee labor relations; regulating public employee mediation; regulating mediation and strikes concerning teachers; providing for arbitration awards in principal and assistant principal disputes; amending statutes.

HF208—Sviggum (IR)—Agriculture
Agriculture; changing requirements for state livestock weighing services; removing the limitation on certain fees; amending statutes.

HF209—Redalen (IR)—Taxes
Taxation; income; providing for exclusions from gross income for deposits in or interest earned on certain accounts used to provide agricultural loans; amending statutes.

HF210—Heap (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development
Corporations; providing for the shareholder vote required to amend articles of incorporation in certain cases; amending statutes.

HF211—Segal (DFL)—Education
Education; removing revenue equity aid subtraction; repealing statutes.

HF212—Voss (DFL)—Education
Education; authorizing the payment of referendum levy equalization aid to school districts; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF213—Stanius (IR)—Crime/Family Law
Crimes; authorizing parents of children in day care facilities to be informed of abuse reports under the reporting of maltreatment of minors act; amending statutes.

HF214—Begich (DFL)—Governmental Operations
State government; regulating application deadlines for certain state jobs; proposing new law.

HF215—Kahn (DFL)—Rules/Legislative Administration
A resolution memorializing the United States Congress to again propose an amendment to the United States Constitution providing for equal rights for women.

HF216—Halberg (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance
Financial institutions; credit unions; specifying certain powers; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF217—Solberg (DFL)—Health/Human Services
Public welfare; authorizing the establishment of employment demonstration projects for recipients of public assistance; granting rule-making authority; appropriating money; proposing new law.

HF218—Quist (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance
Insurance; accident and health; providing for the extraterritorial application of mandated maternity benefits for unmarried women; amending statutes.

HF219—Staten (DFL)—Crime/Family Law
Crime; defining "mentally impaired"; amending statutes.

HF220—Seaberg (IR)—Judiciary
Judges; providing for the manner of filling vacancies in the office of judge; proposing new law.

HF221—Kalis (DFL)—Transportation
Highways; designating the George Mann Memorial Highway; amending statutes.

HF222—Kalis (DFL)—Taxes
Taxation; property, changing property tax payments, settlement, and distribution dates; amending statutes.

HF223—Metzen (DFL)—Rules/Legislative Administration
Legislature; reducing the number of members of the senate and house of representatives; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF224—Gutknecht (IR)—Labor/Management/Relations
Unemployment compensation; changing the requirements for quarterly reporting of wages; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF225—Erickson (IR)—Education

Collection and dissemination of data; classifying names of finalists for position of president of the University of Minnesota as private data; amending statutes.

HF226—Riveness (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; gasoline tax; reducing the excise tax on unleaded gasoline and raising the excise tax on leaded gasoline; amending statutes.

HF227—Minne (DFL)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Horse racing; providing for racing days at county fairs; amending statutes.

HF228—Schafer (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; providing for agricultural limited partnerships of limited duration; preserving their eligibility for classification as homesteads; providing for nonrecognition of gain from the discharge of farm indebtedness in certain instances; abolishing farm loss modifications; amending statutes; proposing new law; repealing statutes.

Thursday, January 31**HF229—Dempsey (IR)—Governmental Operations**

Retirement; early retirement without reduction in annuities; amending statutes.

HF230—Ozment (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

State lands; authorizing the sale of certain surplus state land in Dakota county to the city of Hastings.

HF231—Boo (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

St. Louis county; authorizing a private sale of certain tax-forfeited land.

HF232—Schafer (IR)—Appropriations

Taxation; motor vehicles; accelerating distribution of motor vehicle excise tax proceeds; amending statutes.

HF233—Elioff (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; changing the method for computing benefits for members of the Buhl police relief association; amending law.

HF234—Governmental Operations

Retirement; authorizing benefit increases for retired Eveleth police officers, firefighters, and surviving spouses.

HF235—McKasy (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Securities; modifying fees payable on certain security registrations; amending statutes.

HF236—Kelly (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Public safety; requiring the commissioner of public safety to administer an automated fingerprint identification network system; appropriating money; proposing new law.

HF237—Boo (IR)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; authorizing state aid for the University of Minnesota police department; amending statutes.

HF238—Redalen (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; changing requirements for a soil conservation tillage program; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF239—Redalen (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; regulating milk handling equipment installers; requiring a license; setting a fee; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF240—Schafer (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; reducing the general rate to five percent; amending statutes.

HF241—Dempsey (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Commerce; modifying certain motor vehicle sale and distribution regulations; amending statutes.

HF242—Bennett (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Commerce; requiring manufacturers to make certain new motor vehicle warranty disclosures directly to consumers; amending statutes.

HF243—Metzen (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

HF244—Metzen (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Veterans; authorizing the American Veterans to use space in the veterans service building; amending statutes.

HF245—Segal (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; clarifying elements of the crime of depriving another of custodial or parental rights; amending statutes.

HF246—McKasy (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; allowing individuals who do not itemize deductions a deduction for charitable contributions; amending statutes.

HF247—Olsen, S (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local government; providing conditions for the adoption or amendment of comprehensive municipal plans; amending statutes.

HF248—Olsen, S (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; repealing the suspension of inflation adjustments; repealing statutes.

HF249—Sherman (IR)—Education

Education; establishing criteria for a post-secondary student to be considered independent of parental support; clarifying the intent of scholarships and grants-in-aid; amending statutes.

HF250—Skoglund (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; requiring certain payments by the metropolitan airports commission to the Minneapolis employees retirement fund; amending statutes.

HF251—Johnson (IR)—Agriculture

Farm loans; eliminating the adoption of federal limitation on the gross receipts of those farms eligible for economic development loans; amending statutes.

HF252—Dempsey (IR)—Health/Human Services

Health; authorizing an additional rural doctor for the Springfield service area.

HF253—Solberg (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; motor vehicle excise; exempting certain sales of motor vehicles; redefining "Purchase price"; amending statutes.

HF254—Krueger (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Elections; prohibiting certain campaign activities; requiring certain expenditures to be allocated to candidates; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF255—Dempsey (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Courts; practice and procedure in dram shop actions; amending statutes.

HF256—Bennett (IR)—Transportation

Motor vehicles; defining terms; regulating van-type motor homes; amending statutes.

HF257—Onnen (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; exempting certain sales by nonprofit organizations; amending statutes.

HF258—Schoenfeld (DFL)—Agriculture

Agriculture; providing for restructuring of farm and small business debt; appropriating money; proposing new law.

HF259—Heap (IR)—Budget

State government; requiring selected state agencies to undergo a periodic zero-based budget review; creating a legislative committee to select an independent evaluator; proposing new law.

HF260—Onnen (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Game and fish; discharge of firearms and access to agricultural lands; amending statutes.

HF261—Onnen (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; providing for the computation of interest on tax overpayments; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF262—Onnen (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; providing for timely payment of certain income tax withholding and sales and use taxes; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF263—Tunheim (DFL)—Education

Education; directing the commissioner to grant a capital loan to Independent School District No. 690, Warroad.

HF264—Heap (IR)—Judiciary

Crimes; imposing criminal liability on persons who cause the death of another by permitting an animal, known to have caused prior bodily harm, to be unconfined or improperly confined; imposing a penalty; proposing new law.

House Advisories

Monday, January 28**HA1—DenOuden (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance**

A proposal to study responsibilities of parties connected with transactions/transfers of secured properties.

Thursday, January 31**HA2—Johnson (IR)—Appropriations**

A proposal to study state user fees and revenue dedication.



Feb 4 - Feb 8, 1985

ADVANCE COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

All rooms are located in the State Office Building unless otherwise indicated. This schedule is subject to change. For information call House Calls at 296-9283, or contact Terri Hudoba at 296-2146. All meetings are open to the public.

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**Monday, February 4
8:00 a.m.**

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: University of MN - introduction to requests; ranking adjustments; permanent university fund/endowed chairs; indirect cost recovery.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: 1) Organization and introductions. 2) "Minnesota State Hospital System: A Foundation for the Future". Speakers: Colleen Wieck, State Planning Agency, briefing on the "State Hospital Study and Plan"; Tom Beers, AFSCME, state employees proposal; John Clawson, assistant commissioner of Human Services, briefing on the Department's perspective. 3) Update on waived services for the mentally retarded. Speakers: Paul McCarron, Anoka County Commissioner; Al Hanzal, assistant commissioner of Human Services.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Housing Finance Agency budget hearing.

EDUCATION, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Wendell Erickson. Agenda: Private College Council; MN Alliance for Science report; Board of Teaching.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: Continue consideration of HF110 (Knickerbocker)/SF122 (Moe, D.) PERA reorganization bill. Also HF98 (Knickerbocker) the availability of actuarial services appropriation.

10:00 a.m.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: Referral of bills to subcommittee.

REGULATED INDUSTRIES & ENERGY, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Elton Redalen. Agenda: Introduction to horse racing regulations, John Williams, House Research; overview from Racing Commission, Richard Evans; Canterbury Downs Progress report, Bruce Malkerson and Stan Bowker.

10:20 a.m.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE SUBCOMMITTEE/Crime & Family Law, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. John Hartinger. Agenda: HF102 (Schafer) Relating to increasing the age for licensing, sale, consumption, possession, and furnishing of alcoholic beverages. (Further testimony.) HF78 (Staten) Defining the crime of owning or operating a disorderly house.

FAMILY LAW SUBCOMMITTEE/Crime & Family Law, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Art Seaberg. Agenda: HF213 (Stanius) Authorizing parents of children in day care facilities to be informed of abuse reports under the maltreatment of minors act.

12:00 noon

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/Education, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Sally Olsen. Agenda: Presentations on budget overview; special new thrusts; overview proposed education aids budget document and highlights of Governor's new initiatives.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Jim Heap. Agenda: Workers' comp overview (concerns/problems). Speakers: Steve Keefe, Commissioner, Dept. of Labor & Industry; Reynaud Harp, Deputy Commissioner, Dept. of Commerce; Dan Gustafson, President, AFL-CIO; Francis Fitzgerald, MN Association of Commerce & Industry (MACI).

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: Overview of local government aid proposal. Speakers: Mryt Wegener, League of Small Cities; Bob Renner, Municipal Legislative Commission; John Anderson, Municipal Caucus; Roger Peterson, Association of Metropolitan Municipalities; Duke Addicks, City of Minneapolis; Maureen Warren, City of St. Paul; and Tim Flaherty, Coalition of Outstate Cities.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

**Tuesday, February 5
8:00 a.m.**

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Meryn Valan. Agenda: Informational meeting on equipment leasing: Depts. of Finance, Transportation and Public Safety.

JOINT MEETING EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations & HIGHER EDUCATION DIVISION/Education. Rm. 200. Chrs. Reps. Bob Haukoos & Mark Piepho. Agenda: Basic funding principles for higher education - MN Higher Education Coordinating Board and Department; Dale Nelson, Dept. of Finance.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Dept. of Economic Security budget hearing.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Dept. of Revenue budget hearing.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: Continue consideration of HF110 (Knickerbocker)/SF122 (Moe, D.) PERA reorganization bill. Also HF98 (Knickerbocker) the availability of actuarial services appropriation.

TAXES, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: 1) Dorothy McClung, Director, Legal Research, Dept. of Revenue, will discuss items affecting the Revenue Dept. including: a) Excise tax on beer/wine; b) systems development; c) management studies. 2) Discussion on MN Tax Study Commission report.

10:00 a.m.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: Overview Dept. of Energy & Economic Development. Speaker: Commissioner Mark Dayton.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. John Rose. Agenda: Agency overviews and legislative agendas. Speakers: Tom Triplett, State Planning Agency; Tom Kalitowski and Mike Robertson, Pollution Control Agency; Robert Dunn and Tom Johnson, Waste Management Board; and Sue Robertson, Legislative Commission on Waste Management.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Onnen. Agenda: Presentation and discussion of Dept. of Finance executive budget briefing papers: Health care program and strategy on aging.

12:00 noon

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE & WORKERS' COMPENSATION DIVISION/Labor-Management Relations, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Steve Sviggum. Agenda: To be announced.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: Metro-state-local relationships.

2:00 p.m.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: University of MN - comments on average cost funding; requisition; fixed costs; faculty retirement deficit; MERTKA; fuel and utilities; operation of new space; hazardous wastes; civil service comparable worth; major repairs; intercollegiate athletics.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: Fiscal health of cities and uniform chart of accounts. Speaker: Arne Carlson, State Auditor.

4:00 p.m.

BUDGET, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. David Jennings. Agenda: Further testimony on the budget resolution; consideration of the budget resolution.

Wednesday, February 6

8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Overview Dept. of Commerce.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Governor's recommendations for higher education and Dept. of Education - Dept. of Finance staff.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Continue Dept. of Economic Security budget hearing.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Continue Dept. of Revenue budget hearing.

EDUCATION, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Wendell Erickson. Agenda: Citizens for Educational Freedom; MN High School League; discussion of Permanent School Fund.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: Overview Dept. of Administration, Commissioner Sandra Hale.

10:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. K. J. McDonald. Agenda: Update on Federal response to farm finance situation, Dr. Rollin Denistoun. SF54 (House author: Redalen) Relating to farm finance.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Continue Dept. of Revenue budget hearing.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: Presentations by Governor and Attorney General's Joint Task Force on Victims' Rights. Speakers: Attorney General Hubert H. Humphrey III; Dr. Bill Kosiak; Peter Halbach.

12:00 noon

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Adolph Kvam. Agenda: Rural banking problems - presentation by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

TRANSPORTATION, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Doug Carlson. Agenda: Dept. of Transportation overview; Citizens League Highway study review.

2:00 p.m.

RURAL ECONOMY SUBCOMMITTEE/Agriculture, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Carol Dyke. Agenda: HF35 (Dimler) Relating to the Family Farm Security program.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Continue Governor's recommendations (from morning meeting.)

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/Education, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Sally Olsen. Agenda: Continue presentations on education aids budget.

3:15 p.m.

HENNEPIN COUNTY DELEGATION, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Mary Forsythe. Agenda: Local legislative program.

Thursday, February 7

8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Overview Public Utilities Commission and Dept. of Public Service.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: University of MN - program accommodation remodeling; U of MN Duluth Engineering; library materials; supplemental medical benefits for retirees; international business education; Sea Grant College.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Testimony on proposed budget for Dept. of Economic Security.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: IRRRB (Iron Range Resources Rehabilitation Board) budget hearing.

HIGHER EDUCATION DIVISION/Education, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Mark Piepho. Agenda: Missions/strategic planning. Presentations by: Elmer L. Anderson, former governor of Minnesota, and State University representatives.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: Nina Rothchild, Commissioner, Dept. of Employee Relations: presentation on trends in the state workforce; pay equity; and labor relations.

10:00 a.m.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Tour. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: Tour Dept. of Energy & Economic Development.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. John Rose. Agenda: Presentations by private environmental groups. Speakers: Kevin Proescholdt, Audubon Council; Jody Thomas, Clean Water Action Project; Erika Sitz, Izaak Walton League; Jean Crampton, League of Women Voters; Al Farms, MN Conservation Federation; Rachel Roiblat, MPIRG; Carol Lee Baudler, Nature Conservancy; and John Grzybek, Sierra Club.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Onnen. Agenda: Presentation and discussion of Dept. of Finance executive budget briefing papers: Jobs program and income support program.

12:00 noon

GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Dave Fjoslien. Agenda: Overview charitable gambling, lottery, and other related gambling matters.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

Friday, February 8

8:00 a.m.

APPROPRIATIONS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Mary Forsythe. Agenda: Continue Dept. of Human Services overview. Also Dept. of Finance and House Research presentation on fees.

EDUCATION, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Wendell Erickson. Agenda: Science Museum of Minnesota. Joint House-Senate meeting. Topic: MN School Effectiveness programs.

9:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS MARKETING SUBCOMMITTEE/Agriculture, Tour. Chr. Rep. Don Richter. Agenda: Tour the First District cheese plant in Litchfield MN.

2:00 p.m.

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS MARKETING SUBCOMMITTEE/Agriculture, Watkins MN. Chr. Rep. Don Richter. Agenda: Hearing on HF52 (Kvam) regulating the licensure and construction of new dairy processing plants.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Dramshop

A bill that would place an aggregate policy limit on dramshop liability insurance got approval at a joint meeting of the Commerce and Economic Development and Financial Institutions and Insurance Committees Feb. 7.

The bill, HF265, would amend the license section of the state beverage law, and according to its author, Rep. Adolph Kvam (IR-Litchfield), is not an overhaul of the Dramshop Act that some people have been fearful of.

Kvam says the bill would merely allow for a not less than \$300,000 limit on aggregate claims within one calendar year.

The bill goes next to the floor of the House.

Jobs program

"The Minnesota Emergency Economic Development (MEED) program was an ideal emergency program, but the situation is no longer considered an emergency. The governor's budget will not fund MEED as it currently exists," said Tom Triplett, state planning director, at a meeting of the Human Services Division of the Appropriations Committee Feb. 7.

According to Triplett, The Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) will replace a portion of the MEED program. He said, "The JTPA will channel money to employers rather than employees. Counties will be the primary delivery agents for the job search, counseling, training, and daycare programs." Also in the \$127 million program is a pilot plan to assist business startups like those in France and Belgium.

But Rep. Peter McLaughlin (DFL-Mpls) sees no reason to slash the successful MEED program. Before the same committee, he presented the highlights of his \$65 million bill that would maintain funding for the current MEED program, with some changes. Program priorities would extend to include troubled farm families along with general assistance and AFDC recipients. McLaughlin's plan would also call for more participation from the private sector — 75 percent. The current level is 60 percent, up from the initial rate of 40 percent.

State highways

Minnesota can no longer afford the highway and road system it now has, according to a Citizens' League report, because it costs too much to maintain.

The report, which the Transportation Committee reviewed Feb. 6, says an ideal maintenance schedule for the state's 12,000-mile trunk highway and bridge system would be to repair 675 miles per year and 90 bridges. Currently, about 550 miles of highways and 60 bridges get the repairs they need.

To keep up with growing maintenance costs, the report recommends the state reduce the trunk highway system, moving from a 12,000-mile system to one no larger than 7000 miles, and turn low traffic highways back to local jurisdictions.

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Rural banking problem

Minnesota has an agricultural crisis, but that has not created a banking crisis, says the regional director of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). Milos Kronjevich testified on rural banking problems before the Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee on Feb. 6.

Kronjevich said 79 Minnesota banks closed last year; a greater proportion of those were agricultural banks (banks with 20 percent of their loans in agricultural real estate or operating loans). The list of FDIC problem banks is growing with the deepening agricultural problem, said the director.

"Recognizing full well that there is an ag crisis out there, the banking system in the state of Minnesota is strong," said Kronjevich. Rural banks that were the envy of the industry prior to the ag crisis are now writing off agricultural loans — something they've never done before. "They are going to take some lumps, but they have the capacity to do so," he said.

The delinquency rate for Farmers Home Administration (FMHA) loans has increased from 18 percent in 1982 to 28 percent in 1984, according to Russ Bjorhus, state director of FMHA. He said FMHA has not used foreclosure to deal with the delinquency problem, but has encouraged farmers to voluntarily liquidate their farms while they still have assets. He said almost 1,000 farmers have shut down their farms since 1982.

Crime victims

Criminals victimize their victims the first time and the criminal justice system victimizes them a second time, according to Paul Gustad, director of the St. Louis County Victim/Witness Assistance Program.

On Feb. 6, Gustad, a member of the governor's Crime Victims' Task Force, spoke to the Crime and Family Law Committee, about task force findings in hearings with crime victims and people who provide victim services.

Time and again, Gustad said, the task force heard that victims want a voice in the criminal justice system, and that services for them should be a legitimate part of the criminal justice process.

Only about two percent of victims eligible for services are aware of them, said Gustad.

At the same meeting, Attorney General Humphrey spoke in favor of a task force recommendation to create a Victim/Witness Advisory Board within the office of the Attorney General.

The Crime Victims Reparations Board, crime victims centers, and a new position of a crime victims' ombudsman would serve under the advisory board. The ombudsman would work directly with victims.

Said Humphrey, "Victims find themselves thrust into the criminal justice system. They didn't ask to be victims. Once in that system, they often find it unresponsive, confusing and unjust."

Funding is the key to better services in a system that Task Force Chair Bill Kosiak says is already underfunded. He said funding shouldn't necessarily come from general revenues, but mostly by way of restitution and surcharges on criminal fines from those who cause the problems.

The task force plans to make formal recommendations later this session.

Tuition reciprocity

Is tuition reciprocity fair? Should a tax-paying Minnesota resident pay substantially more than a South Dakota student to attend the same Minnesota college?

Despite its seeming unfairness, Minnesota's reciprocity agreements are, in fact, very beneficial to the state, according to Dale Nelson of the Minnesota Department of Finance. Average tuition rates here are some of the highest in the nation which has encouraged many to attend colleges in other states, he said.

The current reciprocity agreement with neighboring states reduces the financial incentives for Minnesota students to leave the state, said Nelson, and indirectly helps all students because the state will no longer be a net exporter of student dollars.

And more tuition dollars means more resources for developing and improving education programs and facilities here at home. This preserves access and choice of opportunity for Minnesota students, he said.

Nelson spoke to the Education Committee on Feb. 6.



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Farm operating loans

Members of the Agriculture Committee stepped up their activity in a two-part meeting Feb. 6, and recommended to pass HF32/SF54* (Redalen, IR-Fountain), a bill that would target money to farmers for spring planting.

Under the bill, participating farm lenders would offer qualified farmers up to \$60,000 in low-interest operating loans backed by a state guarantee of 5.5 percent.

The program would cut interest rates for farmers to 5.6 percent and cost the state about \$20 million, but supporters say it's the most feasible and effective way to target state funds to assist farmers in this time of crisis.

The bill will now go to the Appropriations Committee.

Higher education funding

Finance Commissioner Gus Donhowe explained the post-secondary schools' part of the governor's budget to the Education Division of Appropriations Feb. 6.

The governor's proposal links state aid for instructional spending to a payment method called "average cost funding." Under this plan enrollment is combined with the average cost of a program to determine the instructional funding level.

This could mean higher tuition for some students, and cut backs or elimination of some programs.

Donhowe said, above all, it will force institutions of higher education such as the University of Minnesota to make choices about goals and priorities.

Fiscal health of cities

Urban communities are fiscally better off than rural communities, according to State Auditor Arne Carlson. Carlson testified on the fiscal health of Minnesota cities before the Local Government Finance Division of the Taxes Committee on Feb. 5.

Moody's Investors Service, a bond rating firm, downgraded the bond ratings of 17 cities, predominantly in rural Minnesota, said Carlson, while upgrading the ratings of 10 cities, largely in the metropolitan area. Carlson said the lower bond ratings increase the interest rates on bonds and other debt and can be costly to the affected communities.

"This is an indication that Wall Street is worried about the farm economy," said the state auditor. This external factor — the farm economy — was significant in the credit determinations, and beyond the control of the downgraded communities, he said.

"Our office continues to be concerned about the relatively high levels of debt of some Minnesota communities," said Carlson. But he noted that, since 1978, "dramatic improvements" have taken place in local financial management, with most local governments modernizing their accounting systems and strengthening their fund balances.

Unemployment insurance

John Van Doorn of the Minnesota Retail Merchants Association presented his plan for unemployment insurance changes before the Workers' Compensation/Unemployment Insurance Division of the Labor-Management Relations Committee Feb. 5.

The Van Doorn proposal would increase the number of required work weeks from 15 to 20 and raise the average weekly minimum income to \$100, and extend benefits to 30 weeks. The effect would be to restrict part-timers access to the system. He would also tie the average weekly wage requirement to the federal minimum wage. This prevents the predicted minimum wage increases from making benefits too accessible.

Local and state government

Local and state government relationships were the subject of the Feb. 5 meeting of the Local and Urban Affairs Committee.

Gary Currie and Tom Todd of House Research briefed committee members on the history, status, and structure of local governments.

Currie said the basis of all government in the United States is the Jacksonian concept of the universal sufferage of mankind, and behind local governments is the idea that whoever can vote, can govern.

As the number and size of municipalities in the United States grew, said Currie, municipal functions and power grew apace. But local governing bodies across the country are "tenants at the will of the legislature."

Tom Todd gave an overview of current regional and metro governing bodies, their functions and powers.

The Metro Council, for example, has no executive power to implement policy decisions, but works through a system of permits and licensing. All licensing power comes from the Legislature.

Although problems do arise in ironing out differences, said Todd, local and state government relations in Minnesota have been generally cooperative.

Marketing Minnesota

The Department of Energy and Economic Development (DEED) markets and promotes the state as a place to start up or expand small businesses, says Commissioner Mark Dayton.

Marketing and promotion goes on through a well-balanced communications program that includes paid media, public service radio shows on 79 Minnesota radio stations, a monthly *Minnesota Magazine*, and a program of public relations events, Dayton says.

Expectations are that the program will reach about 25 million business decision-makers. As a followup to it, the department has begun in-state telemarketing to reinforce and expand the message going out through paid media.

In an appearance before the Commerce and Economic Development Committee Feb. 5, Dayton said the Department has three divisions: energy, economic development, and financial management. Each division has programs to promote investment opportunities and to help Minnesota businesses and cities get information and financial and technical assistance.

He says the mission is to help improve the future of Minnesota and the lives of its citizens.

Environment

The governor's environmental priorities this year will focus on: promotion of the ethanol industry and anti-lead incentives; classification of peatlands; protection against flooding; the sewage overflow problem in the Twin Cities and building of waste water treatment facilities outside the cities; and changes to the superfund law.

That's according to Tom Triplett, state planning director, who spoke Feb. 5 to members on the House Environment and Natural Resources Committee.

A governor's task force on the superfund law agrees on municipal liability caps, causation, strict liability, and joint and several liability, says Triplett.

However, he says, the group remains divided over retroactivity provisions. Those provisions hold businesses or individuals liable for personal injuries resulting from past releases of hazardous waste.

"It's our hope," says Triplett, "that we can get rid of retroactivity in the superfund legislation. But the governor is prepared to do that only if some system is put in place for the compensation of persons injured by waste deposited prior to July 1, 1983."

In other testimony, Tom Kalitowski, executive director of the Pollution Control Agency, said the agency has pinpointed 87 hazardous waste sites in Minnesota. Clean up has begun on 30 of them.

Excise tax on beer, wine

Minnesota may have to face \$10 million in claims for refunds of beer and wine excise taxes because of a 1984 U.S. Supreme Court decision. Dorothy McClung, director of legal research, Department of Revenue, told the Tax Committee about the Supreme Court case at a Feb. 5 hearing.

The Supreme Court struck down an excise tax in Hawaii that gave exemptions to the local liquor industry as an incentive for producing Hawaiian liquor or wine, said McClung. "Minnesota has similar exemptions," she said. They include a reduction in the rates for wine that comes from grapes grown in Minnesota and a credit on beer that brewers produce in the state.

Shortly after the Supreme Court ruled these exemptions unconstitutional, Johnson Brothers Wholesale Liquors filed a refund claim for almost \$3 million, said McClung. That case is now pending in the state Tax Court.

McClung said the Supreme Court sent the Hawaiian case back to their courts for a determination of whether the state should refund all the taxes paid, or collect additional taxes from local producers. She said the Legislature could repeal exemptions and make sure that local producers pay the higher rate rather than collect no taxes at all.

PERA bill

The Governmental Operations Committee Feb. 4 and 5 wrapped up work on SF122, (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins), the bill to reorganize the board of the Public Employee Relations Association (PERA).

As it stands in the House, the bill would abolish the current 15-member board and set up a 9-member board. Three positions would stand for election, and five would serve as appointed representatives. The state auditor would also be a member.

The bill makes changes to the election process, for those who run for their positions, and provides that anyone trying to get an appointment to the board would go through an open appointments process. The Senate version calls for a seven-member board which the governor would appoint.

SF122 goes before the full House on its next step in the legislative process.

Horseracing

In just four months, Minnesotans will be able to play the horses at the state's first racetrack, Canterbury Downs—a project that 60 percent of the voters in the state approved in 1982.

Canterbury Downs' management team gave a progress report to the Regulated Industries and Energy Committee Feb. 4. They say they're working long days, sometimes six and seven a week, with contractors to have the track ready for racing in '85.

The \$71 million project in Shakopee includes an enclosed grandstand, a one-mile lighted track, a turf track for special races, a training track, and all-season stables with dormitory facilities for 200 people.

The track will open its first season this June, racing thoroughbred horses for 78 days, Wednesday through Sunday, into mid-October. After this year, the season will open in April and close in November after 145 days of thoroughbred and harness horse racing.

Local government aid

The present local government aid formula is complicated, unfair, rewards inefficiency, and encourages spending, according to groups representing outstate, suburban, and metropolitan cities. Testifying before the Local Government Finance Division of the Taxes Committee on Feb. 4, they said the present law needs changing.

Most agreed with the League of Minnesota Cities' proposal which calls for a formula that reflects a city's need and its local revenue-raising policy. The system now focuses on past aids and levies or levy limits.

Those speaking for the cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul disagreed with the League's recommendation for giving aid on a per capita basis. Those cities have unique demands for municipal services say their representatives. And a per capita basis does not affect this reality, they said.

The division will be hearing various proposals for changing the current formula.

Endowed chairs

Ken Keller, interim president of the University of Minnesota, presented his plan to improve the institution to the Education Division of Appropriations on Feb. 4. He says he wants the University to be one of the top five public institutions in the country. And he wants to double the number of programs that rank in the nation's upper 15 percent.

"We are next to last in the Big Ten in teacher support," he says. "To stay in the ballgame, we need to keep faculty." To do this, Keller asks for increased funding to invest in more endowed chairs (the highest academic appointment available). Currently, the University supports 22 such positions; Keller aims for between 70 and 80 over the next few years.

An endowed chair is worth \$1 million or more. The money goes for research, teaching, staff support, publications, and salaries.

Funding for the chairs would come from interest on the University's permanent \$56 million trust fund and from matching private contributions. Interest money now must go back to the state. The University could keep the interest only with Legislative permission.

Workers' comp claims

Workers' compensation claims dropped significantly since 1983, according to Steve Keefe, commissioner of the Department of Labor and Industry. Claims for workers in small business dropped the most, in some areas as much as 40 percent.

Keefe highlighted these facts for the Labor-Management Relations Committee Feb. 4:

- number of days disabled dropped one-third;
- average award decreased 40 percent; and
- lost time dropped from 50 to 34 days.

Keefe credits increased education and worker and employer awareness for the reduction.

Drinking age

People who support raising Minnesota's drinking age from 19 to 21, and who say the action would save lives, testified before the Criminal Justice Subcommittee of the Crime and Family Law Committee last week.

In continued hearings on Feb. 4, lawmakers heard from Michael Birkley on behalf of the Minnesota Licensed Beverage Association. He said the idea that raising the drinking age would prevent young people from getting alcohol and save lives on the highways is unfounded.

"In fact," said Birkley, "in Minnesota, the death rate for 18-year-old drivers increased fourfold during the first six months after the legal age went from 18 to 19."

Both sides say that statistics can say whatever you want them to, and that better education is necessary to promote responsible drinking. But they disagree as to whether raising the drinking age will help stop alcohol abuse.

John Palmer of the Minnesota Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association, says the bill, HF102 (Schafer, IR-Gibbon), is worth passing if it will save the four or five lives a year the Department of Public Safety says it will.

Beyond that, Palmer asked legislators to consider Minnesota's 1983 expenditure of \$40 million to arrest, prosecute, and treat drunk drivers. He said, at most, the state spent \$10,000 on prevention.

Some who testified expressed concern that if the 21 drinking age passes, it should become effective at the same time as surrounding states to avoid border problems.

The committee will hear the bill again next week.

COMMITTEE ACTION

AGRICULTURE

Wednesday, Feb. 6

- **Farm operating loan program** HF32/SF54* (Redalen, IR-Fountain)—recommended to pass as amended; referred to Appropriations. (See Highlight)

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Thursday, Feb. 7

- **Aggregate limit—dramshop insurance** HF265 (Kvam, IR-Litchfield)—recommended to pass as amended at a joint meeting of the Commerce/Economic Development Committee and the Financial Institutions/Insurance Committee.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

Monday, Feb. 4

- **PERA reorganization** HF110/SF122* (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—heard as amended.

Tuesday, Feb. 5

- **PERA reorganization** HF110/SF122* (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)

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BILL INTRODUCTIONS

Bill Introductions

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HF265—Kvam (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Insurance; dramshop liability; authorizing annual aggregate policy limits; amending statutes.

HF266—Marsh (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Arrest; providing indemnification for off-duty peace officers who make arrests outside their jurisdiction; specifying the circumstances under which peace officers, constables, and part-time peace officers may make on or off-duty arrests outside their jurisdictions; amending statutes.

HF267—Solberg (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local governments; authorizing political subdivisions to enter into certain joint insurance arrangements; amending statutes.

HF268—Sviggum (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Environment; removing statutory provisions for joint and several liability and causation for personal injury; changing the date when liability applies; removing additional defense for abnormally dangerous activity; stating effect of removing certain provisions; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF269—Krueger (DFL)—Agriculture

Waters; limiting appeals from determinations that certain waters are public waters; amending statutes.

HF270—Minne (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

City of Hibbing; fixing the term of mayor.

HF271—Wenzel (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; requiring payment of property tax refunds to personal representatives of deceased claimants; amending statutes.

HF272—Knickerbocker (IR)—Governmental Operations

Metropolitan government; providing for various standards and procedures of metropolitan commissions; providing for the appointment and removal of certain officers of metropolitan commissions; requiring reports and plans; regulating duties of the regional transit board; amending statutes.

HF273—McKasy (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Commerce; making permanent the time price differential rate on certain motor vehicles; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF274—Ozment (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; defining "dangerous weapon" to include flammable liquids; amending statutes.

HF275—Levi (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; reporting maltreatment of minors; defining "person responsible for the child's care"; providing for concise summaries of disposition of reports; making technical changes; prescribing penalties; amending statutes.

HF276—McDonald (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration

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

HF277—McEachern (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Health; permitting the county coroner to remove the pituitary gland from a body under certain circumstances; proposing new law.

HF278—Kostohryz (DFL)—Education

Education; increasing state aid for school district programs for gifted and talented students; appropriating money; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF279—McEachern (DFL)—Education

Education; changing the basic maintenance mill rate to 20 mills; amending statutes.

HF280—Onnen (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; imposing a tax for individuals, estates, and trusts computed as a percentage of federal income tax liability; proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution permitting state tax laws to adopt future federal tax law amendments by reference; proposing new law.

HF281—Uphus (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Game and fish; requiring the commissioner of natural resources to issue moose hunting licenses by lottery; amending statutes.

HF282—Nelson, K (DFL)—Education

Education; declaring the mission of public elementary and secondary education in Minnesota; proposing new law.

HF283—Erickson (IR)—Education

Education; increasing aid for gifted and talented students; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF284—Heap (IR)—Labor-Management Relations

Labor; regulating the tip credit for minimum wage purposes; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF285—Beard (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Washington county; providing for approval of condominium floor plans by the county surveyor; prescribing fees; amending laws.

HF286—Beard (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Washington county; providing that condominium floor plans must be signed by county auditor to ensure no delinquent taxes are due and by the county treasurer to ensure that current taxes have been paid.

HF287—Price (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Washington county; providing that condominium floor plans must be signed by county auditor to ensure no delinquent taxes are due and by the county treasurer to ensure that current taxes have been paid; providing for approval of condominium floor plans by the county surveyor; prescribing fees; amending laws.

HF288—Osthoff (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Minnesota Constitution; proposing an amendment allowing the legislature to authorize lotteries operated by the state with net revenues dedicated to education and lotteries operated by nonprofit organizations for charitable purposes.

HF289—Osthoff (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Minnesota Constitution; proposing an amendment allowing the legislature to authorize lotteries operated by the state with net revenues dedicated to enhancement of natural resources and lotteries operated by nonprofit organizations for charitable purposes.

HF290—Osthoff (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Minnesota Constitution; proposing an amendment allowing the legislature to authorize certain lotteries.

HF291—Osthoff (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Minnesota Constitution; proposing an amendment allowing the legislature to authorize lotteries operated by the state with net revenues dedicated to programs for the arts and lotteries operated by nonprofit organizations for charitable purposes.

HF292—Osthoff (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Minnesota Constitution; proposing an amendment allowing the legislature to authorize lotteries operated by the state with net revenues dedicated to economic development and lotteries operated by nonprofit organizations for charitable purposes.

HF293—McDonald (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; establishing an emergency farm operating loans program; providing penalties; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF294—Blatz (IR)—Health/Human Services
Insurance; health maintenance organizations; prohibiting certain exclusive agreements with providers; amending statutes.

HF295—Waltman (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration

A resolution memorializing the President and Congress to provide income tax incentives to landowners who sell or lease agricultural land to beginning farmers and to state and national financial institutions who make loans to beginning farmers.

HF296—Blatz (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; providing for the computation of interest on tax overpayments; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF297—Pauly (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

City of Savage; authorizing the establishment of detached banking facilities.

HF298—Gruenes (IR)—Appropriations

Independent School District No 742, St Cloud; authorizing AVTI construction projects subject to certain conditions.

HF299—Zaffke (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; exempting residential use of electricity from the sales tax; amending statutes.

HF300—Thorson (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; terms of payment in county timber sales; amending statutes.

HF301—McKasy (IR)—Judiciary

Crimes; permitting crime victims suffering certain types of property damage to file claims for reparations; amending statutes.

HF302—Hartinger (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; prohibiting persons employed by the welfare system from releasing information pertaining to identities of victims and persons accused of sexual child abuse to news media; prescribing penalties; proposing new law.

HF303—Gruenes (IR)—Education

Education; establishing arts education aid for school districts; establishing recommended guidelines for use of the aid; designating the purpose of certain tax revenues; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF304—Waltman (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; providing for the computation of interest on tax overpayments; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF305—Sparby (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Health; changing eligibility requirements for catastrophic health expense protection; including insurance premiums; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF306—Heap (IR)—Labor-Management Relations

Public employment labor relations; abolishing the public employment labor relations board; establishing certain powers and duties of the director of the bureau of mediation services; providing for appeals to the court of appeals; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF307—Sviggum (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Town of Cannon Falls; authorizing the establishment of a detached banking facility.

HF308—Frederick (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Intoxicating liquor; hours for Sunday sale; amending statutes.

HF309—Simoneau (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; providing an income tax credit for home care of the elderly; amending statutes.

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HF310—Fjoslien (IR)—Education

Independent School District No 208, Evansville; authorizing a permanent fund transfer.

HF311—Vellenga (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Nonprofit corporations; requiring the articles of incorporation to contain a mailing address; amending statutes.

HF312—Nelson, K (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Highway traffic regulations; providing that use of a drug in conjunction with alcohol or a controlled substance is not a defense to a charge of violating the law prohibiting driving while under the influence of alcohol or a controlled substance; amending statutes.

HF313—Osthoff (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; changing the period of time certain property held by a political subdivision is exempt from property taxes; amending statutes.

HF314—Becklin (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Economic development; providing limits on state and other public costs for the development of convention facilities.

HF315—Becklin (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local government; removing the restriction on the number of mills certain towns may levy to provide fire protection for special fire protection districts; amending statutes.

HF316—Thorson (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Military; providing for the appointment of an additional assistant adjutant general for the army national guard; amending statutes.

HF317—Fjoslien (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

National guard; changing minimum pay for certain enlisted persons; amending statutes.

HF318—Jennings, L (DFL)—Rules/Legislative Administration

A resolution memorializing the governments of the United States and Sweden that the State of Minnesota adopts the County of Kronberg as a sister state.

HF319—Rose (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of Roseville; authorizing the city council to set off-sale intoxicating liquor license fees.

HF320—Rose (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of Roseville; increasing the total number of on-sale liquor licenses.

HF321—Dempsey (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; providing for timely payment of sales and use taxes; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF322—Gruenes (IR)—Education

Education; directing the commissioner of education to form an advisory committee on nonpublic schools; amending statutes.

HF323—McKasy (IR)—Transportation

Taxation; providing for an annual compressed natural gas user permit; establishing compressed natural gas user permit fees in lieu of gas taxes; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF324—O'Connor (DFL)—Labor-Management Relations

Labor; changing the definition of plumber's apprentice for the purpose of employment licensing; amending statutes.

HF325—Shaver (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Elections; regulating lobbyist and candidate activities and contributions; proposing new law.

HF326—Shaver (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Elections; providing for a presidential primary election; changing the state primary date; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF327—Jennings, L (DFL)—Transportation

Transportation; defining "trees" for purposes of removal from highway right of way; amending statutes.

HF328—Kahn (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Alcoholic beverages; allowing licensed premises to remain open after the hour sales of alcoholic beverages must cease; amending statutes.

HF329—Olson, S (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Peace officers; requiring a person seeking appointment as a part-time peace officer to provide the board of peace officer standards and training with proof that he or she has complied with appointment requirements; amending statutes.

HF330—Quist (IR)—Judiciary

Courts; providing that venue for hearings for certain pregnant women shall be the county in which the woman resides; amending statutes.

HF331—Halberg (IR)—Judiciary

Costs and attorney fees; providing for recovery of costs and attorney fees by prevailing parties in civil actions against the state and administrative contested cases; proposing new law.

HF332—Frerichs (IR)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; delaying the rule of 85 retirement date for certain teachers; amending statutes.

HF333—Simoneau (DFL)—Governmental Operations

State government; ratifying certain salaries approved by the legislative commission on employee relations.

HF334—Vellenga (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Marriage dissolution and child custody; requiring family courts to forward findings of parental child abuse to the county attorney; proposing new law.

HF335—Bishop (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Corrections; removing certain information from the certified record for commitment of persons convicted of a felony or gross misdemeanor; amending statutes.

HF336—Pauly (IR)—Taxes

Public finance; providing for allocation of 1984 state private activity bond issuance authority; proposing new law.

HF337—Frederick (IR)—Appropriations

Agriculture; appropriating funds for the Minnesota Agricultural Interpretive Center.

HF338—Jacobs (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; income; providing time limits for certification for purposes of the small business investment credits; amending statutes.

HF339—Jacobs (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; providing a credit against the income tax for contributions to candidates for local elective office; amending statutes.

HF340—Dyke (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; making the pollution control and feedlot pollution control credits effective for 1983 and 1984 tax years; amending laws.

HF341—Tjornhom (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; motor vehicle excise; reducing the general rate to five percent; amending statutes.

HF342—Jacobs (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; repealing the special sales tax on sales of intoxicating liquor and nonintoxicating malt liquor; repealing statutes.

HF343—Tomlinson (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; property; decreasing the homestead credit percentage; increasing the homestead credit maximum; increasing the homestead value eligible to receive homestead credit; amending statutes.

HF344—Blatz (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Commerce; authorizing industrial loan and thrifts to sell certain evidences of indebtedness; establishing different certificate of authorization requirements for corporations that will and will not sell or issue thrift certificates; modifying certain application and examination duties of the department of commerce; providing simplified requirements for the issuance of more than one certificate of authorization to the same corporation; clarifying the right of industrial loan and thrifts to collect certain additional loan charges; exempting certain mortgage purchasers and assignees from licensing as regulated lenders; prohibiting industrial loan and thrifts from using the words "savings and loan" in their corporate names; authorizing regulated lenders to make loans up to ten percent of capital; modifying the licensing provisions governing regulated lenders; providing for changes in business locations of regulated lenders; increasing the minimum default charge that may be charged; providing for the determination of interest; authorizing certain additional loan charges; and providing alternative loan disclosure requirements; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF345—Seaberg (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Insurance; no-fault automobile; providing mandatory underinsured motorist coverage; clarifying legislative intent concerning stacking of insurance policies; coordinating the priority of applicability of security for payment of certain benefits; establishing tort threshold limitations on uninsured and underinsured motorist coverages; modifying the limitation of damages for noneconomic detriment; amending statutes.

HF346—Gruenes (IR)—Health/Human Services

Health; providing for physical therapy evaluation and referral; prohibiting certain practices by physical therapists; amending statutes.

HF347—Rodosovich (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Human services; authorizing a state hospital to enter into shared service agreements with for profit organizations; amending statutes.

HF348—Vellenga (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Human services; clarifying the services available to autistic persons; revising statutes; amending statutes.

HF349—Heap (IR)—Education

Education; providing an incentive to encourage school districts to reduce certain class sizes in kindergarten through third grade; appropriating money; proposing new law.

HF350—Nelson, K (DFL)—Education

Post-secondary education; reducing the tuition component required to pay in part for instruction costs; amending statutes.

HF351—Olsen, S (IR)—Education

Education; clarifying transportation aid and related provisions; amending statutes.

HF352—Schafer (IR)—Education

Education; defining transportation to and from nonpublic school as nonregular transportation; amending statutes.

HF353—Hartle (IR)—Education

Department of education; authorizing it to make shared service agreements with other public agencies; appropriating money; proposing new law.

HF354—Backlund (IR)—Education

Education; deleting minimum school site area requirements; amending statutes.

HF355—Olsen, S (IR)—Education

Education; updating outdated provisions; removing obsolete provisions; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF356—Greenfield (DFL)—Education

Post-secondary education; allowing financial aid for four years, not just the first four years, of undergraduate education; amending statutes.

HF357—Greenfield (DFL)—Education

Post-secondary education; reducing the tuition component required to pay in part for instruction costs; amending statutes.

HF358—Carlson, L (DFL)—Education

Higher education coordinating board; extending the regular scholarship and grant program to certain part-time students; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF359—Carlson, L (DFL)—Education

University of Minnesota; changing restrictions on the permanent university fund so that the fund can be used to help endow professorial chairs; appropriating money; amending statutes.

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HA3—Simoneau (DFL)—Agriculture

A proposal to study the costs associated with swine pseudorabies control.

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ADVANCE COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

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TO ALL COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION CHAIRS: The deadline for all committee and commission meeting notices is **NOON ON THURSDAY OF EACH WEEK.** Please send notices in time for the Thursday publication deadline to House Information, Rm. 9, State Capitol.

Monday, February 11

8:00 a.m.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Community College System budget hearing. Speakers: Dr. Gerald W. Christenson, Chancellor; presentations from Community College presidents.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Overview and budget hearings for Supreme Court; Trial Court; and Court of Appeals.

8:30 a.m.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: Karen Dudley, Legislative Commission on Pensions & Retirement: Background information on Rule of 85 and pre-'73 retiree issues. No public testimony.

10:00 a.m.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: Hearing to examine current problems in our laws pertaining to child abuse.

REGULATED INDUSTRIES & ENERGY, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Elton Redalen. Agenda: Overview Dept. of Energy. Overview Legislative Auditor's report on the Energy Assistance and Weatherization program.

10:30 a.m.

LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON EMPLOYEE RELATIONS, Rm. 118 Capitol. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: 1) Continuation of review for ratification of the Pay Equity Report from the Dept. of Employee Relations concerning equalization of salaries for state employees. 2) Continuation of review of PERB report concerning possible consolidation of the Public Employment Relations Board with the Bureau of Mediation Services.

12:00 noon

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/Education, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Sally Olsen. Agenda: Fund balances summary and fund merger; recommendations of Advisory Council on UFARS; levy certification information.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Jim Heap. Agenda: Presentations from Francis Fitzgerald, MACI; Tom Beer, AFSCME; Mike Haney, MAPE; Mike Hickey, NFIB; Wes Lane, MN Teamsters DRIVE.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: Consideration of allocation formulas of industrial development bond authority. Speakers: Rep. Sidney Pauly; Rep. Bill Schreiber; Meg Bye, League of MN Cities; Joel Michael, House Research.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

3:30 p.m.

COMMISSION ON THE ECONOMIC STATUS OF WOMEN, Rm. 112 Capitol. Vice Chair: Sen. Marilyn Lantry. Agenda: Election of chair; discussion of legislation.

Tuesday, February 12

8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Budget hearings for Disabled American Veterans; Veterans of Foreign Wars; Uniform Laws Commission; and the Science Museum.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Community College System budget hearing continued. Speakers: MN Community College Faculty Association; MN Community College Student Association; graduates of MN Community Colleges.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Budget hearing for Dept. of Corrections.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Continue overview of Court Systems from Monday, and the following: Board of Continuing Education; Board of Lawyers Professional Responsibility; Board of Judicial Standards; and Board of Law Examiners.

HIGHER EDUCATION DIVISION/Education, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Mark Piepho. Agenda: Missions/Strategic Planning. Presentations from Community Colleges; AVTI.

TAXES, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: HF336 (Pauly) Carry forward of 1984 industrial revenue bond allocation. HF166 (Tomlinson) Presentation of Governor's income tax simplification proposal.

8:30 a.m.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: Eugene Sampson, Assistant Commissioner of Dept. of Economic Security: overview of Minnesota's unemployment insurance program.

10:00 a.m.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: HF191 (Piepho) Relating to local government; requiring prompt payment of local government bills. HF241 (Dempsey) Relating to commerce; modifying certain motor vehicle sale and distribution regulations. HFxxx \$70 million increase in Housing Finance Agency bonding authority.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. John Rose. Agenda: Bob Hanson, Legislative Commission on Minnesota Resources; continue Dept. of Natural Resources overview.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Onnen. Agenda: Presentation on child support enforcement program and law changes from Dept. of Human Services and House Research. Report on block grant study from Legislative Audit Commission.

12:00 noon

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE & WORKERS' COMPENSATION DIVISION/Labor-Management Relations, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Steve Sviggum. Agenda: To be announced.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: MN Municipal Board; local government finance.

2:00 p.m.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Continue Community College System budget hearing.

3:00 p.m.

BUDGET, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. David Jennings. Agenda: Consideration of Budget resolution.

Wednesday, February 13

8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Budget hearing for the Dept. of Commerce.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: State University System. Speakers: Chancellor Jon Wefald, budget overview; President Bob Carothers, Southwest State's Technical Initiative; President Brenden McDonald, St. Cloud, International Business program; President Margaret Preska, Mankato, International Business Proposal; President Roland Dille, Moorhead Energy Management Institute; President Tom Stark, Winona, and President Ted Gillett, Bemidji, need for full funding and relating to equipment and supply reduction in 1981-83; President Reatha King, Metropolitan State U, non-traditional student and minority student support; Chancellor Jon Wefald, tuition stabilization request.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Budget hearing for Dept. of Corrections (continued.)

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Zoological Gardens budget hearing.

EDUCATION, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Wendell Erickson. Agenda: Presentation by the MN Business Partnership: Berman-Weiler study of K - 12 education in Minnesota.

10:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. K. J. McDonald. Agenda: HF4 (Waltman) Providing income tax incentives to landowners who sell or lease agricultural land to eligible beginning farmers. HF35 (Dimler) Family Farm Security program. HFxxx (McDonald) Relating to the University of MN Agriculture Extension Service.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: Continue hearing to examine current problems in our laws pertaining to child abuse.

12:00

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Adolph Kvam. Agenda: Trends in banking. Speaker: Dr. John Karaken, Chairman, Finance & Insurance Dept., University of MN School of Management.

TRANSPORTATION, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Doug Carlson. Agenda: Tourism traffic flows. Dept. of Transportation, Dept. of Natural Resources, and Tourism Division/Dept. of Energy & Economic Development.

2:00 p.m.

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/Education, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Sally Olsen. Agenda: Budget presentation.

Thursday, February 14

8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Budget hearings for Board of Abstractors; Board of Accountancy; Board of Architecture; Land Survey & Landscape Architecture; Board of Barber Examiners; Board of Boxing; and Board of Electricity.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: State University System. Speakers: David Jerde, President, Inter Faculty Organization; Ron Estes, Acting Director, MN State University Student Association; Rod Searle, President, SUB, the future of the State University System.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Budget hearings for Dept. of Corrections (continued); Ombudsman/Sentencing Guidelines.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Dept. of Energy & Economic Development (DEED) budget hearing.

HIGHER EDUCATION DIVISION/Education, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Mark Piepho. Agenda: Missions/Strategic Planning. Presentations from David Longanecker, Higher Education Coordinating Board and the University of Minnesota.

TAXES, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: Presentation of Governor's property tax proposal.

8:30 a.m.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: Presentation by Howard Bicker, Executive Director, State Board of Investment on pension investments. HF98 (Knickerbocker) Relating to the availability of actuarial services appropriation.

10:00 a.m.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: HF210 (Heap) Shareholder vote required to amend articles of incorporation that relate to a reduction in the shareholders need to transact business. HF34 (Redalen) Wineries may use imported grapes until a crop is established. Time limit 4 years. HF97 (Redalen) Wineries authorized to sell cheese and cheese spread.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. John Rose. Agenda: HF268 (Sviggum) Relating to the environment; removing statutory provisions for joint and several liability and causation for personal injury.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Onnen. Agenda: Testimony on the role of county government in health and human services.

12:00 noon

GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Dave Fjoslien. Agenda: Hearing for a Committee bill regarding rules regulating charitable gambling; possible extension of those rules; and exemption of certain organizations participating in yearly events.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: Combined sewer overflow (CSO) briefings; metro perspective.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

After Session

RULES & LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATION, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Connie Levi. Agenda: House Resolution 5 (Uphus); Resolutions: Permanent rules, deadlines; telephone credit cards.

Friday, February 15

8:00 a.m.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Dept. of Economic Security, public testimony. Legislative Auditor, audit report on Weatherization and Sheltered Workshops.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Zoological Gardens budget hearing.



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HIGHLIGHTS

Lakeshore leases

State lakeshore lease rates are on their way up.

On Feb. 21, the Environment and Natural Resources Committee, heard from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) on proposed rate increases for lakeshore leases on Permanent School Fund Land.

Giving some history on lakeshore leasing, Rod Sando, administrator for the Land Bureau, said the DNR now administers almost 1800 leases on 90 lakes in 11 northern Minnesota counties. A majority of the leases, about 1600, are on school trust lands and revenues from them go to the DNR to meet expenses in administering trust lands. (Currently, surplus revenues go toward forest management, though prior to 1982, they went into the Permanent School Fund to help pay for education.)

The program dates back to 1917 when the lease fee was \$10. In 1974-75, the department set fees at five percent of the value of the lot. The department is re-appraising the land, and results show that land values have gone up and will mean an average increase of 300 percent in lease rates.

Sando said the lease agreements give people the opportunity to live on the lakeshore, at a cost far less than it would to own.

But Rep. Lona Minne (DFL-Hibbing) opposes the proposed increases. "The five percent fee sounds nominal, but you have to remember what that applies to." Minne said the appraisals need more scrutiny because people living on the property have far fewer rights than property owners and should have a different value assessment for their land.

Reading a letter from a lease holder, Minne said, "In most cases, lessees have been faithful and diligent stewards of state-owned property."

The committee will meet again to consider a bill Minne is sponsoring that would put the lease increase on hold for a year until the Legislature can work out an alternative to the DNR's proposal.

Farm assistance

A bill aiding farmers who have borrowed money under the Family Farm Security Program got the approval of the Taxes Committee on Feb. 21. The bill, HF35 (Dimler, IR-Chanhassen), already had a recommendation to pass from the Agriculture Committee on Feb. 13. It goes now to the floor of the House.

Farmers who can't keep up the payments on their Family Farm Security Program loans because of unique or temporary circumstances would qualify for aid. The bill would allow the agricultural commissioner to use special account funds to make the payments on qualifying loans for up to two years. Farmers would have eight years to pay this money back at an interest rate four percent below Federal Land Bank rates.

The Taxes Committee deleted a provision of the bill relating to the exemption from Minnesota income of interest earned from these loans. Presently, state law exempts interest income on loans executed before Jan. 1, 1986. The provision would have extended the exemption until Jan. 1, 1990.

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School starting date

A bill that would prevent schools from starting before Labor Day got approval from the Education Committee Feb. 20.

Supporters say the bill, HF151 (Thiede, IR-Pequot Lakes), would benefit Minnesota campground and resort owners and others who depend on student help during busy summer vacation schedules.

According to the bill's author, Rep. Paul Thiede, the last two weeks in August are traditionally the heaviest vacation times. This bill, he said, would allow the tourist industry to fully benefit from these weeks and would be helpful to people in depressed Northern Minnesota vacation areas.

The bill now moves to the House floor for further consideration.

Tip credit

A tip credit bill was on the agenda for the Labor-Management Committee Feb. 20.

Tip credit is the amount under minimum wage that restaurant owners can pay their tipped employees. It works like this: state minimum wage is \$3.35 per hour; restaurant owners can pay their tipped employees \$2.85 per hour (15 percent less than minimum wage) if the employee gets least \$35 a month in tips.

Last year's tip credit law took effect Jan. 1, 1985. It reduced tip credit from 20 to 15 percent, and 5 percent each year until 1988, when it eliminates the tip credit.

The bill the committee is considering, HF 284 (Heap, IR-Plymouth), would stop the yearly credit reductions at the present 15 percent level. According to the bill's author, Rep. Jim Heap, the bill accepts the fact that tip credit went down 5 percent in January, but it removes the subsequent repealers. "If we pass this bill, we will be leaving Minnesota with a 15 percent tip credit," he said.

Criminal justice bills

The drinking age would go up to 21 under a bill that got approval in the Criminal Justice subcommittee on Feb. 20. As it stands now, HF102 (Schafer, IR-Gibbon) would go into effect Sept. 1, 1985 and would grandfather in those who turn 20 before that date. By Oct. 1, 1986, as federal law requires, everyone drinking legally in Minnesota would be 21.

Another bill to get subcommittee approval, HF78 (Staten, DFL-Mpls), would impose a fine for fist offenses of between \$300 and \$3000 on people who own or operate "tippling" or disorderly houses where unlawful sale of liquor or drugs, unlawful gambling, or prostitution occurs. Penalties would go up for subsequent offenses.

HF266 (Marsh, IR-Sauk Rapids) also got approval in subcommittee. Proponents say it attempts to answer the question, "When is a police officer a police officer?" by spelling out under what circumstances a peace officer has the arrest authority of a peace officer, and when he or she has the arrest authority of a private citizen.

All three bills now go before the Crime and Family Law Committee.

State budget

The governor recommends a state budget of \$10.9 billion for 1986-87. That's 12 percent from the previous budget, but down one percent from the budget that current law projects, said Nellie Johnson, assistant commissioner of the Department of Finance, at a Governmental Operations Committee meeting Feb. 20.

Of the budget, she said, about 33 percent goes for direct aid to individuals, 33 percent to localities, and another 33 percent to state operations (which includes funding for higher education and institutions).

Increases in the budget, said Johnson, are in education and health care. Many health care programs are mandates from the federal government — which foots just over half the bill, she said. Factors driving health care costs up, she said, are inflation and a high percentage of elderly people.



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According to Johnson, the governor's recommended budget would fund seven areas:

- 24 percent — aid to school districts;
- 18 percent — post secondary education;
- 15 percent — property tax credits and refunds;
- 11 percent — health care (medical assistance and general assistance medical care);
- 5 percent — local government aid;
- 4 percent — income support (Aid to Families with Dependent Children, General Assistance, and Minnesota Supplemental Aid);
- 3 percent — debt service and state borrowing; and
- 20 percent — other spending.

Child abuse

"Would you want to learn about child abuse at your child's day care center on the front page of the *Minneapolis Star and Tribune*? That's what happened to me," said Rebecca Liestman at a Crime and Family Law Committee meeting on Feb. 20.

Liestman, whose child attended the now-closed Minnetonka Nursery, came to testify for a bill to inform parents about investigations into abusive activities at their children's day care facilities.

Rep. Brad Stanius (IR-White Bear Lake) sponsors HF213 which would give parents of children attending day care centers under investigation access to information about the probe. Currently, data practices laws prohibit authorities from telling anyone about such investigations.

Stanis said its important to notify parents about an investigation because if they don't find out about it until the investigation is complete they get justifiably upset.

Another reason to notify parents, said Stanius, is that they then have "the opportunity to ask their own children about whether there has been abuse or neglect to them or their peers."

The committee recommended the bill to pass and sent it on to the full House.

Farm aid

A bill for \$20 million in farm aid came out of the Agriculture Division of the Appropriations Committee on Feb. 19 with an unanimous recommendation to pass. The bill, HF32/SF54*, (Redalen, IR-Fountain), targets the aid to farmers who need money to get crops in the ground this spring.

The bill would provide \$20 million in interest subsidies to farm lenders, who in turn, pass on the savings to farmers. The Department of Agriculture will administer the program but much of the authority over who gets the loans would go to local banks. To be eligible, farmers would have to prove they can make a profit if they can borrow at lower rates.

The full Appropriations Committee will hear the bill Feb. 21.

Selection of judges

Minnesota would have a merit procedure for selecting judges under a bill the Judiciary Committee recommended to pass on Feb. 19. The legislation would set up a committee to choose applicants for judicial vacancies and recommend three to five names to the governor for appointment. The governor would then appoint one from the recommended list, or request a second list of names.

Chief author Randy Kelly (DFL-St. Paul) says HF220, by law, would open up the process for the selection of judges. Currently, the governor selects judges when a vacancy occurs and he can appoint anyone he wants. Kelly said the governor has opened up the system by using a committee selection process, but state law doesn't require him to do so.

The bill (which does not apply to Supreme Court vacancies) now goes to the full House for consideration.

Liquor licenses

The city of Roseville could issue 12 more liquor licenses to people who want to do business in the city if a bill Rep. John Rose (IR-Roseville) has introduced becomes law.

The bill, HF320, would give the Roseville City Council authority to issue 36 licenses, instead of the city's present 24. The Commerce and Economic Development Committee recommended the bill to pass on Feb. 19 after a briefing on the need for additional licenses by Rose and Roseville's mayor and city manager.

State University System

Our mission is instruction, research and public service, says Jon Wefald, chancellor of the State University System. At a Feb. 19 meeting of the Higher Education Division of the Education Committee, Wefald detailed the needs and strengths of the system.

"We should be, and often are, the cultural, social, and economic centers of the areas we're located in," he said, "and we're crucial to the economic development of these regions."

Wefald said that most students in the system come from within 100 miles of the colleges they attend. And, he added, it's important to try to keep these people in the areas where they got their educations.

He said the State University System's small business programs now underway and those developing are getting good local response, and should help toward this end.

Pointing to the strengths of the State University System, Wefald told legislators that in the last three years, state university professors have published 63 books and over 450 articles.

Rules and regulations

"The Legislature often delegates power to state agencies to write their own rules, which have the force and effect of law," said House Research Analyst Mark Shepard.

At a Feb. 18 meeting of the Governmental Operations Committee, Shepard talked about the Administrative Procedures Act (APA), which spells out procedures state agencies and departments must follow when making rules, or when hearing cases concerning rules already in practice.

To establish rules, an agency must first draft them and write a statement explaining why they're necessary and reasonable. Then, said Shepard, the agency must request the Administrative Hearing Examiner's Office to conduct public hearings on them. After that office assesses whether the agency has complied with the APA the agency publishes the rules.

Correction

In "School funds" on page 5 of last week's *Session Weekly*, **Kristine Anderson**, business manager at Deer River Schools, is the chair of UFARS. Don Klassy is from a task force involved with a UFARS study.

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To save time and expense in cases where the rules are non-controversial, said Shepard, agencies can propose to adopt rules without a hearing. If 25 or more people object, however, the rules must go through the hearing process.

In any event, the Legislature has the ultimate authority over rules and can choose to repeal them, or ask the Legislative Commission to Review Administrative Rules (LCRAR) to temporarily suspend rules or get the department to change them, he said.

Balanced budget request

On the agenda for the Rules and Legislative Administration Committee, Feb. 18, was HF9 (Piepho, IR-Mankato). The bill proposes that Minnesota memorialize Congress to call a constitutional convention to propose an amendment to the United States Constitution to require a balanced federal budget.

Also, before the committee were two House resolutions. One (Rep. Sylvester Uphus, IR-Sauk Centre, author) to extend condolences to the families and friends of volunteer firefighters, who died in a fire in Sauk Centre, and to express appreciation to all firefighters.

The second resolution (Rep. Wendell Erickson, IR-Hills, author) would provide for a joint meeting of the Senate and the House to elect members of the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota.

Both HF9 and the two resolutions will go on to the full House for consideration.

Superfund

The state's superfund is facing possible changes this year. On Feb. 14, the Environment and Natural Resources Committee looked at HF268, a bill that author Rep. Steve Sviggum (IR-Kenyon) says "fine-tunes" the 1983 law.

Sviggum says his bill would not make any changes to the clean-up provisions of the current law. Instead, it goes after provisions that relate to personal injury liability in response to three concerns. First, insurance companies are "blacklisting" Minnesota, i.e., Lloyd's of London's Minnesota exclusion to its environmental impairment liability insurance underwriting. Second, the current superfund law discourages businesses from moving here and encourages them to move away. And third, it's unfair and unjust to make such stringent liability provisions retroactive.

Sviggum's bill would:

- Repeal the joint and several liability provision which allows a victim of hazardous waste releases to recover damages from each defendant or any one of them for up to 100 percent of the total liability, in cases where multiple defendants contributed to the release.
- Remove the causation section, a provision that some say made it too easy for victims to prosecute. Current law says victims have to show the probability that a release caused them harm. To repeal the causation section would mean common law would govern in personal injury cases, and victims would have to prove a specific release caused their injuries.
- Change the retroactivity date for dumping hazardous waste and personal liability from 1960 or 1974 to 1983.

Opponents argue that the bill doesn't address the concerns of injured people, that businesses aren't leaving the state because of the superfund, and that insurance is difficult to get among high-risk companies anyway, even without superfund, and isn't generally available nationally.

The committee recommended the bill to pass and sent it on to the Judiciary Committee.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Ag., Transportation & Semi-State Div./Approp.

Tuesday, Feb. 20

- **Farm operating loan program** HF32/SF54* (Redalen, IR-Fountain)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW

Wednesday, Feb. 20

- **Abuse reporting—notice to parents/guardians** HF213 (Stanisus, IR-White Bear Lake)—recommended to pass. (See Highlight)

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Tuesday, Feb. 19

- **Off-sale liquor license fees—Roseville** HF319 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—heard and rereferred to Liquor Subcommittee.
 - **On-sale liquor licenses—Roseville** HF320 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)
 - **Housing Finance Agency bonding authority—increased** HF438 (Seaberg, IR-Mendota Heights)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- Thursday, Feb. 21**
- **Master plumber—ad requirement** HF385 (Himle, IR-Bloomington)—recommended to pass as amended.
 - **Aspen cord weight** HF155 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.

EDUCATION

Wednesday, Feb. 20

- **Schools—post Labor Day start** HF151 (Thiede, IR-Pequot Lakes)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar. (See Highlight)

Education Finance Div./Ed.

Wednesday, Feb. 20

- **U of M—presidential candidates' privacy** HF225 (Erickson, IR-Hills)—heard.

GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS

Thursday, Feb. 21

- **School elections—qualification of candidates** HF157 (Waltman, IR-Elgin)—heard; rereferred to Elections subcommittee.
- **Small towns—voting hours** HF381 (Uphus, IR-Sauk Centre)—heard.

JUDICIARY

Tuesday, Feb. 19

- **Multi-party accounts act** HF140 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Testamentary trustees—qualification not required** HF68 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Vacancies in judicial offices—selection process** HF67 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended.

RULES & LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATION

Monday, Feb. 18

- **Constitutional convention—balanced budget** HF9 (Piepho, IR-Mankato)—recommended to pass.

TAXES

Thursday, Feb. 21

- **Family Farm Security Program—changes** HF35 (Dimler, IR-Chanhassen)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)
- **Small business investment credits—time limit** HF338 (Jacobs, DFL-Coon Rapids)—not recommended to pass as amended.

FLOOR ACTION

CONSENT CALENDAR

Monday, Feb. 18

- **IDB authority—student loans/waste management** HF336 (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—passed as amended.

CALENDAR

Monday, Feb. 18

- **PERA reorganization** HF110/SF122* (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—passed.
- **Dramshop insurance—aggregate limit** HF265 (Kvam, IR-Litchfield)—passed.



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BILL INTRODUCTIONS

Bill Introductions

Thursday, Feb 14

HF445—McEachern (DFL)—Education

Education; enabling the state board of education to authorize school boards to permanently transfer money from one fund to another when unforeseeable events occur within a district; requiring review and recommendations by the advisory council on uniform financial accounting and reporting standards; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

Monday, Feb 18

HF446—Johnson (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Counties; permitting the use of a broker to sell county property under certain conditions; amending statutes.

HF447—Begich (DFL)—Transportation

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

HF448—Blatz (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; defining sports bookmaking; amending statutes.

HF449—Blatz (IR)—Judiciary

Attachments; providing procedures for the prejudgment seizure of property; amending statutes; repealing statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF450—Blatz (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Children; replacing the state election campaign fund with a child abuse prevention trust fund; providing for disbursement of funds for child abuse prevention; creating a tax return checkoff to fund the child abuse prevention trust fund; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF451—McKasy (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Environment; providing reciprocal access to courts and administrative agencies for injuries caused by transboundary pollution; proposing coding for new law.

HF452—McKasy (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Uniform acts; enacting the Uniform Conservation Easement Act; proposing coding for new law.

HF453—Hartle (IR)—Budget

Public improvements; authorizing the issuance of state bonds for improvements at the Minnesota agricultural interpretive center; appropriating money.

HF454—McKasy (IR)—Transportation

Motor vehicles; providing defense to charge of operating motor vehicle without valid registration; amending statutes.

HF455—Minne (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Human services; establishing a program in the department of economic security to distribute grants to centers that provide independent living services; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF456—Blatz (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Waters; providing for revocation of a watercraft license when the watercraft is used by an operator who is arrested for operating the watercraft while under the influence of alcohol or who refuses chemical testing; requiring the court to restrain a person from operating watercraft when that person is convicted of operating watercraft while under the influence of alcohol; prescribing penalties; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF457—Himle (IR)—Labor-Management Relations

Unemployment compensation; regulating benefit eligibility related to receipt of severance pay; amending statutes.

HF458—Dimler (IR)—Taxes

Taxation, sales and use; providing for collection of tax on property purchased for resale by nonprofit organizations; proposing coding for new law.

HF459—Rees (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Alcoholic beverages; prohibiting practices by licensees which may tend to increase consumption of alcoholic beverages; amending statutes.

HF460—Olson, E (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Public welfare; providing for state payment of the entire nonfederal share of the cost of certain assistance programs for members of the White Earth Indian Reservation; amending statutes.

HF461—Cohen (DFL)—Judiciary

Courts; providing that Ramsey municipal court judges shall set salaries of conciliation court referees in Ramsey county; amending statutes.

HF462—Cohen (DFL)—Education

Post-secondary education; reducing the tuition component required to pay in part for instruction costs; amending statutes.

HF463—Jaros (DFL)—Labor-Management Relations

Unemployment compensation; regulating benefit eligibility for certain employees of institutions of higher education; amending statutes.

HF464—Shaver (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; changing the method of indexing the tax brackets, standard deduction, and personal credits; amending statutes.

HF465—Battaglia (DFL)—Governmental Operations

State government; requiring the governor to establish the Minnesota department of jobs and training to administer all programs for current or potential labor force participants; establishing an advisory task force; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF466—Nelson, K (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; allowing the testimony of the complaining victim of child abuse to be taken by closed-circuit television; proposing coding for new law.

HF467—Halberg (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Marriage dissolution; clarifying the application of the child support guidelines; amending statutes.

HF468—McPherson (IR)—Governmental Operations

State departments and agencies; clarifying the duties of the state demographer; adding to the nongeneral fund staff complement of the land management information center; amending statutes.

HF469—Voss (DFL)—Education

Post-secondary education; reducing the tuition component required to pay in part for instruction costs; amending statutes.

HF470—Erickson (IR)—Education

Education; authorizing the establishment of joint vocational technical districts; proposing coding for new law.

HF471—Battaglia (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

City of Ely; authorizing the city to operate a casino gaming facility regulated by the charitable gambling control board.

HF472—Battaglia (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Game and fish; setting a limit on walleyes taken from Lake of the Woods and Rainy Lake; amending statutes.

HF473—Dimler (IR)—Education

Education; changing the basic maintenance mill rate to 20 mills; amending statutes.

HF474—Hartinger (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; requiring a six-month residency in Minnesota for general assistance; proposing coding for new law.

HF475—Dimler (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; abolishing the farm loss modifications; amending statutes.

HF476—Heap (IR)—Education

Education; vocational; removing a restriction for awarding associate degrees; amending statutes.

HF477—Heap (IR)—Education

Vocational education; discontinuing program elimination standards based on placement ratios and class size; repealing statutes.

HF478—Begich (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; changing the funding for enterprise zones; amending statutes.

HF479—Begich (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Game and fish; authorizing free fishing licenses for totally and permanently disabled public employees; amending statutes.

HF480—Begich (DFL)—Regulated Industries/Energy

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

HF481—Olsen, S (IR)—Education

Education; providing levy authority for intermediate school districts for energy retrofit and asbestos removal or encapsulation purposes; amending statutes.

HF482—Skoglund (DFL)—Rules/Legislative Administration

Legislature; prohibiting the payment of honorariums to legislators during the legislative session; amending statutes.

HF483—Neuenschwander (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; establishing an aspen recycling program; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF484—Sherman (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Corrections; authorizing the commissioner of corrections to prescribe the conditions under which persons on work release may retain and expend their earnings; providing for inmate contribution to funds for programs to aid victims of crime; clarifying the provisions relating to the use of force by correctional officers in preventing escape; providing preference to county employees displaced when counties change over and request probation services for county courts from the state; removing obsolete language; amending statutes.

HF485—Erickson (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of Lismore; authorizing it to issue bonds for municipal facilities.

HF486—Schafer (IR)—Education

Education; authorizing the interdistrict cooperation aid and levy proceeds to be used to pay administrative expenses attributable to interdistrict cooperation programs; amending statutes.

HF487—Schafer (IR)—Education

Education; allowing pupils who change districts of residence to continue attendance in the previous district under certain conditions; proposing coding for new law.

HF488—Fjoslien (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Appropriations; appropriating money for walleyed pike fingerling production and related educational documentation.

HF489—Carlson, L (DFL)—Education

Education; establishing courseware integration centers; providing grants for centers for the 1986-1987 school year; providing grants to encourage using technology in school district management; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF490—Johnson (IR)—Governmental Operations

State government; regulating mandates to local units of government; proposing coding for new law.

HF491—Vanasek (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Commerce; prohibiting the sale of certain gold coins; prescribing penalties; proposing coding for new law.

HF492—Pappas (DFL)—Governmental Operations

State departments and agencies; requiring agencies to provide services and materials in languages other than English; proposing coding for new law.

HF493—Krueger (DFL)—Judiciary

Courts; providing that civil judgments may be satisfied by installment payments; providing procedures for collection of civil judgments; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF494—Krueger (DFL)—Education

Education; requiring an adult chaperon on school buses who will accompany grade K-3 children across streets; amending statutes.

HF495—Pauly (IR)—Appropriations

Public finance; modifying provisions that allocate industrial revenue bond authority; clarifying the duties of the department of energy and economic development; amending statutes.

HF496—Seaberg (IR)—Judiciary

Eminent domain; mandating disclosure of certain relationships; providing means for objecting to commissioners; requiring commissioners to take an oath; amending statutes.

HF497—Jennings, L (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Corrections; requiring the commissioner of corrections to limit the offering of printing services of Lino Lakes to governmental and nonprofit organizations; amending statutes.

HF498—Skoglund (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Insurance; authorizing domestic companies to purchase or sell certain futures contracts; amending statutes.

HF499—Seaberg (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Housing; regulating powers of the Minnesota housing finance agency; setting limits on loan authority, terms and amounts; providing for administrative changes in various loan programs; amending statutes.

HF500—Krueger (DFL)—Judiciary

Occupations and professions; providing for estimates of attorney's fees; proposing coding for new law.

HF501—Begich (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Economic development; creating the North-eastern Minnesota employment and training program; granting certain powers and duties to the commissioners of economic security and human services; providing for the use of public funds in certain public and private jobs and training programs in the counties of St. Louis, Lake, Cook, and Itasca; requiring coordination with other state agencies and reports to the governor and legislature; appropriating money.

HF502—Beard (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Highway traffic regulations; requiring defendants to pay for alcohol problem assessments; providing state reimbursement for alcohol problem assessments; amending statutes.

HF503—Skoglund (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Governmental operations; prohibiting any governmental entity from engaging a lobbyist; imposing penalties; proposing coding for new law.

HF504—Begich (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Malt beverages; requiring identification of kegs and purchasers thereof; prescribing a penalty; proposing coding for new law.

HF505—Hartinger (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local government; requiring statutory and home rule charter cities to file certain documents in public libraries; proposing coding for new law.

HF506—Battaglia (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

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

HF507—Olsen, S (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Hennepin county; setting the form in which county board members' salaries must be stated; amending laws.

HF508—Poppenhagen (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of Detroit Lakes; permitting the establishment of a port authority.

HF509—Ogren (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Statutes; providing free distribution of Minnesota Statutes to library of largest municipality of each county; amending statutes.

HF510—Bishop (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Human services; 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 coding for new law.

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HF511—Bishop (IR)—Crime/Family Law
Crimes; clarifying the elements of the crime of assault in the second degree; amending statutes.

HF512—Simoneau (DFL)—Governmental Operations
Public employment labor relations; providing for designation of multi-employer county-wide bargaining units; amending statutes.

HF513—Sviggum (IR)—Governmental Operations
State government; regulating the career executive service; specifying executive branch conflicts of interest; providing for review of state trooper arbitration awards; regulating approved complements; regulating liquidation of vacation leave; amending statutes.

HF514—Ogren (DFL)—Crime/Family Law
Criminal justice; clarifying the procedure for making certain claims against the state; placing restrictions on places where work in restitution or community service may be performed; amending statutes.

HF515—Ogren (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources
Natural resources; authorizing the commissioner of natural resources to lease peat lands for wild rice farming; providing for appraisal and administration of leases; proposing coding for new law.

HF516—Johnson (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs
Counties; authorizing reimbursement to county commissioners and county officers for certain expenses; renaming the county executive secretary; fixing expenditure authority for certain county activities; removing provisions for county purchasing agents, demonstration and experiment farms, and seed and feed loans; revising the language of the text of chapters concerning county powers and county boards; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF517—Knickerbocker (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance
Insurance; authorizing the use of funding agreements; prescribing powers of the commissioner; proposing coding for new law.

HF518—Heap (IR)—Taxes
Taxation; property tax refund; clarifying the term "property taxes payable"; amending statutes.

HF519—Redalen (IR)—Taxes
Taxation; providing a property tax credit for agriculture property; reducing the assessment ratio on commercial-industrial property; increasing the income limitation in the farm loss modification provision; exempting sales of repair and replacement parts for farm machinery and liquidation sales of farm machinery from sales tax; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF520—Johnson (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs
Counties; permitting the consolidation of the offices of county auditor and county treasurer under certain circumstances; proposing coding for new law.

HF521—Johnson (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs
Counties; allowing counties to dispose of interests in land without reserving mineral rights under certain circumstances; amending statutes.

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HF522—Jacobs (DFL)—Taxes
Taxation; adopting federal taxable income for individual income tax purposes; reducing the tax rate; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF523—Anderson, R (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs
Industrial development bonds; requiring the refund of application deposits to the city of Fergus Falls.

HF524—Anderson, R (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs
Industrial development bonds; requiring the refund of certain 1984 application deposits.

HF525—Olsen, S (IR)—Education
Education; requiring an educational cooperative service unit to conduct a meeting annually to discuss issues of mutual concern and to facilitate coordination and cooperation; amending statutes.

HF526—Solberg (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs
Local government; fixing conditions of certain energy improvement loans; amending statutes.

HF527—Carlson, D (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration
A resolution memorializing the President and Congress of the United States to take prompt action to enact an interstate cost estimate bill.

HF528—McLaughlin (DFL)—Education
Special School District No 1 of the city of Minneapolis; increasing the size of the board of education to nine members; providing for six members to be elected by districts; amending laws.

HF529—Knickerbocker (IR)—Governmental Operations
State and local government; providing procedures for the conduct of meetings by public bodies; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF530—Waltman (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development
Commerce; regulating transient merchants; amending statutes.

HF531—Nelson, K (DFL)—Judiciary
Drivers licenses; prohibiting driver's license renewal for traffic violators with outstanding fines; amending statutes.

HF532—Poppenhagen (IR)—Judiciary
Commerce; changing a cross reference relating to undistributed property after dissolution of a cooperative; amending statutes.

HF533—Rose (IR)—Health/Human Services
Occupations and professions; concerning the practice of veterinary graduates allowing foreign veterinary graduates to be admitted to practice under certain conditions; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF534—Begich (DFL)—Transportation
Traffic regulations; providing that excessive motor vehicle speed of not more than ten miles per hour is a conservation violation; providing a penalty; amending statutes.

HF535—Sherman (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development
Public health; prohibiting the use of lead in solder in certain instances; proposing coding for new law.

HF536—Sparby (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs
Public safety; regulating transportation of firearms and bows; amending statutes.

HF537—Solberg (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs
Itasca county; changing the permissible expenditure on tourist, agricultural, and industrial promotion; amending laws.

HF538—Onnen (IR)—Taxes
Taxation; updating income tax provisions to changes in the Internal Revenue Code; amending statutes; repealing laws.

HF539—Gruenes (IR)—Regulated Industries/Energy
Utilities; excepting certain public utility pipelines from county and environmental quality board regulation; authorizing settlement in cases of proposed general rate increases by public utilities upon review and approval by public utilities commission; authorizing department of public service to consolidate prehearing discovery activities of attorney general regarding utility rate changes; eliminating depreciation as factor in commission determination of fair rate of return for utility; allowing certain advertising expense of utility to be considered for rate purposes; providing new standard for intervention cost reimbursement in rate proceedings; increasing cost limitation for utility to acquire use of additional operating unit before commission authorization is required; amending statutes.

HF540—Clark (DFL)—Health/Human Services
Human services; conforming liquid asset limits in the Minnesota supplemental aid program for persons eligible by reason of old age or disability to the limits prescribed by the federal supplemental security income program; amending statutes.

HF541—Pappas (DFL)—Taxes
Taxation; property; exempting certain real property owned by certain fraternal organizations; amending statutes.

HF542—McLaughlin (DFL)—Taxes
Taxation; income; modifying the minimum tax; amending statutes.

HF543—Halberg (IR)—Judiciary
Human rights; removing a statutory prohibition on waiver of remedies under the human rights act; repealing statutes.

HF544—Schreiber (IR)—Taxes

Private activity bonds; modifying the method of allocating authority to issue private activity obligations; correcting erroneous references; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF545—Popenhagen (IR)—Labor-Management Relations

Insurance; removing the limits on credits offered on workers' compensation insurance premiums; amending statutes.

HF546—Sviggum (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; requiring a study and report on public guardianship.

HF547—Clausnitzer (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local government; providing conditions for the adoption or amendment of comprehensive municipal plans; amending statutes.

HF548—McKasy (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; increasing the income tax itemized deduction for use of an automobile for volunteer services; amending statutes.

HF549—Boo (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Elections; permitting employers to deduct pay from employees who take time off from work to vote; amending statutes.

HF550—Voss (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; motor vehicle excise; reducing the general rate to five percent; amending statutes.

HF551—Begich (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Game and fish; prohibiting harassment of hunters, trappers, and fishers; providing penalties; proposing coding for new law.

HF552—Halberg (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Insurance; providing for the regulation of fraternal benefit societies; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF553—Nelson, K (DFL)—Education

Education; establishing a task force to study and make recommendations about educational options for pupils in 11th and 12th grades; appropriating money.

HF554—Otis (DFL)—Education

Education; establishing a statewide task force to facilitate cooperation between teachers in the schools and parents.

HF555—Nelson, K (DFL)—Education

Education; adding academic contests and conferences to the responsibilities of the Minnesota state high school league; amending statutes.

HF556—Dempsey (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; modifying certain procedures relating to taxpayer appeals; requiring apportionment of levies in specific situations; changing the tax treatment of certain exempt property; clarifying the calculation of property tax credits; clarifying the tax treatment of certain pipelines; modifying provisions relating to the payment of property taxes; allowing for sales of sample packs of cigarettes containing 25 cigarettes; clarifying procedures relating to the sale of cigarettes to American Indians; altering the eligibility for confessions of judgment; providing for the recording of state deeds; modifying the deed stamp tax procedure; clarifying the computation of gross earnings tax for taconite railroads; clarifying labor credit provisions; clarifying process of taconite aid guarantee phase out; clarifying cost of doing business provisions for cigarette wholesalers; requiring payment of current taxes before conveyance of registered land; allowing for memorializing of state deeds on certificates of title; clarifying cancellation of contract for deed provisions; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF557—Rose (IR)—Appropriations

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

HF558—Blatz (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Metropolitan government; providing conditions for the disposal of certain sports facilities property; amending statutes.

HF559—Nelson, D (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Marriage dissolution; requiring child support obligors to file address changes with the family court and the ex-spouse; amending statutes.

HF560—Richter (IR)—Health/Human Services

City of New York Mills; authorizing the city of New York Mills to open New York Mills hospital as an intermediate care facility.

HF561—Halberg (IR)—Judiciary

Marriage dissolution; eliminating the statistical report form requirement; repealing statutes.

HF562—Wynia (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Insurance; providing for the regulation of insurance holding company systems; modifying the commissioner's jurisdiction with respect to acquisitions of control; making miscellaneous style and form changes; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF563—Nelson, D (DFL)—Judiciary

Real property; changing the manner of serving notice to register title to real estate; amending statutes.

HF564—Piepho (IR)—Education

Education; adjusting the determination of tuition; amending statutes.

HF565—Welle (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Soil and water conservation; changing powers and duties of the state board; amending statutes.

HF566—Segal (DFL)—Education

Education; establishing a health awareness program in public elementary and secondary schools; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF567—Backlund (IR)—Education

Education; clarifying the least restrictive environment for the handicapped; amending statutes.

HF568—Halberg (IR)—Judiciary

Causes of action; allowing an award of damages for mental anguish in actions for death by wrongful act; amending statutes.

HF569—Schreiber (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; providing a procedure for temporary updating of income tax references to the Internal Revenue Code in certain instances; proposing coding for new law.

HF570—Kelly (DFL)—Judiciary

Supreme court; removing the sunset provision for the surcharge on filing fees in civil actions to fund legal services; repealing laws.

HF571—Ozment (IR)—Governmental Operations

Legislature; establishing a commission to review metropolitan government; proposing coding for new law.

HF572—Fjoslien (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; appropriating money for additional apiary inspection staff and staff support.

HF573—Nelson, K (DFL)—Crime/Family Life

Human services; 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; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

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Thursday, Feb 21

SF328—Dieterich (DFL)—Taxes

Charitable gambling; changing the effective date for licensing by the charitable gambling control board; clarifying that certain revenue may be used for arts education programs; amending statutes.

SF196—Reichgott (DFL)—Crime/Family Life

Crimes; requiring the county attorney to prosecute failure to report child abuse or neglect; providing for the reporting of child abuse or neglect; defining certain terms; clarifying immunity from liability for reporting child abuse or neglect; providing for concise summaries of disposition of reports; making technical changes; prescribing penalties; amending statutes.

SF412—Moe, R (DFL)—Appropriations

Housing; raising the limit on the total amount of Minnesota housing finance agency bonds and notes outstanding; amending statutes.



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ADVANCE COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

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**Monday, February 25
8:00 a.m.**

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Historical Society budget hearing.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: MN Higher Education Coordinating Board (HECB), hearings on budget items except financial aid; biennium reports on teacher education; engineering support. HECB staff.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget hearings for Dept. of Administration; Lt. Governor's Office.

EDUCATION, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Wendell Erickson. Agenda: HF225 (Erickson) Classifying names of finalists for position of president of the University of Minnesota as private data (continue testimony). Report of the Legislative Commission on Public Education, Rep. Bob McEachern. HF282 (K. Nelson) Declaring the mission of public elementary and secondary education in Minnesota.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: HF90 (Rose) Creating a council on Asian-Pacific Minnesotans.

10:00 a.m.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: Refer bills to subcommittee.

10:15 a.m.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE SUBCOMMITTEE/Crime & Family Law, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. John Hartinger. Agenda: HF374 (Seaberg) Relating to crimes; providing that persons guilty of failing to comply with fire security measures are guilty of obstructing legal process. HF329 (Olsen) Relating to peace officers; requiring a person seeking appointment as a part-time peace officer to provide the board of peace officer standards and training with proof that he or she has complied with appointment requirements. HF448 (Blatz) Relating to crimes; defining sports bookmaking.

FAMILY LAW SUBCOMMITTEE/Crime & Family Law, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Arthur Seaberg. Agenda: HF275 (Levi) Reporting maltreatment of minors.

REGULATED INDUSTRIES & ENERGY, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Elton Redalen. Agenda: HF185 (Redalen) Prescribing membership on the Public Utilities Commission. Legislative Auditor's report on the Energy Assistance program and Weatherization program. Speaker: Tom Wallstrom.

12:00 noon

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/Education, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Sally Olsen. Agenda: Discuss Article 3 program aids (special education.)

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Jim Heap. Agenda: HF284 (Heap) Relating to labor; regulating the tip credit for minimum wage purposes. HF324 (O'Connor) Relating to labor; changing the definition of plumber's apprentice for the purpose of employment licensing. HF207 (Sviggum) Relating to public employee labor relations (PELRA.)

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: HF495 (Pauly), HFxxx (Schreiber) Allocation of industrial development bond authority.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

After Session

JUDICIARY, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Charles Halberg. Agenda: HF269 (Sviggum) Superfund bill.

**Tuesday, February 26
8:00 a.m.**

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Budget hearings for Safety Council; Public Safety, Administration; Traffic Safety, Planning and Analysis.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: MN Higher Education Coordinating Board (HECB), Missions and Strategy Planning; remedial education; admissions. HECB staff.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget hearings for Secretary of State's Office; Treasurer's Office.

HIGHER EDUCATION DIVISION/Education, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Mark Piepho. Agenda: HF46 (Johnson), HF356 (Greenfield), HF378 (Rest) Allowing financial aid after the time normally required to complete a bachelor's degree. HF204 (Piepho) Creating a student advisory council to the higher education coordinating board.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: HF236 (Kelly) Establishment of a Minnesota automated fingerprint identification network system. HF468 (McPherson) State Planning Agency departmental bill.

TAXES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. William Schreiber. Agenda: HF53 (Fjoslien) Provides repair and replacement parts on farm machinery for sales tax purposes and lowers sales tax rates from 4 to 3 percent on farm machinery. HF262 (Onnen) Provides that payment of certain income tax withholding and sales and use taxes by mail is timely when mailed. HF261 (Onnen) Modifies computation and rate of interest on tax overpayments.

10:00 a.m.

SMALL BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM SUBCOMMITTEE/Commerce & Economic Development, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Ted Thorson. Agenda: Overview tourism department, Hank Todd, Dept. of Energy & Economic Development; presentation, Al Pint, State Traffic Forecast Engineer, Dept. of Transportation.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. John Rose. Agenda: HF231 (Boo) Relating to St. Louis county; authorizing a private sale of certain tax-forfeited land. HF300 (Thorson) Relating to natural resources; terms of payment in county timber sales. Regional parks overview, Bob Nethercut, Director, Parks and Environmental Planning Dept., Metropolitan Council.

HEALTH SUBCOMMITTEE/Health & Human Services, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Dave Gruenes. Agenda: HF277 (McEachern) Permitting the county coroner to remove the pituitary gland from a body under certain circumstances. Overview of Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) development, Dept. of Health.

SOCIAL SERVICES SUBCOMMITTEE/Health & Human Services, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Al Quist. Agenda: HF186 (Sherman) Interstate contracts for Mental Health Services. Report on Community Work Experience Program (CWEP), Dept. of Human Services, and testimony on county implementation.

12:00 noon

CIVIL LAWS & ADMINISTRATION SUBCOMMITTEE/Judiciary, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bert McKasy. Agenda: HF125 (Blatz) Relating to real property; eliminating the necessity of a court order before requiring registered land surveys. HF394 (Bishop) Relating to statutes; providing that selected statutes shall be subject to judicial modifications as is common law.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE & WORKERS' COMPENSATION DIVISION/Labor-Management Relations, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Steve Sviggum. Agenda: Presentation from Gene Sampson, Assistant Commissioner, Dept. of Economic Security. HF131 (DenOuden) Providing for refunds of erroneous contributions. HF457 (Himle) Regulating benefit eligibility related to receipt of severance pay. HF147 (Sviggum) Benefit requalification after voluntary quit or discharge for misconduct.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: Local government finance briefing: Industrial development bonds, Doug Wilson, House Research; Enterprise zones; tax increment financing, Joel Michael, House Research. Financial condition of local governments and metropolitan agencies: Arne Carlson, State Auditor.

2:00 p.m.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: Continue industrial development bond authority allocation hearing (if necessary). Dept. of Revenue presentation on Production Valuation report.

HENNEPIN COUNTY DELEGATION, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Ken Nelson. Agenda: Voting on local Hennepin County bills.

4:00 p.m.

RULES & LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATION, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Connie Levi. Agenda: HF123 (Marsh) A resolution memorializing Congress to propose an amendment to the U.S. Constitution to protect human life.

Wednesday, February 27

8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Budget hearing for Public Safety, Emergency Preparedness, Capitol Security.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Budget hearing for State Board of Vocational-Technical Education.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget hearings for Judicial Standards Board; Continuing Education Board; Lawyers Professional Responsibility Board; Law Examiners Board; Public Defender; Board of Public Defense; State Auditor's Office.

EDUCATION, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Wendell Erickson. Agenda: HF470 (Erickson) AVTI cooperation bill.

PROPERTY TAX STUDY COMMISSION/Governmental Operations, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: HF388 (Burger) Establishing a legislative commission to study the distribution of property taxes on land values and improvement values.

10:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. K. J. McDonald. Agenda: 1) Dept. of Natural Resources presentation on wildlife damage to crops and livestock; 2) Robert Hammond, Assistant Faribault County Attorney, presentation on legal status of trespass law; 3) Richard Slowes, Attorney General's Office, presentation on legal status of partition fence law.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Continue budget hearings for Judicial Standards Board; Continuing Education Board; Lawyers Professional Responsibility Board; Law Examiners Board; Public Defender; Board of Public Defense; State Auditor's Office.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: HF511 (Bishop) Clarifying the elements of the crime of assault in the second degree. HF266 (Marsh) Providing indemnification for off-duty peace officers who make arrests outside their jurisdiction. HF78 (Staten) Defining the crime of owning or operating a disorderly house; requiring mandatory fine. HF102 (Schafer) Increasing the age for licensing, sale, consumption, possession and furnishing alcoholic beverages.

12:00 noon

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Adolph Kvam. Agenda: An overview by Stan Jacobsen, House Research, relating to the laws on detached facilities. HF307 (Sviggum) Relating to the town of Cannon Falls; authorizing the establishment of a detached banking facility. HF297 (Pauly) Relating to the city of Savage; authorizing the establishment of detached banking facilities. HF117 (Battaglia) Relating to the town of Tofta; authorizing the establishment of a detached banking facility. HF85 (Brinkman) Relating to the town of Santiago; authorizing the establishment of a detached banking facility.

TRANSPORTATION, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Douglas Carlson. Agenda: Railroad commodity flows.

2:00 p.m.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Continue budget hearing for State Board of Vocational-Technical Education.

LAND USE SUBCOMMITTEE/Agriculture, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Gary Schafer. Agenda: HF427 (Redalen) Relating to conservation of marginal agricultural land.

RURAL ECONOMY SUBCOMMITTEE/Agriculture, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Carol Dyke. Agenda: HFxxx (Frerichs) Establishing an agricultural financial information network.

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/Education, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Sally Olsen. Agenda: Continue discussion of Article 3 program aids (special education); discuss Article 2 program aids (transportation.)

3:00 p.m.

TRANSPORTATION, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Douglas Carlson. Agenda: County Highway Engineers presentation of axle load impacts on roadways.

4:00 p.m.

EDUCATION, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Wendell Erickson. Agenda: Discussion of Governor's initiatives in education.

6:00 p.m.

LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON WASTE MANAGEMENT, Rm. 112 Capitol. Chr. Rep. Dee Long. Agenda: 1) Waste Management Board (WMB) biennial report; 2) WMB report on status of hazardous waste processing and collection programs; 3) update on State Planning Agency hazardous waste incineration study; 4) Metro County hazardous waste ordinances; 5) Pollution Control Agency financial report on Superfund (as mandated by Sec. 115B.20, Subd. 6); 6) Report from the Household Hazardous Waste Task Force.

Thursday, February 28

8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Budget hearing for Public Safety, Criminal Apprehension, POST Board.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Continue budget hearing for State Board of Vocational-Technical Education.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Budget presentation for Dept. of Human Services.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget hearing for Dept. of Employee Relations.

HIGHER EDUCATION DIVISION/Education, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Mark Piepho. Agenda: HF249 (Sherman) Establishing criteria for a post-secondary student to be considered independent of parental support.

PROPERTY TAX STUDY COMMISSION/Governmental Operations, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Dennis Frederickson. Agenda: Continue consideration of HF388 (Burger) Establishing a legislative commission to study the distribution of property taxes on land values and improvement values.

TAXES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. William Schreiber. Agenda: HFxxx (Onnen) Dept. of Revenue income tax update bill; proposes amendments to conform to federal changes made during the prior year.

10:00 a.m.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: HF242 (Bennett) Warranties (Lemon law). HF273 (McKasy) Making permanent the time price differential rate on certain motor vehicles. HF308 (Frederick) Relating to liquor; hours for Sunday sale.

ENVIRONMENT SUBCOMMITTEE/Environment & Natural Resources, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Craig Shaver. Agenda: HF401 (Pauly) Relating to solid waste; repealing the exemption for certain solid waste disposal facilities from the certificate of need requirements.

NATURAL RESOURCES SUBCOMMITTEE/Environment & Natural Resources, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Paul Thiede. Agenda: HF488 (Fjoslien) Appropriating money for walleyed pike fingerling production and related educational documentation.

HEALTH SUBCOMMITTEE/Health & Human Services, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Dave Gruenes. Agenda: HF294 (Blatz) Health Maintenance Organizations, prohibiting exclusive agreements.

SOCIAL SERVICES SUBCOMMITTEE/Health & Human Services, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Al Quist. Agenda: Presentation and discussion on the Governor's jobs proposal.

12:00 noon

ELECTIONS SUBCOMMITTEE/General Legislation & Veterans Affairs, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Craig Shaver. Agenda: Discussion of HF157 (Waltman) Requiring that a candidate for school district office be a qualified voter. HF415 (Minne) Permitting certain reports to be made by certified mail.

GAMBLING SUBCOMMITTEE/General Legislation & Veterans Affairs, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Gil Gutknecht. Agenda: Informal organizational meeting.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: HF247 (S. Olsen) Relating to local governments; allowing adoption or amendment of comprehensive municipal plans by a two-thirds vote. HF1 (Neuenschwander) Relating to local government; procedure to consolidate International Falls and South International Falls. HF267 (Solberg) Relating to local governments; authorizing certain joint insurance arrangements.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

6:00 p.m.

LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON WASTE MANAGEMENT, Rm. 112 Capitol. Agenda: 1) Waste Management Board interim report on Estimate of Need (as mandated by Sec. 115a.08, Subd. 5b); 2) Waste Management Board Landfill Insurance Study (as mandated by Laws 1984, Ch. 644, Sec. 79; 3) proposed solid waste legislation.

Friday, March 1

8:00 a.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget hearing for Pollution Control Agency; Waste Management Board; Water Resources Board.

9:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, Tour. Chr. Rep. K. J. McDonald. Agenda: Tour Dept. of Agriculture, 90 W Plato Blvd., St. Paul.

10:00 a.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget hearing for Pollution Control Agency; Waste Management Board; Water Resources Board.

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/Education, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Sally Olsen. Agenda: Discuss Article 4 program aids (community and adult education.)

1:00 p.m.

SALARY & BUDGET REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE/Legislative Coordinating Commission, Rm. 120 Capitol. Chr. Sen. Roger Moe. Agenda: Job audit report, Rod Kelsey, DCA, Stanton. Review budgets of agencies under the jurisdiction of the LCC: Legislative Commission on Waste Management; Legislative Commission on Employee Relations; Legislative Commission to Review Administrative Rules; Legislative Commission on Pensions & Retirement; Legislative Commission on the Economic Status of Women; Great Lakes Commission; Mississippi River Parkway Commission; Legislative Commission on Minnesota Resources; Legislative Reference Library; Office of the Revisor of Statutes; LCC General Support; Intergovernmental Cooperation Commission; Legislative Commission on Energy; Legislative Commission on Public Education; Legislative Audit Commission; Office of the Legislative Auditor.



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HIGHLIGHTS

Lemon law change

On Feb. 28, the Commerce and Economic Development Committee recommended to pass HF242, a bill to amend the "lemon law," the state's auto warranty law.

The law has been on the books for about 21 months. It requires car manufacturers or authorized dealers to repair — free of charge — any reported defect or problem that the warranty covers. It gives consumers the option of getting a replacement or a refund of the full purchase price, if the defect or problem is not corrected in a reasonable number of attempts.

It also requires manufacturers to give consumers written notification, upon purchase, of the right to replacement or refund. It's this section of the law that Rep. Tony Bennett (IR-Shoreview) wants to amend.

"Manufacturers have found a way get around this requirement," Bennett says. "They've sent sample notices informing consumers of the new auto law, to dealers to give to auto buyers." In other words, the responsibility has shifted from manufacturers to dealers, he said.

Bennett says that the intent of the lemon law is to make manufacturers responsible for the consumer notice. His amendment would require manufacturers to give directly to consumers, a written notice of their rights under the lemon law.

Walleyed pike production

"Operation Walleye," a non-profit corporation, stands to get funding of about \$140,000 under a proposed bill before the Natural Resources subcommittee of the Environment and Natural Resources on Feb. 28. The group is involved in lake management and fingerling

production, and works in conjunction with the Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

Rep. Dave Fjoslien (IR-Brandon), author of the bill, HF488, says though fishing is still good where he comes from in the west-central part of the state, it can still be better. "Operation Walleye" would work to do that, giving the DNR a hand, he says.

"We're very concerned about our fishing resource," says Fjoslien, "... tourism is a very large part of our economy, and the primary thing tourists come to do is fish."

The DNR isn't fond of the idea, however. Richard Hassinger, chief of fisheries, says passage of the bill would mean another \$140,000 to increase walleye production, when the state already has a program that reaches its quota.

Also, the DNR has a number of volunteer cooperative rearing programs around the state, Hassinger says, and he's not sure how the funding of one will affect the others.

The bill got a unanimous recommendation to pass. It moves on to the full Environment and Natural Resources Committee.

Income tax update

Minnesota could get over \$50 million in added revenue from income taxes during the next biennium under HF538, a bill the Taxes Committee approved Feb. 28. The bill would make changes in state tax law to conform with 1984 federal tax changes.

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Chief author Tony Onnen (IR-Cokato) says the governor has already included the additional revenue in his budget. Also, the Department of Revenue, which initiated the bill, assumed the Legislature would pass the measure. As a result, they included any changes affecting taxpayers in 1984 in the 1984 tax forms and instructions.

Some of the many changes relate to the capital gain deduction holding period, ACRS depreciation, installment sales, travel expenses, and volunteer mileage. The changes would affect individual, corporate, and partnership taxpayers.

The bill now goes to the floor of the House.

BCA budget request

The Bureau of Criminal Apprehension (BCA) presented its \$557,000 budget request and reviewed its duties before the Agriculture, Transportation and Semi-States Division of the Appropriations Committee Feb. 28

The BCA, a division of the Department of Public Safety, assists local law enforcement agencies in investigating criminal cases.

The BCA may enter a case only upon request of the local agency, another state agency, or the attorney general's office. The cases usually involve defendants and witnesses in numbers too large for small municipalities.

The budget request includes a number of new machines. One the state will soon be getting is a laser fingerprint reader. This device is capable of lifting prints off human corpses and manufactured items such as styrofoam cups.

Only the FBI and a few other states have this machine, said Bureau Superintendent John Erskine. "This will be a big help to local agencies because it isn't practical to expect them to have this equipment or expertise."

Farmers' problems

Farmers who are losing crops and livestock to animals and who have hunters trespassing on their land want to see legislation pass to take care of these problems.

In most cases, the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) handles farmers' complaints of crop and livestock losses by granting permits to destroy animals such as wolves and beavers that are under the protection of Minnesota law. So far this year, the DNR has given out 23 permits. At a Feb. 27 Agriculture Committee meeting, legislators from farm districts told people from the DNR that they'd like to step-up procedures to get rid of the animals.

Also at that meeting, Faribault County officials said they want to see the committee introduce legislation changing current trespassing law so that farmers could verbally inform hunters when they are trespassing. Law now only backs farmers when they post "no trespassing" signs on their property.

Drinking age amendment

Drunk driving is more socially unacceptable than it used to be, and it costs more if you're caught at it. In the Crime and Family Law Committee Feb. 27, lawmakers heard an amendment to the 21 drinking age bill (HF102) that would tug still harder on the purse strings of DWI offenders.

The proposed amendment which Rep. Gloria Segal (DFL-St. Louis Park) offered would increase the license reinstatement fee from \$100 to \$150 for those who get a license suspension. The departments of Public Safety and Education would split the additional \$50 (which would mean about \$1 million to each department) to provide alcohol education and prevention programs.

Segal said there were 43,500 license suspensions last year. Though Minnesota has good DWI laws on the books and spends millions of dollars on chemical treatment, she says, the state needs more work on prevention to work alongside current laws and treatment programs.

On the bill itself, author Rep. Gary Schafer (IR-Gibbon) encouraged members to support the higher drinking age for three reasons.

Says Schafer, "I believe it will save lives, and slow the trickle-down effect on young people in high school. And . . . the federal government has told us that either we raise it, or we won't receive all of our federal funds."

Schafer said ignoring the federal mandate would mean the loss of at least \$33 million during the biennium, and another \$50 million in discretionary funds from the federal government.

The committee plans further action on the amendment and the bill next week.



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Education trends, responses

The Higher Education Division of the Education Committee is developing legislation in response to changing trends in post-secondary education.

With more students than ever attending and completing post-secondary programs in nontraditional ways, legislators and education officials agreed the time's come to make some changes.

According to Rep. Lee Greenfield (DFL-Mpls), 20 percent of Minnesota college students and 47 percent of students attend community colleges on a part-time basis. They typically take 5-1/2 years to complete a four-year degree, but they can get aid for four consecutive years only.

Under HF46, a bill Virgil Johnson (IR-Caledonia) and Rep. Timothy Sherman (IR-Winona) are sponsoring, students would still be eligible for the same four years of financial aid, but they could get it in non-consecutive years. Students could then take time out for jobs, internships, and other responsibilities without losing aid eligibility.

To help keep financial aid programs and distributions current with student needs, HF204, a bill Rep. Mark Piepho (IR-Mankato) and Rep. Dave Gruenes (IR-St. Cloud) have introduced would provide for a student advisory council to the Higher Education Coordinating Board (HECB). This non-voting council would give the HECB "news from the front" and would give students more input on financial aid distribution policy decisions.

Both bills got division approval as amended and were passed on to the Education Committee for consideration.

Superfund changes

A bill that would make changes to the personal liability section of the state's Superfund law got the Judiciary Committee's attention on Feb. 26. HF268 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon) would make three changes in the law as it stands now.

First, it would take away the law's causation section law which sets up the amount and kind of evidence needed to prove the relationship between an injury and an accused party. Supporters of the bill said this makes it easier for victims of hazardous waste releases to show that certain actions caused their injuries.

Second, changes would mean that companies would be liable for deaths, injuries, or economic loss for generating, transporting, or disposing of hazardous wastes on or after July 1, 1983 (when the Superfund law went into effect). The law now states that liability goes back to Jan. 1, 1960.

Third, the bill would eliminate the section of law relating to joint and several liability and let common law apply. "Joint and several liability" means that a court may hold anyone who handles hazardous waste responsible for any damage it may cause. Common law allows such liability only when the person claiming the injury can show there's no single source for the injury. The Superfund law removes this showing by the claimant.

Several members offered amendments to change the retroactive provision, but the committee rejected them. The committee did, however, adopt an amendment stating that the passage and repeal of the Superfund law is not legislative intent. The committee plans to hear more testimony on HF268 before taking action next week.

Higher education

Dr. David Longanecker, executive director of the Higher Education Coordinating Board (HECB), reviewed his report on the post secondary education system before the Education Division of the Appropriations Committee Feb. 26.

Longanecker said the University of Minnesota, the ATVI's, the community colleges, and the State University System have problems of overlap, integration between systems, cooperation between public and private schools, and a general conflict in mission goals and statement. He also mentioned a need for consistent and common planning procedures to determine long range goals.

Longanecker returns to the committee next week to answer questions raised by his report.

Human life amendment

A bill that would encourage a human life amendment to the United States Constitution faced a room full of cameras, newspeople, supporters, and opponents at a Feb. 26 meeting of the Rules and Legislative Administration Committee.

The bill, HF123 (Marsh, IR-Sauk Rapids), would send a resolution to Washington asking Congress to start procedures that would eventually put a human life amendment into the Constitution. It would leave the writing of laws to support the amendment up to the individual states.

The bill will appear next on the agenda of the Health and Human Services Committee for further hearings.

Farm equipment sales tax

Earmarking it a "farm aid" bill, author Rep. David Fjoslien (IR-Brandon) explained HF53 to the Taxes Committee on Feb. 25. The bill would lower to three percent the general sales and use tax on new and used farm equipment and machinery parts. The rate now is four percent on new and used farm equipment and the full, general six percent on farm machinery parts.

The bill's main thrust is to "get us in line with our neighbors," said Fjoslien. North and South Dakota both have a three percent rate, Iowa charges four percent, and Wisconsin has no tax on farm equipment and parts. Most of the farmers along the borders cross state lines to buy farm machinery and parts because they can save a lot of money, he said.

The average farmer spends between \$5,000 and \$10,000 a year on farm machinery parts and would save a considerable amount of money if the Legislature cuts the rate, said Fjoslien.

Though the committee took no final action on the bill, it amended HF53 to make it effective for sales after March 31, 1985. Rep. Bill Schreiber (IR-Brooklyn Park), committee chair, said he would like to keep the bill in the committee until "we can reach a meeting of the minds with the leadership of the Senate as to the scope of the bill."

Emergency farm loans

An emergency farm loan bill passed the House on a vote of 125-5 on Feb. 25. The bill, HF32/SF54* (Redalen, IR-Fountain), would provide \$25 million in interest subsidies to farm lenders. They, in turn, would give low interest rates on loans to eligible farmers.

The interest rate buydown would work like this: the state would pay 5-1/2 percent and the local lender would forego 1-1/2 percent, creating a reduction of about 7 percent. The largest loan any qualified farmer could have would be \$75,000.

To be eligible, farmers would have to show they could at least break even if they could borrow at lower rates. And they would need a debt-to-asset ratio of about 50 percent. Farmers also may have to attend farm-management classes which lenders would pay for, in part.

The Department of Agriculture would officially handle the program, but the banks would make most of the decisions on who would be eligible for loans.

The bill goes now to a House and Senate conference committee to work out its final form.

Child abuse reporting

"How much knowledge of abuse or neglect constitutes a suspicion?" On Feb. 25, a subcommittee of the Crime and Family Law Committee looked at child abuse reporting legislation that Rep. Connie Levi (IR-Dellwood) sponsors.

Her bill, HF275, responds to Judge Charles A. Porter, Jr.'s decision over two teachers at the Children's Theatre Company and School in Minneapolis. Last fall, both faced misdemeanor charges of failing to report suspected child sexual abuse. Porter dismissed the case saying Minnesota's mandatory child abuse reporting law was too vague.

Law now says teachers and other professionals like doctors, social and child care workers, and law officers must tell the proper authorities when they suspect child abuse or neglect.

Rep. Levi's bill tries to spell out how sure of abuse or neglect people must be before they report it.

The Family Law subcommittee hears the bill for the third time on March 4.

Faribault schools

A report from the state legislative auditor's office recommends phasing out the Minnesota Braille and Sight-Saving School at Faribault over the next three years. The Education Division of the Appropriations Committee heard from Allan Baumgarten, author of the report, Feb. 22.

Baumgarten said the reasons for the recommendation include declining enrollments and rising costs (\$35,000 per student per year).

The report also suggests major changes in the operation of the Faribault's Minnesota School for the Deaf: stricter admission requirements, improved diagnostic procedures, and more support for mainstreaming programs.

It also recommends more cooperation with local school districts for both schools.

Committee deadlines

On Feb. 25, the House set the following deadlines:

- Committee deadlines
- Bills in house of origin
- Thursday, April 4**
- Bills in other house
- Friday, April 19**
- Motion for Reconsideration
- Monday, April 22**
- Conference committees
- Monday, May 13**

COMMITTEE ACTION

APPROPRIATIONS

Thursday, Feb. 21

- **Farm operating loan program** HF32/SF54* (Redalen, IR-Fountain)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight).

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Thursday, Feb. 28

- **Lemon law—amendment** HF242 (Bennett, IR-Shoreview)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight).
- **Car loans—permanent usury rate** HF273 (McKasy, IR—Mendota Heights)—recommended to pass.
- **Liquor—hours for Sunday sale** HF308 (Frederick, IR-Mankato)—recommended to pass.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW

Wednesday, Feb. 27

- **Disorderly houses—crime of owning/operating** HF78 (Staten, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Peace officers—arrest authority** HF266 (Marsh, IR-Sauk Rapids)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Drinking age—raised to 21** HF102 (Schafer, IR-Gibbon)—heard. (See Highlight)

EDUCATION

Monday, Feb. 25

- **U of M—presidential candidates' privacy** HF225 (Erickson, IR-Hills)—not recommended to pass.
- **Education mission statement** HF282 (K. Nelson, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended.

Wednesday, Feb. 27

- **Vo-tech districts—joint establishment** HF470 (Erickson, IR-Hills)—recommended to pass as amended.

Higher Education Div/Education

Tuesday, Feb. 26

- **Financial aid—over any four year equivalent** HF46 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Education Committee. (See Highlight).
- **Student advisory council to HECB** HF204 (Piepho, IR-Mankato)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Education Committee. (See Highlight).

Thursday, Feb. 28

- **Independent student—changes in definition**
HF249 (Sherman, IR-Winona)—heard.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

Tuesday, Feb. 26

- **Land conveyance—St. Louis County**
HF231 (Boo, IR-Duluth)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Timber sales—terms of payment**
HF300 (Thorson, IR-Bemidji)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE

Wednesday, Feb. 27

- **Detached facility—Santiago**
HF85 (Brinkman, DFL-Richmond)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Detached facility—Cannon Falls**
HF307 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Detached facility—Tofte**
HF117 (Battaglia, DFL-Two Harbors)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

Monday, Feb. 25

- **Council on Asian-Pacific Minnesotans**
HF90 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—recommended to pass as amended.

Tuesday, Feb. 26

- **Fingerprint identification—network**
HF236 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **State Planning Agency—housekeeping changes**
HF468 (McPherson, IR-Stillwater)—recommended to pass.

JUDICIARY

Tuesday, Feb. 26

- **Superfund changes**
HF268 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—heard; laid over until next week. (See Highlight).

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

Monday, Feb. 25

- **Tip credit freeze**
HF284 (Heap, IR-Plymouth)—heard.

Unemployment Insur.—
Workers' Compensation
Div./

Labor-Management Rel.

Tuesday, Feb. 26

- **Unemployment insurance overpayments—refund interest**
HF131 (DenOuden, IR-Prinsburg)—heard.
- **Severance pay inclusion**
HF457 (Himle, IR-Bloomington)—heard.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS

Thursday, Feb. 28

- **Local governments—comprehensive municipal plans**
HF247 (Olsen, IR-St. Louis Park)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Consolidation—Int'l Falls, South Int'l Falls**
HF1 (Neuenschwander, DFL-Int'l Falls)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Local Governments—joint insurance arrangements**
HF267 (Solberg, DFL-Bovey)—heard.

REGULATED INDUSTRIES & ENERGY

Monday, Feb. 25

- **PUC membership changes**
HF185 (Redalen, IR—Fountain)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Governmental Operations.

RULES & LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATION

Tuesday, Feb. 26

- **Human life amendment**
HF123 (Marsh, IR-Sauk Rapids)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Health & Human Services Committee. (See Highlight).

TAXES

Tuesday, Feb. 26

- **Sales tax on farm equipment—reduced**
HF53 (Fjoslien, IR-Brandon)—heard; laid over until next week. (See Highlight). (See Highlight).

Thursday, Feb. 28

- **Department of Revenue—income tax update**
HF538 (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight).

Local Government
Finance Div./Taxes

Mon./Tue., Feb. 25/26

- **Private activity bonds—changing allocation method**
HF544 (Schreiber, IR-Brooklyn Park)—heard; laid over until next week.
- **IDB authority—allocation**
HF495 (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—heard; laid over until next week.

Tuesday, Feb. 26

- **Dept. of Revenue—property tax**
HF556 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass as amended to full committee.

FLOOR ACTION

CONSENT CALENDAR

Thursday, Feb. 21

- **Pension Commission—actuarial services funding**
HF98 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—passed.

CALENDAR

Thursday, Feb. 21

- **Mortgage subsidy bonds—tax free interest**
HF2/SF100* (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—passed.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Monday, Feb. 25

- **Testamentary trustees—qualification not required**
HF68 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—passed.

SUSPENSION OF RULES

Monday, Feb. 25

- **Farm operating loan program**
HF32/SF54* (Redalen, IR-Fountain)—passed as amended.
- **Charitable gambling—effective date**
SF328 (Dieterich, DFL-St. Paul)—passed as amended.



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BILL INTRODUCTIONS

Bill Introductions

Monday, Feb 25

HF574—Gruenes (IR)—Education

Education; requiring school districts to provide special instruction and services for handicapped children under the age of four and their families; requiring certain agencies and political subdivisions to maintain certain services and funding levels for young handicapped children and their families until agreements are reached; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF575—Gutknecht (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Animals; establishing a rabies control program; proposing coding for new law.

HF576—Begich (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Local government; setting authority to regulate firearms and related matters; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF577—Piper (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Agriculture; declaring a public economic emergency to exist; prohibiting mortgage foreclosure sales for one year; prohibiting repossession, foreclosure sales, and foreclosure sales of agricultural personal property for one year; providing for an application to the court to allow foreclosure sales; prohibiting actions for deficiency judgments; providing for the parties to compromise; providing legal representation by the attorney general's office for certain persons; repealing the act after one year.

HF578—Krueger (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Minnesota Constitution; proposing an amendment to combine the offices of state treasurer, state auditor, and secretary of state into the office of state comptroller.

HF579—Valento (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Hazardous waste; establishing a hazardous substance compensation trust account; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF580—O'Connor (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Economic development; providing for the election of certain community development corporation directors; amending statutes.

HF581—Frerichs (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; establishing a commission to collect the data necessary to design a financially sound, statewide farm program; appropriating money.

HF582—Boo (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; establishing a family subsidy program for families with children with developmental disabilities; amending statutes.

HF583—Tunheim (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; teachers retirement association; changing the effective date of retirement for a certain annuitant; transferring reserves to the postretirement investment fund.

HF584—Tunheim (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Lake of the Woods county; authorizing the issuance of bonds for the construction of jetties and related public improvements; and authorizing the levy of special assessments.

HF585—Anderson, G (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local government; providing for exceptions to conflict of interest rules; regulating local officials; amending statutes.

HF586—McEachern (DFL)—Transportation

Advertising devices; allowing "star city" signs on interstate highways; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF587—Waltman (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; providing income tax incentives to landowners who sell or lease agricultural land to beginning farmers and to banks who make loans to beginning farmers; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF588—Marsh (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; creating a community work experience program; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF589—Segal (DFL)—Transportation

Drivers licenses; increasing fee for restoration of certain revoked licenses; dedicating revenue to programs for prevention of alcohol-impaired driving and for education on avoidable health hazards; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF590—Bishop (IR)—Judiciary

Legal services; repealing the sunset provision of the law providing for surcharges on civil filing fees; repealing laws.

HF591—Clark (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Economic development and job training; creating the office of economic adjustment; providing for the duties of the office in the assistance of economic adjustment and economic conversion; creating a task force to assist the office of economic adjustment; requiring the reporting of certain economic information; providing a penalty; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF592—Dempsey (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of New Ulm; permitting the establishment of special service districts; providing taxing and other financial authority for New Ulm.

HF593—Dempsey (IR)—Transportation

Motor vehicles; regulating motor vehicle auctions; prescribing licensing and bonding requirements for motor vehicle dealers; amending statutes.

HF594—Tunheim (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of Warroad; permitting the establishment of a port authority.

HF595—Simoneau (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; income providing a credit for volunteer services; amending statutes.

HF596—Zaffke (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Hubbard county; authorizing county levies and appropriations for agricultural society, park, and recreation purposes.

F597—Ozment (IR)—Transportation

Motor vehicles; taxation; defining terms; reclassifying pickup trucks used in the business of farming for tax purposes; amending statutes.

HF598—Otis (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Human services; allowing a greater amount of income be disregarded for general assistance recipients and placed in trust until discharge; amending statutes.

HF599—Metzen (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Veterans; requiring the commissioner of veterans affairs to provide certain grave markers; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF600—Carlson, J (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; exempting sales of materials used to modify motor vehicles for private use by handicapped persons; amending statutes.

HF601—Halberg (IR)—Judiciary

Real property; clarifying notice period required for cancellation of contract for deed; amending statutes.

HF602—Marsh (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Alcoholic beverages; allowing certain extensions of credit; amending statutes.

HF603—Marsh (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Non-intoxicating malt liquor; permitting holders of on-sale and off-sale intoxicating liquor licenses to sell non-intoxicating malt liquor without further license; amending statutes.

HF604—McDonald (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; eliminating license requirement for fur farmers; establishing a registration system; providing definitions; defining agricultural products and pursuits related to fur farming; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF605—Knickerbocker (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Commerce; authorizing certain investments in obligations of or guaranteed by the United States and certain other authorized securities; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF606—Bennett (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Liquor; authorizing issuance of off-sale wine licenses to food stores; regulating sales; prohibiting the same person from being licensed as both liquor wholesaler and retailer; amending statutes.

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HF607—Sviggum (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Retirement; authorizing municipalities to establish and finance defined contribution plans for municipal ambulance and rescue volunteers; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF608—Piper (DFL)—Judiciary

Agriculture; allowing persons to buy farm products from persons engaged in farming free of a security interest; allowing a person who sells goods for another including a commission merchant to take the goods free of a security interest; amending statutes.

HF609—Sviggum (IR)—Health/Human Services

Health; providing for the distribution of maternal and child health block grant funds to special projects; amending statutes.

HF610—Dempsey (IR)—Taxes

Local government; providing for transfer to certain federal payments in lieu of taxes from the county to the city or town; proposing coding for new law.

HF611—Cohen (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; authorizing retired St. Paul health bureau employees to rescind previously elected options and elect coverage under the public employees retirement association.

HF612—Segal (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Environment; creating a hazardous substance injury compensation fund; establishing a board to administer compensation; limiting compensable losses; prescribing claims procedures; allowing partial subrogation rights; providing for partial recoupment of expenditures from hazardous waste generators; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF613—Rees (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Insurance; modifying certain continuing education requirements; amending statutes.

HF614—McKasy (IR)—Governmental Operations

Minnesota Constitution; combining the offices of state treasurer, state auditor, and secretary of state into the office of state comptroller.

HF615—Onnen (IR)—Governmental Operations

Creating an advisory council to study the possibility of the creation of a unicameral legislature in Minnesota.

HF616—Begich (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Taxation; property; eliminating the required county board approval prior to confession of judgement for delinquent taxes; amending statutes.

HF617—Minne (DFL)—Education

Education; increasing the compensation for election judges in school district consolidation elections; amending statutes.

HF618—Solberg (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Partition fences; changing certain responsibilities and procedures; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF619—Erickson (IR)—Education

Education; Minnesota Education Computing Corporation; removing some limits on its powers; amending statutes.

HF620—Boo (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; providing for a larger state share of general assistance costs; amending statutes.

HF621—Gruenes (IR)—Health/Human Services

Mental health; revising the language of statutes concerning persons with mental illness and mental retardation and revising the language of statutes concerning state treatment facilities; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF622—Hartinger (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; authorizing the commissioner of human services to pay rewards for information in certain cases of crimes involving public assistance; requiring restitution for certain crimes involving public assistance; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF623—Thiede (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Wild animals; altering certain provisions regarding taking and possession, and penalties related thereto; amending statutes.

HF624—Johnson (IR)—Transportation

State government; transportation; reorganizing certain motor carrier regulation and enforcement responsibilities in state agencies.

HF625—Gruenes (IR)—Education

Hazardous substances; providing an appropriation to the state university board for the purpose of creating a hazardous materials incident response training center at St. Cloud state university.

HF626—Gruenes (IR)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Energy; delaying the effective date of energy efficiency ratings for certain devices sold in Minnesota; amending statutes.

HF627—Price (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Human services; requiring that marriage license funds be used in the county where the fee originates; amending statutes.

HF628—Rose (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Game and fish; enhancement of fish and wildlife; planning and implementation of wildlife management; conservation of marginal agricultural lands; habitat management; aspen recycling program; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF629—Kiffmeyer (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Malt beverages; defining terms requiring registration numbers and records; providing a penalty; proposing coding for new law.

HF630—Boerboom (IR)—Transportation

Transportation; motor carriers; establishing a gross vehicle weight limitation for state trunk highways; requiring a local plan to upgrade market arteries; providing that 12 citizens may challenge a seasonal weight restriction imposed by the commissioner; amending statutes.

HF631—Carlson, D (IR)—Governmental Operations

School districts; providing for self-insured, statewide fringe benefit coverages for employees; proposing coding for new law.

HF632—Zaffke (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Commerce; registering and regulating membership camping clubs; providing for disclosure, rescission rights, civil liabilities, and criminal penalties; proposing coding for new law.

HF633—Valan (IR)—Transportation

Traffic regulations; providing for book racks and "MN" designation on school buses; amending statutes.

HF634—Shaver (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Elections; limiting the number of registration applicants for whom a person may vouch; amending statutes.

HF635—Neuenschwander (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; exempting forestry development projects from certain bonding requirements; requiring a bid deposit for contracts for forestry development projects; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF636—Bishop (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; providing for forfeitures of communications devices and proceeds derived from commission of designated offenses; amending statutes.

HF637—Dempsey (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of New Ulm; permitting the establishment of special service districts; providing taxing and other authority.

HF638—Bishop (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Criminal sentences; authorizing a stay of execution of a portion of a criminal sentences; amending statutes.

HF639—Carlson, D (IR)—Judiciary

Hazardous waste; establishing a hazardous waste compensation fund for the payment of certain claims for personal injuries caused by hazardous waste; providing for administration of the fund and for payment of claims; providing for payment of medical expenses from other sources; providing a penalty; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF640—Wynia (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Employment; providing for a study relating to employment of developmentally disabled persons; appropriating money.

HF641—Fjoslien (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Gambling; providing an exemption from state regulation for certain lawful gambling; amending statutes.



HF642—Erickson (IR)—Education

Education; establishing a science and technology resource center; appropriating money for the technological-economic development initiative at Southwest State University to establish a program dealing with food production, food processing, and food distribution and for an interactive television network among high schools in southwestern Minnesota; proposing coding for new law.

HF643—Bishop (IR)—Judiciary

Marriage dissolution; clarifying factors to consider in awarding maintenance; amending statutes.

HF644—Backlund (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Arrest; providing for the extradition and rendition of accused persons, escapees, and other persons subject to orders in criminal proceedings; enacting the uniform extradition and rendition act; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF645—Bishop (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; specifying elements that may be contained in an order for restitution and the procedures for issuing that order; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF646—Dempsey (IR)—Judiciary

Local government; providing for fees of the county recorder and registrar of titles; amending statutes.

HF647—Dimler (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; abolishing the gross earnings tax on telephone companies; providing for property taxation of real property of telephone companies; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF648—Sparby (DFL)—Governmental Operations

State departments and agencies; transferring authority for administration of the rural rehabilitation corporation trust liquidation act from the state executive council to the commissioner of energy and economic development; creating a governor's rural development council; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF649—Jaros (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

St. Louis county; fixing the maximum amount of the county emergency fund; amending statutes.

HF650—Cohen (DFL)—Judiciary

Judgments; clarifying the procedure and cost for filing foreign judgments; clarifying the procedure to be used in securing a judgment and execution; amending statutes.

HF651—Segal (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Health; authorizing inclusion of physical fitness therapies in grant programs for the mentally ill; amending statutes.

HF652—Kalis (DFL)—Education

Post-secondary education; excluding the value of a family farm and its equipment from consideration for student financial assistance in certain cases; proposing coding for new law.

HF653—Kalis (DFL)—Governmental Operations

State government; directing the state board of investment to invest any surplus unrestricted balance in the general fund, up to \$500,000,000, in investment programs within the state that benefit rural Minnesota; amending statutes.

HF654—Marsh (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; establishing mandatory minimum terms of imprisonment for the crimes of residential burglary, burglary of an occupied dwelling, and selling cocaine, heroin, and hallucinogens; amending statutes.

HF655—Greenfield (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Health; specifying nursing home correction order or noncompliance violations and penalties; amending statutes.

HF656—Anderson, R (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

County humane societies; allowing for an increase in the appropriation a county may make for a county humane society in any year; amending statutes.

HF657—Levi (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Dissemination of data; prohibiting public access to data indentifying certain youthful victims of criminal sexual behavior; amending statutes.

HF658—Zaffke (IR)—Health/Human Services

Health; regulating community health services; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF659—Bennett (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Intoxicating liquor; prohibiting discrimination in sales; amending statutes.

HF660—Minne (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; property; allowing taxes on commercial-industrial property to be composed to confession of judgment and paid in ten annual installments; amending statutes.

HF661—McKasy (IR)—Judiciary

Probate; adopting provisions of the uniform probate code and clarifying laws relating to intestate succession, spouse's elective share, and omitted spouses and children; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF662—Hartinger (IR)—Health/Human Services

Health; requiring new public places to provide equal accommodations for smoking and nonsmoking areas; amending statutes.

HF663—Price (DFL)—Education

Education; requiring competency testing for teachers; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF664—Wenzel (DFL)—Education

Education; establishing the foundation aid formula allowance for 1986-1987; amending statutes.

HF665—Cohen (DFL)—Education

Education; requiring a plan for environmental education in schools; proposing coding for new law.

HF666—Piepho (IR)—Education

Education; reducing the tuition component required to pay in part for instructional costs; requiring the higher education coordinating board to arrange for a tuition study; amending statutes.

HF667—Piepho (IR)—Education

Education; reducing the applicant's contribution toward the cost of attendance in determining state scholarships and grants; amending statutes.

HF668—Rose (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Charitable gambling; exempting certain organizations that conduct raffles from regulation by the charitable gambling control board; amending statutes.

HF669—Tjornhom (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration

A resolution memorializing the Congress of the United States to provide an amendment to the Constitution of the United State to provide the President with the authority to veto individual line items in appropriations bills.

House Advisories

Monday, Feb 25

HA4—Clark (DFL)—Crime/Family Life

A proposal to the legislature to study group home availability for racial minority juveniles.

HA5—Rees (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

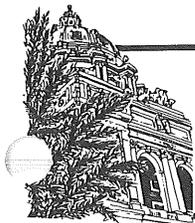
A proposal to study the availability of environmental impairment liability insurance.

Senate Files/ 1st. Readings

Monday, Feb 25

SF85—Berg (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Agriculture; declaring a public economic emergency to exist; prohibiting mortgage foreclosure and foreclosure sales for one year; prohibiting repossession, foreclosure, and foreclosure sales of agricultural personal property for one year; providing for an application to the court to allow repossession, foreclosure, and foreclosure sale; prohibiting actions for deficiency judgments; providing for the parties to compromise; repealing the act after one year.



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Monday, March 4
8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Budget hearings for: Dept. of Public Safety, Criminal Apprehension, Fire Safety, State Patrol; POST Board.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Budget hearings for University of MN: academic salaries request; special market and retention; skilled trades increases; equipment amortization; instructional computing equipment. Testimony from faculty groups.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget hearings for: Office of Administrative Hearings; Capitol Area Architectural and Planning Board (CAAPB); State Investment Board.

EDUCATION, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Wendell Erickson. Agenda: Presentations on teacher education by the Board of Teaching and MN Association of Colleges of Teacher Education (MACTE). Brief review of Higher Education Coordinating Board (HECB) recommendations on teacher education.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: HF509 (Ogren) Providing free distribution of MN Statutes to the library of the largest municipality of each county. HF185 (Redalen) Changing the membership on the Public Utilities Commission. HF388 (Burger) Establishing a commission to study property taxes.

10:00 a.m.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE SUBCOMMITTEE/ Crime & Family Law, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. John Hartinger. Agenda: HF274 (Ozment) Defining "dangerous weapon" to include flammable liquids. HF264 (Heap) Imposing criminal liability on persons who cause the death of another by permitting an animal, known to have caused prior bodily harm, to be unconfined or improperly confined. HF448 (Blatz) Defining sports bookmaking. HF335 (Bishop) Removing certain information from the certified record for commitment of persons convicted of a felony or gross misdemeanor.

UTILITIES SUBCOMMITTEE/Regulated Industries & Energy, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Ben Omann. Agenda: HF143 (Blatz) Prohibits gas and electric utilities from billing successor tenants or landlords for delinquent bills. HF539 (Gruenes) Changing certain procedures and practices of the public utilities commission.

12:00 noon

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/Education, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Sally Olsen. Agenda: Discuss Article 4 aids (Early Childhood and Family Education). HF367 (McPherson) Defining parental involvement in early childhood. Discuss Article 5 aids (Secondary Vocational Education, Secondary Vocational Handicapped.)

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Jim Heap. Agenda: Continue hearing HF284 (Heap) Regulating the tip credit for minimum wage purposes. HF324 (O'Connor) Changing the definition of plumber's apprentice for the purpose of employment licensing. HF207 (Sviggum) Relating to public employee labor relations.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: Presentation of Lattimer Tax Study Commission circuit breaker proposal; presentation of Governor Perpich's circuit breaker/tax refund proposal.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representative will meet in Session.

Tuesday, March 5
8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Budget hearings for: Dept. of Public Safety, Driver and Vehicle Licensing.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Budget hearings for University of MN: supercomputer, President Ken Keller and Dean E. Infante; Agricultural Extension, Dick Sauer & Associates; Agricultural Research Report; biotechnology research, Victor Bloomfield; Institute for Human Genetics report, Center for Biomedical Ethics report, Neal Vanselow.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: SF412/HF438 (House author: Seaberg) Housing Finance Agency bonding authority. Budget hearings for Dept. of Labor and Industry; Bureau of Mediation Services.

HIGHER EDUCATION DIVISION/Education, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Mark Piepho. Agenda: To be announced.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: HF513 (Sviggum) Dept. of Employee Relations departmental bill. HF440 (Knickerbocker) Technical corrections in laws governing public retirement funds.

8:15

TAXES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: HF48 (Valan) Relating to taxation; sales; including replacement parts in the definition of farm machinery. HF53 (Fjoslien) Reducing the rate of tax on farm machinery including repair and replacement parts. HF261 (Onnen) Providing computation of interest on tax overpayments. HF262 (Onnen) Providing for timely payment on certain income tax withholding and sales and use taxes.

8:30 a.m.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Budget hearing for Dept. of Human Services.

10:00 a.m.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: HF602 (Marsh) Relating to alcoholic beverages; allowing certain extensions of credit. HF603 (Marsh) Relating to non-intoxicating malt liquor. HF428 (Pauly) Relating to city of Eden Prairie; authorizing one annual one-day liquor license.

ENVIRONMENT SUBCOMMITTEE/Environment & Natural Resources, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Craig Shaver. Agenda: HF156 (S. Olsen) Establishing a hazardous substance compensation trust account.

HEALTH CARE SUBCOMMITTEE/Health & Human Services, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Dave Gruenes. Agenda: HFxxx (Gruenes) Mental retardation/mental illness statutes; revising language. HF533 (Rose) Concerning the practice of veterinary graduates allowing foreign veterinary graduates to be admitted to practice under certain conditions. HF252 (Dempsey) Authorizing an additional rural doctor for the Springfield service area.

SOCIAL SERVICES SUBCOMMITTEE/Health & Human Services, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Al Quist. Agenda: HF347 (Rodosovich) State hospital shared service agreements. Testimony on GAMC/MA vendor payments. Presentation and discussion on Hennepin County's jobs proposal.

12:00 noon

JUDICIARY, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Charles Halberg. Agenda: HF268 (Sviggum) Relating to the environment; removing statutory provisions for joint and several liability and causation for personal injury.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: HF516 (Johnson) Omnibus bill relating to counties. "The financial conditions of local governments and metropolitan agencies." Speaker: Arne Carlson, State Auditor.

2:00 p.m.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Budget hearings for University of MN: Professional College tuition offset, President Ken Keller and Dave Berg; reciprocity offset; medical and dental fellowships; tuition fellowships/graduate students. Testimony from student groups.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: Presentation of Dept. of Revenue Production Valuation report.

4:00 p.m.

HEALTH CARE SUBCOMMITTEE/Health & Human Services, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Dave Gruenes. Agenda: HF294 (Blatz) Relating to insurance; health maintenance organizations; prohibiting certain exclusive agreements with providers.

7:00 p.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget hearing for Dept. of Energy and Economic Development (DEED).

Wednesday, March 6

8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Budget hearings for: Dept. of Public Safety, Liquor Control, Ancillary Services - Civil Air Patrol, Crime Victims Reparations Board, Private Detective Board.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Budget hearings for University of MN: Micro Electronics and Information Sciences; Productivity Center; Geological Survey; Minerals Resources Research Center. Speaker: Dean E. Infante.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget hearing for Legislative Commission on MN Resources (LCMR).

EDUCATION, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Wendell Erickson. Agenda: HF263 (Tunheim) Warroad capital loan. HF46 (Johnson) Financial aid. HF619 (Erickson) MN Educational Computing Consortium (MECC). HF204 (Piepho) Student Advisory Council.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: HF376 (Knickerbocker) Fee and fee adjustments for agency services regulated. HF362 (Thorson) Beltrami County annual expenditures for tourist, agricultural and industrial developments increased.

8:30 a.m.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Budget hearing for Dept. of Human Services.

10:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. K. J. McDonald. Agenda: HF587 (Waltman) Relating to tax incentives for beginning farmers. HF408 (Sviggum) Relating to the State Livestock Weighmaster Program. HF581 (Frerichs) Establishing an agricultural financial information network. HF427 (Redalen) Relating to conservation of marginal agricultural land.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: HF102 (Schafer) Increasing the age for licensing, sale, consumption, possession and furnishing alcoholic beverages. HF511 (Bishop) Clarifying the elements of the crime of assault in the second degree. HF374 (Seaberg) Redefining arson in the third degree and negligent fires. HF329 (S. Olsen) Requiring a person seeking appointment as a part-time peace officer to provide the board of peace officer standards and training with proof that he or she has complied with appointment requirements. Bills passed out of subcommittee if time permits.

12:00 noon

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Adolph Kvam. Agenda: HF255 (Dempsey) Relating to courts; practice and procedure in dram shop actions. HF345 (Seaberg) Relating to insurance; no-fault automobile; providing mandatory underinsured motorist coverage; clarifying legislative intent concerning stacking of insurance policies.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE & WORKERS' COMPENSATION DIVISION/Labor-Management Relations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Steve Sviggum. Agenda: To be announced.

TRANSPORTATION, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Douglas Carlson. Agenda: Marshall, MN Chamber of Commerce presentation on road weight restrictions.

2:00 p.m.

AGRICULTURAL LAND USE SUBCOMMITTEE/Agriculture, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Gary Schafer. Agenda: HF94 (Redalen) Relating to funding priorities of soil and water conservation districts. HF269 (Krueger) Relating to appeals in the "public waters" inventory process.

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS MARKETING SUBCOMMITTEE/Agriculture, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Don Richter. Agenda: HF604 (McDonald) Relating to licensing of fur farms.

APPROPRIATIONS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Mary Forsythe. Agenda: SF412/HF438 (House author: Seaberg) Housing Finance Agency Bonding authority.

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/Education, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Sally Olsen. Agenda: Discuss Article 1 aids (summer instruction; summer education improvement; subject area inservice training.)

SALES TAX SUBCOMMITTEE/Taxes, Rm. 454. Chr. Rep. Sidney Pauly. Agenda: Informal meeting with Dorothy McClung and members of the Dept. of Revenue staff to discuss sales tax administration.

LEGISLATIVE COORDINATING COMMISSION, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. David Jennings. Agenda: Report of the Subcommittee on Salary and Budget Review concerning job audit and legislative commission budgets.

3:00 p.m.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. John Rose. Agenda: HF483 (Neuenschwander) Establishing an aspen recycling program.

TRANSPORTATION, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Douglas Carlson. Agenda: Presentation by Jim Staebler from the MN Permit Truckers' Association.

Thursday, March 7

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Budget hearings for: Minnesota-Wisconsin Boundary Area Commission; MN Municipal Board.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Follow-up on Higher Education Coordinating Board (HECB) review and comment on strategic plans, Dr. Dave Longanecker. Community Colleges and AVTIs: Interstatesystem cooperation and planning, Dr. Nancy Wangan.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget hearing for Dept. of Finance: Debt Service, Tort Claims, Contingency Funds.

HIGHER EDUCATION DIVISION/Education, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Mark Piepho. Agenda: HF249 (Sherman) Establishing criteria for student dependency status, financial aid.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: HF389 (Burger) Incentive bonuses provided for certain state employees.

8:15 a.m.

TAXES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: HF556 (Dempsey) Modifying certain procedures relating to taxpayer appeals; requiring apportionment of levies in specific situations. HF403 (McKasy) Reducing the estate tax to the amount of the federal credit for state death taxes.

8:30 a.m.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Budget hearing for Dept. of Human Services.

10:00 a.m.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: HF530 (Waltman) Relating to commerce; regulating transient merchants. HF535 (Sherman) Relating to public health; prohibiting the use of lead in solder in certain instances.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. John Rose. Agenda: Overview on peat in Minnesota. Presentations by: Steve Thorne, Dept. of Natural Resources; Eville Gorham, Regents' Professor, University of MN; Dennis Asmussen, Dept. of Natural Resources; Ron Visness, Dept. of Natural Resources; Michael Lawlich, Commissioner, Natural Resources Research Institute; John Gephart, MN Peat Association; David Brostrom, Great Lakes Peat Company.

HEALTH CARE SUBCOMMITTEE/Health & Human Services, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Dave Gruenes. Agenda: HFxxx (Zaffke) CHS formula. HFxxx Non-smoking. HF535 (Sherman) Prohibits the use of lead solder in certain instances.

SOCIAL SERVICES SUBCOMMITTEE/Health & Human Services, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Al Quist. Agenda: HF186 (Sherman) Interstate contracts for mental health services. HFxxx County mental health boards. HFxxx Transfer of mentally ill and dangerous. HFxxx Clarification of relative adoption. HFxxx Confidentiality of chemical dependency records.

12:00 noon

GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Dave Fjoslien. Agenda: Subcommittee reports HF157 (Waltman) Requiring that a candidate for school district office be a qualified voter. HF415 (Minne) Permitting certain reports to be made by certified mail. Hearings on HF381 (Uphus) Delaying the applicability of certain handicapped accessibility provisions to towns. HF536 (Sparby) Regulating transportation of firearms and bows. HF575 (Gutknecht) Establishing a rabies control program.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: Combined sewer overflow briefing: alternatives. Speakers: Dr. Stuart Walesch, P.E., Director, Dept. of Water Resources, Donohue Engineering; Dr. George Harrison, 3M Chemist (retired); David J. Anderson, P.E., Watermaton, Inc.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

Friday, March 8

8:00 a.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget hearings for: Legislative Reference Library; World Trade Center; Dept. of Human Rights.

10:00 a.m.

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/Education, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Sally Olsen. Agenda: Discuss Article 6 aids (Summer Institute financial aid; Interdistrict cooperation); discuss Article 2 aids (interdistrict transportation.)

11:00 a.m.

VETERANS SUBCOMMITTEE/General Legislation & Veterans Affairs, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Chuck Dimler. Agenda: HF316 (Thorson) Providing for the appointment of an additional assistant adjutant general for the army national guard. HF317 (Fjoslien) Relating to the National Guard; changing minimum pay for certain enlisted persons.

12:00 noon

GAMBLING SUBCOMMITTEE/General Legislation & Veterans Affairs, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Gil Gutknecht. Agenda: HF408 (Fjoslien) Exempting certain organizations who conduct bingo from licensing.



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HIGHLIGHTS

School opening date

The House gave preliminary approval to HF151 (Thiede, IR-Pequot Lakes), a bill that would require the state's public schools to start classes after Labor Day.

Some of the issues surrounding the legislation are how school opening affects the tourism industry and local control of school districts.

About two-thirds of Minnesota's school districts begin classes before Labor Day. But those who favor HF151, such as campground, resort, motel and restaurant owners say the early start shortens the tourism season.

Those opposed, don't like the idea of taking the decision away from local school districts, while others were against changing the education system for the sake of economic development.

The bill picked up a few votes from last week when the House turned it down on a vote of 71 to 62. It'll face at least another hearing before the House when it goes onto the Calendar. The bill must have at least 68 votes to pass.

Employee incentive plan

Calling it a "Share the Gain Bonus Bill," Rep. John Burger (IR-Long Lake) brought HF389 before the Governmental Operations Committee March 7. The bill would set up a bonus incentive plan for state and university employees. It proposes paying cash bonuses to those employees if the ratio of state spending to total personal income in the state decreases from year to year.

By saving the state money, in other words, state employees could make some extra cash.

Burger said the plan would benefit everyone involved. Taxpayers would have more of their own money to spend. Policymakers would have a good management tool and get good cooperation. For employees, it would be a moral booster and provide incentive to work together. And people getting help from the state would get better service and encouragement to become self sufficient, he said.

Ted Blanch, of E.W. Blanch Co., one of many who testified before the committee, focused his testimony on how incentive plans work.

"An incentive compensation plan by itself is not particularly effective, said Blanch. But a well-designed plan can be an effective management tool. They can become very complex," he said, "but it doesn't mean they can't work."

Some committee members, however, saw conflict in trying to encourage lower state spending in agencies whose jobs mean spending money for the good of the state. Law enforcement for apprehension of criminals and enforcing the state's recent DWI laws, was an example they gave.

The committee plans to continue hearings on the bill March 13.

Farm equipment sales tax

A bill lowering the sales tax on new and used farm machinery equipment and parts to three percent got the approval of the Taxes Committee on March 7.

The rate now is four percent on new and used farm equipment and the full general six percent on farm machinery parts. HF53 (Fjoslien, IR-Brandon) now goes to the floor of the House.

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Income tax update - update

On March 7, the Taxes Committee received new estimates on the amount of revenue the state could expect to receive from the income tax update bill. HF538 (Onnen, IR-Cokato) would make changes in state tax law to conform with 1984 federal tax changes.

The committee recommended the bill to pass on Feb. 28, but Chair William Schreiber (IR-Brooklyn Park) brought the bill before the committee again because of the new estimates.

Commissioner of Finance Gus Donhowe said the state could expect to get about \$97 million additional revenue if the state conforms to the 1984 federal changes. According to the commissioner, the governor has already included \$47 million in his January budget.

That amount comes from a 1983 federal provision excluding 15 percent of interest from a person's income, effective in 1985. The state conformed with that provision, but the 1984 Congress repealed the provision before it could take effect.

If the state fails to conform with the federal changes, Minnesota taxpayers would have the interest exclusion on their 1985 returns.

Donhowe said the governor did not include the remaining \$50.3 million in his January budget. He cautioned the committee on these amounts because they are "soft numbers" which could change.

The committee did not reconsider the bill so its earlier recommendation to pass will send the bill to the floor of the House.

Higher education

David Longanecker, director of the Higher Education Coordinating Board (HECB), returned to the Education Division of the Appropriations Committee March 7 to continue his presentation of the HECB's report on the state's post-secondary school plans. (See *Session Weekly*, Volume 2, Number 8, page 3.)

The role of the HECB is to be a catalyst for reform for the state's schools, Longanecker said. "In many cases similar services are being offered in close proximity to each other. This is what we should be working to change."

Longanecker said three areas need further study:

- Mission statement — overlap exists between institutions proposed goals and objectives.
- Inter-system cooperation — there is no program for coordination for biennial planning and requests.
- Finance — tuition costs must be held down while continuing support for important high cost programs.

No-fault insurance, 'stacking'

If you are injured in a car accident and you have two car insurance policies, you might not be able to collect from both. A bill to get rid of "stacking" insurance benefits got the attention of the Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee on March 6.

HF345 (Seaberg, IR-Mendota Heights) would also make several changes to the state's No-Fault Automobile Insurance Act.

Since 1978, the Minnesota Supreme Court has permitted, under the state's no-fault law, injured parties to collect from more than one policy as long as they recover only their actual out-of-pocket losses under the court's ruling.

The committee plans to consider the bill again next week.

Drinking age bill

The bill calling for a drinking age of 21 years in Minnesota got its second hearing in the Crime and Family Law Committee on March 6.

But now, attached to HF102 (Schafer, IR-Gibbon), are a couple other provisions. One would increase the license reinstatement fee for those who lose their licenses because of DWI offenses from \$100 to \$150. Proceeds would go to the departments of Education and Public Safety for programs to prevent alcohol-related traffic injuries and deaths.

Under another provision the committee voted for, people who manufacture or sell alcoholic beverages could not sponsor or contribute to college-campus events that involve drinking or the sale of alcohol, or the promotion of those activities.

Also under the amended version of the bill, the effective date for the 21-year-old drinking age would be Sept. 1, 1986, instead of Sept. 1, 1985. Author of the amendment, Rep. Sandy Pappas (DFL-St. Paul), said her concern with the 1985 effective date was the threat of Minnesota's under-21-year-olds crossing the border into other states that haven't yet done anything about the higher drinking age, particularly Wisconsin.



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Most committee members felt different legal ages on either side of the border could cause even more problems, traffic injuries, and deaths, than delaying the drinking age increase for one year.

The committee will take another look at the bill, and then hopes to pass it along to the Appropriations Committee.

Workers' Comp

The state unemployment fund owes the federal government about \$210 million. On March 6, the Unemployment Insurance/Workers' Compensation Division of the Labor-Management Relations Committee heard a proposal by Rep. Gil Gutknecht (IR-Rochester).

Gutknecht's proposal, which is not yet complete, addresses the two major prongs of the problem: worker benefits and employer taxes.

Gutknecht said that containing growth in benefits and increasing the taxable wage base is the most reasonable and fair method we could use to restore permanent solvency to the unemployment insurance program.

Ten major points of the proposal would:

- set the employer's unemployment taxable wage base at flat dollar amounts for the next three years (replacing the present formulas);
- tie the definition of a credit week for employee earnings to the state adult minimum wage;
- increase the amount of credit weeks necessary to qualify for benefits from 15 to 20;
- set the maximum weekly benefit at \$200 for 1985, with \$8 increases over the next two years;
- make the duration of benefits equal to 66-2/3 percent of the worker's credit weeks (current law sets the limit at 26 weeks);

- make additional funds available to those who have exhausted all state and federal benefits and who live in a county that has an unemployment rate at least double the state rate;

- make seasonal workers ineligible who file for benefits the same quarter, two years in a row;
- establish a waiting week without pay before benefits would start;
- tie severance pay in with the start of benefits; and
- define suitable work for determining whether an individual getting benefits must accept an offer of employment, 85 percent of previous salary for the first 6 weeks, 75 percent for 6-14 weeks, and 65 percent for more than 14 weeks.

Rep. James Rice (DFL-Mpls) questioned what the program would do specifically about the debt, and how it addresses the present situation of only 30 percent of the unemployed receiving benefits.

The committee will hold public hearings on the measure March 12 and 13 and hopes to take amendments and vote on the measure March 19.

Financial farm data collection

On March 6, the Agriculture Committee recommended to pass as amended, HF581 (Frerichs, IR-Rochester), a bill that would set up a data collection task force to develop a uniform procedure for collecting financial data from Minnesota farmers.

Author of the bill, Rep. Don Frerichs, says there's a lack of comprehensive, sound, financial data on which to design state farm-relief programs for farmers. He says supporting the efforts of the University of Minnesota Agricultural Extension Service and the Vocational Technical Education System would get rid of the data problem. He says the U and the Vo-tech System have programs (Project Support and Project Survival), that targets enhancing farm financial recordkeeping and evaluating existing farm financial information.

Under HF581, agricultural extension agents and vo-ag instructors would take a temporary leave from their present jobs and work with the task force to collect data from farmers. They would use a computerized system to analyze finances of family farms and provide farmers with farm crisis intervention services.

Some committee members are concerned about advertising methods for the program, who participants would be, and the accuracy of the data.

Community education changes

Minnesota's Community Education programs could change under a bill Rep. Harriet McPherson (IR-Stillwater) is sponsoring and which the governor's office supports. The bill would put more emphasis on adult literary and academic learning.

Brian Kanes of the Department of Education, appearing before the Education Finance Division of the Education Committee March 6, said that the goal of community education is "to create a learning society that will provide all citizens with the capacity to stretch their minds to the fullest."

HF367 would allow aid and levy revenues to fund only certain types of programs and would require fees, donations, and other sources of revenue for programs of a more recreational nature.

Under the bill, funds could go to health education, financial and retirement planning, childhood and family instruction, and opportunities for undereducated adults to bring their education up to a high school equivalency level.

Areas that would not receive funding include craft and hobby, athletics, travel, and recreational classes.

State agency fees

“What this bill does,” says Rep. Gerald Knickerbocker (IR-Hopkins), “is answer the policy question, ‘Should the Legislature exercise its oversight function and set fees or should it be done by the agencies?’”

In testimony at the Governmental Operations Committee meeting on March 6, Knickerbocker referred to an executive branch study that recommends 37 new fees, for an increase in revenue for the biennium of over \$17 million in the general fund, and over \$3 million in other funds.

But, according to Knickerbocker, fee setting should be a function of the Legislature and under his bill, HF376, the Legislature would set the maximum amount of state agency expenditures that fees will recover. New fees and fee adjustments would have to go through the rulemaking process. Controversial fees adjustments, said Knickerbocker, would have to go through the public hearing process just like controversial state agency rules.

The commissioner of finance could no longer determine that fees should be greater than agency costs for providing a service.

Jay Kiedrowski from the Finance Department said that the executive branch doesn't set fees on its own, that the legislature already has oversight functions.

“Every state agency has to have specific state authority in statute to set a fee. So the fees being talked about today have been authorized by the Legislature,” said Kiedrowski.

Kiedrowski said he thinks the bill is trying to address opposition to some controversial fees the Pollution Control Agency (PCA) set. Unfortunately, said Kiedrowski, the bill goes way beyond the PCA fees.

The committee will continue hearing the bill on March 12.

Victims' compensation fund

A victims' compensation fund, for people who've suffered injuries from hazardous waste releases, got a hearing in the Environment and Natural Resources Committee on March 6. Rep. Sally Olsen (IR-St. Louis Park), author of HF156 says it complements the proposed revisions to the superfund law by providing an alternative to victims who won't get compensation under the superfund law (if HF268 passes).

Olsen said the 1983 superfund law required the Legislative Commission on Waste Management to look into the need for such a fund. She said the study focused on three major areas—the number of potential victims, the adequacy of existing compensation remedies, and alternative approaches to victims' compensation in Minnesota.

Olsen said estimates are that the number of actual claims is around 10 or low multiples of 10.

HF156 would put a cap on the amount of compensation, per claimant, per claim, that injured people could recover from the fund of \$250,000. It would appropriate \$1 million from the general fund into the compensation fund for the biennium.

Jack Ditmore from the State Planning Agency says, though the governor is concerned about compensating victims of hazardous waste releases, if the superfund changes go through the Legislature, the governor's office isn't taking a stand on any specific victim compensation measure at this time.

Those testifying from the Sierra Club, the League of Minnesota Cities, AFL-CIO, and the Clean Water Action Project again stated their support for the current superfund law and opposition to any revisions. However, all conceded that, should the revisions get the Legislature's and the governor's approval, a victims' compensation fund would be necessary.

Some of the problems with HF156, according to this group of people, are that it doesn't address damage to property or economic loss; \$1 million in the fund isn't enough to address the needs it will have to address; it doesn't include death benefits; and it puts the victim compensation burden on taxpayers instead of on responsible parties.

Superfund changes

A bill that would make changes to the personal liability section of the state's Superfund law got the Judiciary Committee's approval on March 5. HF268 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon) would affect a victim's chances to claim damages from hazardous waste exposure and win. (See last week's highlight for a summary of the bill).

Supporters say the 1983 Superfund law places such tough liability on waste handling companies that underwriters are unwilling to provide insurance. And, they say, it has had a bad affect on the state's business climate.

Opponents say the changes will hurt innocent victims in their attempts to get paid for injuries, property loss, or death because of hazardous waste exposure.

The committee adopted an amendment which would remove the cap in current law limiting the amount of damages a victim can recover in a joint and several liability action. Presently, that cap is twice the percentage of fault of each person jointly liable.

The bill now goes to the floor of the House.

Farm aid

The House gave final approval to a \$25 million farm-aid plan on March 5.

Under the plan, SF54 (Redalen, IR-Fountain), farmers could get loans for spring planting at a lower rate of interest through an interest buydown program. The state would subsidize 5-1/2 percent; the local lender would forego 1-1/2 percent—giving an interest rate reduction of about 7 percent to eligible farmers.

The maximum loan to individual farmers would be \$75,000. To be eligible, farmers must show they could make a profit if they can borrow at lower interest rates. And they have to show a debt-to-asset ratio of about 50 percent.

The plan also calls for a debt restructuring program whereby farm borrowers and lenders can attempt to restructure farm debt through the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) Loan Guarantee and Debt Restructuring Program.

Under this program, the state would pay the interest on existing farm operating and real estate loans (not exceeding \$25,000), for 60 days, of a 120-day foreclosure grace period. This interest break would go on loans to qualified borrowers that approved lenders submit to FmHA for loan guarantees and debt restructuring.

As a condition for receiving the state-paid interest for 60 days, lenders must agree to carry the loan for an additional 60 days without interest and sign an agreement with the state to stop foreclosure on farm loans for 120 days. If FmHA approves refinancing of a loan, lenders, then, can add the foregone interest onto the loan principal.

Snowbound

The big snow on March 4 brought legislative activities to a near halt for about a day-and-a-half. Because the House didn't have a quorum of 68 members present, a requirement to transact House business, the session lasted just a few minutes. And committees didn't meet.

By noon on March 5, however, it was business as usual. Committees were active, and the House was ready to meet to take up, among other issues, the farm aid bill.

Hazardous waste

Pollution Control Agency (PCA) Deputy Director Michael Robertson explained the problems of hazardous waste cleanup and enforcement to the State Departments Division of the Appropriations Committee on March 1.

State concern for hazardous waste began in 1979, says Robertson, but enforcement began just last year when the Legislature approved funding. The waste itself has been around for a lot longer; in some cases, since the 1930s, he says.

According to Robertson, one of the department's needs is increased enforcement staff — 18 more positions over the next two years. In some cases, Robertson says, with present staff, medium size or smaller polluters might get by with an inspection only once every 16 years. The increase in staff could reduce that to once every five years.

The agency staff performs about 300 site inspections a year. Ninety percent of the time, inspectors find record keeping problems. Ten percent of the time, they find serious problems where management practices have to be changed, says Robertson.

About \$24 million worth of hazardous waste cleanup went on last year, says Robertson, at an average cost of \$3 to 5 million per site. A minimum of two years is typical to completely remove all hazardous material from a site.

The PCA declared 87 sites to be hazardous in the state right now. Robertson expects the list to grow to 123 by next year. Thirty-four of these sites are on the federal cleanup list; 11 of these are currently getting attention. Of the 87 identified spots, action is expected on 65 by 1987.

COMMITTEE ACTION

AGRICULTURE

Wednesday, March 6

- **Farm financial data collection**
HF581 (Frerichs, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (See Highlight)

APPROPRIATIONS

State Departs.

Div./Approp.

Wednesday, March 6

- **Housing finance agency—bond limit increase**
HF438/SF412* (Seaberg, IR-Mendota Heights)—not recommended to pass.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Thursday, March 7

- **One-day liquor license—Eden Prairie**
HF428 (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Transient merchants law—changes**
HF530 (Waltman, IR-Elgin)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Non-alcoholic beverages—wholesaler credit**
HF602 (Marsh, IR-Sauk Rapids)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Liquor licensees—3.2 beer sales**
HF603 (Marsh, IR-Sauk Rapids)—recommended to pass.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW

Wednesday, March 6

- **Drinking age—raised to 21**
HF102 (Schafer, IR-Gibbon)—heard and amended. (See Highlight)

EDUCATION

Wednesday, March 6

- **Warroad school district—capital loan**
HF263 (Tunheim, DFL-Kennedy)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Financial aid for students—changes**
HF46 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **HECB—student advisory council**
HF204 (Piepho, IR-Mankato)—recommended to pass; placed on General Orders.

Education Finance
Div./Ed.

Wednesday, March 6

- **Community education—changes in emphasis**
HF367 (McPherson, IR-Stillwater)—amended to Article 4 of HF88. (See Highlight)

Higher Education
Div./Ed.

Thursday, March 7

- **Independent student—changes in definition**
HF249 (Sherman, IR-Winona)—recommended to pass as amended.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

Wednesday, March 6

- **Aspen recycling program—established**
HF483 (Neuenschwander, DFL-Int'l Falls)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Hazardous substance injury—compensation fund**
HF156 (Olsen, IR-St. Louis Park)—heard. (See Highlight)

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FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE

Wednesday, March 6

- **No-fault insurance—changes; stacking—eliminated**
HF345 (Seaberg, IR-Mendota Heights)—heard; laid over until next meeting. (See Highlight)

GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS

Thursday, March 7

- **School elections—qualification of candidates**
HF157 (Waltman, IR-Elgin)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Small towns—voting hours**
HF381 (Uphus, IR-Sauk Centre)—recommended to pass as amended
- **Campaign contribution reports—certified mail allowed**
HF415 (Minne, DFL-Hibbing)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Dogs & cats—rabies control, identification required**
HF575 (Gutknecht, IR-Rochester)—heard; laid over until next week.
- **Firearms and bows—transportation**
HF536 (Sparby, IR-Thief River Falls)—heard; rereferred to Firearms subcommittee.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

Wednesday, March 6

- **Employee relations—department bill**
HF153 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—recommended to pass.
- **Beltrami County—proceeds from tax-forfeited lands**
HF362 (Thorson, IR-Bemidji)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Fees/fee adjustments—legislative control**
HF376 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—heard. (See Highlight)

Thursday, March 7

- **State/University employees—bonus incentive program**
HF389 (Burger, IR-Long Lake)—heard; laid over to March 13. (See Highlight)

JUDICIARY

Tuesday, March 5

- **Superfund changes**
HF268 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—recommended to pass as amended.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS

Tuesday, March 5

- **County governments—language cleanup/minor changes**
HF516 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.

Thursday, March 7

- **Local Governments—joint insurance arrangements**
HF267 (Solberg, DFL-Bovey)—recommended to pass as amended.

TAXES

Thursday, March 7

- **Sales tax on farm equipment—reduced**
HF53 (Fjoslien, IR-Brandon)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)
- **Sales tax—farm machinery parts**
HF48 (Lieder, DFL-Crookston)—heard.
- **Sales tax on farm equipment—reduced**
HF707 (Boerboom, IR-Cottonwood)—heard.

FLOOR ACTION

CONSENT CALENDAR

Thursday, Feb. 28

- **Aspen cord weight**
HF155 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone)—passed.

Tuesday, March 5

- **Detached facility—Santiago**
HF85 (Brinkman, DFL—Richmond)—passed.
- **Land conveyance—St. Louis County**
HF231 (Boo, IR—Duluth)—passed.

CALENDAR

Tuesday, March 5

- **Motor vehicle sale/distribution regulations changes**
HF241 (Dempsey, IR—New Ulm)—passed.
- **Multi-party accounts act**
HF140 (Mckasy, IR—Mendota Heights)—passed.
- **Abuse reporting—notice to parents/guardians**
HF213 (Stanius, IR—White Bear Lake)—passed.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Tuesday, March 5

- **Farm operating loan program—interest buydown**
HF32/SF54* (Redalen, IR—Fountain)—repassed as amended in conference committee. (See Highlight)



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BILL INTRODUCTIONS

Bill Introductions

Tuesday, Mar 5

HF670—Clark (DFL)—Labor-Management Relations

Occupational safety and health; regulating the use of video display terminals; amending statutes.

HF671—Knickerbocker (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Financial institutions; authorizing interstate acquisition and formation of banks between this state and certain states on a reciprocal basis; proposing coding for new law.

HF672—Staten (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Human rights; adding the Roy Wilkins memorial to the list of state monuments; establishing a memorial to Roy Wilkins for placement in the Capitol complex; providing for a competition to select a designer; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF673—Riveness (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of Bloomington; providing authority for the city to establish and maintain district heating systems.

HF674—Clausnitzer (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; adoption; regulating adoptions by relatives; providing for procedural changes; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF675—Knickerbocker (IR)—Governmental Operations

State government; requiring the adoption of rules governing the 700 hours program; requiring the preparation of agency affirmative action plans; providing for incentives; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF676—Erickson (IR)—Education

Education; appropriating money for the southwest Minnesota telecommunications project operated by ten public school districts.

HF677—Uphus (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Towns; authorizing the conduct of town business at places located outside the town; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF678—Redalen (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; permitting a deferral of certain farm property taxes for farmers; changing the dates for payment of property taxes, settlements, and distribution; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF679—Boo (IR)—Health/Human Services

Nursing homes; establishing an educational program for nursing home consumer advisory councils; authorizing a surcharge on nursing home license fees; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF680—Cohen (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; increasing penalties for certain crimes when committed with intent to cause fear; amending statutes.

HF681—Carlson, D (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; establishing a demonstration project for state-operated, community-based services for mentally retarded persons; creating a limited exception to the moratorium on new intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded; requiring the commissioner of human services to establish rules concerning staff ratios; setting priorities for services under federal waivers; expanding the responsibility of the legislative commission on long-term health care; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF682—Carlson, D (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; reducing fees for camping spaces within a state park and state park motor vehicle permits for physically handicapped persons; amending statutes.

HF683—Johnson (IR)—Judiciary

Probate; allowing a minor to be a donor for purposes of the Uniform Anatomical Gift Act; amending statutes.

HF684—Quist (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Liquor; prohibiting off-sale of large containers of malt or intoxicating liquor; amending statutes.

HF685—Zaffke (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Insurance; requiring the return of unearned premiums upon the death of the insured; amending statutes.

HF686—Ozment (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Metropolitan government; providing an independent review board to consider certain disputed matters; proposing coding for new law.

HF687—Erickson (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; repealing requirements for a department slogan on printed matter; changing emergency rulemaking authority; creating a statistical services account in the state treasury; clarifying membership requirements for the soil and water conservation board; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF688—Hartinger (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Obscenity; prohibiting loaning or selling videocassettes and videodiscs which are obscene; prescribing penalties; proposing coding for new law.

HF689—Himle (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local improvements; providing for advertisement for bids in certain publications; amending statutes.

HF690—Hartinger (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; providing for penalties upon conviction of certain hit and run violations; enhancing penalties upon conviction of certain hit and run violations; amending statutes.

HF691—Ozment (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local government; authorizing county employees to make certain contracts; amending statutes.

HF692—Tunheim (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Natural resources; establishing a board of regents for the department of natural resources; amending statutes.

HF693—Frederick (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of North Mankato; permitting the establishment of a port authority; authorizing the port authority to exercise the powers of a municipal housing and redevelopment authority.

HF694—Anderson, R (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; grants and loans for certain dam reconstruction and repair projects; amending laws.

HF695—Onnen (IR)—Judiciary

Corporations; allowing nonprofit corporations to establish, maintain, and operate common trust funds; proposing coding for new law.

HF696—Ozment (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; adjusting eligibility requirements for the child day care sliding fee program; permitting county boards to set limits on the day care rates that will be subsidized; amending statutes.

HF697—Otis (DFL)—Education

Education; requiring the commissioner to have conferences on peer tutoring programs in the schools; appropriating money.

HF698—Frederick (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Intoxicating liquor; authorizing the city of North Mankato to issue one short-term, on-sale liquor license.

HF699—Halberg (IR)—Judiciary

Courts; providing for the appointment of a chief judge and assistant chief judge for each judicial district; clarifying the administrative authority of the chief judge; amending statutes.

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HF700—McEachern (DFL)—Education

Education; requiring school districts to assess pupils in core curricular areas; requiring the state board to adopt measurable learning expectations for districts to use at their option; requiring a state curriculum advisory committee; requiring an annual curriculum report by the state board; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF701—Clausnitzer (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; allowing the county boards to serve as the community mental health center boards; amending statutes.

HF702—Clausnitzer (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; requiring notice to the designated agency in certain proceedings pertaining to persons committed as mentally ill and dangerous; authorizing the commissioner to transfer persons committed as mentally ill and dangerous between regional centers under certain circumstances; amending statutes.

HF703—Backlund (IR)—Education

Education; removing the metering of state aid payments to school districts; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF704—Wenzel (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; providing permanent increases in monthly annuities or benefits payable to pre-1973 public employee retirees, disabled, and surviving spouses; appropriating funds; proposing coding for new law.

HF705—Himle (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; adopting federal law with respect to individual retirement accounts and certain pension plans; providing a subtraction over two years for amounts included in income for certain previous years due to nonconformity; amending statutes.

HF706—McKasy (IR)—Judiciary

Courts; abolishing the county and probate court; transferring the jurisdiction, cases, records, and employees of that court to the district court; merging the municipal and conciliation courts with the district court in the second and fourth judicial districts; transferring the jurisdiction, cases, records and employees of those courts to the district court; providing that municipal, probate and county judges learned in the law are district judges; providing that the county court judge not learned in the law is an associate judge; limiting the creation of additional referee, law clerk, courtroom bailiff, and courtroom deputy clerk positions; requiring each judicial district to prepare a reorganization plan; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF707—Boerboom (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; reducing the rate of tax on farm machinery; including repair and replacement parts in the definition of farm machinery; amending statutes.

HF708—McDonald (IR)—Agriculture

Animals; changing certain duties and powers of the board of animal health; increasing certain penalties; amending statutes.

HF709—Olsen, S (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; sales tax; exempting candy; amending statutes.

HF710—Elioff (DFL)—Transportation

Drivers' licenses; providing that license and permit applicants in St. Louis county apply at state office; amending statutes.

HF711—Nelson, K (DFL)—Education

Education; providing that the compulsory attendance law applies to a child below the age of seven who is enrolled grades kindergarten or above; amending statutes.

HF712—Nelson, K (DFL)—Transportation

Motor vehicles; denying license plates or registration tabs to moving traffic violators under outstanding warrants; amending statutes.

HF713—Segal (DFL)—Education

Education; changing the basic maintenance mill rate to 20 mills; amending statutes.

HF714—Segal (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Minnesota Constitution; proposing an amendment providing for a senate of 36 members elected for staggered six-year terms and a house of representatives of 108 members elected for staggered four-year terms.

HF715—Segal (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Minnesota Constitution; proposing an amendment eliminating the office of state treasurer; giving the treasurer's powers and duties to another officer provided by law.

HF716—Elioff (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Local government; setting authority to regulate firearms and related matters; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF717—O'Connor (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Liquor; including wine in the prohibition on discrimination in sales; amending statutes.

HF718—Nelson, D (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Environment; requiring the commissioner of health to monitor the quality of water in private water wells in the metropolitan area; amending statutes.

HF719—Uphus (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; increasing the number of deputy commissioners of agriculture; establishing a trade office; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF720—Quist (IR)—Governmental Operations

State departments and agencies; requiring the commissioner of administration to notify libraries about available surplus documents; proposing coding for new law.

HF721—Otis (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; allowing additional income disregard for certain general assistance recipients; amending statutes.

HF722—Rees (IR)—Education

Education; providing for full implementation or tier revenue by the 1986-1987 school year; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF723—Johnson (IR)—Education

Transportation; authorizing designation of minimum-maintenance roads by resolution of local road authorities; exempting road authorities from liability for damages arising from reduced maintenance standards on minimum-maintenance roads; providing penalties; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF724—Hartering (IR)—Labor-Management Relations

Labor; providing a system for citizens to report fraud in connection with receipt of workers' compensation and unemployment compensation benefits; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

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HF725—Rees (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Environment; providing for state grants for the construction of collector sewers in totally unsewered cities; amending statutes.

HF726—Wenzel (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Local government; setting authority to regulate firearms and related matters; amending statutes; proposing coding for new laws; repealing statutes.

HF727—Solberg (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Local government; setting authority to regulate firearms and related matters; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF728—Kostohyrsz (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Recreational vehicles; requiring registration of snowmobiles; abolishing special registration requirements for collector's snowmobiles; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF729—Scheid (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; providing for an increased redemption benefit option for participants in the Hennepin county supplemental retirement program; allowing withdrawal from the program; amending laws.

HF730—Tjornhom (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Petroleum products; setting standards for heating fuel, diesel fuel, and kerosene; providing testing authority for the weights and measures division of the department of public service; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF731—Seaberg (IR)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; special retirement coverages for certain military affairs department personnel.

HF732—Seaberg (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; extending class 3 property to certain property owned by certain fraternal beneficiary societies or associations for community service; amending statutes.

HF733—Brinkman (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Elections; changing certain procedures and deadlines related to absentee ballots; changing the municipal election filing deadline; amending statutes.

HF734—Brinkman (DFL)—Judiciary

Civil actions; repealing statutes authorizing and regulating dram shop actions; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF735—Brinkman (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; removing the additional sales tax from liquor; repealing statutes.

HF736—Heap (IR)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; resumption of service by retired teachers; amending statutes.

HF737—Backlund (IR)—Judiciary

Property transfers; regulating transfers to persons under a certain age; enacting the uniform transfers to minors act; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF738—Dempsey (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; eliminating the excise tax rates for farm wineries; reducing the excise tax credit for certain malt beverages and extending the credit to beverages produced outside Minnesota; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF739—Simoneau (DFL)—Judiciary

Courts; correcting references to the number of district court judges in law; providing for additional district court judgeships in the tenth judicial district; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF740—Simoneau (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; public employees generally; revising the state unclassified employees retirement program; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF741—Beard (DFL)—Agriculture

Agriculture; requiring schools and institutions serving milk under agreement with the department of agriculture to submit reimbursement claims and be paid in the manner provided by federal regulation and any rules of the department; proposing coding for new law.

HF742—Riveness (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; motor vehicle excise; reducing the general rate of five percent; amending statutes.

HF743—Clausnitzer (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of Plymouth; permitting the establishment of a port authority; amending laws.

HF744—Cohen (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Intoxicating liquor; authorizing the sale of miniature containers; proposing coding for new law.

HF745—Cohen (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; authorizing transfer of certain coordinated plan service credit of a public employees retirement association member to the basic plan.

HF746—Price (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; income; providing for additional withholding exemptions in certain instances; amending statutes.

HF747—Pauly (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; property; providing an exemption for certain housing facilities for the elderly; amending statutes.

HF748—Wenzel (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; motor vehicles; accelerating distribution of motor vehicle excise tax proceeds; amending statutes.

HF749—Price (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Public employees; regulating teacher labor relations; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF750—Kahn (DFL)—Budget

Housing; raising the limit on the total amount of Minnesota housing finance agency bonds and notes outstanding; amending statutes.

HF751—Wenzel (DFL)—Government Operations

Government operations; providing for the salaries of certain department and agency heads.

HF752—Redalen (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Game and fish; use of crossbows to take deer; amending statutes.

HF753—Dempsey (IR)—Crime/Family Life

Adoption; eliminating the requirement for certain consents; amending statutes.

HF754—Anderson, G (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Banking; providing assistance to customers of failed banks; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF755—Carlson, D (IR)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Horsereading; authorizing the commission to adopt certain drug rules; amending statutes.

HF756—Schreiber (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; changing certain filing and payment dates for corporate estimated tax declarations; amending statutes.

HF757—Zaffke (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Hubbard county; authorizing a special levy for park and recreation purposes; requiring a reverse referendum under certain circumstances.

HF758—Elioff (DFL)—Education

Independent school district No. 706; authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds to finance the acquisition and betterment of school buildings and facilities and the levy of ad valorem taxes therefor; authorizing the transfer of certain taconite taxes to the district for payment of debt service on the bonds; appropriating money.

HF759—Backlund (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Elections; changing certain procedures and deadlines related to absentee ballots; changing the municipal election filing deadline; amending statutes.

HF760—Bennett (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Cities of the first class; authorizing the cities to regulate taxicabs.

HF761—Sviggum (IR)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; public employees retirement association; earnings limits for membership; amending statutes.

HF762—Bishop (IR)—Governmental Operations

State government; providing for the status of seasonal employees of the department of revenue; amending statutes.

HF763—Himle (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; property; increasing the market value of commercial and industrial property assessed at 28 percent; amending statutes.

House Advisories

Tuesday, Mar 5

HA6—Krueger (DFL)—Health/Human Services

A proposal to study adoption.

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HA7—Riveness (DFL)—Governmental Operations

A proposal to study reports that must be submitted to the legislature.

Senate Files/ 1st. Readings

Thursday Mar 7

SF47—Frank (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Animals; increasing penalties for certain cruel acts against animals; clarifying what acts constitute torture; amending statutes.

SF244—Storm (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

City of Savage; authorizing the establishment of detached banking facilities.

SF276—Spear (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Notaries; providing procedures for various notarial acts; enacting the uniform law on notarial acts; providing that matters to be verified by oath or affirmation may be declared under penalty of perjury; imposing a penalty; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

SF331—Adkins (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Health; permitting the county coroner to remove the pituitary gland from a body under certain circumstances; proposing coding for new law.

SF450—Jude (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; providing for collection of outstate liabilities; changing certain time limitations; changing tax lien provisions; providing for certain disclosures; changing entry for confessions of judgment; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

SF455—Jude (DFL)—Judiciary

Uniform acts; enacting the Uniform Conservation Easement Act; proposing coding for new law.



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ADVANCE COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

All rooms are located in the State Office Building unless otherwise indicated. This schedule is subject to change. For information call House Calls at 296-9283, or contact Terri Hudoba at 296-2146. All meetings are open to the public.

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Monday, March 11
8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Budget hearings for Ethical Practices Board; Science Academy; Municipal Commission.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Higher Education Coordinating Board (HECB): overview of Minnesota Self-Help programs; State Work Study; medical student loans; AVTI tuition subsidy; state student loans.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget hearing for MN State Retirement System; Public Employment Relations Board; Public Employee Retirement Association; Teachers Retirement Association.

EDUCATION, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Wendell Erickson. Agenda: MN Board of Teaching report, Dale Rapp, President. MN Academic Excellence Foundation reports, Toyse Kyle. HF322 (Gruenes) Non-public School Advisory Council.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: HF509 (Ogren) Providing free distribution of MN Statutes to the library of the largest municipality of each county. HF440 (Knickerbocker) Technical corrections in laws governing public retirement funds. HF388 (Burger) Establishing a commission to study property taxes.

10:00 a.m.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: HF374 (Seaberg) Redefining arson in the third degree. HF274 (Ozment) Defining "dangerous weapon" to include flammable liquids. HF335 (Bishop) Removing certain information from certified record for commitment of persons convicted of a felony or gross misdemeanor. HF657 (Levi) Relating to dissemination of data. HF275 (Levi) Reporting maltreatment of minors.

GAMING SUBCOMMITTEE/Regulated Industries & Energy, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Elton Redalen. Agenda: HF198 (Kahn) Prohibits boxing in Minnesota.

12:00 noon

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/Education, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Sally Olsen. Agenda: Discuss aids in Article 8 (technology demonstration sites, courseware package development, purchase subsidy, package evaluation, and duplication rights.)

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Jim Heap. Agenda: HF284 (Heap) Regulating the tip credit for minimum wage purposes. SF125/HF324 (House author: O'Connor) Changing the

definition of plumber's apprentice for the purpose of employment licensing. HF207 (Sviggum) Relating to public employee labor relations (PELRA).

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: Continuation of Dept. of Revenue Farm Land Valuation report. Presentation of Latimer Tax Study Commission report on property tax refund (circuit breaker).

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

7:00 p.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget hearing for Dept. of Natural Resources.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE, Rm. 15 Capitol. Chr. Rep. Adolph Kvam. Agenda: HF577 (Piper) Prohibiting mortgage foreclosure sales for one year.

Tuesday, March 12
8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Budget hearings for Crime Victims Reparations Board; Civil Air Patrol; Private Detective and Protection Agent Services; Dept. of Public Safety, Driver and Vehicle Licensing.

JOINT MEETING EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations & HIGHER EDUCATION DIVISION/Education, Rm. 200. Chrs. Reps. Bob Haukoos & Mark Piepho. Agenda: Higher Education Coordinating Board (HECB): overview of shared responsibility concept; budget hearings on Minnesota Scholarship and Grant programs.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Budget hearing for Dept. of Human Services.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget hearings for State Planning Agency; Workers Compensation/Court of Appeals.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: HF185 (Redalen) Changing the membership on the Public Utilities Commission. HF376 (Knickerbocker) Fee and fee adjustments for agency services regulated.

8:15 a.m.

TAXES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: HF556 (Dempsey) Modifying certain procedures relating to taxpayer appeals; requiring apportionment of levies in specific situations. HF261 (Onnen) Providing computation of interest on tax overpayments. HF403 (McKasy) Reducing the estate tax to the amount of the federal credit for state death taxes.

10:00 a.m.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: HF193 (Elioff) Relating to St. Louis County.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. John Rose. Agenda: HF156 (S. Olsen) Establishing a hazardous substance compensation trust account. HF628 (Rose) Enhancement of fish and wildlife; planning and implementation of wildlife management; conservation of marginal agricultural lands; habitat management; aspen recycling program.

HEALTH CARE SUBCOMMITTEE/Health & Human Services, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Dave Gruenes. Agenda: Resolution 11 (Dempsey) Compassionate Friends Awareness Week. HFxxx Nonsmoking bill. HFxxx (Onnen) Aging strategy. HF535 (Sherman) Lead solder, prohibits use in certain instances.

SOCIAL SERVICES SUBCOMMITTEE/Health & Human Services, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Allen Quist. Agenda: HF186 (Sherman) Interstate contracts for mental health services. HF546 (Sviggum) Study and report on public guardianship. HFxxx (Sviggum) Permanency planning for children.

12:00 noon

ELECTIONS SUBCOMMITTEE/General Legislation & Veterans Affairs, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Craig Shaver. Agenda: HFxxx Absentee voting for military and overseas. Secretary of State. HFxxx Punch card voting for absentee ballots.

CIVIL LAWS & ADMINISTRATION SUBCOMMITTEE/Judiciary, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bert McKasy. Agenda: HF125 (Blatz) Relating to real property; requiring a court order before a registered land survey. HF394 (Bishop) Non-primacy of statutes. HF590 (Bishop) Relating to a repeal of the sunset provision of the law providing for surcharges on civil filing fees. HF449 (Blatz) Relating to attachments.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE & WORKERS' COMPENSATION DIVISION/Labor-Management Relations, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Steve Sviggum. Agenda: Testimony on HFxxx (Gutknecht) Unemployment insurance reform plan.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS SUBCOMMITTEE/Local & Urban Affairs, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Dennis C. Frederickson. Agenda: HF422 (McKasy) West St. Paul; changing the municipal election day and extending the terms of certain elected officials. HF158 (Solberg) Taxation; increasing the amount statutory cities and towns may levy for a public cemetery. HF526 (Solberg) Fixing conditions of certain energy improvement loans. HF537 (Solberg) Itasca County; changing the permissible expenditure on tourist, agricultural, and industrial promotion. HF656 (R. Anderson) Allowing for an increase in the appropriation a county may make for a county humane society in any year.

METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS SUBCOMMITTEE/Local & Urban Affairs, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Brad Stanius. Agenda: HF571 (Ozment) Establishing a commission to review metropolitan government.

2:00 p.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Complete budget hearing for Dept. of Public Safety.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Budget hearing for University of MN: academic salaries request; special market and retention; skilled trades increases; equipment amortization; instructional computing equipment. Testimony from faculty groups.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: HF183 (Himle) Modifying the finance charge on certain open end credit sales.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: Presentation of Governor Perpich's property tax refund program (circuit breaker). Additional agenda to be announced.

3:00 p.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget hearings for Attorney General's Office; Office of Administrative Hearings.

4:00 p.m.

HEALTH CARE SUBCOMMITTEE/Health & Human Services, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Dave Gruenes. Agenda: HF294 (Blatz) Health maintenance organizations; prohibiting exclusive agreements.

7:00 p.m.

HEALTH CARE SUBCOMMITTEE/Health & Human Services, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Tony Onnen. Agenda: Hearing on data regarding Northern Minnesota asbestos issue.

8:00 p.m.

GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS, Spring Lake Park, MN. Chr. Rep. Dave Fjoslien. Agenda: Hearing on charitable gambling.

Wednesday, March 13

8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Budget hearings for Dept. of Transportation, overview Highway Development, Planning and Programming, State Aid.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Higher Education Facilities Authority (HEFA), Joseph E. LaBelle; MN Private College Council, Dr. Larry Osnes, Executive Director, and MN Association of Private College students; Mayo Medical Foundation, Dr. R. S. Rogers, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Budget hearing for Dept. of Human Services.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget hearings for Council for the Handicapped; Council on

Black Minnesotans; Council on Indian Affairs; Council for Spanish-Speaking People.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: HF389 (Burger) Incentive bonuses provided for certain state employees.

8:15 a.m.

JOINT MEETING HOUSE/SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEES, Rm. 15 Capitol. Chrs. Rep. Wendell Erickson & Sen. James Pehler. Agenda: Selection of the slate of nominees for the University of Minnesota Board of Regents.

10:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. K. J. McDonald. Agenda: HF587 (Waltman) Relating to tax incentives for beginning farmers. HF427 (Redalen) Relating to conservation of marginal agricultural lands. HF163 (Krueger) A resolution regarding the 1985 Federal Farm bill. Continuation of bills from March 6 agenda.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: Juvenile justice system: Judge Allen Oleisky, Hennepin County Juvenile Court; Judge Gary Crippen, MN Court of Appeals.

12:00 noon

AGRICULTURAL LAND USE SUBCOMMITTEE/Agriculture, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gary Schafer. Agenda: HF94 (Redalen) Relating to soil conservation. Appropriate department bills.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Adolph Kvam. Agenda: HF345 (Seaberg) No-fault automobile; providing mandatory underinsured motorist coverage. HF255 (Dempsey) Practice and procedure in dram shop actions.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE & WORKERS' COMPENSATION DIVISION/Labor-Management Relations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Steve Sviggum. Agenda: Testimony on HFxxx (Gutknecht) Unemployment insurance reform plan.

TRANSPORTATION, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Douglas Carlson. Agenda: HF221 (Kalis) Designating the George Mann Memorial Highway. HF327 (L. Jennings) Tree removal from highway right of way. HF256 (Bennett) Regulating van-type motor homes.

1:00 p.m.

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS MARKETING SUBCOMMITTEE/Agriculture, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Don Richter. Agenda: HF604 (McDonald) Relating to licensing of fur farms. Appropriate department bills.

2:00 p.m.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Budget hearing for University of MN: Supercomputer, President Ken Keller and Dean E. Infante; Agricultural Extension, Dick Sauer and Associates; Agricultural Research Report; Biotechnology research, Victor Bloomfield; Institute for Human Genetics Report, Center for Biomedical Ethics Report, Neal Vanselow.

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/Education, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Sally Olsen. Agenda: Discuss proposed new programs in Governor's budget (education aids analysis and management, children in crisis); study Math and Science High School Study and overview Cash Flow Management Study.

GAMING SUBCOMMITTEE/Regulated Industries & Energy, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Elton Redalen. Agenda: HF227 (Minne) Providing for County Fair race days. HFxxx (D. Carlson) Allows the Racing Commission to promulgate rules allowing use of certain medications.

3:00 p.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget hearing for Dept. of Administration.

JOINT MEETING HOUSE COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT and SENATE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND COMMERCE, Rm. 118 Capitol. Chrs. Rep. Tony Bennett & Sen. Sam Solon. Agenda: Joint meeting on liquor.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE SUBCOMMITTEE/ Crime & Family Law, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. John Hartinger. Agenda: HF448 (Blatz) Defining sports bookmaking. HF264 (Heap) Imposing criminal liability on persons who cause the death of another by permitting an animal, known to have caused prior bodily harm, to be unconfined or improperly confined. HF484 (Sherman) Authorizing the commissioner of corrections to prescribe the conditions under which persons on work release may retain and expend their earnings. HF636 (Bishop) Providing for forfeitures of communications devices and proceeds derived from commission of designated offenses.

TRANSPORTATION, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Douglas Carlson. Agenda: To be announced.

3:30 p.m.

FAMILY LAW SUBCOMMITTEE/Crime & Family Law, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Arthur Seaberg. Agenda: HFxxx Domestic abuse.

Thursday, March 14

8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Budget hearing for Dept. of Transportation, Highway Maintenance.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Budget hearing for University of MN: Professional College tuition offset, President Ken Keller and Dave Berg; reciprocity offset; medical and dental fellowships; tuition fellowships/graduate students. Testimony from student groups.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Budget hearing for Dept. of Human Services.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget hearings for Dept. of Veteran's Affairs; Dept. of Military Affairs.

HIGHER EDUCATION DIVISION/Education, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Mark Piepho. Agenda: To be announced.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: To be announced.

8:15 a.m.

TAXES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: HF65 (Kvam) Sales and use; eliminating accelerated payment of liability.

10:00 a.m.

LIQUOR SUBCOMMITTEE/Commerce & Economic Development, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: HF328 (Kahn) Relating to alcoholic beverages; after hours sales.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. John Rose. Agenda: HF488 (Fjoslien) Appropriating money for walleyed pike fingerling production and related educational documentation. HF401 (Pauly) Repealing the exemption for certain solid waste disposal facilities from the certificate of need requirements. HF425 (Minne) Imposing a temporary freeze upon certain lease rates for state-owned campgrounds.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Onnen. Agenda: Surgeon General presentation on nonsmoking. HF277 (McEachern) County coroner removal of pituitary gland. HF294 (Blatz) Health maintenance organizations; prohibiting exclusive agreements. HF347 (Rodosovich) State hospital shared service agreements. HF701 (Clausnitzer) Clarification that county boards may serve as Mental Health Center Board. HF702 (Clausnitzer) Transfers of mentally ill and dangerous. HF674 (Clausnitzer) Adoptions; regulating adoptions by relatives. HF252 (Dempsey) Additional doctor for Springfield. HF533 (Rose) Veterinary medicine; foreign graduates. HF621 (Gruenes) Mentally ill/mentally retarded statute revisions. HF658 (Zaffke) CHS formula. Other bills passing subcommittees.

10:45 a.m.

SMALL BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM SUBCOMMITTEE/Commerce & Economic Development, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Ted Thorson. Agenda: Overview industrial revenue bonds.

12:00 noon

GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Dave Fjoslien. Agenda: Ethical Practices Board. HF575 (Gutknecht) Establishing a rabies control program.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: HF418 (Dempsey) Excluding firefighters and peace officers from local government job evaluation systems.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

7:00 p.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget hearing for Dept. of Energy & Economic Development (DEED).

Friday, March 15

8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Budget hearing for Historical Society.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget hearings for Tax Court; Legislative Coordinating Commission (LCC).

8:15 a.m.

TAXES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: HF262 (Onnen) Providing timely payment on certain income tax withholding and sales and use taxes. Tax expenditure report, Dan Salomone, Research Director, Dept. of Revenue.

10:00 a.m.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE SUBCOMMITTEE/Crime & Family Law, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. John Hartinger. Agenda: Bills on extradition.

FAMILY LAW SUBCOMMITTEE/Crime & Family Law, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Arthur Seaberg. Agenda: HF450 (Blatz) Child abuse prevention trust fund.

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/Education, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Sally Olsen. Discussed proposed new programs in Governor's budget (School Management Assistance). CQE reports (Venture Fund Grants for Research & Development, Research & Development, Improved Learning.)

12:00 noon

GAMBLING SUBCOMMITTEE/General Legislation & Veterans Affairs, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Gil Gutknecht. Agenda: To be announced.



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HIGHLIGHTS

Retailers - sales tax

Minnesota retailers could get a break on paying their June sales taxes under a bill which the Taxes Committee recommended to pass on March 14. HF65 (Kvam, IR-Litchfield) relates to the sales tax that retailers collect from their customers and return to the state.

The bill would discontinue the requirement that retailers pay one half of their estimated June liability on or before June 25. They would pay their June sales taxes by July 25.

Chief author Rep. Adolph Kvam said this change is the way retailers used to pay their June liability. But the 1981 Legislature changed the June payment when the state was in a budget crunch and needed the money before July 1 to balance the budget, said Kvam.

Tony Doherty, a Bloomington furniture dealer, told the committee that it's difficult for retailers to estimate their June sales tax liability because sales can vary considerably from month to month. He said the penalty is quite severe if retailers underestimate the amount.

The bill now goes to the floor of the House.

Environment

The House Environment and Natural Resources Committee recommended for passage, HF628 (Rose, IR-Roseville), a Fish and Wildlife Enhancement Act, on March 14. The bill includes many of the recommendations of the governor's Hunting and Fishing Commission that call for reinvestment in the state's natural resources.

HF628 would provide state funds to match funds and gifts that organizations donate for the purchase of land for wildlife habitats. It would call for annual payment to landowners to discontinue crop production on marginal farm lands to provide a vegetation cover, and it would create an aspen recycling to improve wildlife habitat.

The committee rejected an amendment that would have required a constitutional amendment asking voters whether two percent of the state sales tax should go to the game and fish fund for a 10-year period, to raise \$30 million a year.

Smoking and health

Smokers are drug addicts, and nicotine is the most addictive drug in our society, Surgeon General Everett Koop, M.D., told the Health and Human Services Committee on March 14.

Smoking costs our country \$39 billion a year in avoidable medical expenses and 340,000 deaths annually from smoking-related diseases, Koop said. And, he said, these figures are quite conservative.

Smoking during pregnancy is especially dangerous, said Koop, and the real costs are waiting to be born.

Sister Mary Madonna Ashton, commissioner of Health and Human Services, introduced Koop whose remarks support the commissioner's anti-smoking goals for the state.

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Nursing home beds

Minnesota's aging population growth rate is explosive, according to Deputy Commissioner of Human Services Frank Giberson, but he wants the state moratorium on nursing home beds to continue through 1990.

Giberson told the House Human Services Division of the Appropriations Committee on March 14 that Minnesota institutionalizes its elderly at a rate twice the national average.

He says the answer to the problem is the state's alternative-care grant program for which his department is requesting a \$46 million appropriation for the 1985-86 biennium.

According to Giberson, alternative care satisfies what the elderly say they need—better services in the community that will enable them to stay at home, out of nursing homes.

Administration of alternative-care programs would remain with local agencies.

Superfund changes

A bill that would make changes to the personal liability section of the state's superfund law got final House approval (81-44) on March 14. HF268 would affect a victim's chances to claim damages from hazardous waste exposure and win. See *Session Weekly*, Number 8, page 3 for a summary of the bill.)

The House adopted an amendment which provided that the new superfund changes would not apply to legal actions pending on March 11, 1985. Another House-approved amendment would allow plaintiffs to bring actions prior to July 1, 1983 (the new retroactivity date) if they can show the defendant knew or reasonably should have known that the dumping of a hazardous substance could cause serious harm.

The bill now goes to the Senate.

Car insurance benefits

A bill to outlaw stacking of insurance benefits made it over its first hurdle in the House on March 13. The Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee voted 19 to 5 in favor of HF345 (Seaberg, IR-Mendota Heights) which would prohibit collecting from two car insurance policies for accident injuries.

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Conservation Reserve

Farmers with highly erosive cropland could enroll it in a new state program to help protect wildlife habitat and soil and water resources.

Under Conservation Reserve, the state would pay enrolled farmers (\$75 an acre the first year and five percent of the land's market value each year thereafter) not to grow crops or graze livestock on some of their land for 5 to 10 years. They would, instead, during this time, plant a vegetation cover on it which would help hold the soil in place, making it less susceptible to wind and water erosion.

The program also offers an incentive for farmers to plant strips of food crops for wildlife habitat next to the land.

On March 13, the Agriculture Committee recommended passage of HF427 (Redalen, IR-Fountain), the bill that would create this program. Conservation Reserve would carry a price tag of \$10 million.

George Mann Memorial Hwy.

A stretch of Highway 60 between Mankato and Worthington could take on a new name in honor of the late George Mann (DFL-Windom) who served in the Minnesota House for 24 years.

On March 13, the Transportation Committee unanimously voted to recommend for passage HF221 (Kalis, DFL-Walters), a bill that would rename the stretch of highway the "George Mann Memorial Highway."



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Mann's work in the House won him positions as chair of the Transportation and Agriculture Committees, and as assistant DFL caucus leader. Mann worked through legislation to improve highways and highway safety, and some say he had a life-long ambition to see the completion of Highway 60.

Also, at the March 13 meeting, the committee recommended to pass HF454 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights), a bill that would offer protection to people who fail to renew their car registrations because they didn't receive the notice telling them to, from the Department of Public Safety.

Minority councils

State councils that work with the handicapped, blacks, Indian and Spanish-speaking Minnesotans brought their budget requests to a division of the Appropriations Committee March 13.

They presented their policy objectives which are to help their minority groups to improve their economic and social status. The councils also act as liaisons between government units and the people they represent. Combined, they're asking for less than \$1 million.

Interest on tax refunds

Taxpayers might get more interest on their tax refunds under a bill the Taxes Committee heard on March 12. HF261 (Onnen, IR-Cokato) would equalize the interest rate on refunds with the rate the State Revenue Department collects on unpaid taxes.

Current state law sets the interest rate on refunds at 6 percent and ties the rate on unpaid taxes to the average prime rate, or 13 percent for 1985. The bill would provide that tax refunds bear interest at the floating rate from the date of payment of the tax until the state pays the refund.

On income tax refunds, the state would pay interest from 90 days after the due date or on the date the taxpayer files the return, whichever is later.

The bill will get a further hearing on March 15.

Correction

The article, "Community education changes," on page 3 of last week's Session Weekly should read:

Childhood, family education

Parents play the most important role in the early education of their children, and there is no substitute for parents, said Rep. Harriet McPherson (IR-Stillwater).

Her bill, HF367, would define the importance of parents' roles and parental involvement during early childhood and family education programs.

The bill calls on parents to be physically present much of the time in these programs with their children. It also prohibits use of early childhood and family education programs funding for traditional day care or nursery school programs.

At a March 6 meeting, the Education Finance Division of the Education Committee incorporated the bill into proposed Article 4. The division will consider it for inclusion in HF88 at a later date.

Farm financial information

"I've had my biggest personal failings when I didn't have the records to back up the business management decisions that I had to make," said Rep. Don Frerichs (IR-Rochester) at a March 12 meeting of the Governmental Operations Committee.

"Farmers have to understand exactly what their farm is doing to them or for them and make some tough management decisions."

Frerichs was before the committee to present his bill, HF581, which would appropriate money to the state board of vocational education and to the agricultural extension service at the University of Minnesota to collect and evaluate data on the farm crisis.

He said currently there is no way of getting information with which to base conclusions as to the situation of Minnesota farmers.

The bill would also create a nine-member task force to develop procedures for collecting data on the financial status of agriculture in Minnesota, and report back to the Legislature.

HF581 got a recommendation to pass, and now goes to the Appropriations Committee.

Charge account interest

Shoppers who charge instead of paying cash may find themselves paying a higher price for credit under HF183 (Himle, IR-Bloomington), a bill the Commerce and Development Committee recommended to pass on March 12.

Retailers like Daytons, Powers, or Donaldsons could charge their card users an annual interest rate of 18 percent. Present law allows 16 percent for these stores and others with annual gross sales of over \$25 million. The law, the only one in the country with a rate this low, already lets small retailers charge up to 18 percent.

Supporters say the two-percent increase would level the competitive playing field. Opponents say the large retailers are being greedy and are going overboard in asking the Legislature to eliminate the split interest rate.

Water contamination

"It's not a horrible problem, but let's use our heads while we're awake," said Rep. Tim Sherman (IR-Winona) introducing HF535, a bill that would end the use of lead-based solder in water pipes. He spoke before the Health Care subcommittee of the Health and Human Services Committee on March 12.

According to Sherman, a plumber by trade, lead from soldered joints can leach into the water supply.

Rep. Karen Clark (DFL-Mpls), who presented an amendment to the bill, said lead contamination in schools can be a health threat. "I've spoken with the Department of Health and there can be a problem with contamination in water that's been in the pipes over school vacations," she said.

Clark's amendment would require schools to flush water pipes after any vacation periods of more than two weeks.

The bill passed as amended and goes next to the full Health and Human Services Committee.

Victims' compensation fund

HF156 (Olsen, IR-St. Louis Park), which would set up a compensation fund for victims of hazardous waste releases, got the approval of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee March 12.

Rep. Sally Olsen says the bill complements other legislation moving through the House and Senate that would remove provisions from the superfund law relating to liability for personal injury and economic loss (HF268, Svigum, IR-Kenyon).

Explaining her bill, Olsen said, HF156 would set up a three-member board to administer the fund. "There is no appeal from the board's determination. Fees charged by an attorney to represent a claimant must be limited by the board," she said.

The overall limitation on the amount of compensation an injured person could recover from the fund would be \$250,000 per claimant, per claim, she said. One million dollars would come from the general fund to the compensation fund for the biennium, she added.

The committee voted down amendments that would have: taxed hazardous waste generators; compensated for property damages that the superfund doesn't cover; and included death benefits to dependents.

Property tax study

On March 11, the Governmental Operations Committee recommended the passage of HF388 (Burger, IR-Long Lake) which would create a 15-member commission that would study whether to change the distribution of property taxes between land and improvement values.

Ten legislators and five governor's appointees would serve on the commission. The commissioners of finance, energy and economic development, revenue and state planning would serve as non-voting members.

"What we want to do," said author Rep. John Burger, "is separate land value taxation from improvement value taxation, then decrease taxes on improvements and increase land values to give people incentive to improve and develop their land."

The Taxes Committee will hear the bill next.

Financial aid changes

Changes in distribution policy mean that post-secondary students are now getting more aid, and more of it is going to those who need it most, said David Longanecker, executive director of the Higher Education Coordinating Board (HECB).

Longanecker told a joint meeting of the education divisions of the Appropriations and Education Committees (March 11) of the successful shift of funds to students of lower income families.

He also explained "shared responsibility" which assumes that students are dependent upon their parents who will provide some financial support until they reach age 22.

Although the HECB makes allowances for special situations and has an appeals process, in testimony over the past weeks, people have said the new policies are too restrictive. Students, in particular, said that the new policies prevent those who most need it from getting financial aid.

The Education Committee is now considering legislation that would reinstate the previous policies and allow students of any age to receive independent student status which would qualify them for more financial aid.

Mortgage moratorium

HF577/SF85* (Piper, DFL-Austin), a bill calling for a one-year moratorium on farm loan foreclosures suffered a setback late Monday night, March 11. The Finan-

cial Institutions and Insurance Committee voted 8 to 18 against the bill which already has Senate approval.

Former House member Willis Eken, who represents Minnesota Farmers' Union, said the moratorium would buy some time for farmers until they get help from the federal government.

Opponents of the bill said it would dry up credit in the rural areas and make the situation worse than it already is.

Merit selection of judges

A new system for selecting judges in Minnesota may be a possibility under a bill the House passed March 11. HF67 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul) would set up a committee to evaluate applicants for judgeship vacancies (except Supreme Court justices) and recommend three to five names to the governor for appointment. The governor would then appoint one of the recommended persons or request a second list.

Chief author Randy Kelly says the bill will open up the selection process and allow those attorneys who haven't been politically involved a chance for a judicial appointment. He says now the governor can appoint anyone he wants to with no check on that power. Governor Perpich, by choice, has selected judicial appointees through a committee. HF67 would ensure that future governors also would, according to Kelly.

Opponents say the bill gives too much power to the judiciary in the selection process. Under the bill, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court would appoint four members to the committee. District, county, and municipal judges would elect one member. The governor would appoint five permanent members and two special members for district, county, and municipal court vacancies.

The bill now goes to the Senate.

Correction

In the article, "Farm aid," on page 4-5 of last week's Session Weekly, the second paragraph should read:

Under the plan, SF54 (Redalen, IR-Fountain), farmers could get loans for spring planting at a lower rate of interest through an interest buydown program. The state would pay two-thirds of the difference between the interest rate charged to the farmer and the commerce commissioner's interest rate.

The sixth paragraph should read:

As a condition for receiving the state-paid interest for 60 days, lenders must agree to carry the loan for an additional 60 days without interest and sign an agreement with the state to stop foreclosure on farm loans which they submitted to FmHA for guarantees and debt restructuring, until FmHA responds or 90 days, whichever comes first.

(There's no foreclosure grace period as mentioned in the article.)

Child abuse reporting

When and how does Minnesota's child abuse reporting law apply? State law says certain people, such as physicians and teachers, must report child abuse. But how sure do they have to be that abuse is occurring before they make that report? On March 11 the Crime and Family Law Committee heard HF275 (Levi, IR-Dellwood), a bill that attempts to clear up the confusion.

According to Hennepin County Attorney Tom Johnson, the issue stems from a court decision involving two educators at the Children's Theatre Company and School in Minneapolis who failed to report suspected child sexual abuse.

Johnson said Judge Charles Porter dismissed the cases for a couple reasons. First, the law set up two different standards for people who must report abuse—one standard required them to report when they "suspected" abuse and the other required them to report when they had "reasonable cause to believe" abuse has taken or is taking place.

"A second problem," said Johnson, "was that the word 'suspicion' or 'suspected' was not sufficiently definable, and was too vague to meet a constitutional test when requiring someone to report abuse, or face a misdemeanor penalty."

"As a result," said Johnson, the judge "held the statute constitutionally vague."

Levi's bill aims at clarifying how certain someone needs to be about abuse occurring before he or she must report it to authorities. Hearings on the bill continue next week.

Boxing ban

Professional and amateur boxing could be a thing of the past in Minnesota if HF198 (Kahn, DFL-Mpls) becomes law.

Calling the sport a "public celebration of violence," Kahn introduced her bill and the reasons for it to the Gaming subcommittee of the Regulated Industries and Energy Committee on March 11. Kahn says boxing is the only sport where the aim is to injure the opponent and, specifically, the brain of the opponent.

She said, "A hard blow to the head makes the brain twist inside the skull and bump its walls, tearing apart the brain's delicate and internal tissue, eroding its surface, giving rise to the punch-drunk symptoms of some former professional boxers."

Opponents to HF198 say that boxing, in its finest form, is an art and that part of boxers' training teaches them to "carry" and "slip" punches to avoid serious injury.

Nonpublic schools

Nonpublic school educators would have a forum where they can express their views and concerns about state education policy under HF322 (Gruenes, IR-St.

Cloud). The bill would require the commissioner of education to appoint a five-member advisory council.

A requirement would be that council members would have knowledge of and experience in nonpublic education.

Supporters of HF322 say the advisory council would help open lines of communication and would give private educators more voice in state education policy than they presently have.

The Education Committee, March 11, recommended the bill to pass. It moves on now to the Appropriations Committee.

World Trade Center

The ABCs of marketing Minnesota are agriculture, biomedical technology, and computers, says Dick Broeker, director of Minnesota's World Trade Center.

"There are a lot of willing buyers of Minnesota products out there, and there are a lot of willing sellers," he says, "but between the two is a swamp, and much of the swamp is a language problem. The trade center is just the tool to drain the swamp."

Speaking before the State Departments Division of the Appropriations Committee March 8, Broeker said the trade center, one of nine in the country and one of 40 in the world, "will be the best office development this side of Chicago." It should help Minnesota exports catch up to the national average, he said. In terms of manufactured goods, Minnesota is \$340 million behind.

Construction began on the \$100 million project in St. Paul in February; completion is set for 1987.

According to Broeker, Oxford Properties, the site developer, is responsible for the price tag. Eighty-one percent of the project is privately financed; the remaining 19 percent comes from a Port Authority and City of St. Paul loan. Oxford is responsible for both loans.

The state has no fiscal commitment to the building project, but Broeker asks for about \$700,000 a year to run his office which directs the marketing and services arm of the center.

COMMITTEE ACTION

AGRICULTURE

Wednesday, March 13

- **Landowners selling to beginning farmers—tax breaks**
HF587 (Waltman, IR-Elgin)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Taxes Committee.
- **Farmland—Conservation Reserve program**
HF427 (Redalen, IR-Fountain)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (See Highlight)

APPROPRIATIONS

Wednesday, March 13

- **Warroad School District—capital loan**
HF263 (Tunheim, DFL-Kennedy)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Housing finance agency—bond limit increase**
HF438/SF412* (Seaberg, IR-Mendota Heights)—recommended to pass.

Education
Div./Approp.

Tuesday, March 12

- **Warroad school district—capital loan**
HF263 (Tunheim, DFL-Kennedy)—recommended to pass.

Wednesday, March 13

- **ATVI—combined districts**
HF470 (Erickson, IR-Hills)—recommended to pass as amended to Appropriations Committee.

State Departs. Div./
Approp.

Monday, March 11

- **Housing finance agency—bond limit increase**
HF438/SF412* (Seaberg, IR-Mendota Heights)—recommended to pass.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Tuesday, March 12

- **Petroleum product definitions**
HF730 (Tjornhom, IR-Richfield)—rereferred to the Commerce & Regulation subcommittee.
- **Retailer credit interest rate**
HF183 (Himle, IR-Bloomington)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar. (See Highlight)

CRIME & FAMILY LAW

Friday, March 8

- **Drinking age—raised to 21**
HF102 (Schafer, IR-Gibbon)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Assault in the second degree—clarified**
HF511 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Part-time peace officers—requirements**
HF329 (Olsen, S., IR-St. Louis Park)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.

Monday, March 11

- **Arson and fire scene investigations**
HF374 (Seaberg, IR-Mendota Heights)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **“Dangerous weapon”—flammable liquids**
HF274 (Ozment, IR-Rosemount)—recommended to pass.
- **Commitment records—eliminating certain requirements**
HF335 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Child sex abuse victims—access to court data**
HF657 (Levi, IR-Dellwood)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Child abuse reporting—changes**
HF275/SF196* (Levi, IR-Dellwood)—amended and laid over. (See Highlight)

EDUCATION

Monday, March 11

- **Nonpublic schools—advisory committee**
HF322 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

Education Finance
Div./Ed.

Last week's entry for
HF367 should read:

Wednesday, March 6

- **Education—early childhood and family**
HF367 (McPherson, IR-Stillwater)—incorporated into proposed Article 4 which the division will consider for inclusion in HF88 at a later date. (See Highlight)

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

Tuesday, March 12

- **Hazardous substance injury—compensation fund**
HF156 (Olsen, S., IR-St. Louis Park)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Judiciary Committee. (See Highlight)

- **Fish and Wildlife Enhancement Act—created**
HF628 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—amended; laid over. (See Highlight)

Thursday, March 14

- **Fish and Wildlife Enhancement Act—created**
HF628 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Fingerling production—Walleyed Pike funding**
HF488 (Fjoslien, IR-Brandon)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Waste disposal facilities—certificate of need**
HF401 (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—laid over.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE

Monday, March 11

- **Farm mortgage foreclosure moratorium**
HF577/SF85* (Piper, DFL-Austin)—not recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)

Wednesday, March 13

- **No-fault insurance—changes; stacking—eliminated**
HF345 (Seaberg, IR-Mendota Heights)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)
- **Dramshop actions—practice and procedure**
HF255 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—heard; laid over until next meeting.

GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS

Thursday, March 14

- **Adjutant general—additional assistant**
HF316 (Thorson, IR-Bemidji)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **National guard—increased pay for active service**
HF317 (Fjoslien, IR-Brandon)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Hibbing—fixing term of mayor, council**
HF270 (Minne, DFL-Hibbing)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Elections—absentee ballot changes**
HF759 (Backlund, IR-Fridley)—recommended to pass as amended.

- **Dogs & cats—rabies control, identification required**
HF575 (Gutknecht, IR-Rochester)—heard; laid over until next meeting.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

Monday, March 11

- **Minnesota statutes—copies to libraries**
HF509 (Ogren, DFL-Aitkin)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Public pension funds—corrections**
HF440 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Property tax study commission—created**
HF388 (Burger, IR-Long Lake)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Taxes Committee. (See Highlight)

Tuesday, March 12

- **Fees/fee adjustments—legislative regulation**
HF376 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—laid over.
- **PUC membership changes**
HF185 (Redalen, IR-Fountain)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Farm financial data collection**
HF581 (Frerichs, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (See Highlight)

Wednesday, March 13

- **State/University employees—bonus incentive program**
HF389 (Burger, IR-Long Lake)—amended; laid on the table.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Thursday, March 14

- **Pituitary gland—removal by county coroner**
HF277/SF331* (McEachern, DFL-St. Michael)—recommended to pass.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

Monday, March 11

- **Tip credit freeze**
HF284 (Heap, IR-Plymouth)—recommended to pass. (See Highlight)
- **Teacher/school board mediation—changes PELRA**
HF207 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—heard.

Unemployment Insur.—
Workers' Comp.Div./
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- **Unemployment Insurance—changes**
HF847 (Gutknecht, IR-Rochester)—heard.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS

Thursday, March 14

- **Job evaluation—fire and police exemption**
HF418 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—heard.

TAXES

Tuesday, March 12

- **Dept. of Revenue—property tax**
HF556 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Estate tax—federal credit**
HF403 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in the omnibus tax bill.
- **Interest on tax overpayments**
HF261 (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—heard; laid over until Friday, March 15. (See Highlight)

Thursday, March 14

- **Sales tax—accelerated payment eliminated**
HF65 (Kvam, IR-Litchfield)—recommended to pass. (See Highlight)

TRANSPORTATION

Wednesday, March 13

- **George Mann Memorial Highway**
HF221 (Kalis, DFL-Walters)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar. (See Highlight)
- **Tree removal—highway right of way**
HF327 (Jennings, L., DFL-Rush City)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Motorist—unregistered vehicles**
HF454 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)

FLOOR ACTION

CONSENT CALENDAR

Thursday, March 7

- **Timber sales—terms of payment**
HF300/SF102* (Thorson, IR-Bemidji)—passed.
- **Consolidation—Int'l Falls, South Int'l Falls**
HF1/SF64 (Neuenschwander, DFL-Int'l Falls)—passed as amended.

Monday, March 11

- **Tofte—detached facility**
HF117/SF106* (Battaglia, DFL-Two Harbors)—passed.
- **Cannon Falls—detached facility**
HF307/SF333* (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—passed.
- **Beltrami County—proceeds from tax-forfeited lands**
HF362*/SF355 (Thorson, IR-Bemidji)—passed.
- **County governments—language cleanup/minor changes**
HF516 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—passed.

CALENDAR

Thursday, March 7

- **Wineries—four years to use imported grapes**
HF34 (Redalen, IR-Fountain)—passed.
- **Cheese sold in wineries**
HF97 (Redalen, IR-Fountain)—passed.
- **Corporate article changes—shareholder vote**
HF210/SF252* (Heap)—passed.
- **Vacancies in judicial office—qualification not required**
HF67 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul)—failed. (See Highlight)

CONCURRENCE & REPASSAGE

Monday, March 11

- **Testamentary trustees—qualification not required**
HF68 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—passed.

RECONSIDERATION

Monday, March 11

- **Vacancies in judicial office—merit selection**
HF67 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul)—passed as amended.

Key
HF — House File
SF — Senate File
* — version of the bill under consideration

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BILL INTRODUCTIONS

Bill Introductions

Monday, Mar 11

HF764—Wenzel (DFL)—Education

Education; appropriating money for a grant to the Mid State Educational Cooperative.

HF765—Sviggum (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; restricting and subsequently abolishing the state share of Title IV-E foster care maintenance payments; repealing transfer of funds; restricting and subsequently abolishing the dependent or neglected state ward appropriation; creating permanency planning grants to counties; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF766—Marsh (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; requiring confinement of certain convicted defendants pending imposition of sentence; proposing coding for new law.

HF767—DenOuden (IR)—Governmental Operations

State departments and agencies; regulating fees for agency services; amending statutes.

HF768—Onnen (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; establishing a grant program for community services for the elderly; changing the method of determining and paying the state share of medical assistance payments for nursing home care; establishing uniform grant standards for supplemental aid; changing eligibility criteria for supplemental aid; designating the county agency as the lead agency for services to the elderly; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF769—Onnen (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; making certain changes in the reimbursement procedures for nursing homes; providing for an interim payment rate for newly constructed or expanded nursing homes; requiring medicare certification; creating an appeals board for appraised value disputes; amending statutes.

HF770—Quist (IR)—Health/Human Services

Health; fixing liability of counties for the cost of care provided in a state hospital for mentally ill patients; amending statutes.

HF771—Dempsey (IR)—Health/Human Services

Health; stating legislative intent for abortion services; proposing coding for new law.

HF772—Rest (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Minnesota Constitution; proposing an amendment combining the offices of state treasurer, state auditor, and secretary of state into the office of state comptroller.

HF773—Bennett (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Recreation; establishing study of need for motor sports facility; appropriating money.

HF774—Seaberg (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Juvenile court; revising and recodifying current laws governing the apprehension, detention, adjudication, and disposition of minors who commit unlawful acts or who are in need of protection or services; providing additional due process protections for minors and other parties who are subject to juvenile court jurisdiction; placing limitations on voluntary out-of-home placements of minors; providing for foster care review; establishing a procedure for court review of inpatient admissions and commitments of minors to mental health and chemical dependency programs; imposing penalties; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF775—Olsen, S (IR)—Education

Education; extending the use of summer educational improvement revenue allowance to the entire year; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF776—Hartinger (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; eliminating the presumption of eligibility from the general assistance program; amending statutes.

HF777—Heap (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Hennepin county; permitting the employment of student interns; amending laws.

HF778—Blatz (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Financial institutions; authorizing interstate acquisition and formation of banks between this state and certain states on a reciprocal basis; proposing coding for new law.

HF779—McKasy (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; changing certain income tax provisions relating to corporations; amending statutes.

HF780—Onnen (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Marriage dissolution; requiring that the party who is not the primary custodial parent be responsible for one-half of child care of the minor children; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF781—Sviggum (IR)—Governmental Operations

Workers' compensation; regulating the membership of the board of directors of the workers' compensation reinsurance association; amending statutes.

HF782—Sviggum (IR)—Judiciary

Human services; providing for participation by Indian tribes in the placement of their children; proposing coding for new law.

HF783—Knickerbocker (IR)—Governmental Operations

Administrative procedures; providing for the adoption of administrative rules and the determination of administrative disputes; providing for publication of administrative rules and disposition of administrative appeals; enacting the model administrative procedure act; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF784—Knickerbocker (IR)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; state employees retirement system; reversing the workers' compensation offset; allowable service computation for leaves of absence; deferred annuities; disability benefits; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF785—Pauly (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Intoxicating liquor; authorizing the issuance of temporary on-sale intoxicating liquor licenses; amending statutes.

HF786—Gutknecht (IR)—Governmental Operations

State departments and agencies; transferring authority to make certain appointments to various commissioners; reducing size of alcohol and drug abuse advisory council; abolishing the cable communications board; transferring the duties of the public employment relations board to the bureau of mediation services; amending statutes; amending laws; repealing statutes.

HF787—Kvam (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; property; providing that the basic maintenance levy not be applied against agricultural property for taxes payable in 1985; appropriating money.

HF788—Valento (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; increasing the penalty for an offense committed against a transit provider or operator when violence or a threat of violence is not involved; amending statutes.

HF789—Backlund (IR)—Transportation

Transportation; railroads; requiring occupied caboose car; requiring caboose car to be equipped with shortwave radio; imposing a penalty; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF790—Skoglund (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Health; authorizing an autopsy for a suspected case of Alzheimer's disease; providing for research on the brains of Alzheimer's victim; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF791—Backlund (IR)—Governmental Operations

State departments and agencies; providing for quorum and voting on telecommunications council; amending statutes.

HF792—Haukoos (IR)—Education

Vocational technical education; allowing some budget, allocation, aid, and grant procedures to be set by state board policy; correcting and eliminating definitions; changing a fund for the deposit of parking fees; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF793—Wenzel (DFL)—Budget

A resolution memorializing the President to discharge David Stockman.

HF794—Halberg (IR)—Judiciary

Motor vehicles; prescribing confidential status of and information in motor vehicle accident reports; amending statutes.

HF795—Pappas (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Ramsey county; requiring Ramsey county surveyor to approve condominium floor plans before recording; amending statutes.

HF796—Kostohyrz (DFL)—Transportation

Ramsey county; exempting county highways from seasonal load restrictions unless posted by the county authority; proposing coding for new law.

HF797—Nelson, D (DFL)—Education

Education; increasing state aid for school district programs for gifted and talented students; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF798—Cohen (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; providing for property and income tax relief for new or expanding businesses; proposing coding for new law.

HF799—Cohen (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; property; providing that the market value of property may not be increased due to the character of the surrounding property; amending statutes.

HF800—Blatz (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; making certain trespasses and assaults a gross misdemeanor; providing for the admissibility of certain evidence in domestic abuse prosecutions; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF801—Cohen (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; providing an income tax checkoff for support of the arts; proposing coding for new law.

HF802—Kiffmeyer (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Commerce; prohibiting video games of chance; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF803—Schafer (IR)—Education

Public employees; regulating teacher labor relations; prohibiting the hiring of certain substitute teachers; providing for special state aid reduction in teacher strikes; regulating the school year; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF804—Kiffmeyer (IR)—Crime/Family Life

Obscenity; prohibiting obscene live performances; prescribing penalties; proposing coding for new law.

HF805—Kiffmeyer (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Obscenity; prohibiting distribution of sexual devices; prescribing penalties; proposing coding for new law.

HF806—Kelly (DFL)—Judiciary

Juvenile court; clarifying the authority to release juvenile court records; amending statutes.

HF807—Zaffke (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Hubbard county; authorizing county appropriations to the county agricultural society and an annual levy for that purpose; requiring a reverse referendum under certain circumstances.

HF808—Olsen, S (IR)—Education

Education; establishing goals for public elementary and secondary education in Minnesota; requiring districts to examine their district policies for meeting these goals and make recommendations for facilitating progress toward these goals; proposing coding for new law.

HF809—Olsen, S (IR)—Education

Education; requiring adoption of standards to measure the mastery of basic skills by pupils; proposing coding for new law.

HF810—Quist (IR)—Taxes

Health; requiring the commissioner of health to develop programs for the promotion of nonsmoking; providing for tax increase on cigarettes; prohibiting the free distribution of cigarettes; raising the cigarette tax; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF811—Segal (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

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 coding for new law.

HF812—Tompkins (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local governments; extending deadlines for reporting on and complying with laws requiring equitable compensation relationships; amending statutes.

HF813—Levi (IR)—Education

Education; providing for the access to excellence program including access to: schools and programs beyond district boundaries, local program and staff development aid, learner outcomes and testing, model programs and schools, and management assistance to local districts; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF814—Wenzel (DFL)—Education

Education; establishing a program to require school districts to provide milk to all elementary and secondary pupils in public and nonpublic schools; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF815—Fjoslien (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Elections; authorizing absentee voting by electronic voting system; amending statutes

HF816—Tunheim (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; property; providing for 3b classification in certain cases; amending statutes.

HF817—Knickerbocker (IR)—Governmental Operations

State board of investment; clarifying powers and duties; amending statutes.

HF818—Poppenhagen (IR)—Health/Human Services

Health; expanding the purposes of health care review organizations; amending statutes.

HF819—Tompkins (IR)—Education

School districts; allowing them to form and spend money on one nonprofit corporation; requiring report to the commissioner, and by the commissioner, to the legislature; amending statutes.

HF820—Tompkins (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; providing for assault of firefighters or emergency medical services personnel; amending statutes.

HF821—Solberg (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Alcoholic beverages; repealing mandatory liquor liability insurance; restoring the authority of municipalities to require liquor liability insurance; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF822—Rose (IR)—Education

Education; establishing a scholarship program for certain secondary pupils to attend summer academic programs sponsored by certain post-secondary institutions; providing for certain duties for the state board of education and the higher education coordinating board; establishing an advisory council; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF823—Vellenga (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Ramsey county; placing the position of law clerk investigator in the unclassified service; amending statutes.

HF824—Clausnitzer (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Alcoholic beverages; requiring local approval of farm winery licenses in certain instances; amending statutes.

HF825—Bennett (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Occupations and professions; regulating electricians; amending statutes.

HF826—Pauly (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; reducing the maximum corporate rate; amending statutes.

HF827—Piepho (IR)—Transportation

Public safety; appropriating money to purchase mobile communications equipment for state patrol.

HF828—Sviggum (IR)—Health/Human Services

Economic security; clarifying the community action program financial assistance requirements; amending statutes.

HF829—Krueger (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; exempting certain shelterbelts from taxation; providing for replacement of lost revenue; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF830—Anderson, G (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; estate; reducing the tax to the amount of the federal credit for state death taxes; amending statutes.

HF831—Ozment (IR)—Judiciary

Crimes; prescribing the powers of the governor and the commissioner of corrections with respect to extradition under treaty; amending statutes.

HF832—Thorson (IR)—Education

Libraries; altering regional library basic system support; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF833—Piepho (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Government operations; allowing municipalities to contract to buy sheltered workshop products without getting competitive bids; including sheltered workshops in the small business set-aside program; amending statutes.

HF834—Kelly (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Animals; prohibiting the use of a decompression chamber to destroy an animal; imposing a penalty; proposing coding for new law.

HF835—Miller (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Driver's license; allowing same time for expiration of driver's license for spouse of active duty member of armed forces; amending statutes.

HF836—Cohen (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Public safety; prohibiting assembly as a paramilitary organization for the purpose of practicing with weapons; prohibiting paramilitary training; prescribing penalties; proposing coding for new law.

HF837—Halberg (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Insurance; no-fault auto; providing uninsured and under insured motorist coverages; defining terms; amending statutes.

HF838—Begich (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Consumer protection; requiring motor vehicle manufacturers to supply a temporary replacement vehicle or to reimburse vehicle owners for rental car expenses under certain circumstances; providing an expedited civil remedy; amending statutes.

HF839—McKasy (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; prohibiting escape from custody by certain mental patients; amending statutes.

HF840—Fjoslien (IR)—Health/Human Services

Health; authorizing statewide mosquito research; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF841—Rest (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; permitting the payment of certain omitted salary deduction.

HF842—Marsh (IR)—Governmental Operations

Commerce; clarifying commissioner's authority to conduct regulatory investigations;

clarifying submission of applications for directors and officers liability insurance; providing for the withdrawal of certain registration statements; broadening the securities transaction exemptions for isolated sales and limited offerings; repealing the securities transaction for preorganization offerings; providing a maximum fee for the registration of redeemable securities; simplifying an exemption from franchise registration; providing for disclosure of representation by real estate brokers and salespersons; expanding those officers who may verify corporate broker licenses; altering re-examination requirements for brokers and salespersons who fail to renew their licenses; altering the unclaimed property reporting deadline for life insurance companies; raising the aggregation amount for holders reporting unclaimed property; specifying dates for notifying and advertising owners of abandoned property; and providing for the notification of all lienholders by a unit owners association in an assessment lien foreclosure; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF843—Frerichs (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; property taxation; modifying the method of determining certain adjusted assessed value; modifying the method of determining agricultural market value for property tax purposes; amending statutes.

HF844—Shaver (IR)—Transportation

Motor vehicles; requiring motor vehicle lessors to provide information to department of public safety when lease periods are greater than two months; amending statutes.

HF845—Nelson, K (DFL)—Education

Education; requiring examinations for certain people applying for teaching licenses; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF846—Tomlinson (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; allowing deferred payments of first half property taxes on agricultural homesteads in 1985; providing for loans of state funds to taxing districts; appropriating money.

HF847—Gutknecht (IR)—Labor-Management Relations

Unemployment compensation; altering the public policy statement; changing the taxable wage base; defining credit week; providing for employer charging; increasing the eligibility requirement; eliminating certain tax rate limitations; changing the weekly benefit amount; capping the maximum weekly benefit; providing for the duration of benefits; increasing the duration of benefits for claimants in counties with high unemployment; providing for seasonal employees; making the waiting week nonreimbursable; amending the benefit offset for severance pay; increasing the period of time and earnings necessary for requalification after disqualification; changing the definition of suitable work; transferring duties to the office of administrative hearings; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

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HF848—Blatz (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Children and families; providing judicial procedures to protect the welfare of alleged child abuse victims; requiring juvenile and criminal courts to give docket priority to child abuse cases; providing certain protections for parents in juvenile court proceedings; clarifying the scope and effect of juvenile court orders; changing the crimes of "intrafamilial sexual abuse" to "criminal

sexual abuse" and limiting the discretion of courts to stay sentences for these crimes; requiring that investigative interviews with child abuse victims be tape-recorded; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF849—Schreiber (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Water pollution control; establishing a state financial assistance program for the abatement of combined sewer overflow; reauthorizing the state independent grants program; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF850—Shaver (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Elections; making changes in registration, caucuses, ballots, affidavits of candidacy and withdrawal, nominations, election certificates, and election judge qualifications; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF851—Marsh (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; providing that an individual asked to supply data relating to maltreatment of minors or vulnerable adults need not be given an informational warning; prohibiting diversion of corporate property; authorizing criminal trials with petit juries composed of six persons for gross misdemeanor prosecutions; changing the crimes of "intrafamilial sexual abuse" to the crimes of "criminal sexual abuse"; eliminating the requirement that a defendant receive a copy of a confession that is to be introduced into evidence; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF852—Boo (IR)—Governmental Operations

State lands; directing conveyance of an easement over certain state lands to the city of Duluth.

HF853—Valan (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Flood plain management; establishing a state flood hazard mitigation program to mitigate the damaging effects of floods on public and private properties; authorizing grants-in-aid to local government units for flood damage mitigation; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF854—Dimler (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; property; clarifying the definition of real property; amending statutes.

HF855—Olsen, S (IR)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; St. Louis Park firefighters service, disability, and survivor benefits; amending laws.

HF856—Pauly (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; imposing an additional tax on certain interest earned on state or municipal obligations; providing an income tax credit for certain interest paid on those obligations; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF857—Olsen, S (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Insurance; authorizing the receiver of an insolvent insurer to accelerate the distribution of available assets in payment of claims against the insurer; establishing priority of certain claims; providing for recoupment of assessments; amending statutes.

HF858—Erickson (IR)—Education

Education; providing various activities to study and improve teacher education; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF859—Zaffke (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; changing applicability of the gravel tax and making imposition of the tax permissive; amending statutes.

HF860—Pauly (IR)—Governmental Operations

Eminent domain; providing for court determination of and payment for pollution of property subject to condemnation; proposing coding for new law.

HF861—Redalen (IR)—Education

Independent school district No. 233, Preston-Fountain; authorizing a permanent fund transfer.

HF862—Clark (DFL)—Education

Post-secondary education; reducing the tuition component required to pay in part for instruction costs; amending statutes.

HF863—Schreiber (IR)—Transportation

Transportation; specifying the method of payment for landscape contractors providing goods or services to the department of transportation; amending statutes.

HF864—Boo (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; establishing a demonstration project for state-operated, community-based services for mentally retarded persons; creating a limited exception to the moratorium on new intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded; requiring the commissioner of human services to establish rules concerning staff ratios; setting priorities for services under federal waivers; expanding the responsibility of the legislative commission on long-term health care; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF865—Kelly (DFL)—Judiciary

Courts; authorizing conciliation courts to hear civil disputes involving up to \$5,000; amending statutes.

HF866—Cohen (DFL)—Judiciary

Marriage dissolution; allowing separate summary judgment on the issue of dissolution; excluding mediators' information except on consent of the parties; providing for deposing of investigators; allowing a partial distribution of marital assets during the pendency of a dissolution proceeding; amending statutes.

HF867—Stanius (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Legislature; reducing its size; amending statutes.

HF868—Staten (DFL)—Governmental Operations

State purchasing; establishing a certification process for set-aside programming in the department of human rights; establishing a small business procurement advisory council; appropriating money; providing penalties; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF869—Erickson (IR)—Education

Education; providing for a study of the gifted and talented education program; establishing an advisory council; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF870—Riveness (DFL)—Judiciary

Courts; providing that tax court judges must be learned in the law; permitting retired tax court judges and district court judges to serve on the tax court; amending statutes.

HF871—Riveness (DFL)—Governmental Operations

State government; clarifying laws governing fiscal notes on bills affecting state revenues; amending statutes.

HF872—Carlson, D (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Crimes; providing for peace officer training of persons who are employed by the commissioner of natural resources and who possess peace officer authority for the purpose of enforcing game and fish laws; pro-

viding for the financing of such training through surcharges on penalties imposed for violations of certain laws; amending statutes.

HF873—Sherman (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Financial institutions; authorizing the department of administration to provide for the use of certain motor vehicles by the department of commerce; providing for the classification and disclosure of records; modifying the definition of financial institutions; regulating the closing of financial institutions; providing for the deposit of securities in lieu of bonds; simplifying the recording requirements of credit union certificates or bylaw amendments; providing for certain industrial loan and thrift loan disclosures; providing for the liquidation of safe deposit companies; eliminating a certain motor vehicle finance company assessment; modifying the licensing requirements of regulated lenders; regulating changes of business locations of regulated lenders; providing for the recovery of examination and investigation costs from motor vehicle sales finance companies; increasing the time price differentials on motor vehicle sales; regulating payments in advance on retail installment contracts; and providing for the notice and publication of, and hearings on, bank applications; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF874—Sarna (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Commerce; requiring the payment of interest on downpayments for the purchase of goods or services; prescribing penalties; providing remedies; proposing coding for new law.

HF875—Nelson, K (DFL)—Education

Education; establishing an excellence in teaching and curriculum program; authorizing aid to develop plans for excellence in teaching and curriculum; providing for aid and levy for excellence in teaching and curriculum with a portion for certain teacher contracts; eliminating summer educational improvement revenue; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF876—Olsen, S (IR)—Judiciary

Environment; creating a hazardous substance injury compensation fund; establishing a board to administer compensation; limiting compensable losses; prescribing claims procedures; allowing partial subrogation rights; providing for partial recoupment of expenditures from hazardous waste generators; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF877—Kalis (DFL)—Judiciary

Civil procedure; repealing the dram shop act; repealing statutes.

HF878—Nelson, K (DFL)—Education

Education; requiring the higher education coordinating board to send information relating to post-secondary education to all eighth graders; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF879—Staten (DFL)—Agriculture

Agriculture; providing famine relief for African people; appropriating money.

HF880—O'Connor (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

City of St. Paul; applying portions of the state ethical practices law to candidates in the city elections.

HF881—Thorson (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; providing for annual timber harvest public informational meetings; amending statutes.

HF882—Thorson (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; authorizing the commissioner to enter into agreements with other states for forest fire prevention and suppression purposes; proposing coding for new law.

HF883—Tomlinson (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Unclaimed property; extending coverage to corporate stock and other ownership interests; amending statutes.

HF884—Staten (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Human services; establishing and empowering a board for the blind; transferring certain powers and duties of the commissioner of human services to the board; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF885—Clark (DFL)—Education

Post-secondary education; reducing the tuition component required to pay in part for instruction costs; amending statutes.

HF886—Jennings, L (DFL)—Governmental Operations

A resolution memorializing the governments of the United States and Sweden that the State of Minnesota adopts the County of Kronoberg as a sister state.

HF887—Begich (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Peace officers; regulating hours worked by part-time peace officers; amending statutes.

HF888—Pauly (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Commerce; granting motor fuel retailers the option to purchase from wholesalers other than the refiner; proposing coding for new law.

HF889—Frederickson (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local government; providing for the conduct of the business of towns; providing for certain town debt; authorizing certain towns to provide certain services; revising various other town laws; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF890—Ozment (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; providing for reimbursement of chiropractic services for people receiving general assistance medical care; clarifying the meaning of medically certified for purposes of a work exemption under general assistance; amending statutes.

HF891—Rees (IR)—Judiciary

Civil procedure; providing for the treatment of certain foreign judgments; enacting the Uniform Foreign Money-Judgments Act; proposing coding for new law.

HF892—Staten (DFL)—Education

Education; requiring a school district to disclose effects of not taking certain courses; proposing coding for new law.

HF893—Nelson, K (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Crime victims; requiring that crime victims be notified of certain court dates and other information; requiring that the needs of victims and witnesses be considered when criminal cases are scheduled; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF894—Dyke (IR)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Utilities; defining independent telephone company; amending statutes.

HF895—Carlson, D (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Towns; providing funds for the preparation of a handbook of town laws; appropriating money.

HF896—Valento (IR)—Education

Education; providing for employment rights in certain school district supervisory, administrative positions; amending statutes.

HF897—Gruenes (IR)—Education

Education; establishing the state council on vocational technical education; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF898—Solberg (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Gambling; allowing casino nights under certain circumstances; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF899—Bennett (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Environment; providing for the statewide open burning of leaves in the spring and fall as governed by local ordinances; amending statutes.

HF900—Halberg (IR)—Judiciary

Courts; providing for additional county court judgeships in the first judicial district; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF901—Nelson, K (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Elections in the city of Minneapolis; changing the time of election of certain board members; extending certain terms; amending laws.

HF902—Shaver (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Legislature; reducing its size; amending statutes.

HF903—Hartinger (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Solid waste; prohibiting the operation, construction, and expansion of a waste facility in the city of Ramsey; providing for local approval.

HF904—Gutknecht (IR)—Labor-Management Relations

Workers' compensation; repealing the state workers' compensation insurance fund; repealing statutes.

HF905—Backlund (IR)—Education

Education; providing for decline pupil units in certain school districts; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF906—Backlund (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; reducing individual income taxes; amending statutes.

HF907—Valento (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

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

HF908—Onnen (IR)—Health/Human Services

Nursing homes; extending the nursing home bed moratorium; amending statutes.

HF909—Schafer (IR)—Education

Education; appropriating money for a grant to the Arlington/Gaylord/Gibbon/Winthrop cable communications commission.

HF910—Gruenes (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; authorizing the commissioner to establish a state advisory planning council; requiring counties to contract with nonprofit organizations; changing set aside project amounts; amending statutes.

HF911—Gruenes (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; expanding medical assistance eligibility for young mothers living at home with parents; allowing prenatal services to be delivered to pregnant women living at home; amending statutes.

HF912—Clausnitzer (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; increasing incentives for enforcing and collecting child support; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF913—Quist (IR)—Governmental Operations

Employment; abolishing the department of economic security; creating a new department of jobs and training; transferring responsibilities of the department of economic security to the department of jobs and training and the department of human services; transferring certain employment and training functions of the department of human services and the department of administration to the department of jobs and training; providing for biennial statewide plans for jobs and training and apprenticeships; providing for coordination of state and federal jobs programs; establishing community investment programs; granting rulemaking authority; changing formulas for paying local agencies for general assistance grants to recipients subject to work requirements; removing a sunset provision from the Minnesota emergency employment development act; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF914—Long (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Education; requiring school districts to provide special instruction and services for handicapped children under the age of four and their families; requiring certain agencies and political subdivisions to maintain certain services and funding levels for young handicapped children and their families until agreements are reached; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF915—Vellenga (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Education; requiring school districts to provide special instruction and services for handicapped children under the age of four and their families; requiring certain agencies and political subdivisions to maintain certain services and funding levels for young handicapped children and their families until agreements are reached; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF916—Heap (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Corporations; regulating corporate takeovers and control share acquisitions; defining terms; prescribing penalties; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF917—Valan (IR)—Transportation

Motor vehicles; providing that certain license plates be issued every six years; amending statutes.

HF918—Jaros (DFL)—Labor-Management Relations

Labor; independent school district No. 709; removing educational assistants from civil service; amending statutes.

HF919—Pappas (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Human services; transferring the child care sliding fee program to the department of economic security; expanding the child care sliding fee program; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF920—Riveness (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; providing for economic opportunity and arts enterprise zones; depositing revenue from the mortgage registration and deed taxes depositing revenue from the mortgage registration and deed taxes with

county and reducing certain welfare aids to the counties by the amount of revenue deposited; providing for local collection of taxonite production taxes; changing maximum local government aid to cities and towns; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF921—Zaffke (IR)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Energy; providing for the method of calculating the payback of certain energy conservation investments; amending statutes.

HF922—Pauly (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Economic development; granting certain powers to municipalities; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF923—Tomlinson (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; simplifying the property classification system; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF924—Onnen (IR)—Health/Human Services

Health; providing for the approval of hospital swing beds; authorizing the granting of license conditions; providing penalties; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF925—Gruenes (IR)—Health/Human Services

Health; changing eligibility requirements for catastrophic health expense protection program; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF926—Thiede (IR)—Education

Education; aids to school districts; requiring that AFDC pupil units be computed each year based upon the annual count of pupils whose families receive aid to families with dependent children; amending statutes.

HF927—Voss (DFL)—Transportation

Watercraft; exempting certain boats from watercraft licensing requirements; amending statutes.

HF928—Thiede (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Registration of snowmobiles; correcting an erroneous repealer; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF929—Minne (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Outdoor recreation; disposition of cross county ski license fees; amending statutes.

HF930—Voss (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; volunteer firefighters serving new fire district; service credit; amending statutes.

HF931—Begich (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; providing for exemption of certain peat harvesting operations from the requirement for mining permits; amending statutes.

HF932—Metzen (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

City of South Saint Paul; authorizing the city to permit certain nonprofit organizations to conduct blackjack.

HF933—Long (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; limiting the property tax on homesteads; providing for state reimbursement to local governments for revenue lost due to the limitation; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF934—Long (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Civil commitment; requiring continued commitment of mentally retarded persons to be for a determinate period of time; conforming provisions relating to mentally retarded persons; correcting a cross-reference; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF935—Long (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; modifying homestead property tax assessment ratios; amending statutes.

HF936—Long (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; modifying the homestead credit computation; amending statutes.

HF937—Richter (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Wild animals; altering provisions relating to taking and possession of certain animals; amending statutes.

HF938—Blatz (IR)—Judiciary

Competency of witnesses; redefining the marital privilege; amending statutes.

HF939—Rose (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Solid waste and sewage sludge management; restricting land disposal of solid waste in the metropolitan area; providing for the financing of resource recovery facilities in the metropolitan area by counties and the metropolitan council; changing provisions relating to designation plans, local disposal fees, metropolitan sludge and sludge ash facilities, and metropolitan county ordinances; defining terms; allocating and appropriating money from the metropolitan landfill contingency action and abatement funds; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF940—Rose (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Wild animals; authorizing the commissioner of natural resources to permit, on an experimental basis, the taking of two deer by one hunter, under conditions and restrictions prescribed by order; proposing coding for new law.

HF941—Valento (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Metropolitan government; providing for the audit of certain metropolitan commissions; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF942—Sviggum (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of Red Wing; permitting the establishment of a port authority.

HF943—Forsythe (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; providing state hospital revolving fund for chemical dependency; creating a consolidated fund for payment of chemical dependency treatment; appropriating money to counties for treatment; providing for client eligibility, vendor eligibility, and state collections; providing for American Indian special funding; removing chemical dependency treatment from medical assistance, general assistance medical care, and general assistance funding; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF944—Valento (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of Roseville; granting the city the powers of a port authority; requiring local approval.

HF945—Begich (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Crimes; regulating the possession and use of handguns; specifying property rights of certain persons in handguns; prohibiting possession of firearms by certain felons; abolishing transferee permits; providing for licenses to purchase handguns; prohibiting transfer of handguns to unknown persons; requiring licenses to carry handguns; limiting legislation in subordinate jurisdictions; providing for disposition of stolen and confiscated firearms and edged weapons; prohibiting discrimination in the issuance of licenses to purchase a handgun or licenses to carry a handgun or weapon; excepting certain persons from the purview of the law prohibiting possession of short-barreled shotguns and machine guns; requiring the

department of public safety to design application forms and licenses; prohibiting altering licenses to purchase handguns or to carry handguns; recognizing use of licenses to carry handguns issued by other jurisdictions; prescribing penalties; amending statutes; prescribing penalties; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF946—Erickson (IR)—Education

Education; appropriating money for the agricultural extension service and to the state board of vocational technical education for certain agricultural projects.

HF947—Zaffke (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Commerce; regulating membership camping; prescribing the powers and duties of the commissioner; proposing coding for new law.

HF948—Dempsey (IR)—Judiciary

Marriage dissolution; allowing for a presumption of joint custody; requiring mediation services in contested custody matters; establishing a trust account in certain child support matters; amending statutes; pro-

posing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF949—Riveness (DFL)—Judiciary

Landlords and tenants; allowing a tenant early termination of a rental lease under certain conditions; proposing coding for new law.

Senate Files/ 1st. Readings

Monday, Mar 11

SF379—Sieloff (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Nonprofit corporations; requiring the articles of incorporation to contain a mailing address; amending statutes.

SF42—Langseth (DFL)—Referred to Chief Clerk for comparison

Taxation; sales; including replacement parts in the definition of farm machinery; amending statutes.

Thursday, Mar 14

SF71—Schmitz (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Commerce; providing for payment to a farm implement retailer by the manufacturer, wholesaler, or distributor who repurchases inventory; requiring the payment of interest on overdue accounts; amending statutes.

SF147—Purfeerst (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Human services; authorizing a state hospital to enter into shared service agreements with for profit organizations; amending statutes.

SF546—Wegscheid (DFL)—Appropriations

Agriculture; appropriating money for the state board of vocational technical education and the agricultural extension service of the University of Minnesota.



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ADVANCE COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

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**Monday, March 18
8:00 a.m.**

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Budget hearings for Dept. of Transportation, Highway Maintenance and Aeronautics.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Dr. Charles Keffer, College of St. Thomas, Capitan for Master of Science in software design, manufacturing engineering (3-9002). Budget hearings for University of MN: President Ken Keller and Dave Berg, professional college tuition offset (3-7026); reciprocity offset (3-7028); medical and dental fellowships (3-7029); tuition fellowships/graduate students (3-7035).

EDUCATION, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Wendell Erickson. Agenda: HF283 (Erickson) Gifted education. HF797 (D. Nelson) Gifted education. HF869 (Erickson) Advisory Council on Gifted Education. HF574 (Gruenes) 0 - 3 Handicapped Education.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: HF786 (Gutknecht) Transferring authority to make certain appointments from the governor to various commissioners.

10:00 a.m.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: Testimony on juvenile justice system.

REGULATED INDUSTRIES & ENERGY, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Elton Redalen. Agenda: HF143 (Blatz) Provides that gas and electric utilities may not seek compensation from landlords for unpaid bills incurred by tenants. HF539 (Gruenes) Provides for procedural and other reforms in rate case reviews by the Public Utilities Commission. HF227 (Minne) Provides for county fair race days. HF755 (D. Carlson) Allows the Racing Commission to promulgate rules allowing the use of certain medications.

12:00 noon

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/Education, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Sally Olsen. Agenda: Overview Arts Education Report; HFxxx (Kostohryz)

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Jim Heap. Agenda: HF207 (Sviggum) PELRA. SF125/HF324 (House author: O'Connor) Changing the definition of plumber's apprentice for the purpose of employment licensing. HF56 (Piepho) Relating to labor; creating an employees social responsibility act.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: HF518 (Heap) Clarifying the term "property taxes payable". HF660 (Minne) Allowing taxes on commercial-industrial property to be composed to confession of judgment. HF616 (Begich) Eliminating the required county board approval prior to confession of judgment for delinquent taxes.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

After Session

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/Education, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Sally Olsen. Agenda: Hearings on the following bills: HF92 (Forsythe) Capital expenditure levy (Article 6). HF486 (Schafer) Interdistrict cooperation aid (Article 6). HF349 (Heap) K - 3 class reduction (Article 8). HF351 (S. Olsen) Clarifying transportation aid (Article 2). HF352 (Schafer) Defining non-public transportation (Article 2). HF353 (Hartle) Authorizing MDE to make shared service agreements with other public agencies (Article 7). HF354 (Backlund) Deleting minimum school site requirements (Article 7). HF355 (S. Olsen) Updating outdated provisions (Article 7). HF525 (S. Olsen) Requiring ECSU's to conduct annual meeting on issues of mutual concern (Article 7). HF665 (Cohen) Requiring a plan for environmental education in schools (Article 7). HF758 (Elioff) Authorizing G.O. bonds, ISD 706 school buildings (Article 7). HF489 (L. Carlson) Courseware integration centers (Article 8). HF676 (Erickson) Appropriating money for SW MN telecommunications project (Article 8). HF567 (Backlund) Defining "least restrictive environment" (Article 3). HF814 (Wenzel) Providing milk for all students (Article 6.)

8:00 p.m.

DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS SUBCOMMITTEE/Transportation, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Don Frerichs. Agenda: To be announced.

DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION SUBCOMMITTEE/Transportation, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Virgil Johnson. Agenda: To be announced.

Tuesday, March 19

8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Budget hearings for Dept. of Transportation, Railroads, Waterways, Truck Regulation and Enforcement; Transportation Regulation Board.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Child care arrangements for children of post-secondary students.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Public testimony for Health and Human Services.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Public testimony for various issues: Ray Roybal regarding budget for the Council on Spanish-Speaking People; Al Brodie regarding MN Motel Association; Lee Berlin or Virgil Bolton regarding Medical Alley Association and Dept. of Energy & Economic Development budget under Bio-Technology; Steve Lindstrom regarding Dept. of Veterans Affairs budget. Budget hearing for State Board of Investment.

HIGHER EDUCATION DIVISION/Education, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Mark Piepho. Agenda: HF476 (Heap) Removing a restriction for awarding associate degrees. HF477 (Heap) Discontinuing program elimination standards based on placement ratios and class size.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: HF376 (Knickerbocker) Fee and fee adjustments for agency services. HF762 (Bishop) Providing for the status of seasonal employees of the Dept. of Revenue. HF112 (Sviggum) Authorizing certain American Legion officers and employees to elect state employee benefit coverage at their own expense. HF781 (Sviggum) Regulating the membership of the board of directors of the workers' compensation reinsurance association.

8:15 a.m.

TAXES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: IRA conformity bills. HF7 (Dimler) and others.

10:00 a.m.

COMMERCE & REGULATION SUBCOMMITTEE/Commerce & Economic Development, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Arthur Seaberg. Agenda: HF730 (Tjornhom) Relating to petroleum products. HF159 (McLaughlin) MEED program. HF591 (Clark) Relating to economic development and job training.

ENVIRONMENT SUBCOMMITTEE/Environment & Natural Resources, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Craig Shaver. Agenda: HF694 (R. Anderson) Grants and loans

for certain dam reconstruction and repair projects. HF725 (Rees) Providing for state grants for the collection of sewers in totally unsewered cities. HF506 (Battaglia) Conveying lands to the federal government for Voyageurs National Park. HF718 (D. Nelson) Requiring the commissioner of health to monitor the quality of water in private water wells in the metropolitan area.

NATURAL RESOURCES SUBCOMMITTEE/Environment & Natural Resources, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Paul Thiede. Agenda: HF230 (Ozment) Authorizing the sale of certain surplus state land in Dakota County to the city of Hastings. HF442 (L. Jennings) Recodifying the drainage law with some modifications. HF195 (Boerboom) Changing the definition of the term "repair" for ditch systems.

HEALTH CARE SUBCOMMITTEE/Health & Human Services, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Dave Gruenes. Agenda: HF768 (Onnen) Aging strategy. HFxxx (Gruenes) Amendments to mental health block grants.

SOCIAL SERVICES SUBCOMMITTEE/Health & Human Services, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Al Quist. Agenda: HF765 (Sviggum) Permanency planning for children. HFxxx (Clausnitzer) Child support enforcement.

12:00 noon

GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Dave Fjoslien. Agenda: HF471 (Battaglia) Ely; authorizing the city to operate a casino gaming facility regulated by the charitable gambling control board.

JUDICIARY, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Charles Halberg. Agenda: HF156 (S. Olsen) Relating to victims of hazardous waste compensation fund. HF461 (Cohen) Relating to salaries of conciliation court referees. HF650 (Cohen) Relating to clarifying the procedure for filing foreign judgement. HF405 (Backlund) Relating to interest on arbitration awards.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE & WORKERS' COMPENSATION DIVISION/Labor-Management Relations, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Steve Sviggum. Agenda: Final action on HF847 (Gutknecht) Unemployment insurance reform plan.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUBCOMMITTEE/Local & Urban Affairs, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Dennis C. Frederickson. Agenda: HF507 (S. Olsen) Requiring that commissioner salaries be stated in fixed dollar amounts. HF58 (Valan) Extending town powers to that of a municipality. HF285 (Beard) Requiring condominium floor plan approved by the county surveyor. HF286 (Beard) Requiring certification by county treasurer of no delinquent taxes on a condominium. HF287 (Price) Requiring condominium floor plan approval and payment of taxes before recording the deed. HF315 (Becklin) Removing the restriction on the number of mills certain towns may levy to provide fire protection for special fire protection districts.

METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS SUBCOMMITTEE/Local & Urban Affairs, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Brad Stanius. Agenda: HF558 (Blatz) Metropolitan government; providing conditions for disposal of certain sports facilities property. HF145 (Dimler) Metropolitan and local government; providing for acquisition of home-stead property and relocation assistance in proposed highway corridors. HF380 (McKasy) South St. Paul; providing for the financing of certain public improvements.

2:00 p.m.

JOINT HOUSE/SENATE SESSION, House Chambers. Agenda: Elect University of Minnesota regents.

3:00 p.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget hearing for Dept. of Finance, Tort Claims, Contingency Funds, and Debt Service; and budget hearing for Dept. of Revenue Computer presentation.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: HF747 (Pauly) Providing an exemption for certain housing facilities for the elderly. HF541 (Pappas) Exempting certain real property owned by certain fraternal organizations. HF732 (Seaberg) Extending Class 3 property to certain property owned by certain fraternal beneficiary societies or associations for community service.

5:00 p.m.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: Child sexual abuse legislation.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: HF422 (McKasy) West St. Paul; changing the municipal election day and extending the terms of certain elected officials. HF158 (Solberg) Increasing the amount statutory cities and towns may levy for a public cemetery. HF526 (Solberg) Fixing conditions of certain energy improvement loans. HF537 (Solberg) Itasca county; changing the permissible expenditure on tourist, agricultural, and industrial promotion. HF656 (R. Anderson) Allowing for an increase in the appropriation a county may make for a county humane society in any year. HF446 (Johnson) Permitting the use of a broker to sell county property under certain conditions. HF520 (Johnson) Permitting the consolidation of the offices of county auditor and county treasurer under certain circumstances. HF521 (Johnson) Allowing counties to dispose of interests in land without reserving mineral rights under certain circumstances. HF485 (Erickson) Lismore; authorizing it to issue bonds for municipal facilities. HF585 (G. Anderson) Local government; providing for exceptions to conflict of interest rules. HF637 (Dempsey) New Ulm; permitting the establishment of special service districts.

6:00 p.m.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Tony Onnen. Agenda: HF186 (Sherman) Interstate contracts for mental health services. HF347 (Rodosovich) State hospital shared service agreements. HF533 (Rose) Veterinary medicine, foreign graduates. HF535 (Sherman) Prohibits the use of lead solder in certain instances. HF546 (Sviggum) Study and report on public guardianship. HF621 (Gruenes) Revising the language of statutes concerning persons with mental illness and mental retardation. HF658 (Zaffke) CHS formula. HF674 (Clausnitzer) Adoptions, regulating adoptions by relatives. HF701 (Clausnitzer) Clarification that county boards may serve as mental health center board. HF702 (Clausnitzer) Transfers of mentally ill and dangerous. Resolution 11 (Dempsey) Compassionate Friends Awareness Week.

6:30 p.m.

EDUCATION, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. Wendell Erickson. Agenda: HF700 (McEachern) Testing in core curriculum areas. HF809 (S. Olsen) Student proficiency testing. HF201 (D. Nelson) Incentives to attract teachers. HF663 (Price) Competency testing for teachers. HF845 (K. Nelson) Teacher testing. HF858 (Erickson) Teacher education.

7:00 p.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget hearing for Dept. of Natural Resources (DNR).

Wednesday, March 20

8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Budget hearing for Dept. of Transportation, Highway Construction, Engineering Services and Engineering Development, EEO.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: To be announced.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Begin allocations; Economic Security.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget hearings for Dept. of Labor & Industry; Dept. of Military Affairs.

EDUCATION, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Wendell Erickson. Agenda: HF813 (Levi) Access to Excellence: testimony on open enrollment and post secondary options.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: HF675 (Knickerbocker) requiring the preparation of agency affirmative action plans; providing incentives.

10:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. K. J. McDonald. Agenda: HF604 (McDonald) Registration of fur farms. HF94 (Redalen) Soil conservation. HF238 (Redalen) Conservation tillage; appropriating \$800,000. HF527 (Fjoslien) Apiary inspection. HF741 (Beard) Milk in schools.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW, Rm. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: HF275 (Levi) Reporting maltreatment of minors. HF800 (Blatz) Making certain trespasses and assaults a gross misdemeanor. HF448 (Blatz) Defining sports bookmaking. HF264 (Heap) Permitting an animal to be unconfined or improperly confined. HF484 (Sherman) Conditions under which persons on work release may retain and expend their earnings. HF636 (Bishop) Forfeitures of communications devices and proceeds derived from commission of designated offenses.

12:00 noon

JOINT HOUSE/SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE ON LIBRARIES/House Education & Senate Education, Rm. 15 Capitol. Chrs. Rep. Ted Thorson & Sen. Charles Davis. Agenda: Bills relating to libraries.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Adolph Kvam.

Agenda: HF235 (McKasy) Modifying fees payable on certain security registrations. HF216 (Halberg) Credit unions; specifying certain powers. HF364 (Halberg) Providing for deposits of public funds in thrift institutions. HF517 (Knickerbocker) Insurance; prescribing powers of the commissioner. HF605 (Knickerbocker) Authorizing certain investments in obligations of or guaranteed by the United States and certain other authorized securities.

ELECTIONS SUBCOMMITTEE/General Legislation & Veterans Affairs, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Craig Shaver. Agenda: Secretary of State's Office.

TRANSPORTATION, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Douglas Carlson. Agenda: HF256 (Bennett) Regulating van-type motor homes. HF586 (McEachern) Advertising devices; allowing "star city" signs on interstate highways. HF633 (Valan) Providing for book racks and "MN" designation on school buses.

2:00 p.m.

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/Education, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Sally Olsen. Agenda: HF436 (K. Nelson) Educational effectiveness (Article 8). HF444 (Dempsey) Demonstration voucher program (Article 7). HF775 (S. Olsen) Extending the use of summer educational improvement revenue to the entire year (Article 7). Discuss the following aids in Article 6: interdistrict cooperation. Discuss the following aids in Article 8: summer institute financial aid; programs of excellence; summer instruction; summer education improvement; subject area inservice training and outcome based education.

GAMBLING SUBCOMMITTEE/General Legislation & Veterans Affairs, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Gil Gutknecht. Agenda: Gambling issues.

2:30 p.m.

ENERGY SUBCOMMITTEE/Regulated Industries & Energy, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. David Bishop. Agenda: HF149 (Quist) Repeals prohibition on installation of decorative residential gas lamps. HF626 (Gruenes) Delays effective date of certain energy efficiency devices sold in Minnesota. HFxxx (Tjornhom) Eliminates Certificate of Need proceedings for gas and electric co-generator facilities of less than 80 megawatts.

3:00 p.m.

JUDICIARY, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Charles Halberg. Agenda: HF125 (Blatz) Relating to examining of titles and registered land surveys. HF449 (Bishop) Relating to providing procedures for prejudgement seizure of property. HF590 (Bishop) Relating to removing sunset provision for the surcharge on civil filing. HF9 (Piepho) Relating to a constitutional amendment to propose a balanced budget amendment. HF543 (Halberg) Relating to the Human Rights Act and severance. HF699 (Halberg) Relating to providing for the appointment of chief judge by the chief justice.

7:00 p.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget hearing for Dept. of Administration.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Tony Onnen. Agenda: HF771 (Dempsey) Stating legislative intent for abortion services.

Thursday, March 21

8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Budget hearing for Dept. of Transportation, Highway Construction - State Aids, Environmental Services - Junkyard Screening, Bikes and Travel Information Centers.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: To be announced.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Allocations continued, Economic Security and Corrections.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Committee and staff meeting to discuss next phase of the budget process. Budget hearings for Bureau of Mediation Services and Public Employees Relations Board (PERB).

HIGHER EDUCATION DIVISION/Education, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Mark Piepho. Agenda: Private College Initiative presentation by Dr. Larry Osnes; Biotechnology Report from Governor's Task Force.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: To be announced.

8:15 a.m.

TAXES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: HF738 (Dempsey) Relating to taxation; eliminating the excise tax rates for farm wineries; reducing the excise tax credit for certain malt beverages and extending the credit to beverages produced outside Minnesota. HF756 (Schreiber) Income; changing certain filing and payment dates for corporate estimated tax declarations. HF779 (McKasy) Changing certain income tax provisions relating to corporations.

10:00 a.m.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: HF698 (Frederick) Authorizing city of Mankato one short term liquor license. HF459 (Rees) Relating to alcoholic beverages. HF659 (Bennett) Relating to liquor; prohibiting discrimination in sales.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. John Rose. Agenda: HFxxx (Rose) Leaking underground storage tanks. Continue agenda from March 14.

HEALTH CARE SUBCOMMITTEE/Health & Human Services, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Dave Gruenes. Agenda: HF609 (Sviggum) MCH block grants. HFxxx (Zaffke) Omnibus health care cost containment. HFxxx (Forsythe) Chemical Dependency Consolidated Fund.

SOCIAL SERVICES SUBCOMMITTEE/Health & Human Services, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Al Quist. Agenda: HFxxx (Quist) Omnibus jobs bill.

12:00 noon

GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Dave Fjoslien. Agenda: HF417 (McDonald) Public safety; limiting regulation of hand-held candles in religious and civil ceremonies. Other pending business.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: Overview on regional transit policies; legislative policies and financing, Tom Todd, House Research. Current national trends on financing, Ted Kolderie, Institute of Public Affairs. Metropolitan trip analysis/transit role, Paul Gilge, Citizen's League. Metropolitan Council policies/trip analysis, finance. Role of local governments in sub-regional transit, Vern Peterson, Association of Metro Municipalities.

2:00

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

Friday, March 22

8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Budget hearing for Dept. of Transportation, Highway Construction (continued), Electronic Communications.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Public testimony for Health and Human Services continued.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget hearings for Legislative Commission on MN Resources (LCMR); and Dept. of Energy & Economic Development (DEED).

8:15 a.m.

TAXES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: SF450 (Senate author: Jude) Providing for collection of outstate liabilities; changing certain time limitations; changing tax lien provisions; providing for certain disclosures.

10:00 a.m.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: Continue agenda from Thursday, March 21 meeting (10:00 a.m.)

CRIMINAL JUSTICE SUBCOMMITTEE/Crime & Family Law, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. John Hartinger. Agenda: HF654 (Marsh) Establishing mandatory minimum terms of imprisonment for various crimes. HF690 (Hartinger) Providing for penalties upon conviction of certain hit and run violations.

FAMILY LAW SUBCOMMITTEE/Crime & Family Law, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Arthur Seaberg. Agenda: To be announced.

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/Education, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Sally Olsen. Agenda: HF13 (S. Olsen) Revenue equity repeal (Article 1). HF49 (Boerboom), HF62 (Backlund), HF279 (McEachern), HF429 (K. Nelson), HF473 (Dimler), and HF713 (Segal) Basic mill rate to 20 mills (Article 1). HF79 (Schafer) Kindergarten pupil unit weighting, full day program (Article 1). HF703 (Backlund) Removing metering of state aid payments (Article 1).

HF722 (Rees) Full implementation of tier revenue (Article 1). HF481 (S. Olsen) Levy authorization, intermediate AVTIs (Article 1). HF664 (Wenzel) Establishing foundation aid formula for 1986-87 school year, \$1,710 (Article 1). HF212 (Voss) Referendum levy equalization (Article 1.)

11:00 a.m.

FIREARMS SUBCOMMITTEE/General Legislation & Veterans Affairs, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Ted Thorson. Agenda: HF576 (Begich) Local government; setting authority to regulate firearms and related matters. HF536 (Sparby) Public safety; regulating transportation of firearms and bows.

12:00 noon

ELECTIONS SUBCOMMITTEE/General Legislation & Veterans Affairs, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Craig Shaver. Agenda: HF902 (Shaver) Size of the legislature. HF677 (Uphus) Authorizing the conduct of town business at places located outside the town. HF91 (Shaver) Elections; providing for the preparation and availability of correct precinct lists.



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HIGHLIGHTS

Retail credit costs

Credit card users would pay 18 percent for retail credit under HF183 (Himle, IR-Bloomington) a bill that got final approval in the House on March 21.

As of now, Minnesota retailers have a split interest rate ceiling. Stores with annual gross sales over \$25 million can charge an interest rate of 16 percent, while smaller retailers can charge up to 18 percent.

Supporters of the bill say the split interest rate is unfair and discriminates against larger stores, which they say are losing money on their retail credit operations, and passing that cost onto customers.

Opponents say the lower rate for smaller stores helps them be competitive, and they question why larger retailers encourage consumers to open charge accounts if they're losing money in the process.

Water contamination

The problem of groundwater contamination from leaking and abandoned underground storage tanks is becoming increasingly urgent in Minnesota, said Rep. John Rose at a meeting of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee March 21.

Rose (IR-Roseville) is author of HF1053 that would call for regulation of underground storage tanks. It would require their owners to notify the Pollution Control Agency (PCA) of their tanks' age, size, and use.

The bill would exempt noncommercial farm or residential tanks under 1100 gallons. It would prohibit people from putting tanks in without proper installation and protection against corrosion until the PCA adopts regulating rules.

Rose said a loss of only one gallon of gasoline a day can contaminate the water supply of nearly 50-thousand people. He said Minnesota has an estimated 4,000 underground gasoline storage areas, and six cities have contaminated groundwater because of leaking tanks.

The bill has the approval of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee and goes now to the Appropriations Committee.

Budget amendment

Minnesota could become the 33rd state to ratify a balanced budget resolution if HF9 (Piepho, IR-Mankato) becomes law. The Judiciary Committee heard from opponents and proponents of the bill late Wednesday afternoon, March 20.

The U.S. Constitution provides that, if two-thirds, or 34 states, ratify a resolution asking for a constitutional convention, Congress must call one. Since 1789, there have been over 400 calls for a convention, but none has succeeded in jumping the two-thirds barrier.

Idaho Congressman Larry Craig spoke for the bill saying it will put the needed pressure on Congress to propose a balanced federal budget.

Richard Cohen (DFL-St. Paul) opposes the bill. He says it's not a question of a balanced budget. The issue is making this kind of change to the longest-standing constitution in the world.

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Choice of schools

Letting families choose the schools their children attend is the idea behind HF813 (Levi, IR-Dellwood).

Its author, Rep. Connie Levi, presented the bill at a March 20 meeting of the Education Committee. HF813 would allow parents of students in grades 11 and 12 to send their children to schools of their choice.

Beginning with the 1988-'89 school year, the bill would include all students in all grades. Levi says this plan would meet special student needs and interests that many schools can't accommodate.

One educator who spoke against the idea was Anoka-Hennepin School Superintendent Dr. Lew Finch. Finch said, "Many are willing to accept the very real possibility of this entire state being divided into pockets of what I call educational glory—competency and excellence, surrounded by a vast wasteland of educational deprivation."

The committee voted to recommend the bill to pass and sent it on to the Education Finance Division of the Education Committee for further hearings.

Child abuse

On March 18 and 20, the Crime and Family Law Committee took up HF848 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington), one of several pieces of child-abuse legislation moving through the legislative process.

The bill aims at providing additional protections to children and their families in allegations of child abuse in juvenile and criminal court proceedings. One of the most debated provisions at the meeting would set minimum amounts of jail time for intrafamilial sex offenders.

In response to opposition that said it may not be in the best interests of children to lock up a member of the family, even for a short time, Rep. Kathleen Blatz, author, said that while treatment is appropriate "... in the best interest of the child or the family unit it's necessary to get the idea in people's heads that this behavior is a crime"

As approved in committee, the bill would require prosecutors and law enforcement officials to record on audio or videotape, interviews with child abuse victims when they intend to use the statement in trial. This makes it easier to remove the alleged offender, instead of the child, from the home, and allow a parent or other supportive family member to attend a trial during the testimony of a child abuse witness who's under 16 years old.

The bill has some of the same provisions as a Senate bill that includes Attorney General Hubert Humphrey's recent proposals for strengthening child abuse laws. Legislators will work out differences between the House and Senate bills later in the session.

Board of Regents

The Legislature, in joint session March 20, elected four members to

the University of Minnesota Board of Regents: Mary Schertler of St. Paul, and Charles Casey, D.V.M. of West Concord who will be serving their second terms; and former Governor Wendell Anderson of Wayzata and Stanley Sohlstrom, Ph.D., Crookston, both new to the board.

The 12-member board is the governing body of the University. Each regent serves a six-year term without pay.

Transportation bills

The Transportation Committee, March 20, gave a "do pass" recommendation to four bills that would: tighten up regulations for van-type motor homes; allow "star city" signs on interstate highways; expand the motor fuel reduced-tax zone; and permit school buses to put in overhead racks for students' books and totebags.

Transportation subcommittees next week expect to take up bills that would increase the drivers' license reinstatement fee for DWI violators and that would allow ski area signs on highway rights-of-way. Deadline for bills to be out of committees is April 4.



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SBI and South Africa

Minnesota's investments are up 20 percent this year, said Howard Bicker, State Board of Investment (SBI) director at the March 19 meeting of the Appropriations Committee.

Bicker's department has \$7.9 billion to invest, 69 percent of which is retirement funds.

Bicker presented his budget request for \$25 million which represents a \$175,000 budget reduction. He also talked about state investment ties in South Africa.

"The South Africa issue is obviously a very emotional one. We like to look at it strictly from its financial implications to the State Board of Investment.

"We have done some analysis of our portfolio related to restrictions relating to South Africa. They would affect almost 50 percent of our entire portfolio," said Bicker.

Rep. Randy Staten (DFL-Mpls) introduced a bill this year that would require the SBI to remove its funds from any financial institution or company doing business in South Africa, and invest the money in companies involved in Minnesota business.

IRAs, pensions, taxes

A bill that would give almost \$400 million in tax relief to Minnesotans who have contributed to IRAs and other pension plans got the approval of the Taxes Committee on March 19.

The bill, HF705 (Himle, IR-Bloomington), would adopt total retroactive conformance with federal treatment of IRAs, other pension plans, and public employee pension funds. HF705 would allow taxpayers to subtract previous years' contributions from their 1985 and '86 income tax returns.

Taxpayers would also get a deduction for 1985 contributions to IRAs and public employee pension plans. The bill now becomes a part of the House omnibus tax bill which will get committee attention later this session.

Gambling in Ely

With the decline of the mining and logging industries, and a tourism industry that's facing its own troubles, the people in northeastern Minnesota are looking for alternatives—one of which is casino-style gambling.

A number of them from the Ely area, including the city's mayor, came to the March 19 meeting of the General Legislation and Veterans Affairs Committee to support HF471 (Battaglia, DFL-Two Harbors)—a bill that would allow Ely to operate a casino gambling facility.

Ely has a population of just under 5,000 and faces an unemployment rate of about 38 percent. Craig Kronholm, a banker, compared the effect of the decline in mining employment in Ely to the effect the closing of major companies, such as 3M, Honeywell, and Univac, and the nationwide closing of Northwest and Republic Airlines would have on the metropolitan Twin City area.

Opponents argue against the social, moral, and economic impact of legalized gambling. The committee will continue hearings on the bill.

Waste victims' comp

Victims of hazardous could collect up to \$250,000 for injuries if HF156 (Olsen, S., IR-St. Louis Park) becomes law. The bill, which would set up a fund to help compensate victims, won the approval of the Judiciary Committee March 19.

Author Rep. Sally Olsen says the bill complements other legislation now in the process in the House and Senate attempting to amend the current superfund law.

HF156 would allow victims who cannot collect damages from a court of law to collect from the state fund. It would limit their recovery to personal injury and wage loss damages. Victims couldn't collect for injuries that occur within one year of exposure; for injuries they receive at work or from a consumer product; or for any property damage.

Victims would have a choice of collecting from the superfund or going to court with their injury claims. The Governmental Operations Committee will take up the bill next.

Crowded classrooms

Crowded classrooms lie at the root of many of our educational problems, according to Rep. Jim Heap (IR-Plymouth).

Heap is author of HF349 which the Higher Education Division of the Education Committee recommended to pass on March 19. The bill would call for the state to provide incentives for schools, such as aid for staff salaries, to reduce class sizes in kindergarten through third grades.

Heap said study after study has shown that smaller classes lead to better students and a better education. He said early smaller class sizes may have prevented some of the remedial education costs the state now has.

Drugs and racehorses

Supporters and opponents of "no-drug" rules for racehorses in Minnesota squared off March 18 before the Regulated Industries and Energy Committee. They met because of HF755 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone), a bill that would authorize Minnesota's nine-member racing commission to allow the use of certain medication on a race day or after the 48-hour drug rules.

Opponents of the bill say the commission doesn't need it because the commission can already set rules to allow the use of vitamins, foods additives, and topical applications of medication that the bill calls for. They say the biggest argument is over the use of two drugs known in the racing industry as "Bute" and "Lasix," which are illegal at Minnesota tracks under state law.

Rep. Doug Carlson, author of the bill, said the word drug would more correctly be medication. He said Lasix has been clinically in use for years and that it would help bleeders (horses with lung hemorrhaging).

The committee amended the bill to remove the word "drug" and insert "medication" and recommended it to pass.

Gifted student aid

Gifted and talented Minnesota students may get more help with their education. Under a set of bills before the Education Committee meeting March 18, programs, services, and financing would increase.

Minnesota is a leader in all areas of education but second from the bottom in money for the gifted and talented, said Rep. Wendell Erickson, (IR-Hills), author of HF283 and HF869, two bills that support more aid to the gifted.

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Rep. Darby Nelson (DFL-Champlin) said that, even with the increased funding, Minnesota would still rank only 33rd out of 37 states with programs. "We must not forget that 50 percent of our gifted and talented kids are under-achievers," Nelson said. "If that's true," he said, "it's time to put this tremendous resource to work."

Checkoff on tax form

Public financing of state election campaigns through the income tax checkoff would be a thing of the past under HF450 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington), a bill the Family Law subcommittee of the Crime and Family Law Committee heard on March 15.

The bill proposes a \$2 checkoff on the state income tax form that would put money into a trust fund for child abuse prevention programs. It would replace the current checkoff for state election campaigns.

Rep. Kathleen Blatz, author of HF450, got unanimous approval on the concept of funding child abuse prevention. But she ran into opposition on eliminating public campaign financing. Opposition argues against "pitting one good project against another."

Blatz maintained, that with a tight budget, dollars will be hard to come by, and, from her perspective, she said, "I'm trying to get the money for the trust fund, and I don't know where else we can get a good sum of money . . ."

The committee recommended the bill to pass. It goes now to the full committee.

Minnesota history

The kinds of government records the Historical Society should keep, and for how long are questions Russell Fridley, director of the Minnesota Historical Society, discussed at the Appropriations Committee meeting on March 15.

Fridley submitted the society's budget request for \$32 million and reviewed some of the decisions the society has to make in preserving Minnesota's history. Fridley said what to preserve and what's worth preserving for a hundred years are always tough questions.

In cases of agency records, he said the society would be looking at the basic decisions an agency made, the annual reports, the policy decisions, and the minutes. As to a medium for preservation, Fridley said videotape is the way of the future, and he said he wants the society to get more television and radio tapes for the archives.

School district funding

School districts could pace their spending on a different schedule under HF703 (Backlund, IR-Fridley), a bill that would change the schedule for payment of funds to school districts.

Rep. Gordon Backlund, author of the bill, told the Education Finance Division of the Education Committee on March 15 that the bill would get money to the districts faster so they could invest it until they actually needed it, thus profiting from earned interest.

The extra money would allow school districts to hire additional teachers and keep their programs up to date, according to Backlund.

COMMITTEE ACTION

APPROPRIATIONS

Ag., Transportation & Semi-State Div./Approp.

Thursday, March 21

- **Drinking age—raised to 21**
HF102 (Schafer, IR-Gibbon)—recommended to pass as amended; referred to Appropriations Committee.

AGRICULTURE

Wednesday, March 20

- **Soil/water conservation—cost-sharing funds**
HF94 (Redalen, IR-Fountain)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Soil conservation tillage demonstration program**
HF238 (Redalen, IR-Fountain)—recommended to pass as amended; referred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Apiary inspection staff/acarine mite program**
HF572 (Fjoslien, IR-Brandon)—recommended to pass as amended; referred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Fur farm registration**
HF604 (McDonald, IR-Watertown)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **School milk program—reimbursement claims**
HF741 (Beard, DFL-Cottage Grove)—laid over until March 27.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Thursday, March 21

- **Liquor—restricting prices/sale-practices by licensees**
HF459 (Rees, IR-Lakeville)—referred to Liquor subcommittee for interim study.
- **Mankato—one short-term liquor license**
HF698 (Frederick, IR-Mankato)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Petroleum product definitions**
HF730 (Tjornhom, IR-Richfield)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW

Monday, March 18

- **Child abuse—juvenile/criminal code changes**
HF848 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—heard; amended. (See Highlight)

Wednesday, March 20

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HF848 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)

EDUCATION

Monday, March 18

- **Gifted students—increasing state aid**
HF283 (Erickson, IR-Hills)—recommended to pass as amended; referred to Education Finance Division/Education. (See Highlight)
- **Gifted students—increasing state aid**
HF797 (Nelson, D., DFL-Champlin)—recommended to pass; referred to Education Finance Division/Education.
- **Gifted student programs—state advisory council**
HF869 (Erickson, IR-Hills)—recommended to pass; referred to Education Finance Division/Education.
- **Handicapped students—special instruction, services**
HF574 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—recommended to pass as amended; referred to Education Finance Division/Education.

Tuesday, March 19

- **Talented teachers—incentive programs**
HF201 (Nelson, D., DFL-Champlin)—heard; referred to Education Finance Division/Education.
- **Teacher testing—competency tests**
HF663 (Price, DFL-Woodbury)—heard; referred to Education Finance Division/Education.
- **Core curriculum—testing and expectations**
HF700 (McEachern, DFL-St. Michael)—heard; referred to Education Finance Division/Education.
- **Basic skills—standards for measuring**
HF809 (Olsen, IR-St. Louis Park)—heard; referred to Education Finance Division/Education.
- **Teacher licensing—applicant examinations**
HF845 (Nelson, k., DFL-Mpls)—heard; referred to Education Finance Division/Education.
- **Teacher education—improvements**
HF858 (Erickson, IR-Hills)—heard; referred to Education Finance Division/Education.
- **Summer institutes—scholarships**
HF822 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—heard; referred to Education Finance Division/Education.

Wednesday, March 20

- **Schools—access to excellence programs**
HF813 (Levi, IR-Dellwood)—heard; referred to Education Finance Division/Education. (See Highlight)

Education Finance Div./Ed.

Friday, March 15

- **School districts—removes metering of aid payments**
HF703 (Backlund, IR-Fridley)—heard. (See Highlight)

Monday, March 18

- **Arts school/aid for arts education**
HF1043 (Kostohryz, DFL-North St. Paul)—heard.
- **School levy—maintaining surplus buildings**
HF92 (Forsythe, IR-Edina)—heard.
- **Class size—reductions in K-3**
HF349 (Heap, IR-Plymouth)—heard. (See Highlight)
- **School transportation aid—clarifying transfer of funds**
HF351 (Olsen, IR-St. Louis Park)—heard.
- **Nonpublic school transportation—definition change**
HF352 (Schafer, IR-Gibbon)—heard.
- **Depart. of Educ.—agreements with public agencies**
HF353 (Hartle, IR-Owatonna)—heard.
- **School sites—no minimum size requirements**
HF354 (Backlund, IR-Fridley)—heard.
- **Public schools—replaces obsolete language**
HF355 (Olsen, IR-St. Louis Park)—heard.
- **Department of Education—information distribution**
HF390 (Thorson, IR-Bemidji)—heard.
- **Interdistrict cooperation—administrative expenses**
HF486 (Schafer, IR-Gibbon)—heard.
- **Courseware integration centers—establishment**
HF489 (Carlson, L., DFL-Crystal)—heard.
- **Cooperative service units—annual meetings required**
HF525 (Olsen, IR-St. Louis Park)—heard.

Key
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SF — Senate File
HF ____ /SF ____ — companion bills
* — version of the bill under consideration

- **Handicapped children—ensure social interaction**
HF567 (Backlund, IR-Fridley)—heard.
 - **Environmental education—requiring school programs**
HF665 (Cohen, DFL-St. Paul)—heard.
 - **Telecommunications—funding for SW MN project**
HF676 (Erickson, IR-Hills)—heard.
 - **Milk provided daily to K-12**
HF814 (Wenzel, DFL-Little Falls)—heard.
- Wednesday, March 20**
- **Educational effectiveness—research and development**
HF436 (Nelson, K., DFL-Mpls)—heard; amended.
 - **Educational task force—11th & 12th grade options**
HF553 (Nelson, K., DFL-Mpls)—heard.
 - **Peer tutoring—conferences**
HF697 (Otis, DFL-Mpls)—heard.
 - **Teaching and curriculum—program for excellence**
HF875 (Nelson, K., DFL-Mpls)—heard.
 - **Education goals—elementary and secondary**
HF808 (Olsen, IR-St. Louis Park)—heard.
 - **Education—demonstration voucher program**
HF444 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—heard.
 - **Summer education—use of revenue**
HF775 (Olsen, IR-St. Louis Park)—heard.
 - **Learning plans—mastery learning in reading**
HF1030 (Olsen, IR-St. Louis Park)—heard.

Higher Education Div./Ed.

Tuesday, March 19

- **AVTIs—class size; associate degrees;**
HF476 (Heap, IR-Plymouth)—recommended to pass as amended to full committee.
- **AVTIs—changes in budget, allocation procedures**
HF792 (Haukoos, IR-Albert Lea)—recommended to pass as amended to full committee.
- **State council on vocational education**
HF897 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—recommended to pass as amended to full committee.

Thursday, March 21

- **Community Colleges—sale of lands**
HF1011 (Dyke, IR-Worthington)—recommended to pass; referred to Education Committee.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

Thursday, March 21

- **Waste disposal facilities—certificate of need**
HF401 (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—recommended to pass.
- **Dam reconstruction and repair—grants/loans**
HF694 (Anderson, R., IR-Ottertail)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **State owned lands—lease rate freeze**
HF425 (Minne, DFL-Hibbing)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Education Committee.
- **Storage tanks—regulation**
HF1053 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (See Highlight)

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE

Wednesday, March 20

- **Security registration fees**
HF235 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—recommended to pass.
- **Credit union powers**
HF216 (Halberg, IR-Burnsville)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Credit unions—deposit of public funds allowed**
HF364 (Halberg, IR-Burnsville)—not recommended to pass as amended.
- **Life insurance companies—funding agreements**
HF517 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—recommended to pass as amended.

GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS

Tuesday, March 19

- **Ely—casino gambling**
HF471 (Battaglia, DFL-Two Harbors)—heard; amended. (See Highlight)

Thursday, March 21

- **Candles—religious ceremonies**
HF417 (McDonald, IR-Watertown)—heard.
- **Armed Forces—spouse's driver's license**
HF835 (Miller, IR-Redwood Falls)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.

• Elections—

Sec. of State Dept. bill

- HF850 (Shaver, IR-Wayzata)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

Monday, March 18

- **State councils—appointments**
HF786 (Gutknecht, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass as amended.

Tuesday, March 19

- **Revenue Department—seasonal employees**
HF762 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **American Legion—employee benefit coverage**
HF112 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.

Wednesday, March 20

- **Affirmative action plans—state government**
HF675 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

Thursday, March 21

- **Soil & Water Conservation Board—powers and duties**
HF565 (Welle, DFL-Willmar)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Rural Rehabilitation Corp. Trust Liquidation Act**
HF648 (Sparby, DFL-Thief River Falls)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Fees/fee adjustments—legislative regulation**
HF376 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Workers' comp reinsurance association—board membership**
HF781 (Sviggum, IR-Sviggum)—heard; laid over until March 27.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Tuesday, March 19

- **Mental health—interstate service contracts**
HF186 (Sherman, IR-Winona)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on General Orders.
- **State hospitals—service agreements**
HF347 (Rodosovich, DFL-Faribault)—recommended to pass as amended; referred to Appropriations.
- **Veterinarians—foreign graduates practice**
HF533 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Plumbing—lead free solder in pipes**
HF535 (Sherman, IR-Winona)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Public guardians—role to be studied**
HF546 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—recommended to pass as amended; referred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Mental health—language revisions**
HF621 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Health—regulating community health services**
HF658 (Zaffke, IR-Backus)—recommended to pass as amended; referred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Adoptions—regulates adoptions by relatives**
HF674 (Clausnitzer, IR-Maple Grove)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **County boards—mental health center boards**
HF701 (Clausnitzer, IR-Maple Grove)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Mentally ill—clarifies proceedings**
HF702 (Clausnitzer, IR-Maple Grove)—recommended to pass; placed on General Orders.

Wednesday, March 20

- **Abortions—legislative intent**
HF771 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—passed as amended; placed on General Orders.

JUDICIARY

Tuesday, March 19

- **Hazardous substance injury compensation fund**
HF876 (Olsen, S., IR-St. Louis Park)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Governmental Operations. (Note: the committee adopted a strike everything amendment which is the language of HF156 as amended in the Environment and Natural Resources Committee.) (See Highlight)
- **Ramsey County—conciliation court referees**
HF461 (Cohen, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.

Wednesday, March 20

- **Constitutional convention—balanced budget**
HF9 (Piepho, IR-Mankato)—heard; laid over until next week. (See Highlight)

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

Monday, March 18

- **Teacher/school board mediation—changes PELRA**
HF207 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Plumbers apprentice registration**
HF324/SF125* (O'Connor, DFL-St. Paul)—heard; amended.

Unemployment Insur.—
Workers' Comp. Div./
Labor-Management Rel.

Tuesday, March 19

- **Unemployment insurance—changes**
HF847 (Gutknecht, IR-Rochester)—heard and amended.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS

Tuesday, March 19

- **Cemeteries—increased levies**
HF158 (Solberg, DFL-Bovey)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **West St. Paul—election changes**
HF422 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—recommended to pass; placed on General Orders.
- **County property—sales through brokers**
HF446 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on General Orders.

- **Lismore—bonds for facilities**
HF485 (Erickson, IR-Hills)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **County governments—combines auditor and commissioner**
HF520 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—recommended to pass; placed on General Orders.
- **County land—sale with mineral rights**
HF521 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Local government—energy improvement loan changes**
HF526 (Solberg, DFL-Bovey)—recommended to pass; placed on General Orders.
- **Itasca County—promotional expenditures**
HF537 (Solberg, DFL-Bovey)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Local government—conflict of interest rules**
HF585 (Anderson, G., DFL-Bellingham)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **County humane societies—appropriations increase**
HF656 (Anderson, R., IR-Ottertail)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **New Ulm—special service districts**
HF637 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—laid over for interim study.

REGULATED INDUSTRIES & ENERGY

Monday, March 18

- **Utilities—no recourse against landlords on tenant contracts**
HF143 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—recommended to pass.
- **Horsereading—county fair racing days**
HF227 (Minne, DFL-Hibbing)—recommended to pass.
- **Utility—regulatory process technical changes**
HF539 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Horsereading—medication, medical testing for horses**
HF755 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)

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TAXES

Tuesday, March 19

- **IRA conformity**
HF705 (Himle, IR-Bloomington)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in omnibus tax bill (See Highlight)

Thursday, March 21

- **Farm wineries, breweries—change in tax**
HF738 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass.
- **Corporate filing dates—estimated tax**
HF756 (Schreiber, IR-Brooklyn Park)—recommended to pass for inclusion in the omnibus tax bill.
- **Corporations—income tax changes**
HF799 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—recommended to pass as amended.

Local Government Finance Div./Taxes

Monday, March 18

- **Circuit breaker—ground lease payments**
HF518 (Heap, IR-Plymouth)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in omnibus tax bill.
- **Confession of judgment—commercial/industrial property**
HF660 (Minne, DFL-Hibbing)—heard; laid over until next week.
- **Confession of judgment—no county approval**
HF616 (Begich, DFL-Eveleth)—heard; laid over until next week.

Tuesday, March 19

- **Elderly housing facilities—property tax exemption**
HF747 (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—heard; laid over until next week.
- **Fraternal organizations—property tax exemption**
HF541 (Pappas, DFL-St. Paul)—heard; laid over until next week.

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- **Fraternal beneficiary societies—property taxes**
HF732 (Seaberg, IR-Mendota Heights)—heard; laid over until next week.

TRANSPORTATION

Wednesday, March 20

- **Motor fuel reduced-tax zone—expanded**
HF179 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Taxes Committee. (See Highlight)
- **Van-type motor homes—regulation**
HF256 (Bennett, IR-Shoreview)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)
- **“Star City” signs on interstate highways**
HF586 (McEachern, DFL-St. Michael)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar. (See Highlight)
- **School bus—overhead racks/MN serial on bus body**
HF633 (Valan, IR-Moorhead)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)
- **Ski area signs**
HF983 (Fjoslien, IR-Brandon)—rereferred to subcommittee on transportation. (See Highlight)

FLOOR ACTION

CONSENT CALENDAR

Thursday, March 14

- **Local governments—joint insurance arrangements**
HF267/SF344 (Solberg, DFL-Bovey)—passed.
- **Part-time peace officers—requirements**
HF329/SF424 (Olsen, S., IR-St. Louis Park)—passed.
- **Eden Prairie—one-day liquor license**
HF428/SF553 (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—passed.
- **Assault in the second degree—clarified**
HF511/SF613 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—passed.

Monday, March 18

- **George Mann Memorial Hwy**
HF221 (Kalis, DFL-Walters)—passed.
- **Commitment records—eliminating certain requirements**
HF335/SF422 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—passed.
- **Minnesota statutes—copies to librarians**
HF509/SF435 (Ogren, DFL-Aitkin)—passed.

- **Child abuse reporting—changes**
HF657/SF611 (Levi, IR-Dellwood)—passed.

CALENDAR

Thursday, March 14

- **Schools—post Labor Day start**
HF151/SF117 (Thiede, IR-Pequot Lakes)—passed.
- **Disorderly houses—crime of owning/operating**
HF78*/SF550 (Staten, DFL-Mpls)—passed.
- **Education mission statement**
HF282 (Nelson, K., DFL-Mpls)—passed.
- **Superfund changes**
HF268/SF300 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—passed.

RULE 1.10

Monday, March 18

- **Housing finance agency—bond limit increase**
HF438/SF412* (Seaberg, IR-Mendota Heights)—passed.

SUSPENSION OF RULES

Thursday, March 14

- **Sales tax—farm machinery, parts**
HF53/SF42* (Fjoslien, IR-Brandon)—passed as amended.

Key

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Member directory — office rooms and phone numbers

District	Room*	Phone
10B Anderson, Bob (IR)	335	296-4946
20A Anderson, Glen (DFL)	281	296-4228
51A Backlund, Gordon (IR)	529	296-5510
6A Battaglia, David (DFL)	231	296-2190
56B Beard, Patrick W (DFL)	549	296-3135
19A Becklin, Lynn (IR)	337	296-5364
6B Begich, Joseph R (DFL)	229	296-5063
53A Bennett, Tony (IR)	379	296-2907
33B Bishop, David T (IR)	583	296-0573
41B Blatz, Kathleen (IR)	509	296-4218
27A Boerboom, Jim (IR)	423	296-5374
8B Boo, Ben (IR)	407	296-2228
62B Brandl, John E (DFL)	311	296-4837
16B Brinkman, Bernard J (DFL)	251	296-4373
11A Brown, Charles (DFL)	211	296-4929
43A Burger, John (IR)	411	296-9188
14B Carlson, Douglas W (IR)	485	296-4308
9A Carlson, Joel (IR)	531	296-5515
46B Carlson, Lyndon R (DFL)	209	296-4255
60A Clark, Karen (DFL)	225	296-0294
48A Clausnitzer, Dale A (IR)	523	296-5502
64B Cohen, Richard J (DFL)	273	296-5931
23A Dempsey, Terry (IR)	537	296-9303
21B DenOuden, Gaylin (IR)	381	296-4346
36A Dimler, Chuck (IR)	539	296-1072
28A Dyke, Carol (IR)	521	296-5505
5A Eliofo, Dominic J (DFL)	233	296-0170
47B Ellingson, Bob (DFL)	221	296-3709
27B Erickson, Wendell O (IR)	563	296-4336
11B Fjoslien, David (IR)	471	296-4317
42B Forsythe, Mary M (IR)	365	296-4363
24B Frederick, Marcel (IR)	525	296-5513
28B Frederickson, Dennis (IR)	429	296-5373
32A Frerichs, Don (IR)	367	296-4378
61A Greenfield, Lee (DFL)	223	296-0173
17B Gruenes, Dave (IR)	571	296-6316
33A Gutknecht, Gil (IR)	491	296-9249
38A Halberg, Charles C (IR)	369	296-4212
50A Hartinger, John M (IR)	413	296-5369
30A Hartle, Dean (IR)	421	296-5368
31A Haukoos, Bob (IR)	371	296-8216
45B Heap, Jim (IR)	409	296-7026
41A Himle, John (IR)	453	296-7803
49B Jacobs, Joel (DFL)	217	296-4231
7B Jaros, Mike (DFL)	503	296-4246
29A Jennings, David (IR)	463	296-3240
19B Jennings, Loren G (DFL)	501	296-0518
34A Johnson, Virgil J (IR)	487	296-1069
58B Kahn, Phyllis (DFL)	389	296-4257
29B Kalls, Henry J (DFL)	277	296-4240
67A Kelly, Randy C (DFL)	307	296-4277
18B Kiffmeyer, Ralph R (IR)	431	296-5377
43B Knickerbocker, Gerald (IR)	443	296-4315
52B Knuth, Daniel J (DFL)	345	296-0141
54B Kostohryz, Richard (DFL)	349	296-4936
12B Krueger, Rick (DFL)	215	296-3201
21A Kvam, Adolph L (IR)	479	296-4344
55A Levi, Connie (IR)	459	296-4124
2A Lieder, Bernie (DFL)	315	296-5091
59A Long, Dee (DFL)	387	296-0171
17A Marsh, Marcus (IR)	449	296-7806
35B McDonald, K J (IR)	437	296-8872
22A McEachern, Bob (DFL)	203	296-4237
39A McKasy, Bert J (IR)	403	296-6828
60B McLaughlin, Peter (DFL)	321	296-7152
55B McPherson, Harriet (IR)	527	296-5511
39B Metzen, James (DFL)	545	296-4370

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20B Miller, Howard (IR)	579	296-5066
5B Minne, Lona (DFL)	243	296-0172
7A Munger, Willard M (DFL)	283	296-4282
8A Murphy, Mary (DFL)	259	296-2676
49A Nelson, Darby (DFL)	301	296-1729
62A Nelson, Ken (DFL)	317	296-4244
3A Neuenschwander, Bob (DFL)	201	296-1188
65A Norton, Fred C (DFL)	267	296-5158
66B O'Connor, Rich (DFL)	357	296-7807
14A Ogren, Paul Anders (DFL)	323	296-7808
44A Olsen, Sally (IR)	559	296-3964
2B Olson, Edgar (DFL)	553	296-4265
16A Omann, Ben (IR)	581	296-6612
22B Onnen, Tony (IR)	515	296-1534
66A Osthoff, Tom (DFL)	597	296-4224
59B Otis, Todd (DFL)	313	296-9281
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How a bill becomes a law

● A bill is an idea for a new law, or an idea to abolish or change an existing law. Several thousand bills enter the legislative process in Minnesota each time the Legislature meets.

● Minnesota has a bicameral Legislature, or two groups of elected citizens—senators in the Senate—representatives in the House of Representatives—who study, discuss, and vote on bills, acting for the people of Minnesota. Bills begin their legislative journey in either the House or Senate, or both. To become a law, all bills must pass both the House and Senate and go to the governor for his approval and signature.

● The Idea

Anyone can propose an idea for a bill—an individual, a consumer group, corporation, professional association, a governmental unit, the governor. Most ideas come from members of the Legislature. The revisor of statutes puts the ideas into proper legal form as a bill for introduction. Only legislators can introduce bills into the process.

● Chief Author

The legislator who sponsors and introduces the bill in the Legislature is the chief author. The chief author's name appears on the bill with the bill's file number to identify it as it moves through the legislative process. The chief author may select other authors, whose names also appear on the bill—no more than five authors on a bill.

● Introduction in the legislature

When the author introduces a bill in the House, it gets a House File (HF) number (HF264, for example), indicating the chronological order of the bill's introduction. In the Senate the bill gets a Senate File (SF) (SF224, for example). Each HF usually has a companion SF in the Senate. All revenue-raising bills must begin in the House.

● Committee consideration

At introduction, the bill has its first reading (the Minnesota Constitution requires three readings for all bills—on three separate days). The presiding officer of the House or Senate refers it to an appropriate standing committee for committee action. All committee meetings are open to the public.

A committee may: recommend passage of a bill in its original form; recommend passage after amendment by the committee; or make no recommendation, in which case a bill may die when the session ends. After acting on a bill, the committee sends a report to the House or Senate, stating its actions and recommendations.

● General orders

After adoption of the committee report in the House and Senate, the bill has its second reading and goes onto General Orders of the Day. In the Committee of the Whole, legislators discuss bills on General Orders. They may debate the issues, adopt amendments, and present arguments. They may vote to recommend that a bill "do pass," recommend postponement, or recommend further committee action.

● Calendar

The calendar is a list of bills the Committee of the Whole recommends to pass. At this point a bill has its third reading. Amendments to the bill must have the unanimous consent of the entire body. Legislators vote on it for the final time.

By committee recommendation, non-controversial bills can by-pass General Orders and go directly onto a Consent Calendar, usually passing without debate. Every bill requires a majority vote of the full

membership of the House and Senate to pass.

● Conference committee

If the House and Senate do not agree on a bill, a conference committee of three to five senators, and an equal number of representatives, meets to reach an agreement. If both bodies then pass the bill in compromise form, it goes to the governor.

● Governor

When a bill arrives at the governor's office, he may: sign it, and the bill becomes law; veto it (return it, with a "veto message," stating his objections); pocket veto the bill (after final adjournment of the Legislature); exercise his right to line veto portions of appropriations bills.

If he does not sign or veto a bill within three days after receiving it, while the Legislature is in session, the bill becomes law.



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BILL INTRODUCTIONS

Bill Introductions

Monday, Mar 18

HF950—Segal (DFL)—Judiciary

Minnesota Constitution; proposing an amendment providing for equality of rights under the law for men and women.

HF951—Piepho (IR)—Governmental Operations

Minnesota historical society; authorizing local heritage preservation commissions; amending statutes.

HF952—Fjoslien (IR)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Cooperative associations; providing for the election of the board of directors of certain associations; proposing coding for new law.

HF953—Murphy (DFL)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Local government; providing for the size of statutory city public utilities commissions; amending statutes.

HF954—Carlson, D (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Taxation; permitting the appointment of certain persons as county assessors and county assessors' assistants; amending statutes.

HF955—Thiede (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Regional development commissions; providing for dissolution of a commission upon petition by cities, counties, and towns; amending statutes.

HF956—Gruenes (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Solid waste management; extending and making changes in the state program for providing capital assistance to local governments for processing facilities; authorizing bonds; appropriating bond funds; amending statutes.

HF957—Knuth (DFL)—Agriculture

Agriculture; providing that local governments may enter agreements; providing for soil conservation; imposing a penalty; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF958—Zaffke (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Insurance; requiring insurance on home service contracts; regulating sales; requiring disclosures; proposing coding for new law.

HF959—Marsh (IR)—Judiciary

Negligence; clarifying immunity from liability for volunteer firefighters who render assistance at scenes of emergency; amending statutes.

HF960—Backlund (IR)—Governmental Operations

Peace officers; eligibility for benefits of certain firefighters killed in the line of duty; amending statutes.

HF961—Johnson (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Water; providing for comprehensive local water management; requiring counties to develop and implement county water and

related land resources plans; authorizing the water resources board to make comprehensive water planning grants to counties; providing additional authorities to counties; providing additional duties of the water resources board; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF962—Boerboom (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; appropriating money for cleanup of pseudorabies infected swine herds.

HF963—Knickerbocker (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Insurance; homeowners; prohibiting household or family exclusions; amending statutes.

HF964—Tunheim (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Wild animals; directing removal and confinement of an elk herd in northwestern Minnesota.

HF965—Zaffke (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; establishing prepaid health plans; extending hospital rate limitations; adding items and services under medical assistance program competitive bidding provisions; authorizing the commissioner to select vendors for general assistance medical care; reducing ratable reductions in general assistance medical care; authorizing competitive bidding of certain general assistance medical care services; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF966—Vanasek (DFL)—Education

Education; extending the deadline for a teacher to gain necessary experience for middle school licensure.

HF967—Olson, E (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; authorizing additions to and deletions from certain state parks.

HF968—Thorson (IR)—Education

Education; permitting payroll deductions in the state university system for a certain nonprofit university foundation; proposing coding for new law.

HF969—Kalis (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; exempting petroleum products used in certain improvements to agricultural land for purposes of the sales tax; amending statutes.

HF970—Metzen (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of South St. Paul; authorizing the expenditure of certain tax increments to pay costs of a combined storm-sanitary sewer separation project.

HF971—Carlson, D (IR)—Health/Human Services

Environment; requiring government action to determine and decrease the health risks attributable to exposure to or absorption of lead; providing for duties of the pollution control agency and the commissioner of health; providing a penalty; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF972—Carlson, D (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Administrative rules; requiring the director of the pollution control agency to amend the rule governing notice of application for a water pollution discharge permit.

HF973—Carlson, D (IR)—Transportation

Transportation; redesignating portion of trunk highway; amending statutes.

HF974—Carlson, D (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Moose Lake-Windemere sewer district; appropriating money for certain costs.

HF975—Peterson (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local government; permitting the establishment of commercial service districts; providing taxing and other financial authority; proposing coding for new law.

HF976—Heap (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Minnesota historical society; appropriating money for the institute for invention and innovation.

HF977—Peterson (DFL)—Education

Education; authorizing a permanent fund transfer by independent school district No. 477, Princeton.

HF978—Clausnitzer (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; eliminating accelerated payment of liability; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF979—Clausnitzer (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Outdoor recreation; renaming a state trail; amending statutes.

HF980—Carlson, D (IR)—Labor-Management Relations

Labor and employment; establishing a youth conservation corps to promote employment of youths and young adults; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF981—Waltman (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; permitting certain criminal complaints to be sworn before notaries public; amending statutes.

HF982—Metzen (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Veterans; providing space in the veterans service building for certain veterans organizations; amending statutes.

HF983—Fjoslien (IR)—Transportation

Advertising devices; providing for specific service signs relating to ski areas to be displayed along highways; amending statutes.

HF984—Halberg (IR)—Judiciary

Civil actions; authorizing aggregation of the fault of multiple defendants in comparative fault actions; amending statutes.

HF985—Blatz (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; expanding time of eligibility for aid for unborn children; authorizing prenatal care payments; amending statutes.

HF986—Zaffke (IR)—Health/Human Services

Department of economic security; funding specific services for sheltered workshop and work activity programs; appropriating money.

HF987—Beard (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; allowing certain tax-exempt entities a refund for sales taxes paid pursuant to certain contracts; amending statutes.

HF988—Becklin (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Consumer protection; prohibiting certain deceptive advertising practices; amending statutes.

HF989—Backlund (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Real property; modifying procedures for mortgage foreclosure by action; eliminating deficiency judgments following mortgagee's purchase of property at sheriff's sale; amending statutes.

HF990—Dimler (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; providing for registration of crop and livestock buyers in licensing application; establishing a registration system for buyers of farm products; describing when farm products are purchased subject to a security interest; restricting certain financing statements to only cover crops; reducing the effective period of financing statements covering crops; amending statutes.

HF991—Valento (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local government; regulating certain municipal dissolutions and annexations; amending statutes.

HF992—Gruenes (IR)—Education

Education; consolidating the regulation of private post-secondary schools under the higher education coordinating board; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF993—Gruenes (IR)—Education

State university system; declaring its mission; proposing coding for new law.

HF994—Gruenes (IR)—Transportation

Drivers' licenses; requiring certain notice on uniform traffic ticket; providing penalty for failure to respond to summons and complaint on uniform traffic ticket; prohibiting issuance of warrants for failure to pay fines for parking violations; establishing system for collecting unpaid fines; allocating driver's license reinstatement fees; amending statutes.

HF995—Sarna (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; property tax refund; modifying the definition of property taxes for subsidized housing tenants; amending statutes.

HF996—McDonald (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Environment; prohibiting the burial of hazardous wastes in a manner that may contaminate potable water; amending statutes.

HF997—Carlson, D (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of Crystal; regulating the holding of public offices by council members; providing for the adoption of emergency ordinances.

HF998—Waltman (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; revising the boundaries of certain state forests; creating a new state forest; amending statutes.

HF999—Gruenes (IR)—Education

Education; excluding assets from parental contributions for some state scholarship and grant applicants; requiring a study; requiring notification of financial aid changes; appropriating money.

HF1000—Tjornhom (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; clarifying definitions for sales and use tax; clarifying exemptions; imposing civil and criminal penalties for underreporting or failing to report motor vehicle excise tax; repealing certain refund procedures; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1001—Backlund (IR)—Judiciary

Courts; providing for reimbursement of residents required to testify in another state in criminal cases; amending statutes.

HF1002—Stanius (IR)—Health/Human Services

Health; health maintenance organizations; requiring disclosure of certain exclusions and limitations on coverage; amending statutes.

HF1003—Ogren (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; maintaining the purity of state waters by restricting the location of hazardous waste disposal sites; amending statutes.

HF1004—Welle (DFL)—Education

Independent school district No. 347, Willmar; authorizing AVTI construction projects subject to certain conditions.

HF1005—Valento (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Water pollution; establishing a program of reimbursement to municipalities that provide or contract for waste water treatment meeting state and federal water quality standards; proposing coding for new law.

HF1006—Solberg (DFL)—Education

Education; extending a deadline for compliance with certain UFARS standards; amending statutes.

HF1007—Knickerbocker (IR)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; Minnesota state retirement system unclassified plan; including certain state university administrators and faculty; directing a transfer of funds; amending statutes.

HF1008—Boo (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Improvement of the Duluth zoo; appropriating funds from the general fund for its improvement.

HF1009—Knickerbocker (IR)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; state employees; extending coverage to state employees on leave of absence with an exclusive bargaining agent; amending statutes.

HF1010—Boerboom (IR)—Education

Education; authorizing the collection and setoff of debts to the state university system; proposing coding for new law.

HF1011—Dyke (IR)—Education

Education; authorizing the transfer of certain state land unneeded for community college purposes to certain cities to be used for student housing; authorizing the sale of certain community college land in Worthington; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1012—Valento (IR)—Education

Education; providing for employment rights in certain school district supervisory and administrative positions; amending statutes.

HF1013—Minne (DFL)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Energy; increasing the amount of the loans for design and construction costs of district heating and qualified energy improvements available to certain counties; amending statutes.

HF1014—Frichs (IR)—Transportation

Watercraft; requiring titling for certain watercraft; regulating perfection of security interests in watercraft; proposing coding for new law.

HF1015—Carlson, D (IR)—Transportation

Recreational vehicles; regulating three-wheel off-road vehicles; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1016—Fjoslien (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Animals; prohibiting transfer of certain animals for use in research or experimentation; providing a penalty; amending statutes.

HF1017—Rose (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

A resolution memorializing the United States Department of Energy of Minnesota's opposition to the siting of a high-level radioactive waste disposal site in Minnesota pursuant to the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982.

HF1018—Quist (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; requiring contribution by the parent of a child for full assistance expenditures; amending statutes.

HF1019—Elioff (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; Virginia police; definition of prevailing pay; retirement and survivor benefit supplements; amending laws.

HF1020—Rose (IR)—Education

Higher education; allowing systems to spend appropriations for scholarships; proposing coding for new law.

HF1021—Piepho (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; exempting certain property from the property tax and certain transactions from the sales and use taxes; amending statutes.

HF1022—Frichs (IR)—Education

Education; authorizing a one-time excess capital levy for independent school district No. 533, Dover-Eyota.

HF1023—Vanasek (DFL)—Judiciary

Probate; clarifying provisions relating to the award of costs in guardianship and conservatorship proceedings; providing for the payment of reasonable fees and expenses for certain guardians and conservators; amending statutes.

HF1024—Tomlinson (DFL)—Taxes

Local government aid; modifying the distribution formula for cities; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1025—Miller (IR)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Public utilities; deregulating providers of coin telephone service; imposing a penalty; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1026—Segal (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Environment; providing that funds in the environmental response, compensation, and compliance fund may be used to reimburse certain property owners; amending statutes.

HF1027—Backlund (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; exempting certain outstate mailings; amending statutes.

HF1028—Poppenhagen (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Insurance; requiring provision of certain information by insurers; regulating certain provisions of surplus lines insurance; regulating the conditions of certain insurance policies; providing for the organization of certain insurance-related associations; prohibiting certain practices amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1029—Bennett (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; requiring health professionals to report suspicious wounds to law enforcement authorities; amending statutes.

HF1030—Olsen, S (IR)—Education

Education; establishing a demonstration site program for mastery learning through individualized learning plans; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1031—Clausnitzer (IR)—Judiciary

Civil actions; providing for calculation of the damage award in personal injury actions; proposing coding for new law.

HF1032—Rees (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Borough of Belle Plaine; permitting Belle Plaine to use the term "borough" for all purposes; amending statutes.

HF1033—Kostohyryz (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Veterans; reestablishing the board of governors of the Big Island Veterans Camp; providing for its appointment and duties; transferring certain state land to the board; providing for the possible disposition of the land by the board; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1034—Price (DFL)—Education

Education; providing a state aid incentive for class size reductions in kindergarten through grade 12; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1035—Dempsey (IR)—Judiciary

Frauds; fixing conditions for the legal determination of fraud in property transfers; enacting the uniform fraudulent transfer act; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1036—Becklin (IR)—Health/Human Services

Vocational rehabilitation; providing for high tech capitalization and technical assistance grants to improve sheltered worker wages, productivity, and transferable skills; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF1037—Tjornhom (IR)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Utilities; exempting small, qualifying energy facilities from the certificate of need process; amending statutes.

HF1038—Schafer (IR)—Transportation

Alcoholic beverages; drivers licenses; increasing the fee for the reinstatement of drivers licenses revoked for alcohol-related violations; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF1039—Gutknecht (IR)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; public employees retirement association; changing joint and survivor benefit provision; amending statutes.

HF1040—Sviggum (IR)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; public employees police and fire fund; retirement with 30 years of service; actuarial reduction; amending statutes.

HF1041—Onnen (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; recovering the federal share of overpayments from medical vendors participating in medical assistance; proposing coding for new law.

HF1042—Johnson (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; exempting certain equipment used to allow handicapped persons access to motor vehicles; amending statutes.

HF1043—Kostohyryz (DFL)—Education

Education; establishing a Minnesota school for the arts and resource center; establishing aid for arts education programs in school districts; providing for the comprehensive arts planning program; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1044—Simoneau (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Insurance; providing for a state liquor liability insurance fund; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1045—McKasy (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; making administrative and technical changes to income tax and property tax refund provisions; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1046—Jacobs (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Commerce; franchises; providing for the assignment, transfer, or sale of a franchise under certain circumstances; providing certain equitable relief; amending statutes.

HF1047—Knickerbocker (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Town powers; creating joint planning districts in unincorporated areas; providing for joint planning boards in unincorporated areas; providing for annexation of certain unincorporated property into a municipality; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1048—Frerichs (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Occupations and professions; establishing a state board of hearing instrument dispensing; providing for licensure of persons engaged in the sale of hearing instruments; appropriating money; providing penalties; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1049—Greenfield (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Human services; allowing the commissioner of human services to participate in a pilot health care program for the uninsured poor; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1050—Zaffke (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; exempting sales of certain property used in the production of income; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1051—Boo (IR)—Education

Education; creating a legislative commission to study the Minnesota schools for the deaf and blind.

HF1052—Rees (IR)—Transportation

Transportation; directing the commissioner of transportation to arrange for studies of highway jurisdiction and to submit a state jurisdiction plan; appropriating money.

HF1053—Rose (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Environment; providing for the regulation of underground storage tanks; proposing coding for new law.

HF1054—Tompkins (IR)—Taxes

Local government aid; modifying the distribution formula for cities; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1055—Gutknecht (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Charitable gambling; providing for local licensing and statewide regulation; authorizing the department of revenue to collect the tax imposed; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

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HF1056—Clark (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Environment; requiring the issuance of transportation certificates prior to the shipment of high level radioactive waste; providing for the administration of a certification and inspection program; providing for the designation of transportation routes; providing for emergency preparedness to nuclear incidents; amending statutes.

HF1057—Greenfield (DFL)—Taxes

Revenue recapture act; including the University of Minnesota in the definition of claimant agency; amending statutes.

HF1058—Carlson, D (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; establishing a youth conservation corps to promote employment of youths and young adults; redefining hazardous waste; increasing tax on cigarettes; appropriating money for various natural resource-related projects, a youth conservation corps, and lime sludge removal; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1059—Shaver (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

HF1060—Schafer (IR)—Judiciary

Liquor; repealing statutory authority for dram shop action; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1061—Shaver (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; changing the deduction for self-employment taxes; amending statutes.

HF1062—Jaros (DFL)—Education

Education; requiring attendance at school until age 18 with certain exceptions; amending statutes.

HF1063—McDonald (IR)—Governmental Operations

Operation of state government; creating an office of protocol services; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1064—O'Connor (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Public employment; providing that criminal offenders applying for public employment in the fire services must be fingerprinted; amending statutes.

HF1065—Boerboom (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local government; permitting the municipal board to require meetings to discuss disputed issues; amending statutes.

HF1066—Wenzel (DFL)—Agriculture

Agriculture; authorizing a label for Minnesota raised pork; providing a penalty; amending statutes.

HF1067—Scheid (DFL)—Agriculture

Agriculture; providing famine relief for African people; appropriating money.

HF1068—Clark (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Child care; establishing child care resource and referral programs; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1069—Shaver (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; providing for peatland protection by designating scientific and natural areas, and creating and designating peatland scientific protection areas, and peatland watershed protection areas; providing for acquisition of certain peatlands from the United States Department of Interior; proposing coding for new law.

HF1070—Ozment (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Occupations and professions; requiring the commissioner of corrections to establish a program to prevent sexual exploitation by psychotherapists; extending the sexual exploitation task force; appropriating money; amending law; proposing coding for new laws.

HF1071—Rees (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; giving control of the gypsy moth protection program to the department of agriculture; transferring control of the shade tree disease control program from the department of agriculture to the department of natural resources.

HF1072—Kvam (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; providing for the amount and conditions of surety bonds of certain wholesale producer dealers; amending statutes.

HF1073—Boo (IR)—Education

Education; authorizing the collection and setoff of debts to the University of Minnesota; proposing coding for new law.

HF1074—DenOuden (IR)—Governmental Operations

State departments and agencies; establishing an enterprise fund for the Minnesota zoo board; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1075—McKasy (IR)—Judiciary

Courts; raising the jurisdictional limit on claims heard in conciliation court; amending statutes.

HF1076—Seaberg (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Commerce; modifying the definition of credit card to include other types of instruments; prescribing criminal penalties for financial transaction card fraud; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1077—Rodosovich (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; disability benefits for newly hired Faribault firefighters; amending laws.

HF1078—Nelson, D (DFL)—Education

Education; establishing an educational choice program for certain students; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1079—Murphy (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of Hermantown; providing certain zoning authority to the city.

HF1080—Heap (IR)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Economic development; adding definitions to the Minnesota energy and economic development authority law; clarifying purposes of the economic development fund; adding development power and authority; restricting the duties of the energy and economic development authority and enlarging the duties of the commissioner of energy and economic development; extending the life of the Minnesota manufacturing growth council; amending statutes.

HF1081—Rodosovich (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; exempting sales of United States and Minnesota flags; amending statutes.

HF1082—Valento (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Water pollution control; requiring a program for surface water management and the abatement of combined sewer overflows in the metropolitan area.

HF1083—Carlson, J (IR)—Transportation

Traffic regulations; authorizing commissioner of transportation to issue special permit for three-vehicle combination exceeding length and weight restrictions if used for transporting motor vehicles and operating only within 15 miles of the western border of Minnesota; amending statutes.

HF1084—Rodosovich (DFL)—Education

Education; locating a state school for the arts on the campus of the Minnesota School for the Deaf and the Minnesota Braille and Sightsaving School in the city of Faribault; appropriating money.

HF1085—Greenfield (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Human services; changing eligibility standards under certain conditions and for certain programs for recipients of general assistance who share a residence with a responsible relative; amending statutes.

HF1086—Ogren (DFL)—Agriculture

Agriculture; regulating organic foods; proposing coding for new law.

HF1087—Frederick (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Marriage dissolution; allowing grandparent visitation of children of a divorced parent; amending statutes.

HF1088—Wenzel (DFL)—Rules/Legislative Administration

A resolution memorializing the President and Congress of the United States to award posthumous Medal of Freedom to Andrew Goodman, Michael Schwerner, and James Cahney.

HF1089—Rodosovich (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; allowing direct deposit of teachers retirement checks to any joint account of the recipient; amending statutes.

HF1090—Sherman (IR)—Education

Education; removing limitations on eligible employers under the state work-study grant program; requiring post-secondary institutions to try to provide sufficient work hours; authorizing the higher education coordinating board to adopt emergency rules; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF1091—Tunheim (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; aggregate removal production; changing the time at which a penalty for failure to file is imposed; imposing a penalty; amending statutes.

HF1092—Shaver (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; retroactively conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other retirement plans; amending statutes.

HF1093—Wenzel (DFL)—Agriculture

A resolution memorializing the President and Secretary of Agriculture of the United States to insist to the government of Canada on fair trade regulations on hogs, or impose quotas and strict tariffs on Canadian hog imports.

HF1094—Sparby (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; income; excluding the interest earned on certain savings; amending statutes.

HF1095—Minne (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; public employees retirement association; permitting certain former municipal court judges to receive a deferred early retirement annuity notwithstanding the law in effect on the date of their termination of public service; amending statutes.

HF1096—McDonald (IR)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Horse racing; requiring the assignment of quarter horse races by the commission; providing a penalty; proposing coding for new law.

HF1097—Dempsey (IR)—Judiciary

Creditor's remedies; providing for an increase in the amount of farm machines and implements exemption; clarifying the garnishment limitation for the sale of farm products; amending statutes.

HF1098—Kiffmeyer (IR)—Transportation

Traffic regulations; peace officers; authorizing peace officers to inspect for regulated tires; amending statutes.

HF1099—Tomlinson (DFL)—Education

Education; establishing a business incentive matching fund program; requiring the Minnesota academic excellence foundation to examine ways to encourage employee involvement in education; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF1100—Haukoos (IR)—Agriculture

University of Minnesota; appropriating money to study pseudorabies.

HF1101—Voss (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Administrative procedures; clarifying provisions relating to emergency rules; amending statutes.

HF1102—Kvam (IR)—Education

Education; authorizing independent school district No. 465, Litchfield, to make a special levy for two years for certain special assessments.

HF1103—Knickerbocker (IR)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; state employees retirement system; contributions; benefit formula; early retirement reduction; surviving spouse benefit; amending statutes.

HF1104—Sviggum (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Intoxicating liquor; authorizing the town of Cannon Falls to issue an off-sale license.

HF1105—Sparby (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Public safety; permitting churches to display christmas trees with decorative lights; amending statutes.

HF1106—Frerichs (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Consumer protection; regulating prepayments of certain funeral and burial goods and services; amending statutes.

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HF1107—Blatz (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Children; requiring a new job classification in child protection; requiring continuing education; providing for a multidisciplinary education program; proposing coding for new law.

HF1108—Bennett (IR)—Governmental Operations

Insurance; accident and health; requiring an assessment of the social and financial impacts of legislative proposals that would mandate certain coverages; requiring reports to the appropriate standing committees of the legislature; proposing coding for new law.

HF1109—Frerichs (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

State government; concerning the state procurement of goods and services from small businesses; removing geographical distribution requirements and preference program limitations; amending statutes.

HF1110—Piepho (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Drivers licenses; requiring that drivers license of person be revoked who flees in motor vehicle from peace officer; amending statutes.

HF1111—Hartinger (IR)—Governmental Operations

State government; providing for chiropractic positions in state government civil services; providing for the provision of chiropractic services; proposing coding for new law.

HF1112—Dempsey (IR)—Judiciary

Dispute resolution; establishing guidelines for community dispute resolution programs; proposing coding for new law.

HF1113—Pappas (DFL)—Transportation

State lands; authorizing conveyance by the commissioner of transportation of certain state lands for historical preservation purposes; amending statutes.

HF1114—Blatz (IR)—Governmental Operations

Public safety; subjecting rules relating to drunk driving to certain provisions of the administrative procedure act; repealing rules; amending statutes.

HF1115—Kelly (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Crimes; authorizing the commissioner of revenue to request a prosecuting authority of a county to assist in criminal tax investigations; proposing coding for new law.

HF1116—Schreiber (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Tax increment financing; transferring duties to the state auditor; imposing financial reporting and accounting requirements; repealing the authority to provide interest reduction programs; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1117—Carlson, J (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Gifts to minors; permitting securities to be registered in the name of a broker or financial institution; amending statutes.

HF1118—Nelson, K (DFL)—Transportation

Motor vehicles; expanding definition of "motorized bicycle" to include motor scooters; amending statutes.

HF1119—Dimler (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; providing for installment payments of deferred special assessments plus interest upon sale of green acres property; amending statutes.

HF1120—Seaberg (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Occupations and professions; requiring registration of interior designers; amending statutes.

HF1121—Carlson, L (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Veterans; making certain veterans eligible for the state civil service veterans preference; repealing statutes.

HF1122—Murphy (DFL)—Regulated Industries/Energy

City of Hermantown; permitting the city to fix the size of its public utilities commission.

HF1123—Valento (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local government; providing for the arbitration of water price disputes between the city of St. Paul and the cities of Maplewood and Mendota Heights.

HF1124—Schreiber (IR)—Education

Education; providing a method for establishing the basic maintenance mill rate; amending statutes.

HF1125—Carlson, D (IR)—Transportation

Motor vehicles; prescribing fee for paying vehicle registration tax in installments; amending statutes.

HF1126—Carlson, D (IR)—Transportation

Motor vehicles; providing for biennial registration of tax-exempt motor vehicles; prescribing fees; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1127—Carlson, D (IR)—Transportation

Drivers licenses; prescribing fees; amending statutes.

HF1128—Carlson, D (IR)—Transportation

Public safety; motor vehicles; clarifying penalties for failure to provide security for basic repair benefits; defining terms; requiring certification procedure to obtain tax-exempt passenger vehicle license plates for unmarked vehicle of law enforcement agency; reducing 2,000-pound weight limitation to three-fourths ton for motor vehicles in certain situations; exempting certain returned motor vehicle registration documents from filing fee; prescribing dissemination of traffic accident information to news media; regulating format of certain license plates; increasing weight of vehicles which may be operated with class "C" driver's license; prescribing filing period for clerk of district court to forward drivers license applications and fees to department of public safety; requiring revocation of driver's license upon conviction of crime of fleeing from peace officer; expanding definition of misdemeanor for purpose of driver's license revocation; authorizing prima facie evidentiary status for certified department driver records; authorizing commissioner of public safety to promulgate school bus driver qualification rules; authorizing access to certain private vehicle tax information under certain conditions; prescribing fees; amending statutes.

HF1129—McPherson (IR)—Judiciary

Real estate; providing for service in forcible entry and unlawful detainer actions; amending statutes.

HF1130—Sviggum (IR)—Labor-Management Relations

Workers' compensation; providing for miscellaneous changes; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1131—Kelly (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Victims of crime; establishing a crime victim and witness advisory board and a crime victim ombudsman; providing the board with extensive duties to assist victims and witnesses; providing the ombudsman with authority to investigate complaints with regard to treatment of victims; proposing coding for new law.

HF1132—Kelly (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Legislature; reducing the number of members of the senate and house of representatives; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1133—Pauly (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; providing an income tax credit for gifts to certain post-secondary educational institutions in Minnesota; amending statutes.

HF1134—Gruenes (IR)—Health/Human Services

Health; requiring a biennial report concerning health care markets; appropriating money; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1135—Stanius (IR)—Health/Human Services

Health; authorizing the commissioner of commerce 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; providing for joint supervision of health maintenance organizations; amending statutes.

HF1136—Vanasek (DFL)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Regulated industries; authorizing certain organizations to conduct lawful gambling; authorizing local units of government to regulate this activity; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1137—Solberg (DFL)—Education

Education; allowing school districts to place handicapped pupils under certain circumstances; amending statutes.

HF1138—Rees (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Environment; providing for regulation of hazardous waste storage facilities; prohibiting the acquisition of certain lands by eminent domain; authorizing the metropolitan council to abrogate the development moratorium on sites and buffer areas for waste facilities; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1139—Stanius (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; granting conservation officers the authority of peace officers; specifying areas of jurisdiction; amending statutes.

HF1140—Minne (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Elections; requiring school district elections to comply with the Minnesota election laws; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1141—Ogren (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local government; authorizing the city of Carlton to issue general obligation bonds to finance the acquisition and betterment of a new fire hall; permitting participation by other local government units.

HF1142—Jennings, D (IR)—Education

Education; authorizing independent school district No. 458, Truman, to make a permanent fund transfer.

HF1143—Thiede (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local government; clarifying the authority of counties to employ accountants; amending statutes.

HF1144—Clark (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Health; authorizing the commissioner of health to inspect certain business premises; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1145—Bennett (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Liquor; recodifying statutory provisions relating to intoxicating liquor and nonintoxicating malt liquor; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1146—Pauly (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Occupations and professions; regulating the licensing of salons for estheticians; amending statutes.

HF1147—Knickerbocker (IR)—Budget

Parks, open space and recreation; authorizing the issuance of state bonds and expenditure of the proceeds to acquire and better regional recreational open space lands by the metropolitan council and metropolitan area local governmental units; authorizing expenditures for acquisition and betterment of state parks, recreation areas, trails, forests, fishing management lands, wildlife management areas, scientific and natural areas, wild, scenic, and recreational rivers, canoe and boating routes, and public water access; appropriating money.

HF1148—Ozment (IR)—Health/Human Services

Health; requiring the department of health to regulate persons who treat victims of child abuse; proposing coding for new law.

HF1149—Ozment (IR)—Health/Human Services

Children; requiring those who treat child abuse to register with the department of health; requiring persons who treat victims of child abuse to maintain malpractice insurance; providing penalties; proposing coding for new law.

HF1150—Jennings, L (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

State lands; providing for the sale of certain tax-forfeited land in Chisago county.

HF1151—Miller (IR)—Governmental Operations

Occupations and professions; requiring registration with the commissioner of commerce for those who lay out, install,

or maintain alarm and communication systems; providing requirements for registration; imposing certain duties upon the commissioner of commerce; providing a penalty; exempting registrants from regulation by other agencies or political subdivisions of the state; providing for the continuance of business for those presently engaged in laying out, installing, or maintaining alarm and communications systems; proposing coding for new law.

HF1152—Sherman (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Winona county; authorizing the sale of certain property.

HF1153—Backlund (IR)—Education

Education; authorizing a second chance educational program for certain children and pupils; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1154—McDonald (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Game and fish; rescinding authority to purchase the walleye quotas of Lake of the Woods and Rainy Lake commercial fisherman; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1155—Johnson (IR)—Transportation

Transportation; establishing conflict of interest requirements for court-appointed commissioners in condemnation; providing for relocation and disposal of historically significant buildings or structures; denying certain contracts to persons convicted of contract crimes; creating new, state-surveying coordinate system; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1156—Rose (IR)—Taxes

Minnesota Constitution; proposing an amendment dedicating a portion of the state sales tax revenue to the game and fish fund.

HF1157—Himle (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; reducing sales and use tax rate applied to use of coin-operated amusement devices; amending statutes.

HF1158—Piepho (IR)—Education

Education; authorizing state universities to make and enforce parking rules on their property; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1159—Brinkman (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; adopting federal taxable income for individual income tax purposes; reducing the tax rate; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1160—Schafer (IR)—Education

Education; establishing aid and levy for programs for handicapped adults under community education; appropriating money; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1161—McKasy (IR)—Judiciary

Corporations; providing for access by shareholders to certain corporate records; protecting the privacy of individuals; clarifying legislative intent; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1162—Thorson (IR)—Health/Human Services

Health; providing that the county coroner may conduct certain autopsies under certain circumstances; amending statutes.

HF1163—Thorson (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; defining the crime of using police radios while committing a criminal act; prescribing penalties; proposing coding for new law.

HF1164—Dempsey (IR)—Judiciary

Human rights; providing for the confidentiality of the investigatory data of the department of human rights; providing for the legal effect of a subpoena issued by the commissioner of human rights; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1165—Knickerbocker (IR)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; Minneapolis teachers maximum service credit accrual; amendment of articles.

House Advisories

Monday, Mar 18

HA8—Blatz (IR)—Taxes

A proposal to study assessment practices throughout the state.

Senate Files/ 1st. Readings

Monday, Mar 18

SF604—Peterson, C (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; allowing deferred payments of first half property taxes and special assessments on agricultural homesteads in 1985; providing for loans of state funds to taxing districts; appropriating money.

SF287—Dicklich (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

City of Hibbing; fixing the terms of mayor and city council members.

Tuesday, Mar 19

SF33—Pogemiller (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; providing for penalties upon conviction of certain hit and run violations; enhancing penalties upon conviction of certain hit and run violations; amending statutes.

SF118—Nelson (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Public employee labor relations; regulating public employee mediation; regulating mediation and strikes concerning teachers; providing for arbitration awards in principal and assistant principal disputes; providing penalties; amending statutes.

SF143—Peterson, R (DFL)—Judiciary

Real property; changing effective dates for provision relating to validation of foreclosure sale; amending statutes.

SF198—Reichgott (DFL)—Judiciary

Real property; eliminating the necessity of a court order before requiring registered land surveys; authorizing the use of registered land survey for multilevel tracts; amending the provision relating to corporate resolutions and to instruments executed by owners whose fee title is held in trust; amending the requirements for joint tenancy clearances; amending statutes.

SF319—Moe, D (DFL)—Governmental Operations

State board of investment; clarifying powers and duties; amending statutes.



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ADVANCE COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

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Monday, March 25
8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Budget hearing for Dept. of Transportation: electronics, outstate transit.

EDUCATION, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Wendell Erickson. Agenda: MN Educational Computing Consortium report; HF619 (Erickson) MN Educational Computing Consortium. HF897 (Gruenes) Advisory Council for Vo-Tech Education. HF476 (Heap) AVTI, class size and Associate of Arts degree. HF792 (Haukoos) AVTI, miscellaneous. HF1101 (Dyke) Worthington Community College, student testing.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: HF876 (S. Olsen) Hazardous waste compensation fund.

10:00 a.m.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: HF484 (Sherman) Persons on work relief retaining and expending earnings. HF264 (Heap) Permitting an animal to be unconfined or improperly confined. HF275 (Levi) Reporting maltreatment of minors.

ELECTIONS SUBCOMMITTEE/General Legislation & Veterans Affairs, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Craig Shaver. Agenda: HF634 (Shaver) Limiting the number of registration applicants for whom a person may vouch. HF379 (Fjoslien) Qualifying certain persons to be election judges. Other pending business.

REGULATED INDUSTRIES & ENERGY, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Elton Redalen. Agenda: HF626 (Gruenes) Delays effective date of certain energy efficiency standards for small air conditioners sold in MN. HF1037 (Tjornhom) Eliminates certificate of need proceedings for gas and electric co-generation facilities of less than 80 megawatts. HF894 (Dyke) Adds corporations authorized to do business in MN under Chapter 303 to the definition of independent telephone company. HF1025 (Miller) Deregulates providers of coin telephone service. HF953 (Murphy) Allows flexibility in the size of statutory city public utility commissions.

12:00 noon

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/Education, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Sally Olsen. Agenda: HF758 (Elioff) Authorizing general obligation bonds for Independent School District 706 (Article 7). HF896 (Valento) Employment rights (Article 7). HF74 (Backlund), HF178 (Frederick), HF182 (Ogren), HF187 (Hartle), HF310 (Fjoslien), HF441 (Quist), HF861 (Redalen) Funds transfer (Article 7). HF445 (McEachern) Fund transfer authority to state Board of Education (Article 7). Discuss the following articles: Article 2, transportation; Article 9, libraries; Article 10, teacher's retirement; Article 11, cash flow.

GAMBLING SUBCOMMITTEE/General Legislation & Veterans Affairs, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Gil Gutknecht. Agenda: HF1055 (Gutknecht) Charitable gambling bill.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Jim Heap. Agenda: HF847 (Gutknecht) Unemployment compensation; altering the public policy statement. HF56 (Piepho) Labor; creating an employees social responsibility act.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: HF610 (Dempsey) Providing for transfer to certain federal payments in lieu of taxes from the county to the city or town. EARC changes; Dept. of Revenue report. HF843 (Frerichs) Modifying the method of determining certain adjusted assessed value.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

After Session

ELECTIONS SUBCOMMITTEE/General Legislation & Veterans Affairs, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Craig Shaver. Agenda: HF124 (Thiede) Proposing an amendment to the MN Constitution providing for the recall of elected officials. Other pending business.

7:00 p.m.

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/Education, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Sally Olsen. Agenda: Continue morning agenda.

SPECIAL SUBCOMMITTEE ON DEPT. OF PUBLIC SAFETY/Transportation, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Don Frerichs. Agenda: To be announced.

8:00 p.m.

SPECIAL SUBCOMMITTEE ON DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION/Transportation, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Virgil Johnson. Agenda: To be announced.

Tuesday, March 26
8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Budget hearing for Dept. of Transportation continued: Regional Transit Board.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Allocations for Dept. of Corrections (continued); begin Health Related Boards.

HIGHER EDUCATION DIVISION/Education, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Mark Piepho. Agenda: HF968 (Thorson) Permitting payroll deductions in the State University System for a certain nonprofit university foundation. HF1010 (Boerboom) Authorizing the collection and setoff of debts to the State University System. HF1020 (Rose) Allowing systems to spend appropriations for scholarships. HF993 (Gruenes) Declaring the mission of the State University System.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: HF414 (Knickerbocker) Providing post retirement annuity or benefit increases for certain retired or disabled public employees. HF951 (Piepho) Authorizing local heritage preservation commissions.

8:15 a.m.

TAXES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: HF1045 (McKasy) Making administrative technical changes to income tax and property tax refund provisions.

10:00 a.m.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: HFxxx (Bennett) Relating to liquor; recodifying statutory provisions. HF947 (Zaffke) Relating to commerce; regulating membership camping. HF499 (Seaberg) Relating to housing; regulating powers of the MN Housing Finance Agency. HF976 (Heap) Relating to the MN Historical Society; appropriating money for the institute for invention and innovation.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. John Rose. Agenda: HF230 (Ozment) Authorizing the sale of certain surplus state land in Dakota County to the city of Hastings. HF725 (Rees) Providing for state grants for collector sewers in totally unsewered cities. HF506 (Battaglia) Conveying lands to the federal government for Voyageurs National Park. HF718 (D. Nelson) Requiring the commissioner of health to monitor the quality of water in private wells in the metropolitan area. HF881 (Thorson) Providing for annual timber harvest public informational meetings. HF882 (Thorson) Interstate agreements on forest fire prevention and suppression. HF928 (Thiede) Snowmobile registration correction. HF623 (Thiede) Altering certain provisions regarding taking and possession of certain animals, and penalties related thereto. HF937 (Richter) Altering certain provisions relating to taking and possession of certain animals. HF940 (Rose) Authorizing the commissioner of natural resources to permit, on an experimental basis, the taking of two deer by one hunter. HF998 (Waltman) Revising the boundaries of certain state forests; creating a new state forest. HF872 (D. Carlson) Surcharge on game and fish fines to train enforcement officers. HF853 (Valan) Establishing a flood hazard mitigation program at the state level; authorizing grants-in-aid and appropriating money.

HEALTH CARE SUBCOMMITTEE/Health & Human Services, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Dave Gruenes. Agenda: HF965 (Zaffke) Establishing prepaid health plans.

SOCIAL SERVICES SUBCOMMITTEE/Health & Human Services, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Al Quist. Agenda: To be announced.

12:00 noon

VETERANS SUBCOMMITTEE/General Legislation & Veterans Affairs, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Chuck Dimler. Agenda: HF599 (Metzen) Requiring the commissioner of veterans affairs to provide certain grave markers. HF982 (Metzen) Providing space in the veterans service building for certain veterans organizations. HF177 (Valento) Directing the commissioner of veterans affairs to place a memorial to veterans of the Korean conflict in the Court of Honor. SF69/HF973 (House author: D. Carlson) Redesignation portion of trunk highway as "Veterans Evergreen Memorial Drive."

JUDICIARY, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. Charles Halberg. Agenda: HF125 (Blatz) Eliminating the necessity of a court order before requiring registered land surveys. HF449 (Blatz) Providing procedures for the pre-judgment seizure of property. HF590 (Bishop) Repealing the sunset provision of the law providing for surcharges on civil filing fees. HF9 (Piepho) Constitutional amendment to require a balanced budget. HF397 (D. Carlson) Constitutional amendment on the right to bear arms. HF650 (Cohen) Clarifying procedures and cost for filing foreign judgments. HF543 (Halberg) Waiver of rights in severance contracts. HF405 (Backlund) Interest in arbitration awards. HF368 (DenOuden) Worthless checks.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE & WORKERS' COMPENSATION DIVISION/Labor-Management Relations, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Steve Sviggum. Agenda: Labor & Industry departmental bill. HF904 (Gutknecht) Repealing the state workers' compensation insurance fund.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: HF571 (Ozment) Legislative Oversight Commission created to review performance of metropolitan agencies. HF941 (Valento) Audits of the Metropolitan Council and commissions. HF1116 (Schreiber) Tax increment financing; transferring duties to the state auditor. Additional agenda to be announced. (Move to Rm. 5 at 2:00 p.m.)

2:00 p.m.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: Continue 10:00 a.m. agenda.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. John Rose. Agenda: Continue morning agenda.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: HF854 (Dimler) Clarifying the definition of real property. Northwestern Bell, Peter Beckman; AT&T, Tom Berkleman; MN Telephone Association; United Telephone. HF660 (Minne) Confession of judgement. HF616 (Begich) Eliminating the required county board approval prior to confession of judgement for delinquent taxes.

4:00 p.m.

FAMILY LAW SUBCOMMITTEE/Crime & Family Law, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Arthur Seaberg. Agenda: To be announced.

NATURAL RESOURCES SUBCOMMITTEE/Environment & Natural Resources, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Paul Thiede. Agenda: HF442 (L. Jennings) Recodification of drainage codes. HF18 (Wenzel) Authorizing resident licenses for trainees at Camp Ripley during open seasons.

5:00 p.m.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: HF507 (S. Olsen) Hennepin county; setting the form in which county board members salaries must be stated. HF558 (Blatz) Metropolitan government; providing conditions for the disposal of certain sports facilities property. HF418 (Dempsey) Local government; excluding firefighter and peace officers from a political subdivisions job evaluation system. HF812 (Tompkins) Local governments; extending deadlines for reporting on and complying with laws requiring equitable compensation relationships. HF285 (Beard) Washington county; providing for approval of condominium floor plans by the county surveyor. HF286 (Beard) Washington county; providing that condominium floor plans must be signed by county auditor to ensure no delinquent taxes are due. HF58 (Valan) Moorhead; allowing the town certain powers. HF315 (Becklin) Local government; removing the restriction on the number of mills certain towns may levy to provide fire protection for special fire protection districts. HF145 (Dimler) Providing for acquisition and relocation assistance in cases of hardship to owners of homestead property located in a proposed state highway corridor. HF889 (Frederickson) Township powers. HF1065 (Boerboom) Permitting

the MN Municipal Board certain procedures in disputes. HF991 (Valento) Regulating municipal dissolutions and annexations.

6:00 p.m.

ELECTIONS SUBCOMMITTEE/General Legislation & Veterans Affairs, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Craig Shaver. Agenda: Pending business.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. Tony Onnen. Agenda: HF609 (Sviggum) Providing for the distribution of maternal and child health block grant funds to special projects. HF765 (Sviggum) Restricting and subsequently abolishing the state share of Title IV-E foster care maintenance payments. HF910 (Gruenes) Human services; authorizing the commissioner to establish a state advisory planning council. HF912 (Clausnitzer) Increasing incentives for enforcing and collecting child support. HF943 (Forsythe) Providing state hospital revolving fund for chemical dependency. HF455 (Minne) Establishing a program in the department of economic security to distribute grants to centers that provide independent living services. Additional bills may be added.

6:30 p.m.

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/Education, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Sally Olsen. Agenda: Discuss the following: Article 3, special education; Article 1, foundation/tier aids; Article 7, miscellaneous.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Adolph Kvam. Agenda: HF255 (Dempsey) Practice and procedure in dram shop actions.

Wednesday, March 27

8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Budget hearings for Minnesota/Wisconsin Boundary Area Commission; Voyageurs Park Advisory Committee; Horticultural Society; Racing Commission; Charitable Gambling Board.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Allocations for Health Related Boards (continued); and Dept. of Health.

EDUCATION, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Wendell Erickson. Agenda: HF399 (McEachern) Permanent School Fund, land exchange. Additional agenda to be announced.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: HF871 (Sviggum) Regulating the membership of the board of directors of the workers compensation reinsurance association.

10:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. K. J. McDonald. Agenda: HF618 (Solberg) Partition fences; changing certain responsibilities and procedures. HF260 (Onnen) Discharge of firearms and access to agricultural lands. HF719 (Uphus) Increasing the number of deputy commissioners of agriculture. HF879 (Staten) Providing famine relief for African people. HFxxx (Kvam) Bonding requirements for dairy processing plants. HF990 (Dimler) Providing for registration of crop and livestock buyers in licensing application.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: HF448 (Blatz) Defining sports bookmaking. HF636 (Bishop) Forfeitures of communications devices. HF450 (Blatz) Child abuse prevention trust fund.

ELECTIONS SUBCOMMITTEE/General Legislation & Veterans Affairs, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Craig Shaver. Agenda: HF815 (Fjoslien) Authorizing absentee voting by electronic voting system. Other pending business.

12:00 noon

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Adolph Kvam. Agenda: HF613 (Rees) Insurance; modifying certain continuing education requirements. HF873 (Sherman) Relating to financial institutions. HF1028 (Poppenhagen) Relating to insurance.

GAMBLING SUBCOMMITTEE/General Legislation & Veterans Affairs, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Gil Gutknecht. Agenda: Pending business.

TRANSPORTATION, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Douglas Carlson. Agenda: To be announced.

2:00 p.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Budget hearing for Dept. of Transportation continued: general support services.

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/Education, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Sally Olsen. Agenda: Discuss the following: Article 4, Community, Early Childhood & Family, and Adult Education; Article 6, vocational education and other aids and levies; Article 5, choice.

JUDICIARY, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Charles Halberg. Agenda: HF900 (Halberg) Increase in judges in the First judicial district. HF739 (Simoneau) Increase in judges in the 10th judicial district. HF561 (Halberg) Marriage dissolution; eliminating the statistical report from requirement. HF301 (McKasy) Crime victim property reparation.

3:00 p.m.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE SUBCOMMITTEE/ Crime & Family Law, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. John Hartinger. Agenda: To be announced.

FAMILY LAW SUBCOMMITTEE/Crime & Family Law, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Arthur Seaberg. Agenda: To be announced.

Thursday, March 28

8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Budget hearing for Dept. of Transportation continued: general support services.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Allocations for Dept. of Human Services.

HIGHER EDUCATION DIVISION/Education, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Mark Piepho. Agenda: HF642 (Erickson) Establishing a Science and Technology Resource Center. HF999 (Gruenes) Excluding assets from parental contributions for some state scholarships and grant applications. HFxxx (Haukoos) Part time student grants. HF992 (Gruenes) Consolidating the regulation of private post-secondary schools under the Higher Education Coordinating Board.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: To be announced.

8:15 a.m.

TAXES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: HF1057 (Greenfield) Revenue recapture act; including the University of MN in the definition of claimant agenda. HF1000 (Tjornhom) Clarifying definition for sales and use tax; clarifying exemptions; imposing civil and criminal penalties for underreporting or failing to report motor vehicle excise tax; repealing certain refund procedures.

10:00 a.m.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: HF606 (Bennett) Relating to liquor; authorizing issuance of off sale wine licenses to food stores.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. John Rose. Agenda: HF939 (Rose) Solid waste and sewage sludge management. HF927 (Voss) Exempting certain boats from watercraft licensing requirements. Continue March 26 agenda if necessary.

HEALTH CARE SUBCOMMITTEE/Health & Human Services, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Dave Gruenes. Agenda: HF965 (Zaffke) Establishing prepaid health plans. Additional bills may be added.

SOCIAL SERVICES SUBCOMMITTEE/Health & Human Services, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Al Quist. Agenda: To be announced.

12:00 noon

GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Dave Fjoslien. Agenda: Pending business.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: HF955 (Thiede) Regional Development Commissions. HF1032 (Rees) Belle Plaine; permitting use of the term burrough. HF1079 (Murphy) Hermantown; permitting aeronautics zoning.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

After Session

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: HF883 (Tomlinson) Relating to unclaimed property; extending coverage to corporate stock. HF916 (Heap) Relating to corporations; regulating corporate takeovers. HF191 (Piepho) Relating to local government; requiring prompt payment of local government bills. HF838 (Begich) Relating to consumer protection; requiring motor vehicle manufacturers to supply a temporary replacement vehicle.

GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Dave Fjoslien. Agenda: Pending business.

REGULATED INDUSTRIES & ENERGY, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Elton Redalen. Agenda: To be announced.

6:30 p.m.

JUDICIARY, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Charles Halberg. Agenda: HF891 (Rees) Uniform foreign money judgments act. HF1001 (Backlund) Providing for reimbursement to resident required to testify in another state. HF1031 (Clausnitzer) Calculation of damage awards in personal injury cases. HF1023 (Vanasek) Clarifying provisions to the costs in guardianship and conservatorships.

7:00 p.m.

LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON WASTE MANAGEMENT, Rm. 118 Capitol. Agenda: 1) Recommendation of LCWM regarding appropriations from the Environmental Response, Compensation and Compliance Fund (the fund established in Superfund) as mandated by MS 115B.20, Subd. 5; 2) Recommendation of LCWM regarding appropriations from Landfill Contingency Action Fund as mandated by MS 473.845, Subd. 4; 3) Recommendation of LCWM regarding appropriations from Landfill Abatement Fund as mandated by MN 473.844, Subd. 3; 4) Presentation by Waste Management Board on European hazardous waste treatment and disposal facilities.

Friday, March 29

8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Budget hearing for Dept. of Transportation continued: general support services.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: To be announced.

8:15

TAXES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber.
Agenda: To be announced.

10:00 a.m.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett.
Agenda: HFxxx (Frerichs) Relating to state government; concerning state procurement of goods and services from small businesses. HF988 (Becklin) Relating to consumer protection; prohibiting certain deceptive advertising practices.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: To be announced.

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/Education, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Sally Olsen.
Agenda: Discuss Article 8, technology and educational improvement. Final action on HF88 (S. Olsen) Education finance bill.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Tony Onnen. Agenda: HF769 (Onnen) Making certain changes in the reimbursement procedures for nursing homes.

12:00 noon

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. John Rose.
Agenda: HF956 (Gruenes) Solid waste management. Subcommittee reports.

ELECTIONS SUBCOMMITTEE/General Legislation & Veterans Affairs, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Craig Shaver. Agenda: Pending business.

1:00 p.m.

COMMERCE & REGULATION SUBCOMMITTEE/Commerce & Economic Development, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. Art Seaberg.
Agenda: HF913 (Quist) Abolishes Dept. of Economic Security; sets up jobs and training department. HF159 (McLaughlin) Relating to employment and economic development act; "MEED III".

HIGHER EDUCATION DIVISION/Education, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Mark Piepho.
Agenda: To be announced.



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HIGHLIGHTS

Waste management

The Environment and Natural Resources Committee recommended to pass HF939 (Rose, IR-Roseville) March 28. The bill would prohibit land disposal of waste in the metropolitan area after Jan. 1, 1990, unless the waste comes from a resource recovery facility.

Sandra Gardebring, chair of the Metropolitan Council, spoke in support of the bill. She said the metropolitan area generates about two million tons of solid waste, of which 95 percent goes into eight existing landfills, creating groundwater problems.

"The Pollution Control Agency has monitored those eight landfills, and a number of other closed landfills in the seven-county area, and has indicated that 13 of the 15 operating and closed sites are leaching into groundwater.

"That's creating potentially hazardous conditions in groundwater that supplies the only source of drinking water to 60 percent of the people who live in the seven-county area," says Gardebring.

The committee rereferred the bill to the Local and Urban Affairs Committee for another hearing.

Vouching for voters

A bill limiting the number of voters another voter can vouch for on election day got the approval of the General Legislation Veterans Affairs Committee on March 28.

Current law allows a person to register on election day if a voter in that precinct vouches that he or she personally knows the person is a resident of the precinct. HF634 would allow a voter to vouch for no more than three voters.

Registration of firearms

Local governments couldn't have stricter gun control laws than the state law if HF576 (Begich, DFL-Eveleth) becomes law. The bill got a favorable recommendation from the General Legislation and Veterans Affairs Committee on March 28.

Supporters of the bill say the current system causes enormous problems for people who want to be law abiding citizens. Opponents say local governments, especially those in the metro area, need stricter regulations because of higher crime rates.

Student aid

Rural and farm students could see more financial aid coming their way under HF999 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud), which the Higher Education Division of the Education Committee recommended to pass March 28.

Rep. Dave Gruenes, author of HF999, says many farm and rural business families with high assets also have high debts. These debts don't always get consideration when the Higher Education Coordinating Board, and other funding sources, look at who gets how much in financial aid, according to Gruenes.

"Presently, with statistics from the HCEB, there are perhaps, in the state of Minnesota, about 700 students that are not receiving financial aid that would fall into this category of high-debt, high-assets, and little-income," he says.

HF999 would include those combined factors in determining financial aid. Ron Estes, a student spokesman, and David Longnecker of the Higher Education Coordinating Board both expressed support for the proposal.

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Correction

*In the highlight, "Choice of schools," on page 2 of last week's **Session Weekly**, the last paragraph — about the March 20 committee action on HF813 (Levi, IR-Dellwood) — should read:*

The committee **heard** the bill and sent it on to the Education Finance Division of the Education Committee for further hearings.

Budget amendment

The Judiciary Committee voted 10 to 9 March 27 to send HF9 (Piepho, IR-Mankato) to the full House without a committee recommendation.

The bill is a resolution that would have Minnesota memorialize Congress to call a constitutional convention for the purpose of proposing a balanced budget amendment to the United States Constitution.

If the House passes the bill, Minnesota could become the 33rd state to ratify such a resolution. The constitution provides that Congress must call a constitutional convention if two-thirds (34 states) ratify resolutions requesting it.

Rep. Mark Piepho, author, says the bill's necessary to force Congress to act on its own and adopt a balanced budget amendment. Opponents say they fear the result may be a runaway convention, because the constitution provides no guidelines to control or govern it.

'Pre-'73' retirees

"Pre-'73ers" is a term one hears at the Legislature again this year. It refers to public employees who retired before July 1973, when the Legislature made changes in calculation of retirement benefits.

Before 1973, the state based pension benefits on the average salary the retirees made during all of their years of service. After 1973, major retirement funds figured dollar amounts on the average of retirees' five highest paying years.

Karen Dudley of the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement says the result was low pensions for pre-73ers. Dudley spoke to the Governmental Operations Committee on March 27.

The committee was considering HF414 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins), a bill that would help compensate the nearly 14,000 pre-'73ers by providing lump-sum payments of \$19 and \$20, 1985 and 1986, respectively, for each year of service.

"Two people who taught or worked in state government for about the same number of years, maybe with identical jobs, started about the same time, earned the same salaries, could have quite different pensions, because one chose to retire before July 1, and the other after that date. In some cases, the amounts doubled for the person retiring after July 1," Dudley said.

HF414 would also fund a study on benefit adjustments to determine if there might be a more permanent solution to the problem. The committee recommended the bill to pass and rereferred it to the Appropriations Committee.

Horseracing

June 26, 1:30 p.m. is post time and the start of horseracing in Minnesota at the new \$70 million Canterbury Downs track, says Rick Evans, executive commissioner of the Racing Commission.

The Minnesota Racing Commission is in charge of regulations and is requiring licenses for almost everyone involved—from parking lot attendants to jockeys—whose fingerprints will be on record with the State Bureau of Criminal Apprehension and the FBI. Horses will bear lip tatoos for identification.

Evans was at the Appropriations Committee meeting on March 27 with the commission's first biennial request, \$1.8 million. He told the committee about this summer's schedule.

"Wednesday, June 26 will be the first day of racing in 1985. The last day will be Tuesday, October 15. Wedged in between there are 83 days of racing, principally, Wednesday through Sunday. Monday and Tuesday will be dark days.

"However, if Monday is a holiday, then Canterbury Downs has requested permission to race on, for instance, July 4, Labor Day, Columbus Day, and so forth, which are Mondays," said Evans.



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Next year's season will start May 1 and last for 145 racing days. Some races could include quarter horses and harness racing.

Light rail transit

The chairman of the Regional Transit Board, Elliot Perovich, appeared before the Appropriations Committee on March 26 to request \$24 million to continue to run the Transit Board, and to go ahead with proposals for a light rail transit system.

Preliminary engineering studies are set to begin this summer, and the board wants to have a solid proposal ready for the 1987 legislative session.

Perovich says light rail will eventually become cost effective because of the hook-ups with other systems, but he says, no one has ever been able to run a transit system completely from the take at the fare box. It will need some state funding.

The governor's recommendation for the board's budget is about \$8 million less than Perovich asked for.

Deer hunting

Deer hunters will be pleased with HF940 (Rose, IR-Roseville), a bill that would allow the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to permit hunters to take two deer in one year, on an experimental basis.

Author Rep. John Rose, presenting his bill to the Environment and Natural Resources Committee on March 26, credited DNR's management of the state's deer population.

"One of the success stories of the Department of Natural Resources has been the way they've been managing the deer herd in Minnesota. Two consecutive years of outstanding harvests, and probably, one of the healthiest periods of time for our deer herd . . .," said Rose.

The bill goes now to the full House with a recommendation to pass from the committee.

Dramshop law

If you're injured in an accident because of a drunk driver, you can sue the bar or restaurant for selling liquor to the over-indulgent individual, under Minnesota's present dramshop law.

HF255 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm), a bill the Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee recommended to pass March 26, could make some changes in how the law works. The bill has the backing of the Restaurant, Hotel, and Resort Association, because insurance that will cover dramshop claims has been a problem for the liquor industry.

Representing the Association, Tom Newcombe said, "Companies that wrote dramshop insurance have left the state because of the damage and liability climate. Everyone of them lost its shirt writing dramshop insurance. People who understand the market are going to testify that the only way you are going to entice some companies back is by limiting liability and damages."

One of the changes HF255 would make is to prohibit injury victims from collecting pecuniary losses. That generally means, in the language of law, loss of consortium, services, and advise and assistance.

Another change would reduce the statute of limitations on dramshop actions from two years to one year.

Corporate takeover

After several court tests and takeover battles, the Minnesota corporate takeover law was back in the Commerce and Economic Development Committee March 26 where the committee considered some changes by way of HF916 (Heap, IR-Plymouth). The law deals with state securities and corporate laws to protect shareholders in contested takeovers of one company by another.

The bill's author, Rep. Jim Heap, said he worked with a group of specialists in January, studying the takeover law. He says he found that it had some inequities and imbalances and that it gave the commerce commissioner, who has the authority to judge the fairness of a registration statement (takeover offer materials), too much discretion.

Heap says HF916 would make some technical and clarification changes to the present law, and scaledown some of the commissioner's power. These changes, he says, would make Minnesota's takeover law a model for other states. The committee recommended the bill to pass.

Crime devices

Under present Minnesota law, enforcement officers may confiscate and sell weapons, transport devices, and containers that offenders have used in committing criminal acts.

On March 25, the Crime and Family Law Committee recommended to pass HF636 (Bishop, IR-Rochester), a bill that would expand on that law so officers could also claim "communication devices or components," such as computers and telephones.

Rep. Dave Bishop, author of HF636, says, "Computers with telephones can transfer money out of your bank account into the criminal's bank account, and that conveyance is just exactly as if he had walked into the bank with a gun, taken the money, gone out and got into his automobile, in which case we would confiscate the gun and the automobile."

Under HF636, officers could take the computer, sell it, and give a percentage of money from the sale to the victim. The bill would also call for offenders to forfeit any money they made through crimes they committed.

The committee recommended the bill to pass. It goes next to the House floor.

Unemployment insurance

The Labor-Management Relations Committee heard HF847 (Gutknecht, IR-Rochester) on March 25. According to its author, the bill attempts to bring solvency to a fund that has paid out more than it has taken in, in seven of the past 13 years.

Author Rep. Gil Gutknecht says, the bill's goals are to "return permanent solvency to our unemployment insurance program. We will be out of the red by the end of 1986, and, hopefully, will set up a system that will serve our employers and employees well as we go through the next decade."

The bill faced opposition from Commissioner of Economic Security Barbara Beerhalter who testified against it. She disagreed with the benefit cuts in the bill and said it would encourage employers to create seasonal jobs.

Beerhalter said the governor would announce his plan for the unemployment insurance problem at the end of the week. On a 12-10 vote, the committee recommended HF847 to pass.

War on drugs

"At federal and state levels, I'm convinced that, right now, we are losing the drug war," says an undercover narcotics agent from Washington County. Drugs, especially cocaine, are available almost anywhere, he told the Criminal Justice subcommittee March 22.

The agent said current drug penalties don't have enough teeth in them to keep offenders locked up, or to act as incentive to get offenders who get caught to inform on other dealers.

"It's a multi-billion dollar business we can't compete with. We arrest somebody, but by the time they get through the system—if it's a first offense—we're lucky if they do any jail time, let alone any prison time," he says.

The agent testified for HF654 (Marsh, IR-Sauk Rapids), a bill that would set mandatory minimum jail sentences for certain drug offenses and would increase penalties for residential burglaries, a source of funding for drug habits.

Under the bill, selling cocaine would mean a prison term of not less than a year with no probation, parole, or supervised release, and selling heroin would mean no less than 21 months.

HF654 got the approval of the subcommittee, and on March 27, the full Crime and Family Law Committee recommended the bill to pass.

COMMITTEE ACTION

AGRICULTURE

Wednesday, March 27

- **Hunting—discharging firearms/ access to agricultural lands**
HF260 (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to the Environment and Natural Resources Committee.
- **Partition fence law—changes**
HF618 (Solberg, DFL-Bovey)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Agricultural products—registration system for buyers**
HF990 (Dimler, IR-Chanhassen)—heard; laid over.

APPROPRIATIONS

Friday, March 22

- **ATVI—combined districts**
HF470 (Erickson, IR-Hills)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Drinking age—raised to 21**
HF102 (Schafer, IR-Gibbon)—recommended to pass.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Friday, March 22

- **Liquor establishments—open after hours**
HF328 (Kahn, DFL-Mpls)—laid over.
- **Minnesota Electrical Act—changes**
HF825 (Bennett, IR-Shoreview)—recommended to pass.

Tuesday, March 26

- **Unclaimed property—extending coverage to corporate stock**
HF883 (Tomlinson, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended; referred to Taxes Committee.
- **Corporate takeover law—changes**
HF916 (Heap, IR-Plymouth)—recommended to pass. (See Highlight)
- **Local government agencies—prompt payment of bills**
HF191 (Piepho, IR-Mankato)—recommended to pass as amended.

- **Membership camping—regulations**
HF947 (Zaffke, IR-Backus)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
 - **Housing Finance Agency—department bill**
HF499 (Seaberg, IR-Mendota Heights)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- Thursday, March 28**
- **Wine sold in food stores**
HF606 (Bennett, IR-Shoreview)—heard; laid over until April 2.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW

Monday, March 25

- **Forfeiture—communications devices used in a crime**
HF636 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)
- **Corrections—**
inmates' earnings
HF484 (Sherman, IR-Winona)—recommended to pass.
- **Child abuse reporting—changes**
HF275/SF196* (Levi, IR-Dellwood)—recommended to pass as amended.

Wednesday, March 27

- **Child protection workers—training**
HF1107 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Crimes—increased penalties for drug/burglary offenses**
HF654 (Marsh, IR-Sauk Rapids)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)

EDUCATION

Monday, March 25

- **MECC—removes some restrictions on operations**
HF619 (Erickson, IR-Hills)—recommended to pass amended; referred to Governmental Operations Committee.
- **State council on vocational education**
HF897 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—recommended to pass.

- **AVTIs—class size/associate degrees**
HF476 (Heap, IR-Plymouth)—recommended to pass.
- **AVTIs—changes in budget, allocation procedures**
HF792 (Haukoos, IR-Albert Lea)—recommended to pass; referred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Community colleges—sale of lands**
HF1011 (Dyke, IR-Worthington)—recommended to pass as amended.

Wednesday, March 27

- **School fund lands—exchange and inventory**
HF399 (McEachern, DFL-St. Michael)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **High schools—can hold academic events**
HF555 (Nelson, K. DFL-Mpls)—laid over.
- **Public schools—educational guidelines**
HF808 (Olsen, IR-St. Louis Park)—laid over; referred to Legislative Commission on Public Education for study and referral back to the full committee by Feb. 1, 1986.
- **Eighth graders—information on post-secondary education**
HF878 (Nelson, K., DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended; referred to Appropriations Committee.

Education Finance Div./Ed.

Friday, March 22

- **Equity aid and levy—discontinuation**
HF13 (Olsen, IR-St. Louis Park)—heard.
- **Mill rate—basic rate at 20 mills**
HF62 (Backlund, IR-Fridley)—heard.
- **Pupil units—kindergarteners as full units**
HF79 (Schafer, IR-Gibbon)—heard.
- **School levy—equalizes aid**
HF212 (Voss, DFL-Blaine)—heard.
- **Mill rate—basic rate at 20 mills**
HF279 (McEachern, DFL-St. Michael)—heard.
- **Mill rate—basic rate at 20 mills**
HF429 (Nelson, K., DFL-Mpls)—heard.
- **School levies—more authority for districts**
HF481 (Olsen, S., IR-St. Louis Park)—heard.
- **Handicapped children—instruction funding**
HF574 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—heard.
- **Foundation aid—1986-1987 allowance**
HF664 (Wenzel, DFL-Little Falls)—heard.
- **Education tier program—accelerated phase-in**
HF722 (Rees, IR-Lakeville)—heard.
- **Pupil weighting—increase for certain districts**
HF905 (Backlund, IR-Fridley)—heard.

- **Cable hook-up grant—Arlngt/Gaylord/Gibbon/Winthrop**
HF909 (Schafer, IR-Gibbon)—heard.
- **AFDC pupil units—new head count policy**
HF926 (Thiede, IR-Pequot Lakes)—heard.
- **Mill rates—basic maintenance rate**
HF1124 (Schreiber, IR-Brooklyn Park)—heard.

Monday, March 25

Note: The committee is building the education omnibus bill (HF88) which will include provisions of some bills in its articles.

- **Transportation Aid**
Article 2—adopted as amended for inclusion in HF88.
- **Teacher Retirement**
Article 9—adopted as amended for inclusion in HF88.
- **Libraries**
Article 10—adopted as amended for inclusion in HF88.
- **Cash Flow**
Article 11—adopted as amended for inclusion in HF88.
- **School district #706—new building bonding**
HF758 (Elioff, DFL-Virginia)—heard.
- **School district employment—promotion rights**
HF896 (Valento, IR-Little Canada)—heard as amended.
- **School district #14—fund transfer**
HF74 (Backlund, IR-Fridley)—heard.
- **School district #208—fund transfer**
HF310 (Fjoslien, IR-Brandon)—heard.
- **School district #79—fund transfer**
HF178 (Frederick, IR-Mankato)—heard.
- **School district #1—fund transfer**
HF182 (Ogren, DFL-Aitkin)—heard.
- **School district #441—fund transfer**
HF441 (Quist, IR-St. Peter)—heard.
- **School district #233—fund transfer**
HF861 (Redalen, IR-Fountain)—heard.
- **School district #477—fund transfer**
HF977 (Peterson, DFL-Princeton)—heard.

- **Board of Education—fund transfer bills**
HF445 (McEachern, DFL-St. Michael)—heard.
- **Regional libraries—grants for support**
HF832 (Thorson, IR-Bemidji)—heard.
- **School district #533—fund transfer**
HF1022 (Frerichs, IR-Rochester)—heard.
- **Handicapped adult education—aid and levy**
HF1160 (Schafer, IR-Gibbon)—heard.
- **Omnibus Education Bill**
HF88 (Olsen, IR-St. Louis Park)—adopted Articles 2, 9, 10 and 11 as amended.

Tuesday, March 26

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- **Foundation Aids**
Article 1—adopted as amended for inclusion in HF88.
- **Special and Compensatory Education**
Article 3—adopted as amended for inclusion in HF88.
- **Miscellaneous education**
Article 7—adopted as amended for inclusion in HF88.

Wednesday, March 27

- **Other Aids and Levies**
Article 6—adopted as amended for inclusion in HF88.

Higher Education Div./Ed.

Tuesday, March 26

- **State University System—payroll deductions**
HF968 (Thorson, IR-Bemidji)—recommended to pass as amended to full committee.
- **State University System—loan debt collection**
HF1010 (Boerboom, IR-Cottonwood)—laid over.
- **Scholarships—appropriations allowed**
HF1020 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—recommended to pass as amended to full committee.

- **State University System—parking jurisdiction**
HF1158 (Piepho, IR-Mankato)—recommended to pass to full committee.
- **State University System—mission statement**
HF993 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—laid over.

Thursday, March 28

- **S.W. University—science and technology center**
HF642 (Erickson, IR-Hills)—recommended to pass to full committee.
- **State University system—loan debt collection**
HF1010 (Boerboom, IR-Cottonwood)—recommended to pass to full committee.
- **Private for profit schools—consolidation of regulation**
HF992 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—recommended to pass as amended to full committee.
- **Financial aid changes—farm rural business students**
HF999 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—recommended to pass as amended to full committee. (See Highlight)

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

Tuesday, March 26

- **State lands—sale to city of Hastings**
HF230 (Ozment, IR-Rosemount)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Collector sewers—state construction grants**
HF725 (Rees, IR-Lakeville)—recommended to pass.
- **Land conveyance to Voyageurs Nat'l Park**
HF506 (Battaglia, DFL-Two Harbors)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Water quality monitoring—private wells in metro area**
HF718 (Nelson, D., DFL-Champlin)—recommended to pass.
- **Wild animals—hunting law changes**
HF937 (Richter, IR-Wadena)—recommended to pass.
- **Deer hunting—permits taking two deer per year**
HF940 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—recommended to pass. (See Highlight)
- **Forest fires—interstate agreements**
HF882 (Thorson, IR-Bemidji)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **State forests—boundary changes**
HF998 (Waltman, IR-Elgin)—recommended to pass.
- **Snowmobile registration—correction in law**
HF928 (Thiede, IR-Pequot Lakes)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Flood damage reduction—authorizing grants**
HF853 (Valan, IR-Moorhead)—heard.

Thursday, March 28

- **Solid waste—land disposal prohibited**
HF939 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Local and Urban Affairs Committee. (See Highlight)
- **Solid waste facilities—increased bonding**
HF956 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—heard; amended.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE

Tuesday, March 26

- **Dramshop actions—practice and procedure**
HF255 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass. (See Highlight)

Wednesday, March 27

- **Emergency farm operating act—lender qualified**
HF1216 (Redalen, IR-Fountain)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Insolvent insurers—distribution of assets**
HF857 (Olsen, S., IR-St. Louis Park)—heard.
- **Insurance—continuing education requirements**
HF613 (Rees, IR-Lakeville)—heard.

GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS

Thursday, March 28

- **Elections—correct precinct lists**
HF91 (Shaver, IR-Wayzata)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Town business—authorized outside of town**
HF677 (Uphus, IR-Sauk Centre)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Elections—vouching limited**
HF634 (Shaver, IR-Wayzata)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)
- **Punch card voting—absentees allowed**
HF815 (Fjoslien, IR-Brandon)—recommended to pass.

- **Election judges—persons qualified**
HF379 (Fjoslien, IR-Brandon)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Regulation of firearms**
HF576 (Begich, DFL-Eveleth)—recommended to pass. (See Highlight)
- **Veterans of foreign wars—memorial**
HF177/SF247* (Valento, IR-Little Canada)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Grave markers—provided for veterans**
HF599 (Metzen, DFL-So.St.Paul)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Veterans Service Building space**
HF982 (Metzen, DFL-So. St. Paul)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

Monday, March 25

- **Hazardous substance injury compensation fund**
HF876 (Olsen, S., IR-St. Louis Park)—heard; amended.

Tuesday, March 26

- **Hazardous substance injury compensation fund**
HF876 (Olsen, S., IR-St. Louis Park)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

Wednesday, March 27

- **Heritage preservation commissions—laws governing**
HF951 (Piepho, IR-Mankato)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Retirement benefits—pre-'73ers**
HF414 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (See Highlight)

Thursday, March 28

- **Firefighters' benefits—killed in line of duty**
HF960 (Backlund, IR-Fridley)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.

- **Local governments—fiscal notes for state mandates**
HF490 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **New Ulm—health insurance payments for retired police**
HF10 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Retirement—computing benefits for Buhl police**
HF360 (Elioff, DFL-Virginia)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Retirement—benefit increase for Virginia police**
HF1019 (Elioff, DFL-Virginia)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Retirement—Hennepin County supplemental retirement plan**
HF729 (Scheid, DFL-Brooklyn Park)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Retirement—St. Louis Park firefighters' benefit changes**
HF855 (Olsen, S., IR-St. Louis Park)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Retirement—Eveleth police and firefighters benefit increases**
HF234 (Begich, DFL-Eveleth)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Retirement—transfer of firefighters' service credit**
HF930 (Voss, DFL-Blaine)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Retirement—retired St. Paul health bureau employees refund**
HF611 (Cohen, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Retirement—Duluth teachers post retirement increases**
HF1242 (Munger, DFL-Duluth)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Retirement—early retirement annuity for certain judges**
HF1095 (Minne, DFL-Hibbing)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Retirement—disability for Faribault firefighters**
HF1077 (Rodosovich, DFL-Faribault)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Retirement—Thief River Falls survivors' benefit increases**
HF86 (Sparby, DFL-Thief River Falls)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Tuesday, March 26

- **Disabled—grants for independent living centers**
HF455 (Minne, DFL-Hibbing)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

- **Maternal/child health care—grant distribution**
HF609 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—laid over for possible inclusion in the Health & Human Services omnibus bill.
- **Counties—funds for family reunification**
HF765 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—laid over for possible inclusion in the Health & Human Services omnibus bill.
- **Mentally ill—state planning council**
HF910 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—recommended to pass; rereferred to the Appropriations Committee.
- **Child support—enforcement incentives**
HF912 (Clausnitzer, IR-Maple Grove)—tabled.
- **Chemical dependency—consolidated state fund**
HF943 (Forsythe, IR-Edina)—laid over for possible inclusion in the Health & Human Services omnibus bill.

JUDICIARY

Tuesday, March 26

- **Registered land surveys/& title transfers**
HF125/SF198* (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—recommended to pass.
- **Prejudgment seizure of property—procedures**
HF449 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Surcharges on civil filing fees—sunset law repealed**
HF590 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Constitutional convention—balanced budget**
HF9 (Piepho, IR-Mankato)—passed motion to send to floor of House without recommendation, but held in committee for further action. (See Highlight)
- **Constitutional amendment—right to bear arms**
HF397 (D. Carlson, IR-Sandstone)—recommended to pass.
- **Foreign judgments—procedures and cost**
HF650 (Cohen, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass.

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- **Arbitration awards—interest**
HF405 (Backlund, IR-Fridley)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Residents testifying outside state—increased fees**
HF1001 (Backlund, IR-Fridley)—recommended to pass.
- **Worthless checks**
HF368 (DenOuden, IR-Prinsberg)—recommended to pass as amended.

Wednesday, March 27

- **Constitutional convention—balanced budget**
HF9 (Piepho, IR-Mankato)—referred to the floor of the House without a recommendation to pass.
- **Judges, 1st judicial district—increased**
HF900 (Halberg, IR-Burnsville)—recommended to pass as amended; referred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Judges, 10th judicial district—increased**
HF739 (Simoneau, DFL-Fridley)—recommended to pass as amended; referred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Crime victim property reparation**
HF301 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—heard; laid over.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

Monday, March 25

- **Unemployment insurance—changes**
HF847 (Gutknecht, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass; referred to Governmental Operations Committee. (See Highlight)

Unemployment Insur.—Workers' Comp. Div./Labor-Management Relations

Thursday, March 21

- **Unemployment insurance—changes**
HF847 (Gutknecht, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass as amended to full committee.

Tuesday, March 26

- **Workers' comp. insurance premium—remove credit limit**
HF545 (Poppenhagen, IR-Detroit Lakes)—recommended to pass to full committee.
- **Workers' comp. insurance fund—elimination**
HF904 (Gutknecht, IR-Rochester)—tabled.
- **Workers' comp.—statute changes**
HF1130 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—recommended to pass to full committee.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS

Tuesday, March 26

- **Metro Council—establish an oversight commission**
HF571 (Ozment, IR-Rosemount)—recommended to pass as amended; referred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Tax increment financing—duties to state auditor**
HF1116 (Schreiber, IR-Brooklyn Park)—heard.
- **Hennepin County Commissioners—salaries set**
HF507 (Olsen, IR-St. Louis Park)—recommended to pass.
- **Metro government—sales of sports facility property**
HF558 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—recommended to pass.
- **Moorhead—urban town powers**
HF58 (Valan, IR-Moorhead)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Job evaluation—fire and police exemption**
HF418 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Local government—pay equity extension**
HF812 (Tompkins, IR-Apple Valley)—recommended to pass.
- **Condo floor plans—approval by county surveyor**
HF285 (Beard, DFL-Cottage Grove)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Condo floor plans—certification by auditor**
HF286 (Beard, DFL-Cottage Grove)—laid over.
- **Relocation of residents in state highway corridors**
HF145 (Dimler, IR-Chanhassen)—recommended to pass as amended.

- **Local fire protection—changes for special districts**
HF315 (Becklin, IR-Cambridge)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
 - **Town laws—various changes**
HF889 (Frederickson, IR-Windom)—recommended to pass as amended.
 - **Local government—dissolutions and annexations**
HF991 (Valento, IR-Little Canada)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
 - **Minnesota Municipal Board—allowed to require hearings**
HF1065 (Boerboom, IR-Cottonwood)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- #### Thursday, March 28
- **Dissolution of commissions—greater voice to townships**
HF955 (Thiede, IR-Pequot Lakes)—laid over for interim study.
 - **Belle Plaine—use of term 'borough'**
HF1032 (Rees, IR-Lakeville)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
 - **Winona—sale of certain county land**
HF1152 (Sherman, IR-Winona)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
 - **Crystal—council members in other public offices**
HF997 (Carlson, L., DFL-Crystal)—recommended to pass as amended.

REGULATED INDUSTRIES & ENERGY

Monday, March 25

- **Room air conditioners—energy efficiency rate**
HF626 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Independent telephone company—redefined**
HF894 (Dyke, IR-Worthington)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Hermantown Public Utilities Commission**
HF1122 (Murphy, DFL-Hermantown)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar. (HF1122 was substituted for HF953).
- **Coin-operated telephone business—deregulation**
HF1025 (Miller, IR-Redwood Falls)—laid over.
- **Cogeneration/small power plants—no certificate of need**
HF1037 (Tjornhom, IR-Richfield)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.

TAXES

Friday, March 22

- **Tax compliance department bill**
SF450 (Jude, DFL-Mound)—heard.

Tuesday, March 26

- **Income tax, property tax—administrative changes**
HF1045 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—recommended to pass as amended.

Thursday, March 28

- **U of M—debt collection from income tax refunds**
HF1057 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls.)—recommended to pass.
- **Sales/motor vehicle excise tax—changes**
HF1000 (Tjornhom, IR-Richfield)—heard as amended; laid over until next week.

Local Government Finance Div./Taxes

Monday, March 25

- **Cities, towns—federal payments in lieu of taxes**
HF610 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass as amended to full committee.
- **Property tax—valuation of tillable agric. lands**
HF843 (Frerichs, IR-Rochester)—heard.

Tuesday, March 26

- **Taxation of telephone companies**
HF647 (Dimler, IR-Chanhassen)—recommended to pass for inclusion in omnibus tax bill.
- **Confession of judgment—changes**
HF660 (Minne, DFL-Hibbing)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in omnibus tax bill.
- **Confession of judgment—no county approval**
HF616 (Begich, DFL-Eveleth)—merged into HF660.

TRANSPORTATION

Wednesday, March 27

- **Compressed natural gas—annual permits**
HF323 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Roadside mowing—restrictions**
HF409 (Peterson, DFL-Princeton)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Ramsey County—no seasonal load restrictions**
HF796 (Kostohryz, DFL-North St. Paul)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Traffic at unmarked T-intersections**
HF1180 (Lieder, DFL-Crookston)—recommended to pass.
- **Motorist—10 mph over speed limit**
HF534 (Begich, DFL-Eveleth)—recommended not to pass.

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FLOOR ACTION

CONSENT CALENDAR

Monday, March 25

- **American Legion—employee benefit coverage**
HF112/SF93 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—passed.
 - **Cemeteries—increased levies**
HF158/SF194 (Solberg, IR-Bovey)—passed.
 - **Lismore—bonds for municipal facilities**
HF485/SF471 (Erickson, IR-Hills)—passed.
 - **County land—sale with mineral rights**
HF521/SF378 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—passed.
 - **Mental health—language revisions**
HF621/SF592 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—passed.
 - **County humane societies—appropriations increase**
HF656/SF637 (Anderson, R., IR-Ottertail)—passed.
- ### Thursday, March 21
- **Adjutant general—additional assistant**
HF316/SF495 (Thorson, IR-Bemidji)—passed.

CALENDAR

Monday, March 25

- **Master plumber ad requirement**
HF385/SF385 (Himle, IR-Bloomington)—passed.
- **Car loans—permanent usury rate**
HF273/SF490 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—passed.
- **PUC membership changes**
HF185/SF451 (Redalen)—passed.
- **"Dangerous weapon"—flammable liquids**
HF274/SF414 (Ozment, IR-Rosemount)—passed.
- **Arson/fire scene investigations**
HF374/SF501 (Seaberg, IR-Mendota Heights)—passed.

Thursday, March 21

- **Roseville—on-sale liquor licenses**
HF320/SF360 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—passed.
- **Family Farm Security Program—changes**
HF35/SF461 (Dimler, IR-Chanhassen)—passed.
- **State Planning Agency—housekeeping changes**
HF468/SF463 (McPherson, IR-Stillwater)—passed.
- **Lemon law—amendment**
HF242/SF394 (Bennett, IR-Shoreview)—passed.
- **Local governments—comprehensive municipal plans**
HF247/SF505 (Olsen, S., IR-St. Louis Park)—passed.
- **Peace officers—arrest authority**
HF266/SF527 (Marsh, IR-Sauk Rapids)—passed.
- **Liquor—hours for Sunday sale**
HF308/SF353 (Frederick, IR-Mankato)—failed.

- **HECB—student advisory council**
HF204/SF235 (Piepho, IR-Mankato)—passed.
- **Employee relations—department bill**
HF513 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—passed.
- **Transient merchants law—changes**
HF530 (Waltman, IR-Elgin)—passed.
- **Department of Revenue—income tax update**
HF538/SF665 (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—passed.
- **Non-alcoholic beverages—wholesaler credit**
HF602/SF816 (Marsh, IR-Sauk Rapids)—passed.
- **Liquor licenses—3.2 beer sales**
HF603/SF768 (Marsh, IR-Sauk Rapids)—passed.
- **School elections—qualification of candidates**
HF157/SF307 (Waltman, IR-Elgin)—passed.
- **Retail credit interest rate**
HF183/SF131 (Himle, IR-Bloomington)—passed.

CONCURRENCE & REPASSAGE

Thursday, March 21

- **Wineries—4 years to use imported grapes**
HF34 (Redalen, IR-Fountain)—repassed as amended by the Senate.

RECONSIDERATION

Monday, March 25

- **Liquor—hours for Sunday sale**
HF308/SF353 (Frederick, IR-Mankato)—passed.

GOVERNOR

BILLS THE GOVERNOR SIGNED

Thursday, February 21

- **IDB Authority—student loans/waste management**
HF336*/SF358 (Pauly)—Chapter 1; effective the day after enactment.
- **Mortgage subsidy bonds—tax-free interest**
HF2/SF100* (Pauly)—Chapter 2; effective for obligations issued after December 31, 1983.

Monday, March 4

- **Charitable gambling—effective date**
HF404/SF328* (Fjoslien)—Chapter 3; effective the day after enactment.

Tuesday, March 5

- **Farm operating loan program—interest buydown**
HF32/SF54* (Redalen)—Chapter 4; effective the day after enactment (sections 1 to 9 are repealed effective July 1, 1986).

Friday, March 8

- **Corporate article changes—shareholder vote**
HF210/SF252* (Heap)—Chapter 5; effective the day after enactment.

Monday, March 18

- **Housing finance agency—bond limit increase**
HF438/SF412* (Seaberg)—Chapter 6; effective the day after enactment.

Thursday, March 21

- **Tofte—detached facility**
HF117/SF106* (Battaglia)—Chapter 7; effective upon local approval.**
- **Cannon Falls—detached facility**
HF307/SF333* (Sviggum)—Chapter 8; effective upon local approval.**
- **Timber sales—terms of payment**
HF300/SF102* (Thorson)—Chapter 9; effective August 1, 1985.
- **Testamentary trustees—qualification not required**
HF68*/SF148 (McKasy)—Chapter 10; effective August 1, 1985 and applies to wills executed or amended on or after the effective date.

**effective upon compliance with Minnesota Statutes, section 645.021, subdivision 3.

RESOLUTIONS THE GOVERNOR SIGNED

Wednesday, February 6

- **Council on Asian-Pacific Minnesotans**
HF89/SF90* (Dimler)—Resolution 1.

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BILL INTRODUCTIONS

Bill Introductions

Monday, Mar 25

HF1166—Begich (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Public improvements; providing for loans for firefighting facilities; providing for a state bond issue; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1167—Jacobs (DFL)—Transportation

Traffic regulations; prescribing penalty for violation of designated maximum speed limit on interstate highway when excessive speed is no greater than five miles per hour; amending statutes.

HF1168—Staten (DFL)—Judiciary

Human rights; eliminating court examination of evidence when there is a failure to comply with an order; amending statutes.

HF1169—Heap (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

State government; including sheltered workshops and work activity programs in the definition of socially and economically disadvantaged persons for purposes of small business procurement set-asides; amending statutes.

HF1170—Hartle (IR)—Agriculture

Drainage; authorizing the construction of roads rather than crossings in certain instances; proposing coding for new law.

HF1171—Osthoff (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

City of St. Paul; permitting the city to issue temporary on-sale wine licenses to non-profit charitable, religious, or veterans organizations.

HF1172—Zaffke (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Game and fish; transportation of fish by nonresidents; amending statutes.

HF1173—Jacobs (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; providing that property of the metropolitan sports facilities commission that is leased to tenants retains its tax-exempt status; amending statutes.

HF1174—Quinn (DFL)—Education

Education; increasing the capital expenditure aid and levy; amending statutes.

HF1175—Kiffmeyer (IR)—Health/Human Services

Children; expanding the definition of a medically neglected child; requiring the local agency to report and initiate proceedings in cases of medical neglect; amending statutes.

HF1176—Osthoff (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; increasing the maximum dependent care credit for certain recipients; amending statutes.

HF1177—Zaffke (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Auto insurance; increasing the maximum benefit for funeral expenses; amending statutes.

HF1178—McKasy (IR)—Judiciary

Courts; providing conciliation court with jurisdiction to determine actions brought by educational institutions to recover student loans; amending statutes.

HF1179—Tjornhom (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Public nuisances; defining a nuisance; providing for the enjoinder of nuisances; prohibiting the keeping of disorderly houses; prescribing penalties; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1180—Lieder (DFL)—Transportation

Traffic regulations; regulating traffic at unmarked T-intersections; amending statutes.

HF1181—Schafer (IR)—Governmental Operations

Public employees; regulating teacher labor relations; prohibiting the hiring of certain substitute teachers; providing for special state aid reduction in teacher strikes; regulating the school year; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1182—Dyke (IR)—Education

Education; authorizing the collection and setoff of debts to the community college system; proposing coding for new law.

HF1183—Begich (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Game and fish; prohibiting harassment of hunters and anglers; providing penalties; proposing coding for new law.

HF1184—Sviggum (IR)—Labor-Management Relations

Workers' compensation; excluding coverage for injuries during employer sponsored athletic events; amending statutes.

HF1185—Jacobs (DFL)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Transportation; advertising devices; authorizing advertising on certain telephone booths; amending statutes.

HF1186—Staten (DFL)—Labor-Management Relations

Workers' compensation; redefining personal injury to include mental harm; amending statutes.

HF1187—Quinn (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local government; establishing a grant program for the planning and provision of joint municipal services by local governmental units; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1188—Zaffke (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Cass county; providing authority for tourism and agriculture promotion; permitting a property tax levy.

HF1189—Pauly (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Metropolitan government; metropolitan transit; establishing requirements relating to membership on the regional transit board; funding the local transit subsidy program; providing for the distribution of local transit assistance funds in the metropolitan area by the regional transit board; extending unclassified coverage to certain employees; giving the transit board condem-

nation authority; expanding the transit commission to five members and providing per diem compensation for its chair; making various changes in contract transit programs; authorizing issuance of bonds by the board; giving the board authority over regular route fares; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF1190—Osthoff (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; property; changing the assessment ratio for certain utility property; amending statutes.

HF1191—Kiffmeyer (IR)—Transportation

Drivers licenses; providing for access to drivers license photographic negatives; amending statutes.

HF1192—McEachern (DFL)—Education

Education; providing for a research and development student learning program and a teacher education program; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1193—Clausnitzer (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Corrections; updating the recordkeeping systems of jails and lockups; amending statutes.

HF1194—Clausnitzer (IR)—Health/Human Services

Health; allowing a county health officer to transport tuberculosis suspects; amending statutes.

HF1195—Clausnitzer (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; requiring courts to furnish information relating to prior convictions without charge in gross misdemeanor prosecutions of the driving while under the influence of alcohol law; amending statutes.

HF1196—Quist (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; changing and making permanent the grant program for chronically mentally ill persons; amending statutes.

HF1197—Voss (DFL)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Cities of Circle Pines and Lino Lakes; permitting cities to determine the size of Circle Pines utilities commission.

HF1198—Nelson, K (DFL) Local/Urban Affairs

Local government; authorizing the creation of a youth coordinating board in the city of Minneapolis.

HF1199—Knuth (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of New Brighton; providing an exception from the New Brighton police civil service system for the chief and deputy chief of police.

HF1200—Thiede (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Crow Wing county; removing an exception to the general laws governing certain funds; repealing laws.

**HF1201—Dyke (IR)—General Legislation/
Veterans Affairs**

Ethics in government; enlarging the definition of lobbyist; amending statutes.

HF1202—Anderson, R (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration

A resolution memorializing the President and Congress of the United States to take action to reverse the action by the Internal Revenue Service requiring elaborate and unnecessary recordkeeping regarding use of a personal automobile in business.

HF1203—Kiffmeyer (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; excluding certain day care services from licensure; amending statutes.

HF1204—Rodosovich (DFL)—Education

Education; changing the name of and provisions about the Minnesota school for the deaf and the Minnesota braille and sight saving school; amending statutes.

HF1205—Greenfield (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Domestic abuse; providing for service by publication under certain circumstances under the Domestic Abuse Act; clarifying relief and providing for additional relief; amending statutes.

HF1206—Greenfield (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Mental health; prohibiting sexual exploitation of psychotherapy patients; establishing requirements for occupations, professions, agencies, and facilities that provide psychotherapy; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1207—Greenfield (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Human services; eliminating exclusions to licensing of child care programs; establishing qualifications for licensers; amending statutes.

HF1208—Quinn (DFL)—Education

Education; waiving first-year tuition for eligible post-secondary students; requiring public post-secondary boards to develop procedures to determine eligibility; requiring the higher education coordinating board to report; proposing coding for new law.

HF1209—Quinn (DFL)—Education

Education; requiring colleges to provide a reasonable opportunity to graduate within four years; providing remedies for failure to do so; proposing coding for new law.

HF1210—Carlson, D (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; grants to counties to aid in timber development; amending statutes.

**HF1211—Blatz (IR)—General Legislation/
Veterans Affairs**

Veterans; appropriating money for use by the Military Order of the Purple Heart in assisting veterans to make claims against the United States government.

HF1212—Pauly (IR)—Health/Human Services

Mental health; extending the demonstration project for treatment of compulsive gamblers; appropriating money; amending laws.

HF1213—Beard (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Economic development; creating an enterprise zone to be designated by the city of Cottage Grove.

HF1214—Pappas (DFL)—Judiciary

Courts; providing for the recovery of costs, disbursements, and attorney fees from the state when a statute is declared unconstitutional; proposing coding for new law.

HF1215—Zaffke (IR)—Governmental Operations

Public employment; amending the definition of public employee in the public employment labor relations act; amending statutes.

HF1216—Redalen (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Agriculture; clarifying the meaning of lender in the Minnesota emergency farm operating loans act; amending laws.

**HF1217—Gutknecht (IR)—General Legislation/
Veterans Affairs**

Courts; providing for the election of judges appointed to office and judges who have previously been elected to full terms of office; amending statutes.

HF1218—Waltman (IR)—Governmental Operations

State government; repealing certain grants of emergency rulemaking authority; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1219—Pappas (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Human services; authorizing the state planning agency to establish a program to help disabled individuals acquire needed technological devices; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF1220—Kiffmeyer (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration

A resolution memorializing the President and Congress of the United States to take action to reverse the action by the Internal Revenue Service requiring elaborate and unnecessary recordkeeping regarding use of a personal automobile in business.

HF1221—DenOuden (IR)—Transportation

Driver licensing; authorizing driver education instructors to administer examinations for certain instruction permits; amending statutes.

HF1222—Boo (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Municipal housing programs; authorizing cities to administer programs for the construction or rehabilitation of residential housing and to sell revenue bonds in connection with those programs; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1223—Vanasek (DFL)—Judiciary

Marriage; allowing a marriage between two relatives if they are over the age 55; amending statutes.

HF1224—Dempsey (IR)—Judiciary

Courts; providing that tax court judges must be learned in the law; permitting retired tax court judges and district court judges to serve on the tax court; amending statutes.

**HF1225—Carlson, L (DFL)—Commerce/
Economic Development**

Commerce; providing for the determination of certain usurious contracts; proposing coding for new law.

HF1226—Stanius (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local government; permitting land transfers between Ramsey county and the town of White Bear.

HF1227—Bishop (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; prohibiting sexual contact or penetration based on deception; providing that a psychotherapist who engages in sexual contact or penetration with a patient is guilty of criminal sexual conduct; limiting admissibility of a patient's personal or medical history; amending statutes.

**HF1228—Valento (IR)—General Legislation/
Veterans Affairs**

Elections; clarifying the term "corporation" as it relates to campaign contributions; amending statutes.

HF1229—Knuth (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; income providing an itemized deduction for certain post-secondary education tuition; amending statutes.

HF1230—Knuth (DFL)—Education

Education; making certain out of state students eligible for resident tuition; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1231—Kelly (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; transferring administration of crime victim crisis centers and the crime victims reparations board to the office of attorney general; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1232—Waltman (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; providing a property tax credit for landowners that lease agricultural land to beginning farmers; excluding a portion of the capital gains from an exercise of an option to purchase agricultural land by a beginning farmer; establishing a county lease committee to approve leases to beginning farmers; exempting interest on agricultural loans made to beginning farmers; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1233—Marsh (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Liquor; extending a moratorium on certain town off-sale licenses; amending laws.

**HF1234—Rose (IR)—Regulated Industries/
Energy**

Energy; extending certain residential energy credits; providing an energy investment tax credit for businesses; authorizing rules; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1235—Zaffke (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

State lands; authorizing conveyance of certain state trail lands no longer needed for trails; amending laws.

HF1236—Pauly (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Licensed occupations; requiring a certified signature on final documents prepared by certain licensed professionals; amending statutes.

**HF1237—Quinn (DFL)—General Legislation/
Veterans Affairs**

Minnesota Constitution; an amendment proposing authorizing lotteries and the sale of lottery tickets under certain circumstances; creating a state lottery; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1238—Kiffmeyer (IR)—Education

Education; changing the basic maintenance mill rate to 20 mills; amending statutes.

HF1239—DenOuden (IR)—Governmental Operations

State government; creating a minority affairs council; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1240—Bishop (IR)—Governmental Operations

Human rights; transferring responsibility for administration and enforcement of the human rights act from the department of human rights to the attorney general; amending statutes.

HF1241—Solberg (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Taxation; property; exempting certain leased lakeshore property; amending statutes.

HF1242—Munger (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; authorizing an amendment to the articles of incorporation of the Duluth teachers retirement fund association.

HF1243—McPherson (IR)—Education

Minnesota historical society; requiring it to develop instructional materials on Minnesota history; appropriating money.

HF1244—Redalen (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Appropriating funds for the Chatfield Bass Band Music Lending Library.

HF1245—Long (DFL)—Budget

Minnesota convention center; authorizing the issuance of bonds and appropriating money for it; continuing the Minnesota convention facility commission and prescribing its responsibilities; proposing coding for new law.

HF1246—Staten (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Human rights; changing an effective date for certificate of compliance for public contracts; amending laws.

HF1247—Quist (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Elections; adopting the court-ordered apportionment plan, but changing Ottawa township in LeSeuer county from the second to the first congressional district; repealing statutes.

HF1248—Tjornhom (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

State parks; concession fees at Fort Snelling State Park.

HF1249—DenOuden (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; restrictions on acquisition of lands by the commissioner; amending statutes.

HF1250—Ozment (IR)—Transportation

Public safety; authorizing commissioner to prescribe fees and prescribing fees; providing for statutory inclusion of state patrol lieutenants; providing that commissioner control video game of chance license fees; abolishing fire code regulations relating to theaters, halls, and dry cleaning and dyeing establishments; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1251—Thiede (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Crimes; repealing law regulating carrying and transferring of pistols; repealing law prohibiting sale of Saturday Night Special Pistols; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1252—Redalen (IR)—Taxes

Local government aids; cities of the first class; amending statutes.

HF1253—Bishop (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

State lands; conveying land to Olmsted county.

HF1254—Redalen (IR)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Local government; permitting insurance and indemnification of certain municipal electric power personnel; correcting a statutory cross reference; amending statutes.

HF1255—Hartinger (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; barring perpetrators of crimes from bringing civil actions to recover for injuries suffered during the course of criminal conduct; proposing coding for new law.

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HF1256—DenOuden (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; altering certain provisions regarding water permit fees; amending statutes.

HF1257—Clausnitzer (IR)—Health/Human Services

Health; prohibiting misrepresentation of certain third-party payments and billing practices; providing penalties; proposing coding for new law.

HF1258—Sviggum (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; changing county social service allocations; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1259—Kiffmeyer (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Occupations and professions; altering certain class B master electrician licensing requirements; amending statutes.

HF1260—Johnson (IR)—Transportation

Transportation; county state-aid highway fund; repealing the 24-foot restriction in the calculation of money needs; changing the definitions of urban and rural counties; providing for apportionments in calendar years 1986 and 1987; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1261—Valan (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; creating the Minnesota agriculture finance agency and Minnesota agriculture loan fund; prescribing penalties; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1262—Himle (IR)—Labor-Management Relations

Occupational safety and health; prescribing duties of employers and of employees; providing for standards; providing for the use of investigative information; providing for enforcement mechanisms; amending statutes.

HF1263—Rose (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

A resolution memorializing the President and Congress of the United States to take immediate steps to reduce acid deposition.

HF1264—Johnson (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Real property; providing for federal public land survey monument records; amending statutes.

HF1265—Riveness (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Economic development; providing for economic opportunity and arts enterprise zones; amending statutes.

HF1266—Frerichs (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Olmsted county; providing for sales, leases, and conveyances; providing certain exceptions to public bidding requirements.

HF1267—Gutknecht (IR)—Governmental Operations

Government operations; establishing a certification process for set-aside programming in the department of administration; providing penalties; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1268—Ozment (IR)—Governmental Operations

Occupations and professions; providing for licensing of alarm and communication contractors and installers by the board of electricity; amending statutes.

HF1269—McKasy (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; simplifying Minnesota income tax law by increasing conformity to federal income tax law; changing the rates and the rate brackets; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1270—Zaffke (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; creating an economic opportunity commission; proposing coding for new law.

HF1271—Erickson (IR)—Governmental Operations

Post-secondary education; authorizing the setting of salaries of chief executives; reenacting authority for the state university board to set salaries of executives other than the chancellor; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1272—McLaughlin (DFL)—Judiciary

Consumer protection; requiring certain information relating to loan and residential real estate closing costs to be provided to buyers; governing the application of hazard insurance proceeds to a mortgage loan, and clarifying liability for failure to pay premiums; establishing rates for title and mortgage insurance; proposing coding for new law.

HF1273—Forsythe (IR)—Governmental Operations

City of Edina; providing that survivors' benefits of firemen's service association be paid as provided by general law; repealing laws.

HF1274—Piepho (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Economic development; creating a council on biotechnology; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1275—Pappas (DFL)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Utilities; providing for notice to customer of impending disconnection of service on specific day; proposing coding for new law.

HF1276—Beard (DFL)—Education

Education; authorizing programs to check pupils' vision and hearing; authorizing state aid; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1277—Beard (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Unemployment compensation; creating a training and jobs program; amending statutes.

HF1278—Marsh (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Controlled substances; prescribing "small amount" of marijuana; clarifying certain Schedule II controlled substances; amending statutes.

HF1279—Waltman (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; making groundwater protection a watershed district purpose; establishing a procedure for increasing the number of watershed district managers; defining certain proceedings as contested cases; providing a procedure for noncontroversial proceedings; allowing demands for contested case hearings in certain proceedings; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1280—Burger (IR)—Labor-Management Relations

Labor; providing for fair labor standard practice; providing penalties; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1281—Kostohryz (DFL)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Horse racing; making certain technical and clarifying amendments; providing for certain name changes; modifying certain license revocation and suspension procedures; modifying the amounts deducted by the licensee for purses; amending statutes.

HF1282—Blatz (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local government; regulating municipal employee residency requirements; exempting certain firefighters; amending statutes.

HF1283—Long (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Children; establishing a presumption in favor of joint legal and physical custody when both parents agree; establishing a preference for joint custody when one parent requests it; establishing a preference for awarding sole custody to the parent more likely to allow the child frequent and continuing contact with the noncustodial parent; requiring courts to make specific findings and rulings in apportioning custody; providing for modification of custody orders; mandating that access to health and school records be available to parents regardless of custody arrangements; amending statutes.

HF1284—Frederickson (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; property; increasing state school agricultural credits; amending statutes.

HF1285—Segal (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Taxation; income; providing an itemized deduction for post-secondary tuition payments; amending statutes.

HF1286—Segal (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Child abuse; requiring the department of human services and the bureau of criminal apprehension to develop training programs for professionals involved in child abuse detection and intervention assessments and investigations; providing for a surcharge on birth certificate filings to fund training programs; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1287—Rose (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Environment; providing a PCB amnesty program; prohibiting installation of PCB products in public buildings; requiring PCB products to be removed from public buildings according to a schedule; pro-

viding for notification of fire department of PCB products; providing for burning of PCB oil; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1288—Nelson, K (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Hennepin county; providing for the operation of the Hennepin county park reserve district; regulating its tax levies; amending laws.

HF1289—Nelson, D (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Metropolitan government; requiring the metropolitan mosquito control district to establish a research program to evaluate the effects of its control program on other fauna; amending statutes.

HF1290—Boo (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; transferring the child care sliding fee program to the department of economic security; expanding the child care sliding fee program; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1291—Onnen (IR)—Health/Human Services

Insurance; accident and health; requiring coverage for home health care and care in skilled or intermediate care facilities; regulating long-term nursing care policies; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1292—Dempsey (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; changing nursing home prohibited practices for participation in medical assistance; amending statutes.

HF1293—Peterson (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Commerce; requiring the repair, refund, or replacement of new motor vehicles used for agricultural purposes; amending statutes.

HF1294—Dyke (IR)—Transportation

Motor vehicles; expanding definition of "motorized bicycle" to include motor scooters; amending statutes.

HF1295—Rose (IR)—Health/Human Services

Health; authorizing the commissioner of health to inspect certain business premises; classifying investigation information; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1296—Dempsey (IR)—Governmental Operations

Collection and dissemination of data; classifying government data as confidential, private, nonpublic, protected nonpublic, and public; clarifying issues relating to classifications of data, access to data, the effect of death of individuals on classifications, and classifications of inactive investigative data; refining provisions of the data practices act; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1297—Clausnitzer (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; clarifying mandatory testing of a driver suspected of driving under the influence of alcohol; amending statutes.

HF1298—Bishop (IR)—Transportation

Traffic regulations; defining the offense of wasting natural resources and providing a penalty; providing that these violations not be recorded on individual records; amending statutes.

HF1299—Shaver (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Elections; prohibiting contribution of money from dues or fees by labor organizations to political funds; amending statutes.

HF1300—Rose (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Development of timber resources on tax-forfeited lands; transferring certain powers and duties of the commissioner of iron range resources and rehabilitation to the commissioner of natural resources; amending statutes.

HF1301—Bishop (IR)—Judiciary

Health; establishing a procedure for declaration by competent adults that life-prolonging procedures may be withheld or withdrawn; providing a form; providing for revocation; establishing procedures in absence of a living will; providing for immunity from liability; providing for penalties; specifying effect on insurance and during pregnancy; preserving existing consensual medical treatment rights; proposing coding for new law.

HF1302—Bishop (IR)—Health/Human Services

Mental health; establishing a legislative commission to study the need for regulation of psychotherapists.

HF1303—Marsh (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; changing the procedure for the calculation of the rate on gasoline and special fuel taxes; amending statutes.

HF1304—Sviggum (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Corrections; appropriating money for the community corrections act.

HF1305—McKasy (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Corporations; regulating corporate takeovers; providing a hearing; removing statutory regulation of control share acquisitions; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1306—Hartle (IR)—Education

Education; establishing a foundation aid formula allowance for the 1985-1986 and 1986-1987 school years; amending statutes.

HF1307—Seaberg (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

City of Burnsville; increasing the total number of on-sale liquor licenses.

HF1308—Schafer (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of Gaylord; authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds to finance the acquisition and betterment of municipal buildings.

HF1309—Richter (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of Wadena; permitting the establishment of a port authority.

HF1310—Cohen (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Courts; real property; clarifying when a person seeking a moratorium on foreclosure of a mortgage or delay on cancellation of a contract for deed must pay costs and fees of the mortgagee or vendor; amending statutes.

HF1311—Johnson (IR)—Transportation

State transportation system; authorizing the issuance and sale of state transportation bonds; authorizing the expenditure of the proceeds for bridge and related purposes; appropriating money; amending laws.

HF1312—Carlson, D (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; permitting three-wheel off-road vehicles to use state snowmobile trails and the back slope and bottom of highway ditches; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1313—Boo (IR)—Education

Post-secondary education; changing student financial assistance; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1314—Boo (IR)—Health/Human Resources

Health; limiting liability of a professional standards review organization for failure to provide medical care or treatment; amending statutes.

HF1315—Battaglia (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Environment; directing the state planning director to encourage recycling; amending statutes.

HF1316—Brinkman (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local government; increasing the amount that a county board may credit to the sheriff's contingency fund; amending statutes.

HF1317—Brinkman (DFL)—Agriculture

Agriculture; requiring reason for lender's refusal to respond with letter of commitment; requiring response to be sent to borrowers; providing filing procedure; authorizing rules; amending statutes.

HF1318—Dimler (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Environment; amending the authority of the metropolitan waste control commission with regard to the siting and operation of sewage sludge disposal facilities; amending statutes.

HF1319—Begich (DFL)—Labor-Management Relations

St. Louis county; providing a retirement contribution exemption for emergency jobs program employees; amending laws.

HF1320—Segal (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Human services; providing for a volunteer respite care demonstration project; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1321—Shaver (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; altering certain revenue and fee provisions for state parks; recreation areas, and waysides; amending statutes.

HF1322—Omann (IR)—Taxes

Local government aid; restoring aid to towns; amending statutes.

HF1323—Shaver (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; property; providing homestead treatment to certain homesteads under construction; amending statutes.

HF1324—Zaffke (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Intoxicating liquor; allowing Shingobee township to issue and renew certain off-sale licenses.

HF1325—Zaffke (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Game and fish; authorizing nonresident owners of property within the state to purchase angling licenses at resident fees; amending statutes.

HF1326—Wenzel (DFL)—Agriculture

Agriculture; providing for state payment of a portion of federal crop insurance premiums; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1327—Boo (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; establishing the position of coordinator for state outreach efforts concerning the federal food stamp program and other emergency food assistance; providing for a food stamp information hotline; providing for an advisory task force on outreach; appropriating money; proposing coding new law.

HF1328—Simoneau (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Government data practices; providing that a complaint or charge against an employee that does not result in disciplinary action is private data; amending statutes.

HF1329—Stanius (IR)—Transportation

Transportation; defining city for purposes of including town with population of 5,000 or more in municipal state-aid street system; amending statutes.

HF1330—Becklin (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Insurance; providing that insurers or health maintenance organizations must not require a public employer to contribute toward the payment of insurance premiums or charges for insurance for retired officers or employees; amending statutes.

HF1331—Onnen (IR)—Health/Human Services

Health; establishing a system of regional poison information centers; providing for less frequent applications and less frequent program reporting; rescinding permission for poison control centers in other states; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1332—Wynia (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Municipalities; excluding programs licensed by the department of corrections from the residential programs that are considered a permitted single family residential use of property for purposes of zoning; amending statutes.

HF1333—McDonald (IR)—Education

Education; providing for an alcohol fuel pilot project; appropriating money.

HF1334—Pauly (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; providing an income tax credit for contributions to a public radio or television station; amending statutes.

HF1335—Sarna (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; providing for the offset of disability pension payments with workers' compensation payments; allowing the offset to occur for salary levels where a person could have been promoted; amending statutes.

HF1336—Sarna (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; granting the authority to firefighter relief associations in cities of the first class to elect retired members to the associations' board of directors; amending statutes.

HF1337—Sarna (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; providing for the return to work of a police officer, firefighter and the provision of service credit for certain periods of disability; amending statutes.

HF1338—Carlson, L (DFL)—Governmental Operations

State university board; authorizing it to sell and maintain computers and related products; amending statutes.

HF1339—Rose (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Development of timber resources on tax-forfeited lands; transferring certain powers and duties of the commissioner of iron range resources and rehabilitation to the commissioner of natural resources; amending statutes.

HF1340—Rose (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Wild animals; increasing certain game, fish, and related license and other fees; amending statutes.

HF1341—Frichs (IR)—Education

Post-secondary education; limiting the use of unexpended balances; prohibiting amounts carried forward from being deducted from later appropriations; amending statutes.

HF1342—Scheid (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Human services; establishing requirements for notices to municipalities concerning the establishment of programs for disabled and dependent persons; amending statutes.

HF1343—Bennett (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Intoxicating liquor; providing for issuance of licenses within Indian country; amending statutes.

HF1344—Wynia (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Human services; allowing families with children to receive aid to families with dependent children benefits through the general assistance program under certain circumstances; amending statutes.

HF1345—Tunheim (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

State lands; authorizing the sale of certain state lands in Lake of the Woods county.

HF1346—Schoenfeld (DFL)—Education

Education; establishing a pilot program to demonstrate the use of technology in industrial arts programs; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1347—Kelly (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Judges; providing for the election of incumbent judges by submitting to the voters whether they should succeed themselves; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1348—Wenzel (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Health; stating legislative intent for abortion services; proposing coding for new law.

HF1349—Levi (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; appropriating money for services to persons who are both deaf and blind.

HF1350—Sarna (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Game and fish; establishing the second weekend of the angling season as Take a Kid Fishing Weekend; amending statutes.

HF1351—Bishop (IR)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Energy; energy assistance; establishing eligibility standards for heating assistance and weatherization; providing that assistance shall be based on actual heating costs; allocating funds for the weatherization program; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1352—Bishop (IR)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Energy; requiring approval by the legislative commission on energy of certain expenditures and plans; amending statutes.

HF1353—Clark (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Health; clarifying issues relating to patient access to medical records; amending statutes.

HF1354—Bishop (IR)—Education

Missing children; authorizing the development of voluntary fingerprinting programs in schools; requiring schools to develop policies on notifying parents whose children are absent from school; requiring that certain documents be provided to schools when new students enroll; requiring the commissioner of public safety to distribute information bulletins on missing children; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1355—Clark (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Corrections; providing funding for the commissioner of corrections to develop a pilot counseling program for Native American inmates of state correctional facilities; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1356—Clark (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Human services; providing for the funding of a demonstration project for certain combined senior citizen and child care facilities; appropriating money.

HF1357—Bishop (IR)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Energy utility service; assuring reasonable energy costs for residents of manufactured home parks; amending statutes.

HF1358—Tunheim (IR)—Education

Education; changing the cost differential tier to include a parity factor; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1359—Bishop (IR)—Judiciary

State government; providing for indemnification of judges and employees of the legislative and judicial branches from tort, civil, or equitable claims; preserving immunities; amending statutes.

HF1360—Zaffke (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Housing; providing for a product standard for formaldehyde in building materials used in the construction of housing units; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1361—Ozmet (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Environment; requiring the provision of alternate water supplies in the event of contamination by hazardous waste; requiring the adoption of rules relating to alternate water supplies; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1362—Bennett (IR)—Governmental Operations

Animals; changing certain requirements; changing the size of the Minnesota humane society; changing the application of certain animal laws; transferring the responsibility for administration and enforcement of certain animal laws; amending statutes.

HF1363—Minne (DFL)—Taxes

Financing of state government; authorizing the issuance of bonds by independent school district No. 701; allowing a credit against certain taxes paid by taconite producers; amending statutes.

HF1364—Boo (IR)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; Duluth police relief association; consolidation into the public employees police and fire fund; terminating the Duluth police relief association; transferring of assets and records; repealing laws.

HF1365—Clausnitzer (IR)—Transportation

Crimes; providing for the application of certain traffic regulations; eliminating redundant and surplus language; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1366—Boo (IR)—Health/Human Services

Economic security; providing funding for the displaced homemaker program; amending statutes.

HF1367—Carlson, J (IR)—Governmental Operations

Historical interpretive centers; conforming certain laws to a name change; amending statutes.

HF1368—Krueger (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Public safety; education; appropriating money to design a rural emergency response training facility.

HF1369—Carlson, J (IR)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; Moorhead police and firefighters relief associations; consolidation into the public employees police and fire fund; terminating the special fund of the Moorhead firefighters relief association; transferring of assets and records; repealing laws.

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HA9—Clark (DFL)—Taxes

A proposal to study tax burdens on low income single parents under income tax restructuring proposals.

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HA10—Beard (DFL)—Transportation

A proposal to study the transportation system in the metropolitan area.

HA11—Kalis (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

A proposal to study the feasibility of an open season upon crows.

HA12—Vanasek (DFL)—Governmental Operations

A proposal to determine whether the public policy objectives of DBE/WBE programs are being met.

HA13—Pappas (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

A proposal to study low income housing alternatives.

HA14—Burger (IR)—Governmental Operations

A proposal to study group bonus payments to all state and university employees.

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Monday, Mar 26

SF19—Wegscheid (DFL)—Transportation

Traffic regulations; regulating traffic at unmarked T-intersections and Y-intersections; amending statutes.

SF89—Wegscheid (DFL)—Agriculture

A bill for an act memorializing the President and Congress of the United States to adopt legislation requiring that all milk sold in the United States contain a higher minimum level of nonfat milk solids.

SF228—Lessard (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Game and fish; exempting hunters on licensed private shooting preserves in the northern portion of the state from the requirement of a pheasant stamp; amending statutes.

SF247—McQuaid (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Veterans; establishing a memorial to veterans of certain wars in the Court of Honor on the Capitol grounds.

SF483—Stumpf (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Education; approving a capital loan; directing the commissioner to issue bonds to make the loan to independent school district No. 690, Warroad.

SF43—Langseth (DFL)—Transportation

Transportation; regulating motor carriers; establishing gross vehicle weight limits for courier service vehicles; providing that hours of service rules do not apply to farm vehicles; exempting certain farm vehicles from the vehicle identification rule; providing for rescission of canceled permits if a carrier has insurance coverage; excluding modular home movers from regulation as building movers; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

SF230—Wegscheid (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Commerce; authorizing industrial loan and thrifts to sell certain evidences of indebtedness; establishing different certificate of authorization requirements for corporations that will and will not sell or issue thrift certificates; modifying certain application and examination duties of the department of commerce; providing simplified requirements for the issuance of more than one certificate of authorization to the same corporation; clarifying the right of industrial loan and thrifts to collect certain additional loan charges; exempting certain mortgage purchasers and assignees from the licensing as regulated lenders; prohibiting industrial loan and thrifts from using the words "savings and loan" in their corporate names; authorizing regulated lenders to make loans up to ten percent of capital; modifying the licensing provisions governing regulated lenders; providing for changes in business locations of regulated lenders; increasing the minimum default charge that may be charged; providing for the determination of interest; authorizing certain additional loan charges; and providing alternative loans disclosure requirements; providing that certain violations do not impair obligations of a contract; providing penalties; providing for certain dollar adjustments; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

Monday, Mar 28

SF40—Frank (DFL)—Transportation

Traffic regulations; defining "passenger vehicle"; requiring use of seat belts by passenger vehicle drivers and passengers; imposing a penalty; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

SF542—Freeman (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local improvements; providing for advertisement for bids in certain publications; amending statutes.



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Monday, April 1
8:00 a.m.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Allocations for Mayo; State University System.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Allocations for the Dept. of Finance; State Board of Investment; Contingency Funds; Tort Claims.

EDUCATION, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Wendell Erickson. Agenda: HF1010 (Boerboom) Authorizing the collection and setoff of debts for post-secondary systems. HF642 (Erickson) Establishing a science and technology center at Southwest State University. HF992 (Gruenes) Requiring permanent student records and a study of private proprietary schools. HF999 (Gruenes) Excluding assets from parental contributions for some state scholarship and grant applications. HF868 (Thorson) Permitting payroll deductions in the State University system. HF1020 (Rose) Allowing systems to spend appropriations for scholarships. HF1158 (Piepho) State universities; authorizing parking rules.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: HF852 (Boo) Directing conveyance of an easement over certain state lands to the city of Duluth. HF1071 (Rees) Transferring control of the shade tree disease control board to the Dept. of Natural Resources; giving control of the gypsy moth protection program to the Dept. of Agriculture. HF842 (Marsh) Commerce departmental bill. HF860 (Pauly) Providing for court determination of and payment for pollution of property subject to condemnation. HF1151 (Miller) Requiring registration with the commissioner of commerce for those who lay out, install, or maintain alarm and communication systems; imposing duties upon the commissioner of commerce; exempting registrants from regulation by other agencies or political subdivisions. HF1064 (O'Connor) Providing that criminal offenders applying for public employment in the fire services must be fingerprinted.

8:30 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations. Rm. 406 Transportation Building. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Tour Dept. of Transportation computer facilities.

10:00 a.m.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: HF450 (Blatz) Child abuse prevention trust fund. Additional agenda to be announced.

VETERANS SUBCOMMITTEE/General Legislation & Veterans Affairs, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Chuck Dimler. Agenda: HF1033 (Kostohryz) Reestablishing the board of governors of the Big Island Veterans Camp. HF1121 (L. Carlson) Making certain veterans eligible for the state civil service veterans preference. Other pending business.

REGULATED INDUSTRIES & ENERGY, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Elton Redalen. Agenda: HF1254 (Redalen) Corrects statutory cross reference regarding insurance and indemnification of municipal electric power personnel. HF1025 (Miller) Deregulates coin-operated telephones. HFxxx (Kostohryz) Housecleaning bill for MN Racing Commission. HF921 (Zaffke) Provides the method of the calculation of payback for certain energy assessments. HF1234 (Rose) Extends residential energy tax credits and provides for energy investment tax credits for business. HFxxx (Bishop) Assures reasonable energy costs for residents of manufactured home parks. HF1197 (Voss) Permits the cities of Circle Pines and Lino Lakes to set the size of the Circle Pines Public Utilities Commission. HF1185 (Jacobs) Authorizes advertising on telephone booths.

12:00 noon

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/Education, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Sally Olsen. Agenda: HF1124 (Schreiber) Providing a method for establishing the basic maintenance mill rate.

GAMBLING SUBCOMMITTEE/General Legislation & Veterans Affairs, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Gil Gutknecht. Agenda: HF471 (Battaglia) Ely; authorizing the city to operate a casino gaming facility regulated by the charitable gambling control board. HF802 (Kiffmeyer) Prohibiting video games of chance.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Jim Heap. Agenda: HF56 (Piepho) Creating an employees social responsibility act. HF1130 (Svigum) Relating to workers' compensation. HFxxx (Burger) Labor standards. HFxxx (Himle) Occupational Safety and Health act.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: HF854 (Dimler) Clarifying the definition of real property. HF495 (Pauly) Modifying provisions that allocate industrial revenue bond authority. HF544 (Schreiber) Modifying the method of allocating authority to issue private activity obligations.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

6:00 p.m.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Onnen. Agenda: HF1041 (Onnen) Recovering the federal share of overpayments from medical vendors participating in medical assistance. HF911 (Gruenes) Expanding medical assistance eligibility for young mothers living at home with parents; allowing prenatal services to be delivered to pregnant women living at home. HF123 (Marsh) Memorializing Congress to propose an amendment to the United States Constitution to protect human life.

TRANSPORTATION, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Douglas Carlson. Agenda: HF1155 (Johnson) Establishing conflict of interest requirements for court-appointed commissioners in condemnation. HF1015 (D. Carlson) Regulating three-wheel off-road vehicles. HF624 (D. Carlson) Relating to state government. HF118 (D. Nelson) Expanding definition of "motorized bicycle" to include motor scooters. HF723 (Johnson) Authorizing designation of minimum maintenance roads. HF1113 (Pappas) Relating to state lands. HF593 (Dempsey) Regulating motor vehicle auctions. HF1052 (Rees) Directing the commissioner of transportation to arrange for studies of highway jurisdiction and to submit a state jurisdiction plan. HFxxx (Valan) Providing that certain license plates be issued every six years. Additional bills to be announced.

6:30 p.m.

JUDICIARY, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. Charles Halberg. Agenda: HF1161 (McKasy) Providing for access by shareholders to certain corporate records. HF959 (Marsh) Clarifying immunity of volunteer firefighters. HF561 (Halberg) Eliminating statistical report form in marriage dissolution. HF1214 (Pappas) Providing for recovery of costs when a state statute is declared unconstitutional.

Tuesday, April 2

8:00 a.m.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Continue allocations for the State University System.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Allocations for Dept. of Human Services.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Allocations for Office of Administrative Hearings; Housing Finance Agency.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: HF781 (Sviggum) Regulating the membership of the board of directors of the workers' compensation reinsurance association. HF1055 (Gutknecht) Relating to charitable gambling; providing for local licensing and statewide regulation; authorizing the Dept. of Revenue to collect the tax imposed. HF871 (Riveness) Clarifying laws governing fiscal notes on bills affecting state revenues.

8:15 a.m.

TAXES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: HF1000 (Tjornhom) Clarifying definition for sales and use tax; clarifying exemptions; imposing civil and criminal penalties for underreporting or failing to report motor vehicle excise tax; repealing certain refund procedures. SF450 (Jude) Providing for collection of outstate liabilities; changing certain time limitations; changing tax lien provisions; providing for certain disclosures. HF542 (McLaughlin) Income; modifying the minimum tax. HF388 (Burger) Establishing a commission to study the distribution of property taxes on land values and improvement values; providing for a report by the Dept. of Revenue.

10:00 a.m.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: HF659 (Bennett) Liquor; prohibiting discrimination in sales. HF1106 (Frerichs) Consumer protection; regulating prepayments of certain funeral and burial goods and services. HF491 (Vanasek) Commerce; prohibiting the sale of certain gold coins. HF580 (O'Connor) Economic development; providing for the election of certain community development corporation directors.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. John Rose. Agenda: Continue agenda from Friday, March 29 meeting. HF1210 (D. Carlson) Grants to counties to aid in timber development. HF1340 (Rose) License fee increases. HF551 (Begich) Prohibiting harassment of hunters, trappers and fishers; providing penalties. HFxxx (Waltman) Hearing process for watershed districts. HF1058 (D. Carlson) Establishing a Youth Conservation Corps.; redefining hazardous wastes; increasing cigarette tax; appropriating money. HF413 (Stanius) Closing of lakes to taking of fish by angling and spearing.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Tony Onnen. Agenda: To be announced.

12:00 noon

ELECTIONS SUBCOMMITTEE/General Legislation & Veterans Affairs, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Craig Shaver. Agenda: Pending business.

JUDICIARY, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Charles Halberg. Agenda: HF683 (Johnson) Uniform anatomical gift act. HF646 (Dempsey) Fees of county recorder and registrar of title. HF1224 (Dempsey) Providing that tax court judges be learned in the law. HF1097 (Dempsey) Increasing the amount of exemption for farm machinery. HF531 (K. Nelson) Prohibiting license renewal for traffic violations with outstanding fines.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: HF907 (Valento) Ramsey County; omnibus personnel bill. HF823 (Vellenga) Ramsey County; places clerk investigator in unclassified service. HF954 (D. Carlson) Requiring conditions for the appointment of assessors and assistants. HF1188 (Zaffke) Cass County; allowing levy for tourism promotion. HF363 (Zaffke) Local government; competitive bidding on real estate sales. HF757 (Zaffke) Hubbard County; permits park and recreation levy up to \$45,000 per year. HF807 (Zaffke) Hubbard County; authorizing \$18,000 per year levy for county agricultural society. HF773 (Bennett) Authorizing the Metropolitan Council to initiate a study on the need for a metropolitan or state motor sports facility.

2:00 p.m.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: HF1173 (Jacobs) Providing that property of the metropolitan sports facilities commission that is leased to tenants retains its tax-exempt status. HF1190 (Osthoff) Changing the assessment ratio for certain utility property. HF933 (Long) Limiting the property tax on homesteads. HF935 (Long) Modifying homestead property tax assessment ratios. HF936 (Long) Modifying the homestead credit computation.

3:30 p.m.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Jim Heap. Agenda: Continue agenda from Monday, April 1, 12:00 noon. HF545 (Poppenhagen) Removing limits on credits offered on workers' compensation insurance premiums. HF887 (Begich) Relating to peace officers. HF918 (Jaros) Relating to Independent School District 709.

5:00 p.m.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: HF961 (Johnson) Permitting the Water Resources Board to issue grants to counties for comprehensive watershed management planning. HF939 (Rose) Metro solid waste bill. HF1189 (Pauly) Transit funding and structure bill.

6:00 p.m.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: Continue agenda from 10:00 a.m. meeting.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. John Rose. Agenda: Continue agenda from 10:00 a.m. meeting.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Onnen. Agenda: HFxxx (Onnen) Health and Welfare Policy Reform Act.

7:00 p.m.

TRANSPORTATION, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. Douglas Carlson. Agenda: HF789 (Backlund) Requiring occupied caboose car. HF827 (Piepho) Appropriating money to purchase mobile communications equipment for state patrol. HF1128 (D. Carlson) Relating to public safety. HF1127 (D. Carlson) Relating to drivers licenses. HF1125 (D. Carlson) Relating to motor vehicles. HF1126 (D. Carlson) Providing for biennial registration to tax-exempt motor vehicles. HF589 (Segal) Increasing fee for restoration of certain revoked licenses. HF1221 (DenOuden) Authorizing driver education instructors to administer examinations for certain instruction permits.

Wednesday, April 3

8:00 a.m.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Allocations for Community College System.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Continue allocations for Dept. of Human Services.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Allocations for the Water Resources Board; Legislative Commission on MN Resources (LCMR).

EDUCATION, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Wendell Erickson. Agenda: HF88 (S. Olsen) Omnibus education finance bill.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: HF529 (Knickerbocker) Providing procedures for the conduct of meetings by public bodies. HF1074 (DenOuden) Establishing an enterprise fund for the MN Zoo Board.

10:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. K. J. McDonald. Agenda: Continue agenda from Friday, March 29 meeting. HF1068 (Ogren) Regulation of organic foods. HF957 (Knuth) Amending statutory language relating to soil loss limits. HF402 (Sparby) Making the Commissioner of Agriculture an elective office. HF1066 (Wenzel) Labeling of MN produced pork. HF163 (Krueger) Memorializing support of specific provisions of the 1985 farm bill. HF1093 (Wenzel) Memorializing Congress to take action on the subject of imported Canadian hogs.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: To be announced.

12:00 noon

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Adolph Kvam. Agenda: HF857 (S. Olsen) Authorizing the receiver of an insolvent insurer to accelerate the distribution of available assets in payment of claims against the insurer. HF1117 (J. Carlson) Gifts to minors; permitting securities to be registered in the name of a broker or financial

institution. HF671 (Knickerbocker) Authorizing interstate acquisition and formation of banks between this state and certain states on a reciprocal basis. HF778 (Blatz) Authorizing interstate acquisition and formation of banks between this state and certain states on a reciprocal basis. HF613 (Rees) Insurance; modifying certain continuing education requirements. HF873 (Sherman) Dept. of Commerce; banking. HF1028 (Poppenhagen) Dept. of Commerce; insurance. Resolution Number 1; financial institutions and insurance.

VIDEO DISPLAY TERMINAL SUBCOMMITTEE/Labor-Management Relations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Harriet McPherson. Agenda: HF670 (Clark) Video display terminal regulations.

TRANSPORTATION, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Douglas Carlson. Agenda: HF630 (Boerboom) Establishing a gross vehicle weight limitation for state trunk highways. HF1083 (J. Carlson) Authorizing the commissioner of transportation to issue special permit for three-wheel vehicle combination exceeding length and weight restrictions if used for transporting motor vehicles and operating only within 15 miles of the western border of Minnesota. HF115 (D. Carlson) Accelerating distribution of motor vehicle excise tax by six months. HF973 (D. Carlson) Redesignating portion of trunk highway. HF863 (Schreiber) Specifying the method of payment for landscape contractors providing goods or services to the department of transportation.

2:00 p.m.

GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Dave Fjoslien. Agenda: Pending business.

JUDICIARY, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Charles Halberg. Agenda: HF301 (McKasy) Crime victim property reparation. HF984 (Halberg) Authorizing aggregation of fault in cases of multiple defendants. HF601 (Halberg) Clarifying notice period required for cancellation of contract for deed. HF563 (D. Nelson) Changing the manner of notice to register title of real estate. HF831 (Ozment) Extradition under treaty.

SALES TAX SUBCOMMITTEE/Taxes, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Sidney Pauly. Agenda: To be announced.

3:00 p.m.

RULES & LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATION, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Connie Levi. Agenda: To be announced.

4:00 p.m.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: HF1005 (Valento) Pollution Control Agency sewer grants. HF849 (Schreiber) Combined sewer overflow. HF970 (Metzen) South St. Paul combined sewer overflow. HF380 (McKasy) Combined sewer overflow financing.

6:00 p.m.

AGRICULTURE, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. K. J. McDonald. Agenda: Continued from 10:00 a.m. meeting.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Allocations for the constitutional officers: Executive Council; Governor; Lieutenant Governor; Treasurer; Secretary of State; Auditor; Attorney General.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Onnen. Agenda: To be announced.

Thursday, April 4
8:00 a.m.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Continue allocations for Community College System.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Continue allocations for Dept. of Human Services.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Allocations for the Dept. of Military Affairs; Worker's Compensation/Court of Appeals; Tax Court.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: To be announced.

8:15 a.m.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: HFxxx (Schreiber) Property tax clarification simplification.

SALES TAX SUBCOMMITTEE/Taxes, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Sidney Pauly. Agenda: To be announced.

10:00 a.m.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: HF1213 (Beard) Economic development; creating an enterprise zone to be designated by the city of Cottage Grove. HF785 (Pauly) Liquor; authorizing the issuance of temporary on-sale intoxicating liquor licenses. HF821 (Solberg) Alcoholic beverages; repealing mandatory liquor liability insurance. HF1104 (Sviggum) Liquor; authorizing Cannon Falls to issue an off-sale license. HF1171 (Osthoff) City of St. Paul; permitting the city to issue temporary on-sale wine licenses to non-profit charitable religious or veterans organizations. HF1233 (Marsh) Liquor; extending a moratorium on certain town off-sale licenses. HF824 (Clausnitzer) Alcoholic beverages; requiring local approval of farm winery licenses. HF629 (Kiffmeyer) Malt beverages; defining terms requiring registration numbers and records. HFxxx (Seaberg) Liquor; city of Burnsville.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. John Rose. Agenda: Continue agenda from Tuesday, April 2. HFxxx (Rose) Acid rain resolution. HFxxx (Rose) Nuclear waste resolution. HF1235 (Zaffke) Conveyance of certain state trail lands no longer needed for trails. HF1253 (Bishop) Conveying state land to Olmsted County. HF1248 (Tjornhom) Concession fees at Fort Snelling State Park. HF1138 (Rees) Regulation of hazardous waste storage facilities; acquisition and monitoring. HF996 (McDonald) Prohibiting burial of hazardous waste in a manner to contaminate potable water. HF1003 (Ogren) Maintaining the purity of state waters by restricting the location of hazardous waste disposal sites.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Tony Onnen. Agenda: To be announced.

12:00 noon

GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Dave Fjoslien. Agenda: Pending business.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: HF1226 (Stanius) White Bear Lake and Ramsey County; permits land transfer. HF1199 (Knuth) New Brighton; exempts police chief and deputy from civil service. HF1198 (K. Nelson) Minneapolis; establishes Youth Coordinating Board. HF895 (D. Carlson) Towns; provides funds for handbook of town laws. HF649 (Jaros) St. Louis County; allows levy increase for emergency fund. HF922 (Pauly) Underground space; economic development. Port Authorities: HF508 (Poppenhagen) Detroit Lakes. HF693 (Frederick) North Mankato. HF743 (Clausnitzer) Plymouth. HF942 (Sviggum) Red Wing. HF944 (Valento) Roseville. HF71 (R. Anderson) Ferguson Falls. HF594 (Tunheim) Warroad.

2:00 p.m.

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GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Dave Fjoslien. Agenda: Pending business.

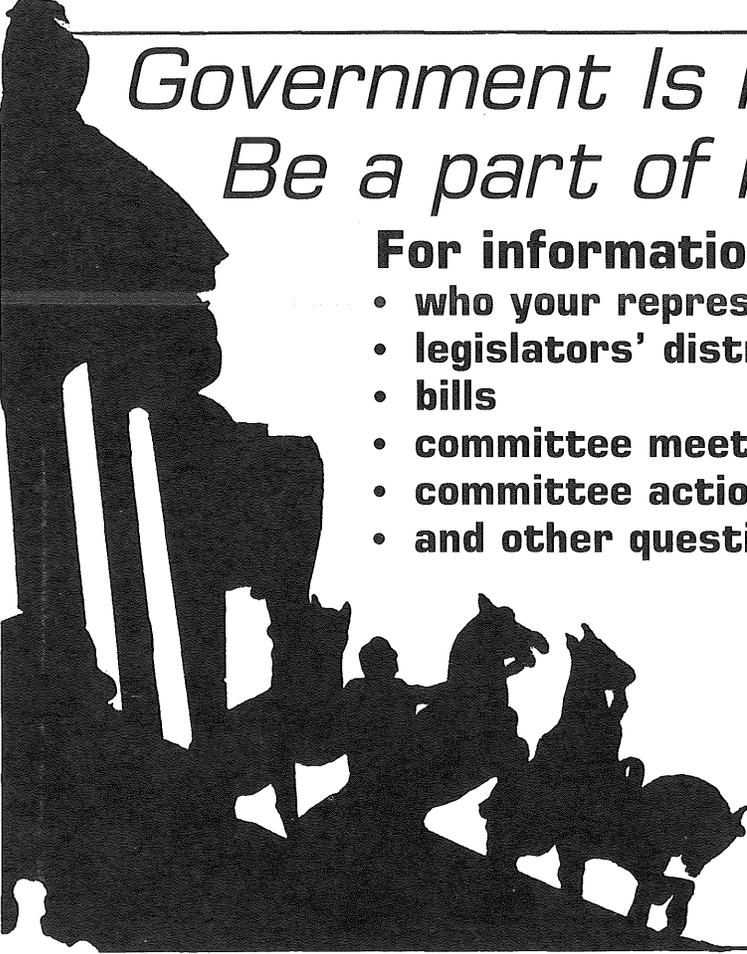
6:00 p.m.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Tony Onnen. Agenda: To be announced.

Friday, April 5

NO MEETINGS ARE SCHEDULED.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Note: Due to the printer's holiday on Friday, April 5, coverage in this issue is from Thursday, March 28 (2 p.m.) to Wednesday, April 3 (2 p.m.).

Child abuse tax checkoff

HF450 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington), the bill that would establish a child abuse prevention trust fund, came out of the Crime and Family Law Committee on April 3 with a recommendation to pass.

The bill would remove the \$2 state election campaign checkoff on tax forms and replace it with a \$2 checkoff for a child abuse prevention trust fund. The bill's author, Rep. Kathleen Blatz, says she hopes the proposal would raise about \$800,000 for prevention programs.

Though the concept of putting money into child abuse prevention had the approval all around the committee table, one of the effects of the bill would be to eliminate public financing of state elections. And some legislators oppose that. They say public financing helps to place some limits on election spending and promotes good government.

Blatz says she benefits from public financing, but it's a matter of priorities when dollars are hard to come by. And, she said, only 17 percent of the people check it off.

Although some committee members made attempts to change the method of getting dollars into the trust fund, the checkoff idea stood. The committee recommended the bill to pass and sent it on to the Taxes Committee for further review.

Wine in food stores

Some folks say it's a bill that steals from Peter to pay Paul. They're talking about the wine-in-food-stores bill, HF606 (Bennett, IR-Shoreview), which moved a step closer to becoming law April 2, when the Commerce and Economic Development Committee recommended it to pass as amended.

HF606 would allow grocers to get an off-sale wine license to sell wine with no more than 21 percent alcohol by volume.

Opponents say the wine-sale law would be as tough to enforce as beer and intoxicating liquor sales. Before voting to recommend passage, the committee added an amendment that provides for a shutdown of all operations if officials suspend a store's license for illegal sales or other violations.

The bill will be on the House floor next where amendments are again possible.

Hunting and fishing fees

People 65 and over that he's talked to don't like it too well, says Rep. John Rose, when they hear that senior citizens may have to pay a \$3 fee to fish or spear. But, he says, they're more supportive of the idea when they find out the state gets federal money based on the number of licenses it sells.

Rose has a proposal in the Legislature that the Environment and Natural Resources Committee recommended to pass April 2. Under the bill, senior citizens could no longer fish or spear without a license. They'd pay a \$3 license fee.

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Other increases in HF1340 (Rose, IR-Roseville) would mean \$5 instead of \$4 for the waterfowl conservation and trout and salmon stamps; \$200 for a moose license instead of \$140; \$25 for a bear license instead of \$15. The nonresident license to hunt deer would go from \$75 to \$100.

The bill goes next to the Appropriations Committee for its approval before the House can act on it.

Minors as medical donors

When Lori Ehlenfeldt of Lewiston, a Winona High School senior, renewed her driver's license, she asked to have "donor" imprinted on it so she could donate parts of her body in case of her accidental death. The person taking care of her license request said she couldn't do that because she was a minor.

That refusal gave Ehlenfeldt an idea for a bill which Rep. Virgil Johnson has introduced. HF683 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia) would allow people over 18 to donate all or part of their bodies upon their death. Minors would sign a gift card, a will, a driver's license, or some other document, stating that's what they want to do. The law would, however, require signature of their parents.

"I thought that was a little bit unfair, because there are a lot of people who get into car accidents that aren't able to (donate organs), and I am. That's why the bill was written," Ehlenfeldt told the Judiciary Committee on April 2.

The bill, which the committee recommended to pass, would amend the state's Uniform Anatomical Gift Act. It goes next to the full House.

Utility tax relief

Utilities would get an estimated \$19 million annually in property tax relief under HF1190 (Osthoff, DFL-St. Paul), a bill the Local Government Finance Division of the Taxes Committee recommended to pass on April 2.

HF1190 would require assessors to assess electrical distribution equipment, such as transmission lines, at 33 percent of market value, instead of the current 43 percent.

The tax relief would also apply to electrical equipment that cooperatives own — if they are located within municipal boundaries — but not to lines in unincorporated areas. The bill will become part of the division's omnibus bill which will then go to the full Taxes Committee in about two weeks.

Dome space exemption

Office space, dining facilities, and private suites in the Metrodome would be exempt from property taxes if HF1173 (Jacobs, DFL-Coon Rapids) becomes law. Author Rep. Joel Jacobs, also one of the authors of the 1977 law authorizing construction of the stadium, said the Legislature never intended that any part of the stadium should be subject to property taxes.

The Minneapolis city attorney has issued an opinion saying the facilities that professional baseball and football teams should be subject to property taxes.

On April 2, the Local Government Finance Division recommended the bill to pass. It will become part of the division's omnibus bill which will go to the full Taxes Committee in about two weeks.

Muskie spearing

Spearing of muskie is illegal in Minnesota, and most of it happens by mistake, says Rep. Brad Stanius. Stanius told the Environment and Natural Resources Committee April 2 that those mistakes are hurting the state's muskie population.

The fishing world considers muskie to be trophy fish, which people catch and release, or mount if they catch any big enough to be keepers. Once in awhile, says Stanius, someone will mistake a muskie for another fish.

To reduce chances of that error, and give more protection to the fish, Stanius is proposing legislation that would allow the Department of Natural Resources to prohibit spearing in lakes, or parts of lakes, where conditions are adequate for muskie habitat—about 100 in Minnesota.



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HF413 (Stanius, IR-White Bear Lake) goes next to the House floor with the committee's recommendation to pass.

Wholesale liquor

Liquor manufacturers, wholesalers, and retailers squared off April 2 at a meeting of the Commerce and Economic Development Committee. They were there to testify on HF659 (Bennett, IR-Shoreview), a bill that would change Minnesota's 1973 wholesale liquor distribution law.

The bill would repeal the 1973 mandate that requires liquor manufacturers to make their products available to any Minnesota wholesaler who wants to buy them at an equal price. It would, instead, allow manufacturers to choose to whom they want to sell or distribute their products.

Those in the industry, making the distilled products, favor the bill. But wholesalers, and some retailers, oppose it. They argue that the bill, if it becomes law, would return Minnesota to the days when retailers, wholesalers, and consumers, were at the mercy of the liquor manufacturer, who controlled access to almost all of the liquor brands for sale in the state.

The committee recommended the bill to pass; it goes now to the full House.

Abortion ban bill

A bill which would automatically ban abortions if the U.S. Supreme Court reverses its 1973 decision got the approval of the House on April 1, with a 98-33 vote. The bill, HF771 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm), would restore the state's pre-1973 law which banned abortions except to save the life of the mother, if the nation's highest court modifies or reverses its *Roe v. Wade* decision.

The bill now goes to the Senate where its companion, SF1150, is in the Health and Human Services Committee.

License tags

Current license tags signal that you have registered ownership of your vehicle and have paid your license fees. Sometimes, though, your renewal notice doesn't reach you, and you may unknowingly be driving without current tags on your plates.

Should that happen and a law enforcement officer tickets you, you will get 10 additional days to pay the tax and put the tags on, under HF454 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights). You'd have to prove, however, that the Department of Public Safety failed to send the notice of renewal date.

The House passed HF454 on April 1.

Employee reporting

Employees who report their employers' illegal activities could have protection under HF56 (Piepho, IR-Mankato). The bill's author, Rep. Mark Piepho, calls it an employees' social responsibility act.

Piepho says the bill would encourage employees to report, without fear of recrimination, any wrong-doing that violates any federal, state, or local law or regulation. However, the bill would also level a \$300 fine against anyone that knowingly makes false reports.

On April 1, the Labor-Management Relations Committee unanimously gave the bill a recommendation to pass.

Education omnibus bill

The education omnibus bill went to the full Education Committee April 1 with a unanimous vote of approval from the committee's Education Finance Division.

The omnibus bill is a composite of education bills that the committee has adopted into the 12 articles that make up HF88 (Olsen, S., IR-St. Louis Park). Despite the unanimous vote, some legislators expressed concern about the dollar amount on the bill coming in less than the governor's recommendation.

Even in deficit years, the Legislature has come in proposing more money for education than the governor, said Rep. Ken Nelson (DFL-Mpls).

On April 3, the full Education Committee recommended the bill to pass as amended, and rereferred it to the Appropriations Committee.

Farm study bill

A bill that would put \$1.6 million into a study of the farm problem gained a recommendation to pass from the Appropriations Committee on March 29. Author of HF581 (Frerichs, IR-Rochester) says this should have happened long ago, but that the data is still needed to make accurate decisions.

The bill would create a task force of legislators, people from agriculture, and University of Minnesota experts that would report back to the Legislature by the end of the year.

The bill would also offer help in administering the emergency loan program the Legislature passed three weeks ago. It goes next to the House floor.

African famine

A hearing on HF879 (Staten, DFL-Mpls), a bill that would send Minnesota products to help famine-stricken people in Africa, brought news commentator Pat Miles to a meeting of the Agriculture Committee March 29.

Miles told about her recent trip to the Sudan and of the suffering she saw there. She urged legislators to do what they could to educate people about the gravity of conditions in Africa.

Rep. Staten, the bill's author, said some 150 million people in 24 countries face malnutrition and starvation. "We're talking about literally hundreds of thousands of people who are perishing, dying every day — a state of hopelessness."

Rep. Linda Scheid (DFL-Brooklyn Park), author of HF1067 (now part of HF879), and Staten plan to ask for at least \$1 million in relief. Scheid, a former Peace Corps volunteer in Ethiopia, summarized the situation by saying, "We may have farm problems here, but people aren't dropping where they stand."

The Agriculture Committee recommended the bill to pass. It goes next to the Appropriations Committee.

Victims' compensation fund

The victims' hazardous substance compensation fund passed the Appropriations Committee March 29. The bill, HF847 (Olsen, IR-St.Louis Park), would appropriate \$1 million from the state's general fund to establish the victims' compensation fund. The bill would also limit the claimant to \$250,000 and prevent the victim from filing suit if he files a claim with the state.

Unemployment comp

Rep. Gil Gutknecht (IR-Rochester) is author of HF847, this session's unemployment compensation bill. Gutknecht says, if the Legislature fails to act on unemployment comp, it will mean a 90 percent increase in benefits over the next five years, with an increase in tax revenues of only 38 percent, and a debt of almost half a billion dollars.

Gutknecht presented his plan for reform to the Governmental Operations Committee on March 29. The plan would require applicants to work longer to qualify for benefits; change weekly benefit amounts to a flat one-percent of a worker's gross income over the last 52 weeks; cap the maximum benefit amount at \$200 for 1985 (now \$198); and set a minimum benefit amount at \$56 for anyone who qualifies.

The section that affects seasonal workers is one of the more controversial parts of his plan, says Gutknecht. That section says people can't continue to draw benefits year after year in the same quarter. Workers would be ineligible for unemployment if they've drawn benefits two years in a row during the same quarter.

The committee recommended the bill to pass on a vote of 14 to 9. Those opposed to the plan say it isn't a consensus bill, that it has only the support of employer groups, and that it hurts the people most in need of help.

Lemon law

Minnesota's auto warranty law, or lemon law, went into effect in 1983, and the Legislature has amended it a few times since. On March 28, the Commerce and Economic Development Committee recommended to pass, HF838 (Begich, DFL-Eveleth), which would make another change.

HF838 would require car manufacturers or their agents to furnish buyers with temporary replacement cars while their own vehicles are in for repair, or to reimburse owners for cost of a rental replacement.

The bill also provides that, when a car buyer goes through an informal dispute settlement program, a decision must come within 60 days of the consumer's notification of dissatisfaction to the manufacturer. The law requires consumers to use the dispute settlement process if the manufacturer has such a program.

Rep. Joseph Begich, author of HF838 and the state's original lemon law, says the law works well, but it needs this amendment to be more effective.

COMMITTEE ACTION

AGRICULTURE

Friday, March 29

- **Agricultural products—registration system for buyers**
HF990 (Dimler, IR-Chanhassen)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee.
- **Board of Animal Health—powers and duties**
HF708 (McDonald, IR-Watertown)—recommended to pass.
- **Minnesota Trade Office—creation/commissioner**
HF719 (Uphus, IR-Sauk Centre)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Governmental Operations Committee.
- **Minnesota products for African famine relief**
HF879 (Staten, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended; referred to Appropriations Committee. (See Highlight)

Wednesday, April 3

- **Organic food—regulation**
HF1086 (Ogren, DFL-Aitkin)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Excessive soil loss controls**
HF957 (Knuth, DFL-New Brighton)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Elective office—commissioner of agriculture**
HF402 (Sparby, DFL Thief River Falls)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Governmental Operation Committee.

APPROPRIATIONS

Friday, March 29

- **Farm financial data collection**
HF581 (Frerichs, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)
- **Hazardous substance injury compensation fund**
HF876 (Olsen, S., IR-St. Louis Park)—recommended to pass. (See Highlight)

Monday, April 1

- **Dam reconstruction/repair—grants/loans**
HF694 (Anderson, R., IR-Ottertail)—recommended to pass.
- **Storage tanks—regulation**
HF1053 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—referred to State Departments Division of Appropriations Committee.

COMMERCE ECONOMIC & DEVELOPMENT

Friday, March 29

- **Lemon law—changes**
HF838 (Begich, DFL-Eveleth)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)
- **Fraudulent going-out-of-business sales**
HF988 (Becklin, IR-Cambridge)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **“Set-aside program”—changes**
HF1109 (Frerichs, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Liquor recodification bill**
HF1145 (Bennett, IR-Shoreview)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.

Tuesday, April 2

- **Wine sold in grocery stores**
HF606 (Bennett, IR-Shoreview)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)
- **Liquor—prohibiting discrimination in sales**
HF659 (Bennett, IR-Shoreview)—recommended to pass. (See Highlight)
- **Funeral services—regulation of prepayments**
HF1106 (Frerichs, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **South African gold coins—sale prohibited in Minnesota**
HF491 (Vanasek, DFL-New Prague)—recommended not to pass.
- **Community development corps—board members income levels**
HF580 (O'Connor, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW

Friday, March 29

- **Assault and domestic abuse—penalties increased**
HF800 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Sports bookmaking**
HF448 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—recommended to pass.
- **Criminal liability—dangerous animals**
HF264 (Heap, IR-Plymouth)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Extradition under treaty**
HF831 (Ozment, IR-Rosemount)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Prison confinement pending sentencing**
HF766 (Marsh, IR-Sauk Rapids)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Escape from custody—mental patients**
HF839 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Restitution—enforcement**
HF645 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.

- **Sexual exploitation by psychotherapists**
HF1070 (Ozment, IR-Rosemount)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
 - **Parental abduction—clarifications**
HF245 (Segal, DFL-St. Louis Park)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
 - **Claims against the state**
HF514 (Ogren, DFL-Aitkin)—recommended to pass as amended.
- Wednesday, April 3
- **Jails and lockups—recordkeeping systems**
HF1193 (Clausnitzer, IR-Maple Grove)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
 - **Crime—using police radio to commit crime**
HF1163 (Thorson, IR-Bemidji)—recommended to pass as amended.
 - **Child abuse prevention trust fund**
HF450 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Taxes Committee. (See Highlight)

EDUCATION

Monday, April 1

- **SW University—science/technology center**
HF642 (Erickson, IR-Hills)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **State University System—payroll deductions**
HF968 (Thorson, IR-Bemidji)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Private for-profit schools consolidation of regulation**
HF992 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—recommended to pass.
- **Financial aid changes—farm/rural business students**
HF999 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—recommended to pass.
- **State University System—loan debt collection**
HF1010 (Boerboom, IR-Cottonwood)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Judiciary Committee.
- **Scholarships—appropriations allowed**
HF1020 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

- **Part-time students—scholarships/grants**
HF1073 (Boo, IR-Duluth)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **State University System—sparking jurisdiction**
HF1158 (Piepho, IR-Mankato)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

Wednesday, April 3

- **Education omnibus bill**
HF88 (Olsen, S., IR-St. Louis Park)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (See Highlight)

Education Finance Div./Ed.

Friday, March 29

- **Technology and Educational Improvement**
Article 8—adopted as amended for inclusion in HF88.
- **Miscellaneous Education**
Article 7—reopened and adopted as amended for inclusion in HF88.
- **Community and Adult Education**
Article 4—reopened and adopted as amended for inclusion in HF88.
- **Special and Compensatory Education**
Article 3—reopened and amended for inclusion in HF88; hearings to continue.

Monday, April 1

- **Mill rates—basic maintenance rate**
HF1124 (Schreiber, IR-Brooklyn)—adopted into Article 1 for possible inclusion in HF88.
- **Education omnibus bill**
HF88 (Olsen, IR-St. Louis Park)—recommended to pass as amended to full committee. (See Highlight)

Higher Education Div./Ed.

Friday, March 29

- **Part-time students—scholarships and grants**
HF1073 (Boo, IR-Duluth)—recommended to pass as amended to full committee.

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ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

Friday, March 29

- **Solid waste facilities—increased bonding**
HF956 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Duluth zoo—appropriating money**
HF1008 (Boo, IR-Duluth)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Flood damage reduction—authorizing grants**
HF853 (Valan, IR-Moorhead)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Surcharge on fines—conservation officer training**
HF872 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Hunting and fishing—law changes**
HF623 (Thiede, IR-Pequot Lakes)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Timber harvest informational meeting**
HF881 (Thorson, IR-Bemidji)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Watercraft licensing exemption—rowing shells**
HF927 (Voss, DFL-Blaine)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **State trail—alternate name**
HF979 (Clausnitzer, IR-Maple Grove)—laid over for interim study.
- **Lead—limiting public exposure**
HF971 (Carlson, D., IR—Sandstone)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Fishing licenses—Camp Ripley personnel**
HF18 (Wenzel, DFL-Little Falls)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Elk—confinement of herd**
HF964 (Tunheim, IR-Kennedy)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Walleye quota—DNR purchase**
HF1154 (McDonald, IR-Watertown)—laid over for interim study.

Tuesday, April 2

- **Spearing prohibited on muskellunge lakes**
HF413 (Stanisus, IR-White Bear Lake)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)
- **Forest development—county grants**
HF1210 (Carlson, D.; IR-Sandstone)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

- **Timber resource development**
HF1300 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Game and fish—license fee increases**
HF1340 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (See Highlight)
- **Hunters and anglers—harassment prohibited**
HF1183 (Begich, DFL-Eveleth)—recommended to pass as amended. (adopted HF1183 in place of HF551)
- **Water permit fees—changes**
HF1256 (DenOuden, IR-Prinsburg)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **State park fees/receipts—changes**
HF1321 (Shaver, IR-Wayzata)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Watershed district laws—changes**
HF1279 (Waltman, IR-Elgin)—recommended to pass.
- **Chisago County—sale of tax-forfeited land**
HF1150 (Jennings, L., DFL-Rush City)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Youth conservation corp/cigarette tax increase**
HF1058 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Taxes Committee.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE

Wednesday, April 3

- **Insolvent insurers—distribution of assets**
HF857 (Olsen, S., IR-St. Louis Park)—heard; laid over.
- **Gifts to minors—registration of securities**
HF1117 (Carlson, J., IR-Moorhead)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Interstate acquisition of banks—reciprocity**
HF671 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—recommended to pass.

GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS

Friday, March 29

- **Repeal of Charitable Gambling Board**
HF1055 (Dimler, IR-Chanhassen)—heard; laid over until April 1.

Monday, April 1

- **Repeal of Charitable Gambling Board**
HF1055 (Dimler, IR-Chanhassen)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Governmental Operations Committee.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

Friday, March 29

- **Minnesota Education Computing Corporation**
HF619 (Erickson, IR-Hills)—recommended to pass.
- **Vocational technical education council—created**
HF897 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Unemployment insurance—changes**
HF847 (Gutknecht, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)

Monday, April 1

- **Duluth—easement conveyance**
HF852 (Boo, IR-Duluth)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Gypsy moth/shade tree—protection/control programs**
HF1071 (Rees, IR-Lakeville)—recommended not to pass.
- **Commerce departmental bill**
HF842 (Marsh, IR-Sauk Rapids)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Commerce and Economic Development Committee.
- **Fire services—fingerprinting**
HF1064 (O'Connor, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Public Safety departmental bill**
HF1250 (Ozment, IR-Rosemount)—recommended to pass as amended.

Tuesday, April 2

- **Bill introductions—fiscal notes required**
HF871 (Riveness, DFL-Bloomington)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Workers' comp reinsurance association—board membership**
HF781 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Set-aside programs—certification process**
HF1267 (Gutknecht, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Repeal of Charitable Gambling Board**
HF1055 (Dimler, IR-Chanhassen)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Taxes Committee.

Wednesday, April 3

- **Minnesota Zoo—board and funds**
HF1074 (DenOuden, IR-Prinsburg)—laid over until April 9.
- **Open meeting law—changes**
HF529 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—laid over until April 10.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Friday, March 29

- **Nursing homes—changes in reimbursement procedures**
HF769 (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—laid over for possible inclusion in the Health and Human Services omnibus bill.

Monday, April 1

- **Aid for unborn children—eligibility extended**
HF985 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Medical assistance—to mothers living with parents**
HF911 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—laid over for inclusion in the Health and Human Services omnibus bill.
- **Day care—setting rates/sliding fee program**
HF696 (Ozment, IR-Rosemount)—laid over for inclusion in the Health and Human Services omnibus bill.
- **Nursing homes—changes in reimbursement**
HF769 (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—laid over for inclusion in the Health and Human Services omnibus bill.
- **Nursing homes—bed moratorium extension**
HF908 (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—laid over for inclusion in the Health and Human Services omnibus bill.

- **Hospitals—swing beds/licensing/ other changes**
HF924 (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—laid over for inclusion in the Health and Human Services omnibus bill.
- **Child support—parental liability**
HF1018 (Quist, IR-St. Peter)—laid over for inclusion in the Health and Human Services omnibus bill.

Tuesday, April 2

- **Human life resolution—proposed amendment**
HF123 (Marsh, DFL-Sauk Rapids)—recommended to pass as amended.

JUDICIARY

Tuesday, April 2

- **Uniform anatomical gift act—minors**
HF683 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)
- **County recorder/register of title—fees**
HF646 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Tax court judges—attorney required**
HF1224 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Uniform Foreign Money Judgment Act**
HF891 (Rees, IR-Lakeville)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Conciliation court—limit raised**
HF1075 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—recommended to pass.
- **Conciliation court—student loans**
HF1178 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Unlawful detainer actions—service**
HF1129 (McPherson, IR-Stillwater)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Unconstitutional statute—costs**
HF1214 (Pappas, DFL-St. Paul)—heard; laid over.

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- **Guardians/conservators—costs**
HF1023 (Vanasek, DFL-New Prague)—recommended to pass.
- **Registering title—manner of notice**
HF563 (Nelson, DFL-Champlin)—recommended to pass as amended.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

Monday, April 1

- **Employee social responsibility act**
HF56 (Piepho, IR-Mankato)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)
- **Workers' comp—statute changes**
HF1130 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **OSHA—right-to-know changes**
HF1262 (Himle, IR-Bloomington)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Fair labor standard practice act—changes**
HF1280 (Burger, IR-Long Lake)—recommended to pass as amended.

Tuesday, April 2

- **Workers' comp. insurance premium—remove credit limit**
HF545 (Poppenhagen, IR-Detroit Lakes)—recommended to pass.
- **Part-time peace officers—public employee exclusion**
HF887 (Begich, DFL-Eveleth)—recommended to pass.
- **Educ. assistants—remove from Duluth civil service roles**
HF918 (Jaros, DFL-Duluth)—recommended to pass.
- **St. Louis Cty. emergency jobs prog. employ.—PERA exempt**
HF1319 (Begich, DFL-Eveleth)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS

Tuesday, April 2

- **Ramsey county—creation of a personnel system**
HF907 (Valento, IR-Little Canada)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.

- **Cass County—levy for tourism/agriculture promotion**
HF1188 (Zaffke, IR-Backus)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Taxes Committee.
 - **Hubbard County—parks/recreation levy**
HF757 (Zaffke, IR-Backus)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Taxes Committee.
 - **Hubbard County—levy to support agricultural fairs**
HF807 (Zaffke, IR-Backus)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Taxes Committee.
 - **City real estate sales—bidding procedures**
HF363 (Zaffke, IR-Backus)—laid over for interim study.
 - **Ramsey County—law clerk position unclassified**
HF823 (Vellenga, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
 - **Motor park—feasibility study**
HF773 (Bennett, IR-Shoreview)—recommended to pass as amended.
- Wednesday, April 3**
- **Counties—comprehensive local water management plans**
HF961 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

REGULATED INDUSTRIES & ENERGY

Monday, April 1

- **School districts—payback energy conservation investments**
HF921 (Zaffke, IR-Backus)—recommended to pass.
- **Coined-operated telephone firms—deregulated**
HF1025 (Miller, IR-Redwood Falls)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Outdoor telephone booths—advertising**
HF1185 (Jacobs, DFL-Coon Rapids)—recommended to pass.
- **Circle Pines Utilities Commission**
HF1197 (Voss, DFL-Blaine)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Renewable energy resources—incentives/standards**
HF1234 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Taxes Committee.

- **Indemnification cross-reference—corrected**
HF1254 (Redalen, IR-Fountain)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Minnesota Racing Commission—housecleaning bill**
HF1281 (Kostohryz, DFL-North St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Rural electric co-operatives—election of board**
HF952 (Fjoslien, IR-Brandon)—heard; rereferred to Utility subcommittee.
- **Quarter horse racing assignments**
HF1096 (McDonald, IR-Watertown)—heard; rereferred to Gaming subcommittee.

TAXES

Friday, March 29

- **Omnibus tax bill**
HF1269 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—heard.

Tuesday, April 2

- **Sales/motor vehicle excise tax—changes**
HF1000 (Tjornhom, IR-Richfield)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Tax compliance department bill**
SF450 (Jude, DFL-Mound)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Property tax study commission—created**
HF388 (Burger, IR-Long Lake)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

Local Government Finance Div./Taxes

Monday, April 1

- **Real property—definition clarified**
HF854 (Dimler, IR-Chanhassen)—recommended to pass for inclusion in division's omnibus tax bill.
- **IDB authority—allocation**
HF495 (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—heard.
- **Private activity bonds—changing allocation method**
HF544 (Schreiber, IR-Brooklyn Park)—heard.

Tuesday, April 2

- **IDB authority—allocation**
HF495 (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in division's omnibus tax bill.
- **Private activity bonds—changing allocation method**
HF544 (Schreiber, IR-Brooklyn Park)—heard; amended into HF495.
- **Metro sports facility—tax-exempt status**
HF1173 (Jacobs, DFL-Coon Rapids)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in division's omnibus tax bill.
- **Utility property—assessment ratio changed**
HF1190 (Osthoff, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in division's omnibus tax bill. (See Highlight)
- **Property tax on homesteads—limited**
HF933 (Long, DFL-Mpls.)—heard; laid over for further discussion.
- **Homestead assessment ratios—modified**
HF935 (Long, DFL-Mpls.)—heard; laid over for further discussion.
- **Homestead credit computation—modified**
HF936 (Long, DFL-Mpls.)—heard; laid over for further discussion.

TRANSPORTATION

Monday, April 1

- **6-year plates for certain vehicles**
HF917 (Valan, IR-Moorhead)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Convey land for historical purposes**
HF1113 (Pappas, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Department of Transportation—housekeeping bill**
HF1155 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Local bridge bond authorization—\$10 million**
HF1311 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

- **Minimum maintenance roads**
HF723 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **24-foot rule for county state-aid highways—repealed**
HF1260 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—recommended to pass.
- **MN/Dot motor carrier powers—transfers**
HF624 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Governmental Operations Committee.

Tuesday, April 2

- **Three-wheel, off-road vehicles—regulation**
HF1015 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Caboose car—required on certain freight trains**
HF789 (Backlund, IR-Fridley)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Regulated Industries and Energy Committee.
- **Patrol mobile communications equipment**
HF827 (Piepho, IR-Mankato)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Driver's licenses—\$5 examination fees**
HF1127 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Motor vehicle tax installment payments—\$30 fee**
HF1125 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Tax exempt vehicle license plate fees**
HF1126 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

Wednesday, April 3

- **Trunk highway—80,000 lb. statewide gross weight limit**
HF630 (Boerboom, IR-Cottonwood)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Taxes Committee.

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CONSENT CALENDAR

Thursday, March 28

- **Ramsey County—conciliation court referees' salaries**
HF461/SF388 (Cohen, DFL-St. Paul)—passed.
 - **Plumbing—lead free solder in pipes**
HF535/SF589 (Sherman, IR-Winona)—passed.
 - **Itasca County—promotional expenditures**
HF537/SF552 (Solberg, DFL-Bovey)—passed.
 - **Local government—conflict of interest rules**
HF585 (Anderson, G., DFL-Bellingham)—passed.
 - **Veterinarians—foreign graduates practice**
HF533/SF341 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—passed.
 - **Soil and water conservation board—powers and duties**
HF565/SF526 (Welle, DFL-Wilmar)—passed.
 - **Fur farm registration**
HF604/SF540 (McDonald, IR-Watertown)—passed.
 - **Adoptions—regulates adoptions by relatives**
HF674/SF913 (Clausnitzer, IR-Maple Grove)—passed.
 - **County boards—mental health center boards**
HF701/SF877 (Clausnitzer, IR-Maple Grove)—passed.
 - **Elections—Sec. of State Dept. bill**
HF850/SF673 (Shaver, IR-Wayzata)—passed.
- #### Monday, April 1
- **Moorhead—urban town powers**
HF58/SF65 (Valan, IR-Moorhead)—passed.
 - **State lands—sale to city of Hastings**
HF230/SF284 (Ozment, IR-Hastings)—passed.

- **Local fire protection—changes for special districts**
HF315/SF282 (Becklin, IR-Cambridge)—passed.
- **Petroleum product definitions**
HF730/SF493 (Tjornhom, IR-Richfield)—passed.
- **Independent telephone company—redefined**
HF894/SF843 (Dyke, IR-Worthington)—passed.
- **Snowmobile registration—correction in law**
HF928/SF727 (Thiede, IR-Pequot Lakes)—passed.
- **Heritage preservation commission—laws governing**
HF951 (Piepho, IR-Mankato)—passed.
- **Hermantown Public Utility Commission**
HF953 (Murphy, DFL-Hermantown)—passed.
- **Cogeneration/small power plants—no certificate of need**
HF1037/SF1163 (Tjornhom, IR-Richfield)—passed.
- **Minnesota Municipal Board—allowed to require hearings**
HF1065/SF1101 (Boerboom, IR-Cottonwood)—passed.
- **Emergency farm operating act—lender clarified**
HF1216/SF1199 (Redalen, IR-Fountain)—passed as amended.
- **Registered land surveys/title transfers**
HF125/SF198* (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—passed.

CALENDAR

Thursday, March 28

- **No-fault insurance—changes; stacking—eliminated**
HF345/SF314 (Seaberg, IR-Mendota Heights)—passed.

Monday, April 1

- **Small towns—voting hours**
HF381/36? (Uphus, IR-Sauk Centre)—passed as amended on General Orders.
- **Campaign contribution reports—certified mail allowed**
HF415/SF486 (Minne, DFL-Hibbing)—passed as amended on General Orders.

- **Public pension funds—corrections**
HF440/SF321 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—passed.
- **Motorist—unregistered vehicles**
HF454/SF657 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—passed. (See Highlight)
- **Sales tax—accelerated payment eliminated**
HF65/SF173 (Kvam, IR-Litchfield)—passed.
- **Hibbing—fixing term of mayor, council**
HF270/SF287* (Minne, DFL-Hibbing)—passed as amended on General Orders.
- **Tree removal—highway right-of-way**
HF327 (Jennings, L., IR-Rush City)—passed.
- **Elections—absentee ballot changes**
HF759 (Backlund, IR-Fridley)—passed.
- **Utilities—no recourse against landlords on tenants contracts**
HF143/SF855 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—passed.
- **Teacher/school board mediation—changes PELRA**
HF207/SF118* (Sviggum)—passed as amended on General Orders.
- **Horsereading—county fair racing days**
HF227/SF239 (Minne, DFL-Hibbing)—passed as amended on General Orders.
- **Utilities—regulatory process technical changes**
HF539/SF817 (Gruenes, IR-St.Cloud)—passed as amended on General Orders.
- **State councils—appointments**
HF786/SF808 (Gutknecht, IR-Rochester)—passed as amended on General Orders.
- **Pituitary gland—removal by county coroner**
HF277/SF331* (McEachern, DFL-St. Michael)—passed as amended on General Orders.
- **Soil/water conservation—cost-sharing funds**
HF94/SF101 (Redalen, IR-Fountain)—passed.
- **Credit union powers**
HF216/SF229 (Halberg, IR-Burnsville)—passed.
- **West St. Paul—election changes**
HF422/SF434 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—passed.

- **Mental health—interstate service contracts**
HF186/SF146 (Sherman, IR-Winona)—passed.
- **Van-type motor homes—regulation**
HF256/SF406 (Bennett, IR-Shoreview)—passed.
- **Warroad school districts—capital loan**
HF263/SF483* (Tunheim, DFL-Kennedy)—passed.
- **County property—sales through brokers**
HF446/SF1060 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—passed.
- **AVTI-combined districts**
HF470/SF518 (Erickson, IR-Hills)—passed.
- **“Star City” signs on interstate highways**
HF586/SF635 (McEachern, DFL-St. Michael)—passed.
- **Rural Rehabilitation Corp. Trust Liquidation Trust Act**
HF648/SF601 (Sparby, DFL-Thief River Falls)—passed.
- **Mankato—one short-term liquor license**
HF698/SF698 (Frederick, IR-Mankato)—passed.
- **Mentally ill—clarifies proceedings**
HF702 (Clausnitzer, IR-Maple Grove)—passed.
- **Farm wineries, breweries—change in tax**
HF738/SF777 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—passed.
- **Abortions—legislative intent**
HF771 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—passed. (See Highlight)

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BILL INTRODUCTIONS

Bill Introductions

Monday, Apr 1

HF1370—Bishop (IR)—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; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1371—Bishop (IR)—Judiciary

Minnesota statutes; correcting erroneous, ambiguous, omitted, and obsolete references and text; eliminating certain redundant, conflicting, and superseded provisions; reenacting certain laws; providing instructions to the revisor; amending statutes; amending laws; reenacting statutes; repealing statutes; repealing laws.

HF1372—Murphy (DFL)—Judiciary

Fines; providing for distribution of more state and county court fine money to municipalities; amending statutes.

HF1373—Segal (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Housing; requiring a written disclosure notice to accompany the sale of homes on leased land; proposing coding for new law.

HF1374—Begich (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Mines and minerals; prescribing fencing of unused mine pits and shafts; providing exceptions to tort liability in regard to certain water access sites related to mining areas; providing for a study and report; providing penalties; amending statutes.

HF1375—Schreiber (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Deposit and investment of public funds; modifying the collateral requirements for public deposits; amending statutes.

HF1376—Nelson, D (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Education; modifying the definitions of teachers and of supervisory and support personnel for the purpose of licensure; modifying the kinds of personnel licensed by the board of teaching and the state board of education; changing the membership of the board of teaching; amending statutes.

HF1377—Anderson, G (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; modifying the procedure used by the state board of equalization for determining property values for taxes payable in 1986.

HF1378—Price (DFL)—Judiciary

Animals; prohibiting keeping of certain wild, exotic, or vicious animals; imposing a penalty; proposing coding for new law.

HF1379—Kvam (IR)—Governmental Operations

State government; providing for a warranty for certain small business preferences and set-asides; amending statutes.

HF1380—Redalen (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; modifying the procedure used by the state board of equalization for determining property values for taxes payable in 1986.

HF1381—Redalen (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; property; providing for homestead classification in certain cases for agricultural land occupied by persons holding a remainder interest in the property; amending statutes.

HF1382—Cohen (DFL)—Judiciary

Courts; providing for transcript fees in the second judicial district; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1383—Stanislaus (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Corrections; requiring supervision of inmates by correctional officers of same sex; proposing coding for new law.

HF1384—Sparby (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; appropriating money to relocate agricultural dikes along the Red River; amending laws.

HF1385—Boo (IR)—Health/Human Services

Health; authorizing the committees on health and human services to develop a policy and action plan concerning state hospitals.

HF1386—Boo (IR)—Education

Post-secondary education; changing the task force on average cost funding; changing the requirements for post-secondary education system plans; amending statutes.

HF1387—Murphy (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; public employees generally; allowing deferred members to retire at the age applicable to current members; amending statutes.

HF1388—Richter (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; requiring certain levels of solids-not-fat in fluid milk marketed in Minnesota; encouraging the promotion and increased use of "cream line" milk; amending statutes.

HF1389—Johnson (IR)—Transportation

Transportation; railroads; prescribing fees for commencement of various proceedings before the transportation regulation board; proposing coding for new law.

HF1390—Scheid (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Public finance; modifying provisions that allocate industrial revenue bond authority; clarifying the duties of the department of energy and economic development; amending statutes.

HF1391—Bishop (IR)—Health/Human Services

Economic security; defining temporary housing; deleting a sunset provision; requiring certain followup information on persons assisted; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF1392—Bishop (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Economic development; providing a state advocacy function for business license applicants; amending statutes.

HF1393—Vellenga (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Minneapolis/St. Paul housing finance board.

HF1394—Kelly (DFL)—Agriculture

Animals; authorizing a statewide program of spaying and neutering dogs and cats; creating a spaying and neutering fund; imposing a surcharge on certain pet food sold in Minnesota; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1395—Kalis (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; income; exempting capital gains from farm foreclosure sales; amending statutes.

HF1396—Bishop (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Public lands; authorizing Olmsted county to acquire a road easement in certain state land.

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HF1397—Jaros (DFL)—Health/Human Services

A resolution memorializing the President and Congress of the United States to enact a program of national health insurance.

HF1398—Segal (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Human services; requiring county boards to provide services to mentally ill persons; specifying duties of the commissioner; authorizing rulemaking; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1399—Segal (DFL)—Education

Education; requiring licensed school nurses; regulating the administration of medication by school personnel; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1400—Olsen, S (IR)—Taxes

Education; authorizing the conveyance of certain lands from the state to independent school district No. 270; providing for the release of certain conditions and reservations contained in prior deeds.

HF1401—Uphus (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; finding conditions exist that have caused a loss of agricultural credit; declaring an agricultural economic emergency exists; providing seed, fertilizer, herbicides, and fuel loans; making emergency loans to counties; guaranteeing loans; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF1402—Schreiber (IR)—Budget

Agricultural resource loan guaranty program; modifying the terms of the state's guaranty; permitting purchases of private guarantees; repealing the authority to issue state general obligation bonds; authorizing the issuance of revenue bonds; restricting the use of tax increments; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing laws.

HF1403—Pappas (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Environment; requiring government action to determine and decrease the health risks attributable to exposure to or absorption of lead; providing for duties of the pollution control agency and the commissioner of health; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1404—Rest (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; teachers; participation in variable annuity division; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1405—Halberg (IR)—Judiciary

Contempt of court; providing penalties for failure to file a complete income tax return pursuant to court order; proposing coding for new law.

HF1406—Kahn (DFL)—Education

Education; clarifying the term "Minnesota resident" for purposes of financial aid; amending statutes.

HF1407—Halberg (IR)—Transportation

Traffic regulations; prescribing state patrol vehicle markings and flashing light; limiting trooper testimony; amending statutes.

HF1408—Jacobs (DFL)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Utilities; regulating certain intrastate gas pipelines; amending statutes.

HF1409—Dempsey (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Commerce; requiring certain agreements to extend credit to be in writing; proposing coding for new law.

HF1410—Welle (DFL)—Education

Education; providing a state aid incentive for class size reductions in kindergarten through grade 12; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1411—Boo (IR)—Education

Education; authorizing an income-contingent loan repayment program for medical, dental, pharmacy, and veterinary students; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1412—Olson, E (DFL)—Education

Education; authorizing forgiveness of certain portions of student loans for teachers of secondary mathematics and science in certain rural school districts; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1413—Munger (DFL)—Transportation

A resolution memorializing the President and Congress of the United States and the Secretary of Transportation of the need for continued funding of Amtrak.

HF1414—Boo (IR)—Education

Post-secondary education; limiting the use and removing the cap of unexpended balances; prohibiting amounts carried forward from being deducted from later appropriations; amending statutes.

HF1415—Rose (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Game and fish; providing a split season opener for the walleyed pike season; amending statutes.

HF1416—Elioff (DFL)—Transportation

Motor vehicles; abolishing certain fees related to special license plates issued to former prisoners of war; amending statutes.

HF1417—Redalen (IR)—Transportation

City of Harmony; allocating money from state-aid funds to replace bridge.

HF1418—Onnen (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; authorizing the department to enter into shared service agreements; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1419—Zaffke (IR)—Health/Human Services

Health; requiring the commission on long-term health care to review the state hospital study findings and make recommendations.

HF1420—Sviggum (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; establishing demonstration projects for services to the mentally ill and chemically dependent; appropriating money.

HF1421—McKasy (IR)—Judiciary

Commerce; defining "trade secret"; amending statutes.

HF1422—Ozment (IR)—Health/Human Services

Corrections; allowing chiropractors to practice in institutions under the control of the commissioner of corrections; amending statutes.

HF1423—Burger (IR)—Education

Education; authorizing the higher education coordinating board to contract for a project; requiring reports; appropriating money.

HF1424—Cohen (DFL)—Judiciary

Courts; providing for transcript fees in the second judicial district; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1425—Segal (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; income; providing an exclusion for certain income for people age 65 and over; amending statutes.

HF1426—Uphus (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; changing the agricultural land preservation pilot county program; amending statutes.

HF1427—Carlson, D (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Economic crisis in northeastern Minnesota; creating the Northeastern Minnesota Economic Development Corporation to promote economic development in northeastern Minnesota and to provide incentives for industrial and manufacturing enterprises to locate in northeastern Minnesota; providing for a board of directors and an advisory committee; establishing a northeastern Minnesota economic recovery fund; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1428—Schrieber (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Hennepin county; providing for the election of the park reserve district board; amending laws; repealing laws.

HF1429—Segal (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Child abuse; authorizing the commissioner of human services to order the suspension of facility employees accused of child abuse; pending investigation or prosecution; amending statutes.

HF1430—Battaglia (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Environment; appropriating money to the commissioner of natural resources for payment to Lake county for improvements to the environmental learning center at Isabella, Minnesota.

HF1431—Bishop (IR)—Judiciary

Statutes; conforming various laws to judicial decisions of unconstitutionality and suggestions for clarity; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1432—Richter (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Liquor; authorizing the city of Sebeka to issue a temporary on-sale license.

HF1433—Boo (IR)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; Duluth firefighters relief association; consolidation into the public employees police and fire fund; terminating the special fund of the Duluth firefighters relief association; transferring of assets and records; repealing laws.

HF1434—Begich (DFL)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Utilities; establishing a study of the effects of deregulation of certain gas and electric utility functions; appropriating money.

HF1435—Quist (IR)—Judiciary

Local government; providing for the maintenance of town cartways; amending statutes.

HF1436—Onnen (IR)—Health/Human Services

Occupations and professions; revising the standards for licensing and disciplining physicians; establishing reporting requirements for health professionals and granting immunity to those complying with reporting requirements; appropriating money; recodifying certain provisions in statutes; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1437—Burger (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; refining the vulnerable adults reporting act; clarifying definitions and records provisions; amending statutes.

HF1438—Onnen (IR)—Health/Human Services

Health and human services; providing for maternal and child health grant distribution; requiring parent contribution; providing day care program rates; abolishing state share of Title IV-E foster care payments; creating permanency planning grants to counties; providing services for the elderly; creating a consolidated chemical dependency services fund; clarifying case management services for the mentally retarded; changing the health maintenance organization provisions; requiring a health care market report; expanding duties of the interagency board for quality assurance; creating a legislative commission of quality assurance and cost containment; requiring a study of home health care, services for mentally retarded persons, and services for mentally ill persons; requiring a study of guardianship; requiring a home equity conversion study; establishing prepaid health plans; changing nursing home reimbursement provisions; expanding medical assistance for young mothers; increasing incentives for enforcing child support payments; placing certain limitations on aid to families with dependent children and general assistance; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

SF342—Lantry (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Occupations and professions; requiring that plumbing inspectors hold a license as master or journeyman plumbers or be a state certified plumbing inspector; establishing a certification procedure; amending statutes.

SF472—Johnson, D (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Taxation; discontinuing enforcement of the unfair cigarette sales act; modifying certain procedures relating to taxpayer appeals; requiring apportionment of levies in specific situations; clarifying the calculation of property tax credits; clarifying the tax treatment of certain pipelines; modifying provisions relating to the payment of property taxes; allowing for sales of sample packs of cigarettes containing 25 cigarettes; altering the eligibility for confessions of judgement; providing for the recording of state deeds; modifying the deed stamp tax procedure; clarifying the computation of gross earnings tax for taconite railroads; clarifying labor credit provisions; modifying the taconite production tax distribution; reducing occupation and royalty tax rates for certain ore; clarifying process of taconite aid guarantee phase out; requiring payment of current taxes before conveyance of registered land; allowing for memorializing of state deeds on certificates of title; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

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SF63—Peterson, C (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of Fergus Falls located in Otter Tail county and the city of Detroit Lakes located in Becker county; granting the cities the powers of a port authority; authorizing the port authority to exercise the powers of a municipal housing and redevelopment authority; permitting the cities to choose the name of the port authority; requiring local approval.



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ADVANCE COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

All rooms are located in the State Office Building unless otherwise indicated. This schedule is subject to change. For information call House Calls at 296-9283, or contact Terri Hudoba at 296-2146. All meetings are open to the public.

PLEASE NOTE
TO ALL COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION CHAIRS: The deadline for all committee and commission meeting notices is NOON ON THURSDAY OF EACH WEEK. Please send notices in time for the Thursday publication deadline to House Information, Rm. 9, State Capitol.

Monday, April 8

8:00 a.m.
STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Allocations for Capitol Area Architectural and Planning Board (CAAPB); State Board of Investment; Waste Management Board; Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board (IRRRB).

8:15 a.m.
EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Allocations for Mayo Medical, State University Board.

10:00 a.m.
CRIME & FAMILY LAW, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: HF788/SF650 (Valento) Increasing the penalty for an offense committee against a transit provider or operator when violence or a threat of violence is not involved. HF690/SF33 (Hartinger) Providing for penalties upon conviction of certain hit and run violations. HF219/SF177 (Staten) Defining "mentally impaired." HF820 (Tompkins) Providing for assault of firefighters or emergency medical services personnel. HF1191/SF1029 (Kiffmeyer) Providing for access to drivers license photographic negatives.

12:00 noon
LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: HF1380 (Redalen) Modifying the procedure used by the state board of equalization for determining property values for taxes payable in 1986. Dept. of Revenue presentation on sales ratio data.

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

After Session
STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Allocations for Dept. of Mediation Services; Public Employment Relations Board; Dept. of Labor and Industry.

Tuesday, April 9

8:00 a.m.
EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: HF88 (S. Olsen) Education Aids bill.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Allocations for Dept. of Human Services continued.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Allocations for the Pollution Control Agency (PCA).

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: HF1074 (DenOuden) Establishing a newly constituted board and separate funds for the MN Zoo.

8:15 a.m.
TAXES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: HF179 (Johnson) Motor fuels; expanding definition of qualified service stations for purposes of the excise tax on gasoline. HF107 (Sviggum) Allowing an income tax credit for pollution control feedlot equipment purchased in 1983-84. HF246 (McKasy) Income; allowing individuals who do not itemize deductions a deduction for charitable contributions. HF548 (McKasy) Increasing the income tax itemized deduction for use of an automobile for volunteer services. HF1133 (Pauly) Providing an income tax credit for gifts to certain post secondary educational institutions in Minnesota.

10:00 a.m.
COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: To be announced.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. John Rose. Agenda: HF628 (D. Carlson) Planning and implementation of wildlife management. HF967 (E. Olson) Authorizing additions to and deletions from certain state parks. SF279/HF366 (Hartinger) Increasing the penalty on owners and keepers of certain dogs. SF228/HF174 (Neuenschwander) Exempting hunters on licensed game farms in the northern portion of the state from the requirement of a pheasant stamp.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Onnen. Agenda: To be announced.

12:00 noon

JUDICIARY, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Charles Halberg. Agenda: HF1097 (Dempsey) Increasing the amount of tax exemption for farm implements and machinery. HF643 (Bishop) Clarifying factors to be considered in awarding maintenance in marriage dissolution. HF695 (Onnen) Allowing non-profit corporations to establish common trust funds. HF984 (Halberg) Authorizing aggregation of damages in cases of multiple defendants.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE & WORKERS' COMPENSATION DIVISION/Labor-Management Relations, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Steve Sviggum. Agenda: To be announced.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: To be announced.

2:00 p.m.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Allocations for Community Colleges.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: Presentation of MN Realtors Association property tax proposal.

3:00 p.m.

BUDGET, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. David Jennings. Agenda: Governor's proposed capital budget.

6:00 p.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Allocations for Dept. of Finance, including Tort Claims and Contingency Funds.

Wednesday, April 10
8:00 a.m.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Allocations for University of Minnesota.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Allocations for Dept. of Human Services continued.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Allocations for Supreme Court; Court of Appeals; Trial Court; Judicial Standards Board; Public Defender; Public Defense Board.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: HF529 (Knickerbocker) Open meeting bill.

10:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. K. J. McDonald. Agenda: To be announced.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: HF456/SF31 (Blatz) Providing for revocation of a watercraft license when the watercraft is used by an operator who is arrested for operating the watercraft while under the influence of alcohol or who refuses chemical testing. HF1139/SF569 (Stanis) Granting conservation officers the authority of peace officers.

12:00 noon

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Adolph Kvam. Agenda: To be announced.

2:00 p.m.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Allocations for University of MN continued.

JUDICIARY, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Charles Halberg. Agenda: HF661/SF291 (McKasy) Intestate succession and spouse's elective share. HF141/SF143 (Dempsey) Changing effective dates for provisions relating to validation of foreclosure sales. HF532/SF46 (Poppenhagen) Dissolution of a cooperative. HF568 (Halberg) Allowing an award of damages for mental anguish in wrongful death actions.

6:00 p.m.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Allocations for University of MN continued.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Allocations for State Planning Agency; Legislative Coordinating Commission (LCC); Legislative Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCMR), administrative budget only.

7:00 p.m.

LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON WASTE MANAGEMENT, Rm. 112 Capitol. Chr. Rep. Dee Long. Agenda: 1) Action on LCWM recommendation regarding appropriations from the Environmental Response, Compensation and Compliance Fund (established in the Superfund) as mandated by M.S. 115B.20, Subd. 5; 2) Action on LCWM recommendation regarding appropriations from Landfill Contingency Action Fund as mandated by M.S. 473.845, Subd. 4; 3) Action on LCWM recommendation regarding appropriations from Landfill Abatement Fund as mandated by M.S. 473.844, Subd. 3; 4) Discussion and action on Waste Management Board policy regarding household hazardous waste.

Thursday, April 11

8:00 a.m.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Allocations for University of MN continued.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Allocations for Dept. of Human Services continued.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Allocations for Dept. of Administration.

HIGHER EDUCATION DIVISION/Education, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Mark Plepho. Agenda: Farmers and higher education.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: To be announced.

8:15 a.m.

TAXES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: HF342 (Jacobs) Repealing the special sales tax on sales of intoxicating liquor. HF1055 (Dimler) Lawful gambling bill.

10:00 a.m.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: To be announced.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. John Rose. Agenda: To be announced.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Onnen. Agenda: To be announced.

12:00 noon

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: To be announced.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

After Session

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Allocations for Dept. of Administration continued.

Friday, April 12

8:00 a.m.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Allocations for Dept. of Education.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: HF1438 (Onnen) Comprehensive Health and Welfare Policy Act.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Allocations for Dept. of Natural Resources (DNR).

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: To be announced.

8:15 a.m.

TAXES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: HF610 (Dempsey) Local government; providing for transfer of certain federal payments in lieu of taxes from the county to the city or town. HF495 (Pauly) Public financing; modifying provisions that allocate industrial revenue bond authority.

2:00 p.m.

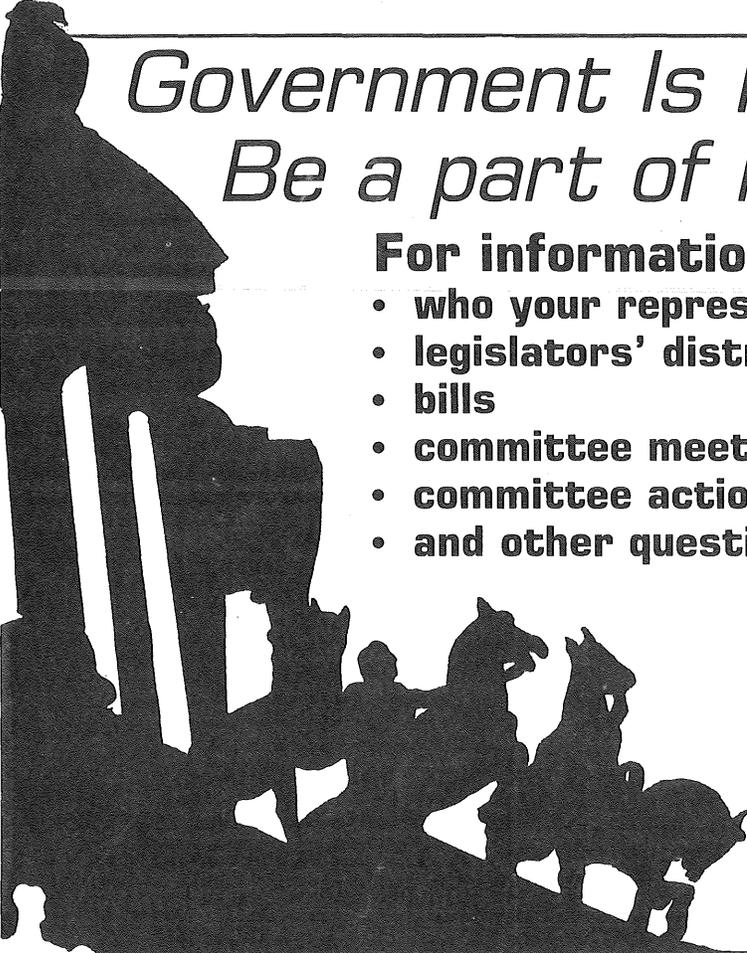
EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Allocations for Dept. of Education continued.

Saturday, April 13

9:00 a.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: To be announced.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Child abuse checkoff

On April 11, the Taxes Committee voted 17 to 14 in favor of HF450 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington). The bill would replace the campaign checkoff on Minnesota income tax returns with a child abuse prevention trust fund checkoff.

The bill would create a board of trustees which would make grants from the trust fund to local prevention programs beginning June 1, 1986.

Combined sewage overflow

Every time it rains in the Twin Cities untreated sewage runs into the Mississippi River, Barry Schade from the Pollution Control Agency (PCA) told the Environment and Natural Resources Committee on April 11. That comes to 4.6 billion gallons a year making for unsuitable recreation conditions and violating water quality standards.

The PCA and others testified on HF849 (Valento, IR-Little Canada) a bill that attempts to relieve Minnesota's \$1.6 billion sewer problem. It would set up a state financial assistance program to stop the combined sewage overflow and would impose a sales tax on water and sewer services to pay for it.

The bill, says author Rep. Don Valento, is needed to meet Environmental Protection Agency deadlines on fishable and swimmable standards for the Mississippi River, for waste water treatment plants, and to respond to a lawsuit Wisconsin filed against Minnesota for polluting the Mississippi.

Sandra Gardebring, chair of the Metro Council, urged rapid action on the legislation. But she says it's not the proposal she helped draw up for the governor who wanted to

fund the project with an additional 15-cent cigarette tax.

Valento said another difference is that the governor recommended \$47.5 million for the project compared to the \$5.7 million the plan in HF849 would cost. The committee plans to take up the bill again.

Wine in food stores

Wine is fine in food stores — so said the Commerce and Economic Development Committee when it recommended passage of HF606 (Bennett, IR-Shoreview).

Proponents of the wine-sale law say the bill would permit shoppers to purchase their wine in a food environment as a supplement to their meal.

They say that 78 percent of wine purchased is consumed in buyers' homes and that 48 percent of wine is purchased by women.

Proponents also point out that since 3.2 beer has been sold since Prohibition, they know the safeguards and enforcement procedures necessary to effect a legitimate, controlled sale of the product.

The bill now moves to the House floor.

Computer buys

Students and staff of state universities, community colleges, and vocational-technical institutions could buy computers through their school boards under HF1338 (Carlson, L., DFL-Crystal).

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Gene Mammenga, from the State University System, testified for the bill, saying that the University of Minnesota can already buy computers in large lots for resale to students and staff. The U of M doesn't need this legislation, but Mammenga said computers are so useful now that students and staff in the other schools in the state systems should have ready access to them.

The Governmental Operations Committee heard the bill April 11 and laid it over until April 15.

Protecting the vulnerable

In the past week, the Health and Human Services committee has heard bills to: stiffen penalties for nursing home violations; further protect vulnerable adults; and expand the responsibilities of health review organizations.

Rep. Lee Greenfield (DFL-Mpls), has introduced HF655, which would stiffen penalties for homes found to be guilty of repeat violations, and would prohibit the people who operate these homes from holding controlling positions in nursing homes.

HF1437, Rep. John Burger's (IR-Long Lake) bill defines and clarifies protection of vulnerable adults. The bill would require mandatory reporting to a medical examiner or coroner whenever a vulnerable adult may have died directly or indirectly through abuse or neglect.

Rep. Dennis Poppenhagen (IR-Detroit Lakes) is sponsoring HF818 which would expand the responsibilities of health care review organizations. It would instruct these organizations to develop guidelines to maintain the costs of claims and liability insurance, and to review, rule on, and advise liability insurance carriers, professionals and patients.

State history book

We Minnesotans need our own state history textbook, according to Rep. Harriet McPherson (IR-Stillwater). McPherson has introduced HF1243, a bill that would give the

state the chance to develop the textbook under the guidance of the Minnesota Historical Society.

Most history books come from New York, California, and Texas, McPherson says, and Minnesota doesn't get fair treatment. "We need somebody in Minnesota to do a really good history book for us," she says.

George Janisch of the Historical Society says the book will make our history available and our heritage and collective character felt.

The Education Committee agreed and April 10 gave HF1243 a recommendation to pass. The Appropriations Committee hears the bill next.

Contaminated dairy foods

The sale or purchase of adulterated milk or cream for any purpose is against the law in Minnesota. The products contain foreign substances and they come from unhealthy, diseased cows. The contamination can happen because of unsanitary or filthy conditions in the production process or from animal antibiotics.

A bill moving through the Legislature would get tougher with violators of the law — those, other than milk producers, who sell or buy the unclean products. The bill, HF135 (Uphus, IR-Sauk Centre) would make such violations misdemeanors resulting in 90-day jail terms and/or \$700 fines.

Milk producers who make illegal sales or purchases would face a \$100 civil penalty, probation for one year, and a 30-day ban on doing business with another milk plant without permission from the commissioner of agriculture. Second-time offenders would get a \$200 civil penalty and a year's probation.

The Agriculture Committee recommended the bill to pass April 10. The full House will take it up next.

Boating and drinking

BWI, or boating-while-intoxicated, legislation (HF456) had the attention of the Crime and Family Law Committee on April 10. The bill attempts to crack down on drinking and boating, the operating of watercrafts while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

"What we're trying to address here is a problem that occurs on many of our lakes during the summertime, where people under the influence are motoring around and endangering people's lives," says Rep. Kathleen Blatz (IR-Bloomington), author of HF456.

The bill says it would be a crime to operate a watercraft while under the influence of drugs or alcohol, or to allow someone else to do so who is under the influence, or who is physically or mentally unable to be a safe operator.



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Violators would be up against a misdemeanor penalty, and the law would prohibit them from operating a watercraft for 90 days on the first offense. Anyone refusing a blood-alcohol test would be guilty of a misdemeanor. Penalties on the offense would go up for subsequent violations.

The committee opted to lay the bill over for another hearing because of concerns over some provisions, including the definition of "watercraft" which now applies to such things as rafts and mattresses.

Biotech industry

Biotechnology science is a new and developing industry, and its popularity is growing in many parts of the country, says Dr. Marilyn Bach from the University of Minnesota.

Bach told the Commerce and Economic Development Committee on April 9 that other states, such as New Jersey and North Carolina, have launched aggressive state campaigns to get into this industry, which economists predict will have a \$65 billion international market by the year 2000.

If Minnesota followed suit, Bach says, the industry could generate major economic expansion in the state and benefit Minnesota colleges and universities. But to get a significant share of this market, she says the state needs to carefully build or develop a long-range biotechnology strategy over the next biennium.

Bach spoke in support of HF1274 (Piepho, IR-Mankato), a bill that would set up a state council on biotechnology to bring together people from the industry, the university, state agencies, and legislators to work out a strategic state plan.

The committee recommended the bill to pass. It goes now to the Governmental Operations Committee for an additional hearing.

Budget figures

On the night of April 9, House majority leadership released final figures on a proposed \$10.8 billion budget.

That means, in the legislative process, each division of the Appropriations Committee now has a bottom line to wrestle with. The Education Division will be looking at \$4.5 billion; the Human Services Division \$2.3 billion; the State Departments Division, almost \$1 billion; and the Agriculture, Transportation, and Semi-State Division, \$250 million.

The rest goes for a \$250 million budget reserve and other items to keep state government running over the next two years.

Local school aids

The education finance omnibus bill for local school districts had its first hearing in the Education Division of the Appropriations Committee on April 9. Chief author of HF88, Rep. Sally Olsen (IR-St. Louis Park) presented the proposal, a composite of about 20 education bills.

The full Appropriations Committee will now focus on the \$2.6 billion measure which collected nine amendments in its Education Division. The bill draws its funding from state funds, property taxes, and mill levies. So far, it's \$32 million over the governor's recommendation.

Minnesota Zoo

It takes about \$6 million a year to operate the Minnesota Zoo in Apple Valley, according to Zoo Director Stephen Iserman. The zoo generates about \$2 million of that; the state picks up the rest.

Iserman testified at an April 9 meeting of the Governmental Operations Committee in support of HF1074 (DenOuden, IR-Prinsburg). The bill would restructure the state zoological board as a first step toward a more independent operation and more active soliciting of private contributions for the zoo.

The zoo's status is the issue. Some people feel it would be more beneficial, in terms of getting support from the private sector, to give the zoo a status similar to that of the Minnesota Historical Society and the State Fair—independent enough from state government to solicit money for its purposes, yet still dependent on state funds.

Tom Triplett spoke for the bill on behalf of the governor. He said the legislation goes part way in the movement away from state agency status, while authorizing further study into some kind of new governance structure for the board.

The committee gave the bill a recommendation to pass and sent it on to the Rules Committee for further hearings.

Charity tax deductions

If you contribute to charities, but don't file itemized tax returns, a tax break could be in store for you.

On April 9, the Taxes Committee heard HF246 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights), a bill that would let non-itemizers take the same deduction that they get on their federal returns. For 1984, that would be 25 percent of charitable gifts up to \$25.

Besides the charitable deduction bill, the committee heard three others: HF107 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon); HF548 (McKasy); and HF1133 (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie). They relate to tax credits for: pollution control equipment, use of an automobile for volunteer services, and gifts to colleges.

All three could become part of the omnibus tax bill. However, it all depends on how much revenue the state has, said Committee Chair William Schreiber. The new projections come out April 16 he said, and the committee will then decide how much the state can afford in tax relief.

Property tax relief

Farmers and Iron Range property owners could see a reduction in their 1986 property tax bills under a bill the Local Government Finance Division of the Taxes Committee recommended for passage April 8. The bill would require the commissioner of revenue to adjust property values for taxes payable in 1986 to reflect 1984 reductions in market value.

Revenue Commissioner Art Roemer said HF1380 (Redalen, IR-Fountain) would shorten the period for valuing property for market value changes from the current 21 months to 12 months, "thereby reflecting more current sales."

"Shortening the period of valuation would have the greatest impact on two areas where values have changed drastically—farm properties and properties on the Iron Range," said Roemer. "If 1984 were adopted as a base year, there would be considerable changes in those two classes of property," he said.

The bill now goes to the full Taxes Committee.

Drinking age

The movement of legislation to raise the state's legal drinking age to 21 came to a halt in the House April 8, when members added a chemical abuse program to HF102 (Schafer, IR-Gibbon). The program would help local school districts continue funding efforts to educate young people about alcohol and drug abuse.

Rep. Gary Schafer opposed the amendment because of the cost and stopped consideration of the drinking age bill following the amendment's adoption.

Other amendments the House heard but didn't adopt would have allowed 19-year-olds to drink in licensed bars, but would not allow them to buy off-sale and would have made the bill's effective date contingent upon passage of age 21 legislation in Wisconsin, Iowa, and South Dakota.

Under federal law, all states have until Oct. 1, 1986 to pass the higher drinking age or lose some of their federal highway funds over the next two years. State officials say failure to comply with the federal mandate could cost Minnesota at least \$33 million.

Hit and run drivers

Before 1983, a hit-and-run driver who caused a fatal accident was guilty of a misdemeanor. Now it's a felony with a prison sentence of up to five years and/or a fine of up to \$10,000. For accidents resulting in injury, the punishment can be as much as three years and/or \$5,000.

But Rep. John Hartinger (IR-Coon Rapids) said, at an April 8 meeting of the Crime and Family Law Committee, that he doesn't think those penalties go far enough.

"It wasn't long ago," said Hartinger, "that two Elk River teenage girls were struck down by a driver. The public uproar over the ensuing trial led me to believe that citizens want greater protection from dangerous drivers, and believe increasing penalties against abusers is one way to make our roads safer."

After much debate over Hartinger's proposal to increase penalties, the committee voted April 10 to recommend for passage SF33 (Hartinger, IR-Coon Rapids). The bill would increase the penalty for causing an accident that results in death to up to seven years and/or \$14,000.

It would decrease the penalty against the driver who hits and runs, causing death, but who didn't cause the accident, from up to five years and/or \$10,000 to up to three years and/or \$5,000. And, decrease the penalty against the driver who leaves the scene of an accident resulting in great bodily harm, when he or she didn't cause the accident, from up to three

years and/or \$5,000 to up to one year and one day and/or \$3,000.

Another provision would establish a new penalty for causing great bodily harm of up to five years and/or \$10,000 if the driver caused the accident.

Leaving the scene of an accident involving an occupied vehicle, even though no one was hurt, is a misdemeanor.

Mayo education funding

Financial pie slicing began April 8 in the Education Division of the Appropriations Committee with a recommended allocation of \$2 million to the Mayo Foundation, \$1.7 million for the Mayo Medical School and \$.3 million for its graduate and family practice residency programs.

The dollars are the state's share of funding for programs that train primary care and family physicians.

According to the proposed biennial budget statement, about one-half million patients visit the Mayo Medical Center each year. And the center employs 14,000 people to serve these patients.

The Mayo Foundation operates and funds the Mayo Graduate School of Medicine and the Mayo School of Health-Related Sciences, with the Foundation underwriting 92 percent of the total education budget.

Teenage abortion

Pregnant teenagers are judge-shopping, says Rep. Allen Quist (IR-St. Peter), to get around Minnesota law that requires that they tell their parents they plan to have an abortion.

Quist says it could be a loophole in the law which allows young women to bypass the parental notification requirement if they go to court and get a judge's okay. As it stands now, they can go to any court in the state.

“What has developed is a situation you may call judge-shopping, says Quist, author of HF330. They (pregnant teenagers) identify several judges within the state whom they know will essentially always grant the court-ordered bypass of the law.”

HF330, which would restrict pregnant teenagers to judges within their own judicial districts, got a recommendation to pass from the Judiciary Committee on April 4 and will go next to the full House.

Acid rain

Those April showers that bring May flowers also wash pollutants down on Minnesota gardens. And about 70 percent of the acid in that rain comes from sources outside the state.

In a move toward getting some control of the situation, the Environment and Natural Resources Committee recommended to pass a resolution Rep. John Rose (IR-Roseville) is proposing. The resolution, HF1263, would memorialize Congress and the President to take immediate action to reduce the amount of pollution going into the air around us, the cause of acid rain.

On April 4, Nelson French from the Sierra Club told the committee that Minnesota's ahead of other states in taking action on the acid rain problem, but, he says, it's a problem we can't solve by ourselves.

“Minnesota's actions alone have been first and foremost in the country, but alone those actions won't guarantee control of the acid deposition problem in our state.

“Other states will have to follow our lead and require sulfur dioxide emission reductions within their borders,” says French.

Speaking for the resolution, French said strict enforcement of pollution laws at the federal level is necessary, and Congress needs to amend the Clean Air Act to address acid deposition.

Waste victims' comp fund

A bill for a compensation fund for victims of hazardous waste releases made its way out of the House on April 4. To become law, the bill needs Senate approval, Senate and House agreement on all provisions in the bill, and the governor's signature.

The proposal, HF876/SF571 (Olsen, S., IR-St. Louis Park), spells out who could and who could not collect from the \$1 million fund, and would set a limit on the amount an injured party can receive at \$250,000 per claimant, per claim.

The House adopted amendments to the bill in the April 4 floor session. One amendment would allow claimants who get awards from the fund to also take their personal injury claims to court. Claimants who win their court cases would have to repay the fund for their initial awards.

Another amendment would relax the standard of proof in proving a hazardous waste release was the cause of injury.

Some changes the House discussed, but did not adopt, would have taxed hazardous waste generators to get back half of the expenditures from the fund; included property damages for claims of less than \$8,000; provided death benefits to survivors; and removed language that says no one could recover if a responsible person has certain defenses for a release, such as an act of God or a third party.

COMMITTEE ACTION

AGRICULTURE

Wednesday, April 3

- **Agricultural Economic Study Commission—created**
HF1072 (Kvam, IR-Litchfield)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Governmental Operations Committee.
- **Drainage proceedings—road construction, not crossings**
HF1170 (Hartle, IR-Owatonna)—recommended to pass.
- **Agricultural Finance Agency/agriculture loan fund—created**
HF1261 (Valan, IR-Moorhead)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Governmental Operations Committee.

- **Resolution—family farm-preserved**
HF163 (Krueger, DFL-Staples)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
 - **Resolution—fair trade regulations on hogs**
HF1093 (Wenzel, DFL-Little Falls)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
 - **Resolution—milk requirements**
HF1388 (Richter, IR-Wadena)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- Wednesday, April 10
- **Livestock weighing fees**
HF208/SF87 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—recommended to pass.
 - **Adulterated milk/cream—purchase/sale prohibited**
HF135/SF86 (Uphus, IR-Sauk Centre)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight);
 - **Swine herd—disease control/meat inspection**
HF1513/SF1140 (McDonald, IR-Watertown)—recommended to pass as amended.
 - **Fertilizer/commercial feed inspection accounts established**
HF134/SF88 (Uphus, IR-Sauk Centre)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

APPROPRIATIONS

Education
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Tuesday, April 9

- **Education finance omnibus bill**
HF88 (Olsen, S., IR-St. Louis Park)—recommended to pass as amended.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Thursday, April 4

- **Taxicab service—city regulation**
HF760 (Boo, IR-Duluth)—recommended to pass.
- **Liquor—cities temporary on-sale license**
HF785 (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **MEEDA—powers and duties**
HF1080 (Heap, IR-Plymouth)—recommended to pass.
- **Salons for estheticians**
HF1146 (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—recommended to pass.

- **St. Paul—**
temporary on-sale wine license
HF1171 (Osthoff, DFL-St. Paul)—
recommended to pass as amended.
- **Certified signature**
on final documents
HF1236 (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—
recommended to pass; placed on
Consent Calendar.
- **Opportunity enterprise zones**
HF1265 (Riveness, DFL-Bloomington)—
recommended to pass as amended;
referred to Taxes Committee.

Tuesday, April 9

- **Motor vehicle—**
auctions/licensing
HF593/SF547 (Dempsey, IR-New
Ulm)—recommended to pass as
amended.
- **Nonprofit corporation**
mail address
HF311/SF379* (Vellenga, DFL-St.
Paul)—recommended to pass; placed
on Consent Calendar.
- **Council on**
biotechnology—created
HF1274/SF1322 (Piepho, IR-
Mankato)—recommended to pass as
amended; rereferred to Governmental
Operations Committee. (See Highlight)

Thursday, April 11

- **Credit card fraud**
HF1076 (Seaberg, IR-Mendota
Heights)—recommended to pass as
amended.
- **Interior designers—**
registration
HF1120 (Seaberg, IR-Mendota
Heights)—heard, laid over for interim
study.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW

Monday, April 8

- **Transit operators/**
providers—crimes against
HF788/SF650 (Valento, IR-Little
Canada)—recommended to pass.
- **"Hit and run"—penalties**
HF690/SF33* (Hartinger, IR-Coon
Rapids)—laid over as amended.
- **"Mentally impaired"—**
definition
HF219/SF177* (Staten, DFL-Mpls)—
recommended to pass as amended;
placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Assaults—certain**
penalties increased
HF820 (Tompkins, IR-Apple Valley)—
recommended to pass.

Wednesday, April 10

- **"Hit and run"—penalties**
HF690/SF33* (Hartinger, IR-Coon
Rapids)—recommended to pass as
amended. (See Highlight)
- **Driver license**
photographic negatives—use of
HF1191/SF1029 (Kiffmeyer, IR-Big
Lake)—recommended to pass.

- **Conservation officers—**
peace officer authority
HF1139/SF569 (Stanius, IR-White Bear
Lake)—heard; laid over.
- **Boating while intoxicated**
HF456/SF31 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—
heard as amended; laid over. (See
Highlight)

EDUCATION

Wednesday, April 10

- **Minnesota Historical Society—**
instructional materials
HF1243/SF1002 (McPherson, IR-
Stillwater)—recommended to pass as
amended; rereferred to Appropriations
Committee. (See Highlight)

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

Thursday, April 4

- **PCB—removal and**
public protection
HF1287 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—
recommended to pass; rereferred to
Appropriations Committee.
- **Acid rain resolution**
HF1263 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—
recommended to pass as amended.
(See Highlight)
- **Heartland trail—**
5land conveyance
HF1235 (Zaffke, IR-Backus)—
recommended to pass; placed on
Consent Calendar.
- **Olmsted county—**
state land conveyance
HF1253 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—
amended; laid over.
- **Fort Snelling—**
concession fees
HF1248 (Tjornhom, IR-Richfield)—
recommended to pass as amended.
- **Mine pits/shafts—fencing**
HF1374 (Begich, DFL-Eveleth)—
recommended to pass as amended;
placed on Consent Calendar.

Tuesday, April 9

- **Olmsted County—**
state land conveyance
HF1253 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—
recommended to pass as amended;
rereferred to Appropriations
Committee.
- **sCamping fees—reduced**
for handicapped people
HF682 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone)—
recommended to pass; rereferred to
Appropriations Committee.
- **State parks—**
additions/deletions
HF967 (Olson, E., DFL-Fosston)—
recommended to pass as amended;
placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Pheasant stamp**
exemption—northern counties
HF174/SF228* (Neuenschwander, DFL-
Int'l Falls)—recommended to pass.
- **Nuclear waste resolution**
HF1017 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—
recommended to pass as amended.

Thursday, April 11

- **Dogs—causing harm to**
big game or livestock
HF366/SF279* (Hartinger, IR-Coon
Rapids)—amended; laid over until April
18.
- **Combined sewage overflow—**
state financial assistance
HF849 (Valento, IR-Little Canada)—laid
over.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE

Wednesday, April 10

- **Fraternal benefit**
societies—regulation
HF552 (Halberg, IR-Burnsville)—
recommended to pass as amended;
placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Industrial loan/thrifts—**
authority/restrictions
HF344 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—
recommended to pass as amended.
- **Insurance company investments**
HF498/SF375 (Skoglund, DFL-Mpls)—
recommended to pass.

GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS

Wednesday, April 3

- **Seized animals—regulations**
for pounds and dealers
HF1016 (Fjoslien, IR-Brandon)—
recommended to pass as amended.
- **Chatfield brass band**
music lending library
HF1244 (Redalen, IR-Fountain)—
recommended to pass.

Thursday, April 4

- **Firearms and bows—**
transportation
HF536 (Sparby, DFL-Thief River Falls)—
not recommended to pass as amended.
- **Lobbyist contributions**
during session—prohibited
HF325 (Shaver, IR-Wayzata)—
recommended to pass as amended.
- **Veterans preference—**
restriction repealed
HF1121 (Carlson, L., DFL-Crystal)—not
recommended to pass.
- **Big Island Veterans Board**
of Governors—reinstated
HF1033 (Kostohryz, DFL-No. St. Paul)—
recommended to pass as amended.

Thursday, April 11

- **Grenada, Lebanon**
veterans—benefits
HF1516 (Dimler, IR-Chanhassen)—
recommended to pass as amended;
rereferred to Appropriations
Committee.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

Wednesday, April 3

- **Interpretive center—name change**
HF1367 (Carlson, J., IR-Moorhead)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Retirement—consolidating Moorhead funds**
HF1369 (Carlson, J, IR-Moorhead)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Staples—emergency response training site**
HF1368 (Krueger, DFL-Staples)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Retirement—state employees on leave**
HF1009 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Retirement—Minneapolis/St. Paul teachers**
HF1165 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Retirement—MSRS housekeeping bill**
HF784 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Retirement—municipal ambulance/rescue volunteers**
HF607 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Retirement—age change for reduction factor**
HF1040 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—recommended to pass as amended.

Thursday, April 4

- **Edina firemen's association—general law applies**
HF1273 (Forsythe, IR-Edina)—recommended to pass.
- **School employees—statewide fringe benefits**
HF631 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone)—laid over for interim study.
- **U of MN police—included in police state aid**
HF237 (Boo, IR-Duluth)—recommended to pass.
- **Retirement—Duluth police consolidation**
HF1364 (Boo, IR-Duluth)—laid over for interim study.
- **Retirement—TRA variable participants option**
HF1404 (Rest, DFL-New Hope)—recommended to pass.
- **Retirement—retirees on firefighters' board**
HF1336 (Sarna, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.

- **Retirement—service credit for disabled officers**
HF1337 (Sarna, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Retirement—working past Rule of 85 deadline**
HF229 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass as amended.

Tuesday, April 9

- **Minnesota Zoo—board and funds**
HF1074 (DenOuden, IR-Prinsburg)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Rules Committee. (See Highlight)

Wednesday, April 10

- **Open meeting law—changes**
HF529 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—heard; laid over.

Thursday, April 11

- **Condemnation of polluted land**
HF 860 (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—amended; recommended not to pass.
- **Educational institutions—sale of computers**
HF1338 (Carlson, L., DFL-Crystal)—amended; laid over until April 15. (See Highlight)
- **Sister state—County of Kronoberg, Sweden**
HF886 (Jennings, L., DFL-Rush City)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Wednesday, April 3

- **Comprehensive Health and Welfare Policy Act**
Articles 1, 2, 3, 4
HF1438 (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

Tuesday, April 9

- **Nursing homes—violation penalties/orders**
HF655/SF381 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)
- **General Assistance—state aid to counties**
HF1258 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—laid over until April 11.
- **Health care review—expanded purposes**
HF818/SF364 (Poppenhagen, IR-Detroit Lakes)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)
- **Vulnerable adults—refinement of reporting act**
HF1437 (Burger, IR-Long Lake)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)

Thursday, April 11

- **Health care—prohibiting misleading advertising**
HF1257 (Clausnitzer, IR-Maple Grove)—heard.
- **General Assistance—state aid to counties**
HF1258 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—recommended to pass as amended, rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

JUDICIARY

Wednesday, April 3

- **Unconstitutional statute—costs**
HF1214 (Pappas, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Waiver of rights—human rights cases**
HF543 (Halberg, IR-Burnsville)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Corporate records—shareholders' access**
HF1161 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Living wills**
HF1301 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—laid over.
- **Indemnification—judges**
HF1359 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Immunity for volunteer firefighters**
HF959 (Marsh, IR-Sauk Rapids)—recommended to pass.
- **Revisor's bill**
HF1370 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass.
- **Revisor's bill**
HF1371 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass.
- **Revisor's bill—unconst'l statutes**
HF1431 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—laid over.

Thursday, April 4

- **Living wills**
HF1301 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—laid over.
- **Transcript fees—increased by chief judges**
HF1382 (Cohen, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Damage awards—personal injury cases**
HF1031 (Clausnitzer, IR-Maple Grove)—heard; laid over.
- **Abortion of minors—venue in district court**
HF330 (Quist, IR-St. Peter)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)

Tuesday, April 9

- **Garnishment—farm machinery exemption increased**
HF1097 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Community dispute resolution guidelines**
HF1112 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—heard; laid over.
- **Non-profit corporations—common trust funds allowed**
HF695 (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—recommended to pass as amended.

- **Uniform law on notarial acts**
HF1443 (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—heard; laid over.

Wednesday, April 10

- **Community dispute resolution guidelines**
HF1112 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Uniform Notarial Act**
HF1443 (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Validation of foreclosure sales—effective dates**
HF141/SF143 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Dissolution of cooperatives**
HF532/SF46 (Poppenhagen, IR-Detroit Lakes)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Uniform transfers to minors act**
HF737 (Backlund, IR-Fridley)—recommended to pass as amended.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS

Wednesday, April 3

- **South St. Paul—bonds for sewer separation**
HF380 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—recommended to pass.
- **Combined sewage overflow—state financial assistance**
HF849 (Schreiber, IR-Brooklyn Park)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **South St. Paul—sewer tax increments**
HF970 (Metzen, IR-So. St. Paul)—recommended to pass.
- **Water pollution—reimbursement program**
HF1005 (Valento, IR-Little Canada)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Water pollution control—sewer overflow programs**
HF1082 (Valento, IR-Little Canada)—tabled.
- **Tax increment financing—duties to state auditor**
HF1116 (Schreiber, IR-Brooklyn Park)—recommended to pass.

Thursday, April 4

- **St. Louis County—raises emergency fund**
HF649 (Jaros, DFL-Coon Rapids)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.

- **Association of Townships—handbook on town laws**
HF895 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Minneapolis—establishes Youth Coordinating Board**
HF1198 (Nelson, K., DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **New Brighton—civil service exemptions**
HF1199 (Knuth, DFL-New Brighton)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **White Bear/Ramsey County—land transfer**
HF1226 (Stanisus, IR-White Bear Lake)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Olmsted County—leasing of hospital property**
HF1266 (Frerichs, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Gaylord—general obligation bonds**
HF1308 (Schafer, IR-Gibbon)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Investment of public funds—modifies some requirements**
HF1375 (Schreiber, IR-Brooklyn Park)—recommended to pass as amended.

Tuesday, April 9

- **Regional Transit Board—responsibilities & membership**
HF1189 (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—heard; laid over until April 11.

Thursday, April 11

- **Regional transit board—responsibilities/membership**
HF1189 (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

RULES & LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATION

Wednesday, April 3

- **Posthumous Medals of Freedom**
HF1088 (Wenzel, DFL-Little Falls)—recommended to pass.
- **IRS and business use of personal autos**
HF1202 (Anderson, R., IR-Ottertail)—recommended to pass.
HF1220 (Kiffmeyer, IR-Big Lake)—recommended to pass.

TAXES

Tuesday, April 9

- **Pollution control feedlot—credit**
HF107 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—heard.
- **Charitable contributions—deduction for non-itemizers**
HF246 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—heard. (See Highlight)
- **Volunteer auto deduction—deduction increased**
HF548 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—heard.

- **Higher education gifts—income tax credit**
HF1133 (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—heard.

Thursday, April 11

- **Child abuse prevention trust fund**
HF450 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)
- **Liquor special sales tax—repealed**
HF342 (Jacobs, DFL-Coon Rapids)—heard; laid over.

Local Government Finance Div./Taxes

Thursday, April 4

- **Property tax simplification**
HF# (Schreiber, IR-Brooklyn Park)—heard.

Monday, April 8

- **Property values—reduced by market decline**
HF1380 (Redalen, IR-Fountain)—recommended to pass as amended to full committee. (See Highlight)

TRANSPORTATION

Thursday, April 4

- **DWI—education program**
HF589 (Segal, DFL-St. Louis Park)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Railroad abandonment—fees**
HF1389 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Passenger automobile tire inspection**
HF1098 (Kiffmeyer, IR-Big Lake)—recommended to pass.
- **Harmony—funds to replace bridge**
HF1417 (Redalen, IR-Fountain)—recommended to pass.

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FLOOR ACTION

CONSENT CALENDAR

Thursday, April 4

- **Armed forces—spouse's driver's license**
HF835/SF1155 (Miller, IR-Redwood Falls)—passed as amended.
- **Local government—dissolutions and annexations**
HF991/SF1102 (Valento, IR-Little Canada)—passed.
- **New Ulm—health insurance payments for retired police**
HF10/SF76 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—passed.
- **Retirement—Thief River Falls survivors' benefit increases**
HF86/SF133 (Sparby, DFL-Thief River Falls)—passed.
- **Elections—correct precinct lists**
HF91/SF139 (Shaver, IR-Wayzata)—passed.
- **Retirement—Eveleth police & firefighters benefit increases**
HF234/267 (Begich, DFL-Eveleth)—passed.
- **Parental abduction—clarifications**
HF245/SF802 (Segal, DFL-St. Louis Park)—passed.
- **Retirement—computing benefits for Buhl police**
HF360/SF350 (Elioff, DFL-Virginia)—passed.
- **Election judges—persons qualified**
HF379/SF365 (Fjoslien, IR-Brandon)—passed.
- **Retirement—transfer of firefighters' service credit**
HF611/SF1370 (Cohen, DFL-St. Paul)—passed.
- **Retirement—Hennepin County supplemental retirement plan**
HF729/SF861 (Scheid, DFL-Brooklyn Park)—passed.
- **Ramsey County—no seasonal load restrictions**
HF796/SF1141 (Kostohryz, DFL-North St. Paul)—passed.
- **Extradition under treaty**
HF831/SF803 (Ozment, IR-Rosemount)—passed as amended.
- **Retirement—St. Louis Park firefighters' benefit changes**
HF855/SF969 (Olsen, S., IR-St. Louis Park)—passed as amended.
- **Retirement—transfer of firefighters' service credit**
HF930/SF845 (Voss, DFL-Blaine)—passed.

- **Firefighters' benefits—killed in line of duty**
HF960/SF941 (Backlund, IR-Fridley)—passed.
 - **Veterans Service Building space**
HF982/SF1185 (Metzen, DFL-South St. Paul)—passed.
 - **Retirement—benefit increases for Virginia police**
HF1019/SF951 (Elioff, DFL-Virginia)—passed.
 - **Belle Plaine—use of term 'borough'**
HF1032/SF1138 (Rees, IR-Lakeville)—passed.
 - **Retirement—early retirement annuity for certain judges**
HF1095/SF1046 (Minne, DFL-Hibbing)—passed.
 - **Liquor recodification bill**
HF1145/SF1122 (Bennett, IR-Shoreview)—passed.
 - **Winona—sale of certain county land**
HF1152/SF1078 (Sherman, IR-Winona)—passed.
 - **Retirement—Duluth teachers post retirement increases**
HF1242/SF796 (Munger, DFL-Duluth)—passed.
 - **Veterans of foreign wars—memorial**
HF177/SF247* (Valento, IR-Little Canada)—passed.
- Monday, April 8
- **Fishing licenses—Camp Ripley personnel**
HF18 (Wenzel, DFL-Little Falls)—passed.
 - **Restitution—enforcement**
HF645/SF746 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—passed.
 - **Duluth—easement conveyance**
HF852/SF787 (Boo, IR-Duluth)—passed.
 - **State University System—payroll deductions**
HF968/SF1011 (Thorson, IR-Bemidji)—passed.
 - **Aid for unborn children—eligibility extended**
HF985/SF1028 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—passed.
 - **Coin-operated telephone firms—deregulated**
HF1025/SF1123 (Miller, IR-Redwood Falls)—passed.
 - **Fair trade regulations on hogs**
HF1093/SF1024 (Wenzel, DFL-Little Falls)—passed.
 - **Gifts to minors—registration of securities**
HF1117/SF1228 (Carlson, J., IR-Moorhead)—passed.
 - **Chisago County—sale of tax-forfeited land**
HF1150/SF1266 (Jennings, L., DFL-Rush City)—passed.
 - **Jails and lockups—recordkeeping systems**
HF1193/SF1157 (Clausnitzer, IR-Maple Grove)—passed.
 - **Circle Pines Utilities Commission**
HF1197/SF920 (Voss, DFL-Blaine)—passed.

- **Indemnification cross-reference—corrected**
HF1254/SF1215 (Redalen, IR-Fountain)—passed.
- **St. Louis Cty. emergency jobs prog. employ.—PERA exempt**
HF1319/SF1251 (Begich, DFL-Eveleth)—passed.

CALENDAR

Thursday, April 4

- **Minnesota Electrical Act—changes**
HF825/SF838 (Bennett, IR-Shoreview)—passed.
- **Child abuse—juvenile/criminal code changes**
HF848 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—passed as amended on General Orders.

RULE 1.10

Thursday, April 4

- **Hazardous substance injury compensation fund**
HF876/SF571 (Olsen, S., IR-St. Louis Park)—passed as amended. (See Highlight)

Monday, April 8

- **Farm crisis intervention—funding/study**
HF373/SF546* (Frerichs, IR-Rochester)—passed as amended.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Thursday, April 4

- **PERA reorganization**
HF110/SF122* (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—repassed as amended by conference committee.

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BILL INTRODUCTIONS

Bill Introductions

Thursday, Apr 4

HF1439—Forsythe (IR)—Education

Independent school district No. 273, Edina, and independent school district No. 274, Hopkins, both in Hennepin county; providing for the transfer of territory from independent school district No. 274 to independent school district No. 273.

HF1440—Begich (DFL)—Education

Independent school district No. 697 Eveleth; authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds following electoral approval to finance the acquisition and betterment of school buildings and facilities and the levy of ad valorem taxes therefor; authorizing the transfer of certain taconite taxes to the district for payment of debt service on the bonds.

HF1441—Ogren (DFL) Environment/Natural Resources

Real property; allowing closed bids to be made by Fond du Lac governing body on tax-forfeited lands within the Fond du Lac reservation; proposing coding for new law.

HF1442—Jennings, L (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local improvements; requiring certain information to be included in the notice of the hearing on proposed assessments; amending statutes.

HF1443—Onnen (IR)—Judiciary

Notaries; providing procedures for various notarial acts; enacting the uniform law on notarial acts; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1444—Shaver (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Waters and watercraft safety; requiring liability insurance on all licensed watercraft in the state; amending statutes.

HF1445—Fjoslien (IR)—Transportation

Crimes; requiring the commissioner of public safety to reinstate driving privileges that have been civilly revoked upon acquittal of a criminal charge of driving under the influence of alcohol or a controlled substance; amending statutes.

HF1446—Clark (DFL)—Judiciary

Human rights; prohibiting unfair discriminatory practices on the basis of affectional or sexual orientation; amending statutes.

HF1447—Rodosovich (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Health; requiring insurance coverage for special dietary treatment for phenylketonuria; providing an educational testing program; allowing a deduction for the costs of the special dietary treatment; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1448—Vellenga (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Liquor; authorizing municipalities to permit holders of both on-sale wine and nonintoxicating malt liquor licenses to sell intoxicating malt liquors; amending statutes.

HF1449—Gruenes (IR)—Governmental Operations

State employees; extending insurance benefits to certain state employees selecting early retirement; amending statutes.

HF1450—Backlund (IR)—Governmental Operations

Legislature; eliminating a scheduled pay increase for legislators; amending statutes.

HF1451—Wenzel (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local government; clarifying the authority of counties to employ accountants; amending statutes.

HF1452—Simoneau (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; highway patrol formula; amending statutes.

HF1453—Simoneau (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; authorizing reimbursement of retired members of the state patrol retirement fund for the cost of medicare supplemental insurance; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1454—Dempsey (IR)—Transportation

Motor vehicles; establishing a special account to reimburse municipalities with unpaid citations for traffic violations committed by operators of leased or rented motor vehicles; imposing a surcharge; proposing coding for new law.

HF1455—Voss (DFL)—Judiciary

Courts; providing court reporters with travel expenses; amending statutes.

HF1456—Heap (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; providing an exclusion for military pension payments; amending statutes.

HF1457—Blatz (IR)—Transportation

Traffic regulations; removing certain restrictions on special permits to move manufactured homes; amending statutes.

HF1458—Valan (IR)—Appropriations

Claims against the state; providing for payment of various claims; appropriating money.

HF1459—Valan (IR)—Appropriations

Claims against the state; providing for payment of various claims; appropriating money.

HF1460—Ozment (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Dakota county; permitting electronic funds transfers.

HF1461—Knickerbocker (IR)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; public employees retirement association; omitted deductions; police and fire disability benefit formula; amending statutes.

HF1462—Himle (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration

Legislature; providing for a statement of economic impact for bills and rules; amending laws; proposing coding for new law.

HF1463—Jaros (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Human services; requiring general assistance payments to be in the form of vouchers or vendor payments; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1464—Thiede (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources and agriculture; allowing compensation to owners of crops damaged by deer, bear, or other wild animals; permitting the killing of bear which are damaging crops; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF1465—Jaros (IR)—Crime/Family Law

Public safety; making it a felony to use a bulletproof garment in the commission of a crime; prescribing penalties; proposing coding for new law.

HF1466—Vanasek (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; changing the property tax exemption and credit for wetlands; amending statutes.

HF1467—Welle (DFL)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Energy; providing for the terms of payment for district heating and qualified energy improvement loans; amending statutes.

HF1468—Valan (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of Breckenridge; permitting the establishment of a port authority; authorizing the port authority to exercise the powers of a municipal housing and redevelopment authority.

HF1469—Brinkman (DFL)—Education

Education; changing provisions relating to second tier levy fund balances; amending statutes.

HF1470—Brinkman (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Occupations and professions; barbers; providing for compensation of board members for the performance of their examination duties; amending statutes.

HF1471—Brinkman (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Waters; prohibiting certain ice blocks upon the surface of frozen waters; amending statutes.

HF1472—Dempsey (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; authorizing a court to order release of certain confidential information; amending statutes.

HF1473—Sherman (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Elections; clarifying the provision of time off to vote; amending statutes.

HF1474—Begich (DFL)—Transportation

Transportation; municipal state-aid streets; allowing cities with a population decrease to continue to receive municipal state-aid for streets; amending statutes.

HF1475—Vellenga (DFL)—Education

Vocational technical education; requiring the state board to establish a two-year pilot program at a vocational technical institute for vocational generalist; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF1476—Price (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Health; requiring chemical dependency treatment facilities to report data; requiring the department of health to report data to the legislature; proposing coding for new law.

HF1477—Price (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Crime; using force or threat of force against revenue department employees; amending statutes.

HF1478—McLaughlin (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Insurance; providing flexibility in the amount of coverage for structures other than the dwelling under a homeowner's policy; proposing coding for new law.

HF1479—Jaros (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; establishing an income tax checkoff for the purpose of providing funds for organ transplants; proposing coding for new law.

HF1480—Valento (IR)—Budget

Metropolitan sports facilities commission; renaming it the metropolitan sports and convention facilities commission; authorizing it to acquire, design, construct, equip, improve, control, operate, and maintain convention and trade show facilities and related facilities in the city of Minneapolis and to expend certain money for it; authorizing it to exercise eminent domain; authorizing it to issue bonds to finance the acquisition and betterment of convention and trade show facilities and related facilities; authorizing the city of Minneapolis to expend certain funds, including taxes and tax increments, for commission purposes; authorizing the city of Minneapolis and the metropolitan council to contract with the commission and to exercise powers of the commission and perform other acts; authorizing the city to levy and collect certain taxes and to issue bonds to finance the acquisition and betterment of the facility; authorizing the city to proceed with the convention and trade show facilities if the commission does not; authorizing the council to issue bonds to finance the acquisition and betterment of convention and trade show facilities or to refund outstanding bonds issued to finance certain sports facilities, and to levy taxes; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1481—Valento (IR)—Taxes

Local government aid; modifying the distribution formula for cities; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1482—Elioff (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; authorizing courts to set aside convictions in certain circumstances; amending statutes.

HF1483—Elioff (DFL)—Labor-Management Relations

Education; prohibiting use of professional strikebreakers during a teacher strike; establishing certain actions by a school board as unfair labor practices; amending statutes.

HF1484—Segal (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Employment; regulating entertainment agencies; providing a penalty; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1485—Redalen (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; reducing the general rate to five percent; amending statutes.

HF1486—Nelson, K (DFL)—Education

Education; requiring school boards to grant contracts to licensed personnel who are employed by the board for a position requiring licensure and who are in the teacher bargaining unit; provides for providing negotiated contractual rights and continuing contract status; amending statutes.

HF1487—Wenzel (DFL)—Agriculture

Natural resources and agriculture; allowing compensation to owners of crops damaged by wild animals; amending statutes.

HF1488—Kelly (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Public safety; establishing a state reimbursement program for purchases of soft body armor by and for peace officers; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1489—Shaver (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; abolishing the combined reporting method of apportioning the income of multistate businesses; allowing certain corporations to elect to file consolidated returns; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1490—Shaver (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of Plymouth; authorizing the reassessment of special assessments against certain lands in the city.

HF1491—Olson, E (DFL)—Agriculture

Agriculture; restricting limited partnership ownership of agricultural land; amending statutes.

HF1492—Boo (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; segregating certain sales tax revenues; providing for the establishment of a national class state convention center in the city of Duluth; authorizing the issuance of bonds and appropriating money.

HF1493—Segal (DFL)—Rules/Legislative Administration

A resolution memorializing the negotiators for the United States at the Geneva arms talks to demand Soviet action to stop anti-Jewish discrimination and to allow Jews to emigrate.

HF1494—Sherman (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Game and fish; requiring expenditure data in syllabi accompanying game and fish licenses or stamps; amending statutes.

HF1495—Jennings, L (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Chisago county; providing conditions for the sale of certain types of tax-forfeited land.

HF1496—Jennings, L (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

State lands; providing for the sale of certain tax-forfeited land in Chisago county.

HF1497—Battaglia (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; authorizing the commissioner of natural resources to sell certain lands in St. Louis county.

HF1498—Neuenschwander (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

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

HF1499—Boo (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Economic development; creating a state grant program for area labor-management committees; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1500—Battaglia (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; exempting electricity sold for residential use from the sales tax; amending statutes.

HF1501—Sviggum (IR)—Governmental Operations

State government; providing for fees for cooperative purchasing and transfer of state surplus property; amending statutes.

HF1502—Simoneau (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; exempting certain nonprofit nursing homes from taxation; amending statutes.

HF1503—Thorson (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of Bemidji; permitting the city to contribute to a community seed capital fund.

HF1504—Simoneau (DFL)—Education

Education; providing incentive aid for school consolidation; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1505—Hartinger (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Environment; authorizing the collection by municipalities of certain fees from the operators of sanitary landfills; providing for a landfill victims' compensation trust fund and the administration of the fund; establishing a market value and method of assessment of certain landfills and property surrounding those landfills; providing for assessments against landfills of the cost of public improvements; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1506—Fjoslien (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; providing for payment of attorney fees for proceedings involving the determination of public waters and wetlands; amending statutes.

HF1507—Begich (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; providing for the allocation among governmental units of increases in the assessed valuation of commercial-industrial property within the taconite tax relief area; providing formula for the distribution of additional revenues to municipalities within the taconite tax relief area; proposing coding for new law.

HF1508—Begich (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; extending the 3cc classification to homesteads of recipients of private disability pensions; amending statutes.

HF1509—Begich (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; property; extending the assessment years for which reimbursement may be made to taxing districts for certain refunds or abatements made to railroads; allowing a levy in 1986 for certain abatements or refunds made to railroads; clarifying terms; appropriating money; amending laws.

HF1510—Begich (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Government operations; mandating a full-time auditor to be assigned by the legislative auditor to the iron range resources and rehabilitation board; amending statutes.

HF1511—Begich (DFL)—Labor-Management Relations

Labor; defining a professional strike-breaker; amending statutes.

HF1512—Jaros (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of Duluth; authorizing the issuance of bonds to purchase capital equipment.

HF1513—McDonald (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; requiring the inspection of certain animals to ensure their compliance with Minnesota standards; amending statutes.

HF1514—Dempsey (IR)—Taxes

Levy limits; providing a levy base adjustment for loss revenue sharing funds; amending statutes.

HF1515—Sparby (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Teachers; early retirement incentive program; changing the deadline for applying for retirement under the state-reimbursed incentive grant program; extending the state-reimbursed program; appropriating money; amending statutes.

Monday, Apr 8

HF1516—Dimler (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Veterans; clarifying certain veterans benefit definitions to include veterans who have served in the Grenada campaign or with the peacekeeping forces in the Lebanon campaign; amending statutes.

HF1517—Brandl (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Health; requiring licensure of home care agencies; providing a home care bill of rights; providing a complaint procedure for home care clients; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1518—Knickerbocker (IR)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; defining and providing for the payment of disability benefits to members of the teachers retirement association for occupational disability; amending statutes.

HF1519—Munger (DFL)—Transportation

Transportation; appropriating money for support of AMTRAK.

HF1520—Knickerbocker (IR)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; teachers variable annuity fund transfers and repayments; amending statutes.

HF1521—Knickerbocker (IR)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; making various administrative changes in the law governing the teachers retirement association; amending statutes.

HF1522—Wenzel (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; property; extending the exemption for certain property held by a municipality.

HF1523—Bishop (IR)—Governmental Operations

State government; shifting the department of administration's plant management operations from the general fund to the general services revolving fund; amending statutes.

HF1524—Wenzel (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; public employees police and fire fund; rule of 75; amending statutes.

HF1525—Jacobs (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; prohibiting sale, possession or use of electric weapons; exempting law enforcement agencies and peace officers from the possession and use prohibition; prescribing penalties; proposing coding for new law.

HF1526—Halberg (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; changing the pension exclusion; amending statutes.

HF1527—Neuenschwander (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Game and fish; priority of senior citizens for certain percentage of doe permits; amending statutes.

HF1528—Neuenschwander (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; designating the white-tailed deer as the official state mammal; proposing coding for new law.

HF1529—Minne (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; providing for state reimbursement of local taxing districts for property tax refunds paid to railroads; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1530—Neuenschwander (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; providing emergency assistance for loggers of state timber who are in serious distress due to abrupt closure of certain timber processing plants; specifying powers and duties of the commissioner of natural resources; appropriating money.

HF1531—Redalen (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; exempting capital gains from the certain forced sales of farms; amending statutes.

HF1532—Neuenschwander (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Game and fish; imposing a natural resources surcharge upon fines for game and fish violations; allocating the proceeds; amending statutes.

HF1533—Halberg (IR)—Taxes

Taxes; exempting sales of electricity used to make ski snow from the sales tax; amending statutes.

HF1534—Rest (DFL)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Cable communications; facilitating the activation of the metropolitan area interconnected regional cable channel; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1535—McKasy (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Environment; decreasing local government charges for infiltrated water in a combined metropolitan storm and sewage disposal system; amending statutes.

HF1536—Welle (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; membership of county historical society employees in the public employees retirement association; amending statutes.

HF1537—Marsh (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Economic development; authorizing the energy and economic development authority to make loans for health care equipment; amending statutes.

HF1538—Uphus (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; providing for minimum prices for agricultural commodities under certain conditions; establishing a legislative task force on farm commodity pricing; imposing penalties; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1539—Sarna (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Veterans; providing a bonus for veterans of World War I; appropriating money; providing for the issuance of bonds; amending statutes.

HF1540—Nelson, K (DFL)—Education

Children; requiring an interagency program to deal with the multifaceted problems of children in need; authorizing pilot programs in ten communities; appropriating money;

HF1541—Riveness (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Human services; requiring the commissioner of human services to establish services for the care of brain damaged adults; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1542—Hartinger (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Solid waste; prohibiting the operation, construction, and expansion of a waste facility in the town of Oak Grove; providing for local approval.

HF1543—Boo (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of Duluth; establishment of a convention center in the city of Duluth; appropriating money.

HF1544—Hartinger (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Solid waste; prohibiting the operation, construction, and expansion of a waste facility in the city of Andover; providing for local approval.

HF1545—Piper (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Health; providing a statewide emergency medical services fund; requiring certain distribution of the fund; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

Thursday, Apr 11

HF1546—Carlson, D (IR)—Governmental Operations

Hazardous substances; requiring hazardous substance notification report form to be filed with a fire department by every employer; providing for duties of fire departments and duties of the commissioner of public safety; providing penalties; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1547—Schreiber (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; property; changing the state school agricultural credit; decreasing the basic maintenance mill rate; repealing the wetlands and native prairie credits; changing the calculation and the maximum amount of homestead credit; changing miscellaneous property classification ratios; abolishing class 3cc and flexible homestead brackets; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1548—Boo (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Housing; providing for local and regional review and comment on housing programs; extending interest reduction program; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1549—McKasy (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Economic development; creating a comprehensive economic development strategy commission to review state economic development efforts, to develop a strategy for state investment in economic development, and to report to the governor and the legislature; appropriating money.

HF1550—Clark (DFL)—Labor-Management Relations

A resolution memorializing the President, Congress, and Secretary of Labor of the United States in support of increased funding for training grants for displaced workers and summer youth employment.

HF1551—Solberg (DFL)—Education

University of Minnesota; providing for the purchase of land for the north central experiment station; appropriating money.

HF1552—Dempsey (IR)—Taxes

Depositing revenue from the mortgage registration and deed taxes with the county and reducing certain welfare aids to the counties by the amount of revenue deposited; providing for local collection of taconite production taxes; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1553—Redalen (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; exempting farm machinery; including certain repair parts in the definition of farm machinery; amending statutes.

HF1554—Skoglund (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; prohibiting sale, possession or use of electric weapons; exempting law enforcement agencies and peace officers from the possession and use prohibition; prescribing penalties; proposing coding for new law.

HF1555—Valan (IR)—Governmental Operations

State government; restructuring the capitol area architectural and planning board; creating the position of state capitol architect; requiring the designation of employees of the department of administration as preservation architect and capitol engineer; creating the state capitol user committee; creating an art works jury within the state historical society; appropriating money; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1556—Gutknecht (IR)—Education

Education; declaring legislative policy on religious matters in the public elementary and secondary schools; establishing guidelines; proposing coding for new law.

HF1557—Clark (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; property tax refund; changing the payment date for renters; amending statutes.

HF1558—Knickerbocker (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Financial institutions; providing for the extension of certain loan assumptions; amending statutes.

HF1559—Tomlinson (DFL)—Taxes

Local government; changing the administration and disbursement of certain property tax credits; modifying the process for determining mill rates; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1560—Carlson, D (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; providing for performance bonds or equivalent security for forestry development projects; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1561—Waltman (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; providing for payment of reduced assessment credit to the city of Zumbrota.

HF1562—Boo (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of Duluth; authorizing the collection of unpaid charges for water, gas, sewer, and garbage services and building demolition costs by assessment against the properties served or benefited.

HF1563—Jaros (DFL)—Education

Education; appropriating money to plan a residential school of science and mathematics in Duluth.

HF1564—Elioff (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Insurance; accident and health; providing coverage for ambulatory mental health services provided by a licensed psychologist; amending statutes.

HF1565—Begich (DFL)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Utilities; establishing a study of the effects of deregulation of certain gas and electricity utility functions; appropriating money.

HF1566—Onnen (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; providing for payment of property tax refunds if the taxes are delinquent; amending statutes.

HF1567—Dempsey (IR)—Taxes

Local government aid; modifying the distribution formula for cities; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

House Advisories

Thursday, Apr 11

HA15—Vanasek (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

A proposal to determine whether earth sheltered buildings should be designed by a licensed structural engineer.

HA16—Heap (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

A proposal to study the effectiveness of Federal/State job placement and job training programs.

Senate Files/ 1st. Readings

Thursday, Apr 4

SF374—Sieloff (IR)—Judiciary

Property transfers; regulating transfers to persons under a certain age; enacting the uniform transfers to minors act; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

SF679—Lessard (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Natural resources; providing for annual timber harvest public informational meetings; amending statutes.

SF77—Dicklich (DFL)—Judiciary

Real property; extending the provisions authorizing courts to approve postponements of mortgage foreclosure and contract for deed terminations and making them permanent law in certain cases; abolishing certain exclusionary provisions; clarifying certain provisions; declaring a public economic emergency to exist; prohibiting mortgage foreclosure and foreclosure sales for one year; prohibiting repossession, foreclosure, and foreclosure sales of agricultural personal property for one year; providing for an application to the court to allow repossession, foreclosure, and foreclosure sale; prohibiting actions for deficiency judgments; providing for the parties to compromise; and repealing the act after one year; amending statutes; repealing laws.

SF625—Reichgott (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Energy; delaying the effective date of energy efficiency ratings for certain devices sold in Minnesota; amending statutes.

SF635—Adkins (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Advertising devices; allowing "star city" signs on interstate highways; amending statutes; proposing coding for new laws.

SF923—Spear (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Controlled substances; prescribing "small amount" of marijuana; clarifying certain Schedule II controlled substances; prescribing amount of marijuana for possession in a motor vehicle; amending statutes.

Thursday, Apr 11

SF1320—Lantry (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Health; establishing a system of regional poison information centers; providing for less frequent program reporting; rescinding permission for poison control centers to contract with centers in other states; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

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ADVANCE COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

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TO ALL COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION CHAIRS: The deadline for all committee and commission meeting notices is NOON ON THURSDAY OF EACH WEEK. Please send notices in time for the Thursday publication deadline to House Information, Rm. 9, State Capitol.

Monday, April 15
8:00 a.m.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Allocations for AVTIs.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Allocations for World Trade Center; MN Zoo; Legislative Coordinating Commission (LCC).

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: HF1338 (L. Carlson) State University Board; authorizing it to sell and maintain computers and related products. HF817/SF319 (Knickerbocker) State Board of Investment departmental bill. HF1115 (Kelly) Authorizing the commissioner of revenue to request a prosecuting authority of a county to assist in criminal tax investigations. HF1240 (Bishop) Transferring responsibility for administration and enforcement of the human rights act from the Dept. of Human Rights to the Attorney General.

10:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. K. J. McDonald. Agenda: Commerce Commissioner Mike Hatch will report on the Emergency Farm Loan Act.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: HF456/SF31 (Blatz) Revocation of watercraft license for operating watercraft under influence of alcohol. HF1139/SF569 (Stanis) Granting conservation officers authority of peace officers. HF782/SF691 (Sviggum) Providing for participation by Indian tribes in the placement of their children. HF820/SF448 (Tompkins) Providing for assault of firefighters or emergency medical services personnel. HF1227/SF1003 (Bishop) Prohibiting sexual contact or penetration based on deception. HF851/SF1014 (Marsh) Individual asked to supply data relating to maltreatment of minors need not be given an informational warning. HF1029/SF35 (Bennett) Requiring health professionals to report suspicious wounds to law enforcement authorities. HF466/SF847 (K. Nelson) Allowing testimony of complaining victim of child abuse to be taken by closed-circuit television. HF1525 (Jacobs) Prohibiting sale, possession or use of electric weapons.

11:00 a.m.

REGULATED INDUSTRIES & ENERGY, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Elton Redalen. Agenda: HF526/SF1189 (Solberg) Eliminates certain restrictions on financing energy improvements, district heating systems, energy conservation investments and other energy improvements by local governmental units..

12:00 noon

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: HF1514 (Dempsey) Providing a levy base adjustment for loss of revenue sharing funds. HFxxx (Dempsey) Depositing revenue from the mortgage registration and deed taxes with the county; providing for local collection of taconite production taxes. HF1265 (Riveness) Providing for economic opportunity and arts enterprise zones.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

After Session

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Allocations for Dept. of Revenue.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. John Rose. Agenda: continue hearing on HF849 (Valento) Combined sewer overflow.

Tuesday, April 16
8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merilyn Valan. Agenda: Allocations - to be announced.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Allocations for State University System and Community College System.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Allocations for Dept. of Employee Relations; Dept. of Veterans Affairs.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: HF1322 (Omann) Local government aid to towns. HF1054 (Tompkins), HF1024 (Tomlinson), HF1481 (Valento), HFxxx (Dempsey), HFxxx (Schreiber) Local government aid for cities.

10:00 a.m.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: HF1213 (Beard) Creating an enterprise zone to be designated by the city of Cottage Grove. HF824 (Clausnitzer) Requiring local approval of farm winery licenses in certain instances. HF1225 (L. Carlson) Providing for the determination of certain usurious contracts. HF1307 (Seaberg) Burnsville; increasing the total number of on-sale liquor licenses. SF71/HF43 (Johnson) Providing for payment to a farm implement retailer by the manufacturer, wholesale, or distributor who repurchases inventory. HF842 (Marsh) Clarifying commissioner's authority to conduct regulatory investigations. HF1233 (Marsh) Extending a moratorium on certain town off-sale licenses. HF1343 (Bennett) Providing for issuance of licenses within Indian country. HF1427 (D. Carlson) Creating the Northeastern Minnesota Economic Development Corporation to promote economic development in northeastern Minnesota and to provide incentives for industrial and manufacturing enterprises to locate in northeastern Minnesota.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. John Rose. Agenda: HF961 (Johnson) Local water management; requiring counties to develop water and related land resources plans; authorizing grants to counties. HF1506 (Fjoslien) Providing payment of attorney fees for proceedings involving determination of public waters and wetlands. HF1530 (Neuenschwander) Providing emergency assistance for loggers of state timber.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Tony Onnen. Agenda: HF346 (Gruenes) Providing physical therapy evaluation and referral. HF679 (Boo) Establishing an educational program for nursing home consumer advisory councils. HF934 (Long) Commitment of mentally retarded. HF1175 (Kiffmeyer) Expanding definition of reporting of medically neglected child. HF1331 (Onnen) Establishing a system of regional poison information centers. HF1391 (Bishop) Defining temporary housing (review). HF1541 (Riveness) Services for care of brain damaged adults.

12:00 noon

JOINT SUBCOMMITTEE ON CLAIMS/ House Appropriations & Senate Finance, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan & Sen. Greg Dahl. Agenda: HF1458/SF165 (Valan) Various claims against the state. HF1459/SF164 (Valan) Various claims against the state.

JUDICIARY, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Charles Halberg. Agenda: HF661/SF291 (McKasy) Intestate succession and spouse elective share. HF452/455 (McKasy) Enacting the uniform conservation easement act. HF1421 (McKasy) Defining "trade secrets." HF643 (Bishop) Marriage dissolution; clarifying factors to consider in awarding maintenance. HF984 (Halberg) Authorizing aggregation of damages in cases of multiple defendants.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: To be announced.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

3:00 p.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Allocations - to be announced.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: Continue agenda from 10:00 a.m. meeting.

TAXES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: Revenue Commissioner Gus Donhowe will address the committee concerning the 1986-87 revenue forecast. HF569 (Schreiber) Providing a procedure for temporary updating of income tax references to the Internal Revenue Code in certain instances. HF1082 (Valento) Water pollution control; requiring a program for surface water management and the abatement of combined sewer overflows in the metropolitan area. HF810 (Quist) Health; requiring the commissioner of health to develop programs for the promotion of non-smoking; providing for tax.

4:00 p.m.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Allocations for Community College System continued.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Allocations for Debt Service; Water Resources Board.

Wednesday, April 17
8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Allocations - to be announced.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Allocations for Dept. of Education.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Allocations for Dept. of Human Services.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Allocations for Dept. of Energy & Economic Development (DEED).

EDUCATION, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Wendell Erickson. Agenda: Presentation of the State Plan for Vocational Technical Education. Remainder of agenda to be announced.

10:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. K. J. McDonald. Agenda: To be announced.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: HF1131 (Kelly) Establishing a crime victim and witness advisory board and a crime victim ombudsman. HF1231/SF1126 (Kelly) Transferring administration of crime victim crisis centers and reparations board to office of attorney general.

12:00 noon

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Adolph Kvam. Agenda: To be announced.

TRANSPORTATION, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Douglas Carlson. Agenda: To be announced.

2:00 p.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Allocations - to be announced.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: To be announced.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Allocations for Dept. of Energy & Economic Development (DEED) continued.

GAMBLING SUBCOMMITTEE/General Legislation & Veterans Affairs, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Gil Gutknecht. Agenda: Informational hearing regarding compulsive gambling. Speaker: Dr. Robert Custer.

JUDICIARY, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Charles Halberg. Agenda: HF1296/SF1013 (Dempsey) Data privacy. HF1431 (Bishop) Revisor's bill. HF601 (Halberg) Clarifying notice period required for cancellation of contract for deed. HF568 (Halberg) Allowing an award for damages for mental anguish in wrongful death actions.

7:00 p.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Allocations for Dept. of Energy & Economic Development (DEED) continued.

Thursday, April 18
8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Allocations - to be announced.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Allocations for University of Minnesota.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Allocations for Dept. of Human Services continued.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Allocations for Council for the Handicapped; Indian Affairs Council; Council on Black Minnesotans; Council for Spanish-Speaking People.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: Consideration of the division report for inclusion in the Omnibus Tax bill. These topics will be considered: Fraternal organization; utility property - Northern States Power; continuing care facilities; confession of judgment; leased land issue; telephone gross earnings; deed tax transfer; taconite tax transfer; levy limit; 12-month assessment ratio.

10:00 a.m.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: HF1048 (Frerichs) Establishing a state board of hearing instrument dispensing. HF1360 (Zaffke) Providing for a product standard for formaldehyde in building materials used in the construction of housing units. HF235 (McKasy) Modifying fees payable on certain security registrations. HF976 (Heap) MN Historical Society; appropriating money for the institute for invention and innovation. HF361 (Bennett) Requiring that plumbing inspectors hold licenses as master or journeyman plumbers. HF1409 (Dempsey) Requiring certain agreements to extend credit to be in writing.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES, Rm. 10. Chr. Rep. John Rose. Agenda: SF279/HF366 (Hartinger) Increasing the penalty on owners and keepers of certain dogs. HF442 (L. Jennings) Recodifying the drainage law with some modifications. HF1497 (Battaglia) Authorizing the commissioner of natural resources to sell certain lands in St. Louis county. HF1498 (Neuenschwander) Authorizing the commissioner of natural resources to sell certain lands in Koochiching county.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Tony Onnen. Agenda: To be announced.

12:00 noon

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Allocations for the Legislature budgets.

GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Dave Fjoslien. Agenda: HF1201/SF1098 (Dyke) Enlarging the definition of lobbyist. HF834 (Kelly) Prohibiting the use of a decompression chamber to destroy an animal. HFxxx (Shaver) Training of election officials; Secretary of State.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: To be announced.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

After Session

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: Continue 10:00 a.m. agenda.

7:00 p.m.

TRANSPORTATION, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Douglas Carlson. Agenda: HF119 (Forsythe) Seat belt bill.

Friday, April 19

8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Allocations - to be announced.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Allocations for University of Minnesota continued.

TAXES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: HF756 (Schreiber) Omnibus tax bill; relating to income taxes and corporate taxes.

12:00 noon

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: Consideration of the division report for inclusion in the Omnibus Tax bill. These topics will be considered: Property taxes - classification/simplification; homestead credit; property tax refund; local government aid.

2:00 p.m.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Allocations for Higher Education Coordinating Board.

Saturday, April 20

9:00 a.m.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: To be announced.



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HIGHLIGHTS

Hearing aids

Minnesota would become the 46th state to require licensing of hearing-aid dealers if HF1048 (Frerichs, IR-Rochester) becomes law.

The proposal calls for dealers to pass an examination for a license to legally sell hearing aids in the state. The examination could test fitting, structure, and function of the hearing instruments. It would not apply to doctors and audiologists.

The bill, which got the recommendation of the Commerce and Economic Development Committee on April 18, would require any business or person to put up a surety bond for \$10,000 for every five or fewer of its licensees who dispense hearing aids.

Frerichs says the bill's design is not to hurt or impair the activities of the honest, legitimate dealer. He says it's to get at the door-to-door salespeople who are untrained in proper fitting or selection of hearing instruments and who make profits at the expense of those most vulnerable to high-pressure sales techniques.

Mosquitos

Summertime's mosquito time in Minnesota, so a bill the Environment and Natural Resources Committee approved on April 18 seems timely. HF840 (Fjoslien, IR-Brandon) would authorize a research program to look at whether state-wide mosquito management programs are necessary.

Rep. Wes Skoglund, another author of the bill, says research would include health, agricultural and animal, and tourism impacts of the pesky bugs.

"We don't really know exactly how much tourism is worth to our economy, but \$10 billion is a figure everybody agrees on as a minimum. If one percent of the people stay away from our state because they don't like mosquitos . . . that's \$100 million.

"The sales taxes alone that people are paying in other states, instead of ours, would pay for this program three times over," says Skoglund.

The committee gave the bill a recommendation to pass, and sent it, along with its \$2.7 million price tag, to the Appropriations Committee.

Education funding

The Education Division of the Appropriations Committee divided \$1.027 billion this week among four programs.

The Higher Education Coordinating Board (HECB) would get \$133.8 million in state funds over the next two years according to the division's recommendation of April 18. The amount is an 11.4 percent increase over current levels. However, the overall amount available to students in financial assistance is down by \$16 million because of cuts in federal programs.

The state community college system would get almost \$180 million if the April 16 recommendation of the Division stands. The allocation to run the system for the next two years would be \$15 million more than the 1983-1985 allocation, but still \$18 million shy of what the community colleges asked for.

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The state university system's allotment would be \$344.7 million, \$7.5 million less than the governor's recommendation, and 11.4 percent higher than the current level of \$309.4 million.

At an April 15 meeting, the division recommended \$369.1 million for the biennium for state vocational-technical schools, where projections show a small rise in student enrollment (from 38,250 to 40,700). The \$369.1 is a \$36 million increase over the current level of funding.

Mental anguish damages

Damages for mental anguish over the wrongful loss of a loved one could be a reality in Minnesota under HF568 (Schoenfeld, DFL-Waseca).

On April 18, the Judiciary Committee recommended the bill to pass. It would allow someone who loses a loved one to sue for mental anguish damages.

Present law limits relatives to recovering for pecuniary losses. Courts have interpreted that type of loss to mean financial loss and also loss of advice, comfort, assistance, and protection.

Parents who lose a child or someone who loses an elderly loved one usually do not recover very much in pecuniary damages under the court's interpretation of those damages.

Representatives from the insurance industry opposed the bill saying the change will drive up all types of insurance premiums because it will increase settlements and jury awards.

The bill now goes to the floor of the House.

Farm products

Buyers of farm products would benefit under a bill the Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee approved on April 17. HF990 (Dimler, IR-Chanhassen) addresses the so-called "double jeopardy issue" which allows lenders to collect from a buyer of farm products if they cannot collect the debt from the farmer and they have recorded their security interest on the farm product.

Supporters of the bill were buyers of farm products. They say it is unfair that they have to pay twice for the farm products — once to the farmers and then again to the lenders when the lenders cannot collect the debt from the farmer.

The bill would set up a buyer registration system which would require buyers of farm products to register in the counties they do business. It would require lenders to notify a buyer of farm products if they have a security interest in the products. The buyers would take the products free of the security interest if the lender fails to notify them.

The bill now goes to the Appropriations Committee.

Stun guns

HF1525 (Jacobs, DFL-Coon Rapids), a bill to regulate the use of stun guns was before the House Crime and Family Law Committee on April 17. Regulations on sales under the bill would be much the

same as those on mace in current law. That is, people over 18 years old could own and use properly labeled stun guns to defend themselves or their property.

However, people who can't own a pistol under present law, couldn't buy or own a stun gun under this legislation. The list includes: certain felons; the mentally ill; or those convicted of drug offenses, hospitalized for drug use, or committed for chemical dependency. Use of the gun against a peace officer would be a felony.

Local governments would have the authority to license sellers, but the bill provides that state law would supersede any local regulation of possession, use, and sale of the guns.

St. Paul Police Chief William McCutcheon, testifying at the hearing, said the hand-sized gun incapacitates a person with a jolt of electricity to the torso. And although the literature states this effect lasts for up to 15 minutes, McCutcheon says it appears to make someone dysfunctional for about nine seconds, and it's not yet known what the effects are if the jolt is to the head.

Since the committee didn't take a vote on HF1525 on the last day the committee met to take action on bills, it could come up as an amendment to other legislation.

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Highway contract crime

Contractors, subcontractors, or suppliers guilty of highway construction contract crime would pay the price of one year's debarment under SF43 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia), a bill the Transportation Committee recommended for final passage on April 17.

SF43 would call for the one-year debarment for any contract crimes including bid-rigging, embezzlement, bribery, or forgery, occurring after June 30, 1985. It also prohibits, with some exceptions, local officials and the transportation commissioner (who can terminate a debarment by order) from doing business with a person who is debarred or suspended.

The bill goes next to the full House.

Jobs program

On April 17, the Human Services Division of the Appropriations Committee voted to recommend \$20 million to the Minnesota Employment and Economic Development Act (MEED), the state jobs program.

MEED is an employer wage subsidy program. The money subsidizes payroll costs for the unemployed who don't receive other jobless benefits. But it also targets Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) recipients and troubled farm families. Seventy-five percent of the recommended funding would go for private sector jobs.

Vo-tech education

The Board of Vocational-Technical Education presented the state's plan for vo-tech education to the Education Committee April 16. Mel Johnson, from the board, filled committee members in on the direction the system plans to take and some of the challenges it faces.

Johnson said the challenge of matching curriculum planning with the expected labor market demands is ongoing because projecting those demands is a most imprecise science. He said projections are usually based on history, and that's not always the best way to approach measurement of the market.

Johnson said that the vo-tech system will continue to work with the Department of Economic Security, the State Planning Agency, and other offices to help monitor job market developments.

Farm loan financing

The high cost of credit and capital gains taxes are two of the most critical problems facing Minnesota farmers today, Rep. Merlyn Valan (IR-Moorhead) told the Governmental Operations Committee April 16.

Valan is author of HF1261, a bill he says would help insure the long-term health of the rural economy by providing a form of credit relief and restructuring of capital gains taxes.

HF1261 would allow the state to issue up to \$1 billion in bonds to finance farm loans. Another provision would allow retiring farmers who sell their farms to get an exemption from state income taxes on the capital gains. Interest income on contract-for-deed sales would also be exempt, if the retiring farmer re-invests a portion of the proceeds in the agricultural bonds.

Some members showed concern over how the legislation would affect the state's credit rating, and the possibility the state would have to pay off those bonds if the farm economy doesn't improve and farmers default on the loans.

The committee recommended the bill to pass and rereferred it to the Rules and Legislative Administration Committee.

Enterprise zone

The city of Cottage Grove lost two-thirds of its industry in the last two years, most of it when the Whirlpool plant near there closed its doors.

But things could get better under HF1213 (Beard, IR-Cottage Grove), a bill the Commerce and Economic Development Committee approved April 16. The bill would add Cottage Grove to the list of sites for state enterprise zones where businesses can get tax breaks if they bring jobs to distressed areas. The city would hope to use the enterprise zone for General Motor's Saturn Auto Plant.

The names of Cottage Grove and Duluth have come up as possible locations for the Saturn Plant which could create nearly 24,000 jobs — 6,000 directly, and 18,000 indirectly.

Author of the legislation, Rep. Pat Beard, says the zone designation would put Cottage Grove on equal footing with Duluth which already has an enterprise zone.

Business assistance

A bill that would provide financial incentives to attract private investment in medium and large-size manufacturing and industrial businesses won the approval of the Commerce and Economic Development Committee April 16.

The proposed Minnesota Industrial Recovery Act, HF1427 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone), would set up an Industrial Development Corporation of government, education, labor, and business leaders.

This group would promote the establishment of new industries or the expansion of existing businesses in distressed areas of the state and tailor financial assistance using resources from an Industrial Recovery Fund.

The fund, also part of the proposed economic development plan, would supplement private investment in new industrial facilities. However, no money from the fund could go to tourism or recreational projects, or to any project that hasn't attracted at least \$2.5 million in private money.

The bill's author, Rep. Doug Carlson, says other states have developed programs that attract private capital investment, and the proposed Minnesota Industrial Recovery Act is similar in many respects to those initiatives.

Rep. Mary Murphy (DFL-Hermantown) urged members to support the bill. She says the program opens doors to both existing and new businesses.

Tax incentives

HF1265 (Riveness, DFL-Bloomington), a bill creating tax incentives for companies that provide new or expanded manufacturing jobs in greater Minnesota had its first hearing in the Local Government Finance Division of the Taxes Committee on April 15.

Under the proposal, new or expanding companies would pay no corporate, income, or sales taxes for 20 years if they create manufacturing jobs in counties with at least 10 percent unemployment or 10 percent agricultural jobs.

The division plans to take up the proposal again when it considers the omnibus property tax bill.

Charitable gambling

Charitable organizations wouldn't be able to operate games of chance in commercial bars under a bill recommended to pass by the Taxes Committee on April 15. The bill, HF1055 (Dimler, IR-Chanhassen), would require charitable organizations to have their own liquor license if they want to mix gambling and booze.

Author Rep. Chuck Dimler said the bill would particularly affect charities that have set up pull-tab operations in bars throughout the state. He said the Legislature never authorized such operations.

The measure would also strip the Charitable Gambling Control Board's power to issue gambling licenses, collect taxes, inspect records and regulate distributors. The board could recommend local license suspension or revocation, if local governments fail to act.

The bill now goes to the Appropriations Committee.

Correction

*In the highlight, "Charity tax deductions," on page 3 of last week's **Session Weekly**, the second paragraph relating to deductions for charitable deductions should read:*

On April 9, the Taxes Committee heard HF246 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights), a bill that would let non-itemizers take the same deduction that they get on their federal returns for taxable years 1985 and 1986. For 1985, the deduction would be 50 percent of charitable contributions limited to 50 percent of Federal Adjusted Gross Income (FAGI). For 1986, the deduction would be 100 percent of charitable deductions limited to 50 percent of FAGI.

Farm financial aid

Assessment of the interest-buydown and debt-restructuring programs the Legislature passed about 30 days ago shows that, to date, loans have gone to over 200 borrowers and a thousand applications are pending.

On April 15, Commerce Commissioner Mike Hatch, whose department administers both programs, gave the Agriculture Committee a rundown on how and who the interest-buydown is helping.

According to Hatch, the average amount for each of the 298 loans was about \$52,000. Interest costs were cut down to about 7-1/2 percent; debt-to-asset ratios balanced out at about 72 percent. About 68 banks are taking part.

Hatch's department, concerned about the low lender participation, surveyed 100 lenders to find out why. Some said the \$3,000 state subsidy is too small for an acceptable cash flow on an operating loan. Others said they need time to adjust to the new program. Others weren't aware of it.

Hatch says the requirement that farmers have a reasonable chance to pay back the money at the lower interest rate may disqualify a number who, due to the economy, couldn't keep operating even if they had the assistance. Also, many lenders misinterpreted this requirement.

Hatch says, after May 1, when most operating loans and federal loans have come through, determining whether the program is addressing the needs of the farmers in the targeted group will be easier. The design of the program is to have banks and the state working together to make spring operating credit available to financially strapped farmers.

Drinking and boating

Driving a boat while intoxicated (BWI) will carry some stiff penalties if HF456 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington) becomes law. Under the bill, which the House Crime and Family Law Committee recommended to pass April 15, first-time BWI offenders would face misdemeanor penalties that would increase for subsequent offenses. And they'd lose their boat-driving privileges for 90 days.

Refusing a chemical test would carry similar penalties and loss of operating privileges for a year.

Supporting the get-tough-on-boaters-who-drink law at the April 15 meeting was Lois TenEyck who lost her 20-year-old son in a 1983 boating accident. She told the committee that, had it been a car accident that cost her son his life, more action in terms of breath tests and penalties would have come of it.

HF456 would exclude motor-boats securely fastened to a dock, anchored, or drifting with the motor turned off.

Video for troopers

The age of technology could bring a new twist to court testimony in accident cases. Under the Department of Public Safety (DPS) omnibus bill, HF1128 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone), the state would invest \$200,000 in video equipment to allow state troopers to animate their working papers and scale diagrams.

They could then use the tapes as part of their testimony in court proceedings. The bill's author, Rep. Doug Carlson, says it's the most innovative part of the bill which would make numerous changes to department procedures affecting all motorists, including police officers, truckers, and three-wheel vehicle riders.

The Transportation Committee recommended HF1128 to pass April 12 and rereferred it to the Governmental Operations Committee.

Open meeting law

Minnesota's open meeting law has been on the books since 1957, where it takes up less than two pages in statutes. Supporters of HF529 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins) say the law's vague and leaves much open to interpretation by the public, public bodies, and the courts.

HF529 would give public bodies guidance, or a code to follow, in opening their doors to the public. It would set the civil penalty for violations at a fine of up to \$200, a \$100 increase over what the law says now.

With specific exceptions, all meetings of public bodies would be open to the public, with set requirements for adequate notice.

Closed meetings would include those considering pending or threatened litigation, dealing with specific patients or recipients of welfare, considering allegations or charges of misconduct against public employees, and those considering strategy for labor negotiations.

Exempt from the code would be: the state Legislature, the judiciary, juries, and the board of pardons, the same as in present law.

On April 12, the Governmental Operations Committee recommended HF529 to pass as amended.

Nursing homes

Minnesota leads the nation in per capita spending on nursing home care, has the fifth highest number of nursing home beds, and the problem's growing. According to Rep. Tony Onnen (IR-Cokato), chair of the Health and Human Services Committee, part of the problem is the number of nursing home beds available and the ease of placing people in nursing homes.

Onnen has introduced HF908, legislation that would expand the 1983 moratorium on nursing home construction to include all expansion, not just that affecting Medicaid patients.

Onnen says the legislation provides mechanisms that will help direct people to alternatives to nursing home care and will save money for individuals and the state. He says Minnesota has seen dramatic improvements in the control of nursing home costs since the 1983 moratorium law went into effect, and this new legislation will continue that movement.

COMMITTEE ACTION

AGRICULTURE

Wednesday, April 17

- **Agriculture Department omnibus bill**
HF687 (Erickson, IR-Hills)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Taxes Committee.
- **Agricultural land preservation program—changes**
HF1426 (Uphus, IR-Sauk Centre)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Agricultural land—owned by a nursing home**
HF1570 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Farm eligibility for economic development loans**
HF251/SF285* (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—recommended to pass.
- **Agricultural input lien—lender's notification response**
HF1317/SF1118* (Brinkman, DFL-Richmond)—recommended to pass.
- **Resolution—Minnesota Rural Electric Cooperatives**
HF10 (Redalen, IR-Fountain)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Rules and Legislative Administration Committee.

APPROPRIATIONS

Education
Div./Approp.

Tuesday, April 16

- **SW State University—technology development**
HF642 (Erickson, IR-Hills)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in Education Division omnibus bill.

Wednesday, April 17

- **State University System—parking jurisdiction**
HF1158 (Piepho, IR-Mankato)—recommended to pass for inclusion in Education Division omnibus bill.

- **Carry-over education funds—exempt**
HF1414 (Boo, IR-Duluth)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in Education Division omnibus bill.
 - **Average cost funding—task force**
HF1386 (Boo, IR-Duluth)—recommended to pass for inclusion into division omnibus bill.
 - **AVTI's—changes in budget/allocation**
HF792 (Haukoos, IR-Albert Lea)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in Education Division omnibus bill.
 - **Private for-profit schools—consolidation of regulation**
HF992 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in Education Division omnibus bill.
 - **Minnesota resident—education definition**
HF1406 (Kahn, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass for inclusion in Education Division omnibus bill.
 - **Eighth graders—information on post secondary education**
HF878 (Nelson, K., DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass for inclusion in Education Division omnibus bill.
 - **Financial aid changes—farm/rural business students**
HF999 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in Education Division omnibus bill.
 - **Minnesota schools for deaf and blind—study**
HF1051 (Boo, IR-Duluth)—tabled for interim study.
- Thursday, April 18**
- **Part-time students—scholarship grants**
HF1073 (Boo, IR-Duluth)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in Education Division omnibus bill.

Human Services Div./Approp.

Wednesday, April 17

- **MEED—state jobs program**
HF159 (McLaughlin, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in Human Services Division omnibus bill.

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COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Tuesday, April 16

- **Cottage Grove enterprise zone**
HF1213 (Beard, DFL-Cottage Grove)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Taxes Committee. (See Highlight)
- **Burnsville—5 more liquor licenses**
HF1307 (Seaberg, IR-Mendota Heights)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Usury laws—effect of repeal or rate change**
HF1225 (Carlson, L., DFL-Crystal)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Late payments to farm implement retailers**
HF43/SF71* (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—recommended to pass.
- **Securities/real estate omnibus bill**
HF842/SF882* (Marsh, IR-Sauk Rapids)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Liquor licenses—issuance within Indian country**
HF1343/SF1183* (Bennett, IR-Shoreview)—recommended to pass.
- **Minnesota Industry Recovery Act of 1985**
HF1427 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Governmental Operations Committee. (See Highlight)

Thursday, April 18

- **Hearing instrument dispensing—regulation**
HF1048 (Frerichs, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (See Highlight)
- **Institute for Invention and Innovation**
HF976 (Heap, IR-Plymouth)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Formaldehyde standards**
HF1360 (Zaffke, IR-Backus)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Security registration fees**
HF235 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Town liquor license moratorium—extended one year**
HF1233 (Marsh, IR-Sauk Rapids)—heard; laid over until April 19.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW

Monday, April 15

- **Boating while intoxicated**
HF456/SF31 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)
- **Conservation officers—peace officer authority**
HF1139/SF569 (Stanisus, IR-White Bear Lake)—rereferred to subcommittee.

- **Indian children—placement**
HF782/SF691* (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—recommended to pass as amended.

Wednesday, April 17

- **Assaults—certain penalties increased**
HF820/SF448* (Tompkins, IR-Apple Valley)—recommended to repass as amended (committee reconsidered the vote by which they recommended passage on April 8).
- **Health professionals—reporting suspicious wounds**
HF1029/SF35 (Bennett, IR-Shoreview)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Criminal law—various changes**
HF851/SF1014 (Marsh, IR-Sauk Rapids)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Psychotherapists—prohibiting sexual relations with patients**
HF1227/SF1003 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Stun guns—regulating use/possession/sale**
HF1525 (Jacobs, DFL-Coon Rapids)—laid over as amended. (See highlight)
- **Child abuse victims—closed-circuit TV testimony**
HF466/SF847 (Nelson, K., DFL-Mpls)—amended; laid over for interim study.
- **Domestic abuse act—service by publication**
HF1205/SF1036 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Victims rights and compensation**
HF1231 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Governmental Operations Committee (HF1131 was amended into HF1231).

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

Monday, April 15

- **Combined sewage overflow—state financial assistance**
HF849 (Valento, IR-Little Canada)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Taxes Committee.

Tuesday, April 16

- **Water management act—local, comprehensive**
HF961 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Taxes Committee.

- **Todd County hearing unit—payment for legal fees**
HF1506 (Fjoslien, IR-Brandon)—amended; laid over until April 18.
- Thursday, April 18**
- **Todd County hearing unit—payment for legal fees**
HF1506 (Fjoslien, IR-Brandon)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
 - **Loggers—emergency aid**
HF1530 (Neuenschwander, DFL-Int'l Falls)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
 - **Drainage law—recodified**
HF442 (Jennings, L., DFL-Rush City)—recommended to pass as amended.
 - **St. Louis County—land conveyance**
HF1497 (Battaglia, DFL-Two Harbors)—recommended to pass.
 - **Koochiching County—land conveyance**
HF1498 (Neuenschwander, DFL-Two Harbors)—recommended to pass as amended.
 - **Dogs—causing harm to big game or livestock**
HF366/SF279* (Hartinger, IR-Coon Rapids)—recommended to pass as amended.
 - **Peat lands—leasing for wild rice farming**
HF515 (Ogren, DFL-Aitkin)—rereferred to subcommittee.
 - **Mosquito research—statewide program**
HF840 (Fjoslien, IR-Brandon)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (See Highlight)
 - **Water pollution—reimbursement program**
HF1005 (Valento, IR-Little Canada)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Rules and Legislative Administration Committee.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE

Wednesday, April 17

- **Insolvent insurers—distribution of assets**
HF857 (Olsen, S., IR-St. Louis Park)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Taxes Committee.
- **Investments in federal debt—mutual funds**
HF605 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Loan assumptions—extension provided**
HF1558 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—recommended to pass.
- **Housing programs—local, regional review**
HF1548 (Boo, IR-Duluth)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Taxes Committee.
- **Credit unions—deposit of public funds allowed**
HF364/SF302* (Rees, IR-Lakeville)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Taxes Committee
- **Agricultural products—registration system for buyers**
HF990 (Dimler, IR-Chanhassen)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (See Highlight)

GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS

Thursday, April 18

- **Election officials—testing/training**
HF1584 (Shaver, IR-Wayzata)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Ethics in government act—changes**
HF1568 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Animals—decompression chambers prohibited**
HF834 (Kelly, DFL-St.Paul)—recommended to pass.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

Friday, April 12

- **Open meeting law—changes**
HF529 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)

Monday, April 15

- **Educational institutions—sale of computers**
HF1338 (Carlson, L., DFL-Crystal)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **State investment board—departmental bill**
HF817/SF319* (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—recommended to pass.
- **Tax investigations—county assistance**
HF1115 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul)—laid over.

Tuesday, April 16

- **Agricultural finance agency—created**
HF1261 (Valan, IR-Moorhead)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Rules and Legislative Administration Committee. (See Highlight)

Wednesday, April 17

- **Hazardous substances—notice to fire departments**
HF1546 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

Thursday, April 18

- **Council on biotechnology—created**
HF1274/SF1322 (Piepho, IR-Mankato)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Bilingual services—state/local agencies**
HF492 (Pappas, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Tuesday, April 16

- **Physical therapy—evaluations and referrals**
HF346 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—heard; laid over until April 18.
- **Public guardians—role to be studied**
HF546 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—recommended to pass.
- **Maternal/child health care—grant distribution**
HF609 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Day care—setting rates/sliding fee program**
HF696 (Ozment, IR-Rosemount)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Counties—funds for family reunification**
HF765 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

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- **Child support—enforcement incentives**
HF912 (Clausnitzer, IR-Maple Grove)—recommended to pass as amended.
 - **Programs for nursing home councils**
HF679/SF251* (Boo, IR-Duluth)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
 - **Block grant funds—allocations**
HF828 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
 - **Mentally retarded—continued commitment**
HF934 (Long, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended.
 - **Poison information—regional centers**
HF1331/SF1320* (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—recommended to pass.
- Thursday, April 18**
- **Physical therapy—evaluations and referrals**
HF346 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—recommended to pass as amended.
 - **Nursing homes—changes in reimbursement procedures**
HF769 (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—language from HF1041 amended into the bill; recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
 - **Health expense protection—eligibility changes**
HF925 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
 - **Child support—parental liability**
HF1018 (Quist, IR-St. Peter)—recommended to pass.
 - **Health care—report on markets**
HF1134 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
 - **Health care program—participation by commissioner**
HF1049 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

- **Neglected children—expanded definition**
HF1175 (Kiffmeyer, IR-Big Lake)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Regulation of psychotherapists—a legislative study**
HF1302 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass.
- **Displaced homemakers—funding for program**
HF1366 (Boo, IR-Duluth)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Temporary housing—definition**
HF1391 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Brain damaged adults—establishment of services**
HF1541 (Riveness, DFL-Bloomington)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Medical assistance—to mothers living with parents**
HF911 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—recommended to pass.

JUDICIARY

Tuesday, April 16

- **Intestate succession—spouses elective share**
HF661/SF291* (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—heard as amended; laid over.
- **Uniform conservation easement act**
HF452/SF455* (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—heard; laid over.
- **Trade secrets—defined**
HF1421 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—recommended to pass.

Wednesday, April 17

- **Revisor's bill—unconst'l statutes**
HF1431 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass as amended.
 - **Contract for deed—notice period**
HF601 (Halberg, IR-Burnsville)—recommended to pass as amended.
 - **Watercraft titling—security interests**
HF1014 (Frerichs, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
 - **Town cartways—maintenance**
HF1435 (Quist, IR-St. Peter)—recommended to pass as amended.
 - **Court of Appeals—jurisdiction clarified**
HF1578 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass as amended.
 - **Dissolution of marriage—spousal maintenance**
HF643/SF623* (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—heard; laid over.
- Thursday, April 18**
- **Dissolution of marriage—spousal maintenance**
HF643/SF623* (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass as amended.

- **Multiple defendants—aggregation of damages**
HF984 (Halberg, IR-Burnsville)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Income taxes—penalty for failure to file**
HF1405 (Halberg, IR-Burnsville)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Juvenile court records—authority to release**
HF806 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass.
- **Data privacy**
HF1589 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—heard.
- **Wrongful death actions—mental anguish damages**
HF568 (Schoenfeld, DFL-Waseca)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)
- **Uniform conservation easement act**
HF452/SF455* (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—reconsidered and recommended to pass.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS

Tuesday, April 16

- **Solid waste—land disposal prohibited**
HF939 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—heard; further hearings April 17.

Wednesday, April 17

- **Minneapolis—establishing special service districts**
HF384/SF303 (Otis, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Mora/New Ulm/Waseca—special service districts**
HF592/SF593 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Municipalities—economic development powers**
HF922/SF925 (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Development commissions—providing for dissolutions**
HF555/SF1165 (Thiede, IR-Pequot Lakes)—laid over until April 18.
- **Local governments—commercial service districts**
HF975/SF996 (Peterson, DFL-Princeton)—recommended to pass as amended.

- **Firefighters—exemptions from residency requirements**
HF1282/SF1187 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Dakota County—electronic fund transfers**
HF1460/SF1404 (Ozment, IR-Rosemount)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Duluth—establishing convention center**
HF1543/SF1361 (Boo, IR-Duluth)—recommended to pass as amended; referred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Municipal improvements—advertisement of bids**
HF689/SF542 (Himle, IR-Bloomington)—recommended to pass as amended.

Thursday, April 18

- **Fergus Falls—port authority powers**
HF71/SF63 (Anderson, IR-Ottertail)—recommended to pass.
- **North Mankato—establishes port authority**
HF693/SF567 (Frederick, IR-Mankato)—recommended to pass.
- **Plymouth—establishes port authority**
HF743/SF721 (Clausnitzer, IR-Maple Grove)—recommended to pass.
- **Red Wing—establishes port authority**
HF942/SF904 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Roseville—powers of port authority**
HF944 (Valento, IR-Little Canada)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Wadena—establishes port authority**
HF1309/SF1220 (Richter, IR-Wadena)—recommended to pass.
- **Breckenridge—establishes port authority**
HF1468/SF1447 (Valan, IR-Moorhead)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Bemidji—community seed capital fund**
HF1503/SF1411 (Thorson, IR-Bemidji)—recommended to pass.
- **Sheriff's contingency fund—credit amounts increased**
HF1316/SF1119 (Brinkman, DFL-Richmond)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **Lake of the Woods County—public improvement bonds**
HF584 (Tunheim, DFL-Kennedy)—recommended to pass.
- **Warroad—establishes port authority**
HF594/SF616 (Tunheim, DFL-Kennedy)—recommended to pass.

REGULATED INDUSTRIES & ENERGY

Monday, April 15

- **Local government—energy improvement loan changes**
HF526 (Solberg, DFL-Bovey)—not recommended to pass.

RULES & LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATION

Wednesday, April 17

- **Open meeting law—changes**
HF529 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Minnesota Zoo—board and funds**
HF1074 (DenOuden, IR-Prinsburg)—recommended to pass; placed on General Orders.

TAXES

Monday, April 15

- **Charitable gambling—changes**
HF1055 (Dimler, IR-Chanhassen)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (See Highlight)

Tuesday, April 16

- **Cities, towns—federal payments in lieu of taxes**
HF610 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **IDB authority—allocation**
HF495 (Schreiber, IR-Brooklyn Park)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Combined sewage overflow—state financial assistance**
HF849 (Valento, IR-Little Canada)—heard; laid over for further action.
- **Non-smoking programs—tax provided**
HF810 (Quist, IR-St. Peter)—heard; laid over for further action.

Local Government Finance Div./Taxes

Monday, April 15

- **Levy base adjustment—loss of federal funds**
HF1514 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass for inclusion in division's omnibus bill.
- **Opportunity enterprise zones**
HF1265 (Riveness, DFL-Bloomington)—heard; laid over for further action. (See Highlight)

Tuesday, April 16

- **Local government aid—towns**
HF1322 (Omann, IR-St. Joseph)—heard; laid over for further action.
- **Local government aid—formula for cities**
HF1054 (Tompkins, IR-Apple Valley)—heard; laid over for further action.
- **Local government aid—formula for cities**
HF1024 (Tomlinson, DFL-St.Paul)—heard; laid over for further action.

- **Local government aid—formula for cities**
HF1481 (Valento, IR-Little Canada)—heard as amended; laid over for further action.
- **Local government aid—formula for cities**
HF1567 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—heard; laid over for further action.
- **Local government aid—formula for cities**
HF1593 (Schreiber, IR-Brooklyn Park)—heard as amended; laid over for further action.

Thursday, April 18

- **Omnibus property tax bill**
HFxxx (author)—heard various proposals - some previously adopted by the Division; laid over until April 19.

TRANSPORTATION

Friday, April 12

- **Department of Public Safety omnibus bill**
HF1128 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Governmental Operations Committee. (See Highlight)

Wednesday, April 17

- **Mn/DOT—motor carrier housekeeping bill**
SF43 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)
- **Landscape contractors payment**
HF863/SF833 (Schreiber, IR-Brooklyn Park)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
- **State forest roads**
HF973 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Resolution—AMTRAK funding**
HF1413 (Munger, DFL-Duluth)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Rules and Legislative Administration Committee.

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FLOOR ACTION

CONSENT CALENDAR

Thursday, April 11

- **Timber harvest informational meeting**
HF881/SF679* (Thorson, IR-Bemidji)—passed.
- **St. Louis County—raises emergency fund**
HF649 (Jaros, DFL-Duluth)—passed.
- **Ramsey County—creation of a personnel system**
HF907 (Valento, IR-Little Canada)—passed.
- **Retirement—state employees on leave**
HF1009 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—passed.
- **New Brighton—civil service exemptions**
HF1199 (Knuth, DFL-New Brighton)—passed.
- **White Bear/Ramsey County—land transfer**
HF1226 (Stanius—IR-Kenyon)—passed.
- **Heartland Trail—land conveyance**
HF1235 (Zaffke, IR-Backus)—passed.
- **Certified signature on final documents**
HF1236 (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—passed.
- **Edina firemen's association—general law applies**
HF1273 (Forsythe, IR-Edina)—passed.
- **Retirement—retirees on firefighters' board**
HF1336 (Sarna, DFL-Mpls)—passed.
- **Retirement—service credit for disabled officers**
HF1337 (Sarna, DFL-Mpls)—passed.
- **Retirement—TRA variable participants options**
HF1404 (Rest, DFL-New Hope)—passed.

Monday, April 15

- **Minneapolis—youth coordination board**
HF1198/1152 (Nelson, K., DFL-Mpls)—passed.
- **Transcript fees—increased by chief judges**
HF1382/SF1371 (Cohen, DFL-St. Paul)—passed as amended.
- **Family farm—resolution to preserve**
HF163 (Krueger, DFL-Staples)—passed.
- **Community development corps—board members' income levels**
HF580/SF779 (O'Connor, DFL-St. Paul)—passed.
- **Milk requirements—resolution**
HF1388 (Richter, IR-Wadena)—passed.
- **"Mentally impaired"—definition**
HF219/SF177* (Staten, DFL-Mpls)—passed.

CALENDAR

Thursday, April 11

- **"Star City" signs on interstate highways**
HF586/SF635* (McEachern, DFL-St. Michael)—passed as amended.
- **Life insurance companies—funding agreements**
HF517/SF519 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—passed.

Monday, April 15

- **Dept. of Revenue—property taxes**
HF556/SF472* (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—passed as amended on General Orders.
- **Horseracing—medication/medical testing**
HF755/SF678 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone)—passed as amended on General Orders.
- **Waste disposal facilities/certificate of need**
HF401/SF617 (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—passed.
- **Corporations—income tax changes**
HF779/SF822 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—passed.
- **Dramshop actions—practice/procedure**
HF255/SF318 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—passed as amended on General Orders.

CONCURRENCE & REPASSAGE

Tuesday, April 16

- **AVTI—combined districts**
HF470*/SF518 (Erickson, IR-Hills)—repassed as amended by the Senate.

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GOVERNOR

BILLS THE GOVERNOR SIGNED

Wednesday, April 10

- **PERA reorganization**
HF110/SF122* (Knickerbocker)—Chapter 11.
- **Wineries—4 years to use imported grapes**
HF34*/SF72 (Redalern)—Chapter 12.
- **Part-time peace officers—requirements**
HF329*/SF424 (Olsen, S.)—Chapter 13.
- **Minnesota statutes—copies to libraries**
HF509*/SF435 (Ogren)—Chapter 14.
- **Warroad school district—capital loan**
HF263/SF483* (Tunheim)—Chapter 15.
- **Registered land surveys/title transfers**
HF125/SF198* (Blatz)—Chapter 16.

Tuesday, April 16

- **Veterans of foreign wars—memorial**
HF177/SF247* (Valento)—Chapter 17.
- **Hibbing—fixing term of mayor, council**
HF270/SF287* (Minne)—Chapter 18.
- **Farm prices intervention—funding/study**
HF373/SF546* (McDonald)—Chapter 19.
- **Tree removal—highway right-of-way**
HF327*/SF646 (Jennings, L.)—Chapter 20.
- **Mental health—language revisions**
HF621*/SF592 (Gruenes)—Chapter 21.
- **Independent telephone company—redefined**
HF894*/SF843 (Dyke)—Chapter 22.

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Member directory — office rooms and phone numbers

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10B	Anderson, Bob (IR)	335	296-4946
20A	Anderson, Glen (DFL)	281	296-4228
51A	Backlund, Gordon (IR)	529	296-5510
6A	Battaglia, David (DFL)	231	296-2190
56B	Beard, Patrick W (DFL)	549	296-3135
19A	Becklin, Lynn (IR)	337	296-5364
6B	Begich, Joseph R (DFL)	229	296-5063
53A	Bennett, Tony (IR)	379	296-2907
33B	Bishop, David T (IR)	583	296-0573
41B	Blatz, Kathleen (IR)	509	296-4218
27A	Boerboom, Jim (IR)	423	296-5374
8B	Boo, Ben (IR)	407	296-2228
62B	Brandl, John E (DFL)	311	296-4837
16B	Brinkman, Bernard J (DFL)	251	296-4373
11A	Brown, Charles (DFL)	211	296-4929
43A	Burger, John (IR)	411	296-9188
14B	Carlson, Douglas W (IR)	485	296-4308
9A	Carlson, Joel (IR)	531	296-5515
46B	Carlson, Lyndon R (DFL)	209	296-4255
60A	Clark, Karen (DFL)	225	296-0294
48A	Clausnitzer, Dale A (IR)	523	296-5502
64B	Cohen, Richard J (DFL)	273	296-5931
23A	Dempsey, Terry (IR)	537	296-9303
21B	DenOuden, Gaylin (IR)	381	296-4346
36A	Dimler, Chuck (IR)	539	296-1072
28A	Dyke, Carol (IR)	521	296-5505
5A	Elioff, Dominic J (DFL)	233	296-0170
47B	Ellingson, Bob (DFL)	221	296-3709
27B	Erickson, Wendell O (IR)	563	296-4336
11B	Fjoslien, David (IR)	471	296-4317
42B	Forsythe, Mary M (IR)	365	296-4363
24B	Frederick, Marcel (IR)	525	296-5513
28B	Frederickson, Dennis (IR)	429	296-5373
32A	Frerichs, Don (IR)	367	296-4378
61A	Greenfield, Lee (DFL)	223	296-0173
17B	Gruenes, Dave (IR)	571	296-6316
33A	Gutknecht, Gil (IR)	491	296-9249
38A	Halberg, Charles C (IR)	369	296-4212
50A	Hartinger, John M (IR)	413	296-5369
30A	Hartle, Dean (IR)	421	296-5368
31A	Haukoos, Bob (IR)	371	296-8216
45B	Heap, Jim (IR)	409	296-7026
41A	Himle, John (IR)	453	296-7803
49B	Jacobs, Joel (DFL)	217	296-4231
7B	Jaros, Mike (DFL)	503	296-4246
29A	Jennings, David (IR)	463	296-3240
19B	Jennings, Loren G (DFL)	501	296-0518
34A	Johnson, Virgil J (IR)	487	296-1069
58B	Kahn, Phyllis (DFL)	389	296-4257
29B	Kalis, Henry J (DFL)	277	296-4240
67A	Kelly, Randy C (DFL)	307	296-4277
18B	Kiffmeyer, Ralph R (IR)	431	296-5377
43B	Knickerbocker, Gerald (IR)	443	296-4315
52B	Knuth, Daniel J (DFL)	345	296-0141
54B	Kostohryz, Richard (DFL)	349	296-4936
12B	Krueger, Rick (DFL)	215	296-3201
21A	Kvam, Adolph L (IR)	479	296-4344
55A	Levi, Connie (IR)	459	296-4124
2A	Lieder, Bernie (DFL)	315	296-5091
59A	Long, Dee (DFL)	387	296-0171
17A	Marsh, Marcus (IR)	449	296-7806
35B	McDonald, K J (IR)	437	296-8872
22A	McEachern, Bob (DFL)	203	296-4237
39A	McKasy, Bert J (IR)	403	296-6828
60B	McLaughlin, Peter (DFL)	321	296-7152
55B	McPherson, Harriet (IR)	527	296-5511
39B	Metzen, James (DFL)	545	296-4370

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20B	Miller, Howard (IR)	579	296-5066
5B	Minne, Lona (DFL)	243	296-0172
7A	Munger, Willard M (DFL)	283	296-4282
8A	Murphy, Mary (DFL)	259	296-2676
49A	Nelson, Darby (DFL)	301	296-1729
62A	Nelson, Ken (DFL)	317	296-4244
3A	Neuenschwander, Bob (DFL)	201	296-1188
65A	Norton, Fred C (DFL)	267	296-5158
66B	O'Connor, Rich (DFL)	357	296-7807
14A	Ogren, Paul Anders (DFL)	323	296-7808
44A	Olsen, Sally (IR)	559	296-3964
2B	Olson, Edgar (DFL)	553	296-4265
16A	Omamn, Ben (IR)	581	296-6612
22B	Onnen, Tony (IR)	515	296-1534
66A	Osthoff, Tom (DFL)	597	296-4224
59B	Otis, Todd (DFL)	313	296-9281
37B	Ozment, Dennis (IR)	577	296-4306
65B	Pappas, Sandy (DFL)	241	296-9714
42A	Pauly, Sidney (IR)	451	296-7449
18A	Peterson, Jerome (DFL)	253	296-6746
24A	Piepho, Mark (IR)	565	296-3248
31B	Piper, Pat (DFL)	295	296-9248
10A	Popenhagen, Dennis (IR)	401	296-5387
56A	Price, Leonard (DFL)	359	296-3018
50B	Quinn, Joe (DFL)	261	296-2439
23B	Quist, Allen (IR)	567	296-7065
32B	Redalen, Elton R (IR)	591	296-9278
36B	Rees, Tom (IR)	439	296-6926
46A	Rest, Ann H (DFL)	213	296-4176
57A	Rice, James I (DFL)	245	296-4262
12A	Richter, Don (IR)	575	296-4293
40B	Riveness, Phillip J (DFL)	327	296-7158
25B	Rodosovich, Peter (DFL)	551	296-8237
63A	Rose, John (IR)	585	296-4342
58A	Sarna, John (DFL)	353	296-4219
35A	Schafer, Gary L (IR)	557	296-8634
47A	Scheid, Linda (DFL)	593	296-3751
30B	Schoenfeld, Jerry (DFL)	207	296-8635
48B	Schreiber, William (IR)	543	296-4128
38B	Seaberg, Arthur W (IR)	377	296-3533
44B	Segal, Gloria (DFL)	393	296-9889
45A	Shaver, Craig (IR)	331	296-9934
34B	Sherman, Tim (IR)	477	296-8637
51B	Simoneau, Wayne (DFL)	239	296-4331
61B	Skoglund, Wes (DFL)	507	296-4330
3B	Solberg, Loren (DFL)	227	296-2365
1B	Sparby, Wally (DFL)	351	296-9918
53B	Stanius, Brad (IR)	329	296-5363
57B	Staten, Randolph W (DFL)	289	296-8659
26A	Sviggum, Steve (IR)	417	296-2273
13A	Thiede, Paul M (IR)	473	296-4333
4A	Thorson, Ted (IR)	533	296-5516
40A	Tjornhom, Chris (IR)	415	296-5375
67B	Tomlinson, John D (DFL)	303	296-4259
37A	Tompkins, Eileen (IR)	517	296-5506
1A	Tunheim, Jim (DFL)	287	296-9635
15A	Uphus, Sylvester (IR)	433	296-5185
9B	Valan, Merlyn O (IR)	375	296-8829
54A	Valento, Don (IR)	343	296-7153
25A	Vanasek, Robert E (DFL)	237	296-4229
64A	Vellenga, Kathleen (DFL)	279	296-8799
52A	Voss, Gordon (DFL)	255	296-4226
26B	Waltman, Bob (IR)	445	296-9236
15B	Welle, Alan W (DFL)	247	296-6206
13B	Wenzel, Stephen G (DFL)	291	296-4247
63B	Wynia, Ann (DFL)	309	296-3824
4B	Zaffke, Maurice J (IR)	569	296-2451

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BILL INTRODUCTIONS

Bill Introductions

Monday, Apr 15

HF1568—Knickerbocker (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Elections; making certain changes in the ethics in government act; changing the time when certain campaign bills must be rendered; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1569—Onnen (IR)—Governmental Operations

Public employment labor relations; prohibiting public employee bargaining units of less than five people; amending statutes.

HF1570—Dempsey (IR)—Agriculture

Agriculture; creating an exception to the corporate farming law; amending statutes.

HF1571—Gruenes (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Housing and redevelopment authorities; extending the authority to provide interest reduction programs through 1987; amending statutes.

HF1572—Tomlinson (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Cemeteries; providing for the maintenance of certain cemeteries containing the remains of pioneers and Minnesotans who died through the year 1875; amending statutes.

HF1573—Redalen (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; allowing a credit for electric heat storage furnaces; extending the residential energy credit; amending statutes.

HF1574—Vanasek (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; permitting a deduction for the costs of collection and remittance; amending statutes.

HF1575—Dempsey (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; exempting farm machinery; including certain repair parts in the definition of farm machinery; amending statutes.

HF1576—Minne (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of Hibbing; permitting a special levy to cover the costs of road paving.

HF1577—Dempsey (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; property; changing the administration and disbursement of certain property tax credits; modifying the process for determining mill rates; changing property classes and classification ratios; changing computation of property tax refunds; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1578—Bishop (IR)—Judiciary

Courts; clarifying the jurisdiction of the court of appeals to issue writs; amending statutes.

HF1579—Battaglia (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Appropriations; appropriating money for construction of a dam on Nett Lake in St. Louis county.

HF1580—Munger (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of Duluth; modifying lien rights in connection with the collection of installment payments on municipal home energy loans; amending laws.

HF1581—Rose (IR)—Taxes

Education; establishing a scholarship for excellence program; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1582—Boerboom (IR)—Transportation

Motor vehicles; repealing a motor vehicle registration and transfer fee; repealing statutes.

HF1583—Boerboom (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Soil and water conservation; appropriating money for floodplain management.

HF1584—Shaver (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Elections; changing certain filing provisions; providing for training of election judges and election officials; requiring publication of certain election guides; excepting certain election judges from receiving compensation; changing certain canvassing procedures; providing for certain recounts; defining terms; changing certain deadlines; changing certain procedures relating to voting machines; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF1585—Segal (DFL)—Education

Education; providing a state aid incentive for class size reductions in kindergarten through grade 12; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1586—Kelly (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; requiring the county attorneys council to develop recommended plea negotiation guidelines; requiring prosecutors to file written reasons supporting plea agreements with the court following the acceptance of a negotiated guilty plea; prohibiting sentence negotiations; proposing coding for new law.

HF1587—Hartle (IR)—Labor-Management Relations

Public safety; creating a division of elevator inspection in the department of labor and industry; providing for duties, powers, and fees; providing for annual, statewide, certified inspections of elevators by qualified inspectors; allowing municipalities with qualified elevator inspection programs to be exempt from state inspection; establishing a study of elevator safety inspections; requiring a report to the legislature; prescribing a penalty; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1588—Himle (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; excluding small foreign sales corporations from the combined report; amending statutes.

HF1589—Dempsey (IR)—Judiciary

Collection and dissemination of data; classifying government data as confidential, private, nonpublic, protected nonpublic, and public; clarifying issues relating to classifications of data, access to data, and classifications of inactive investigative data; refining provisions of the data practices act; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1590—Gruenes (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; clarifying case management services for the mentally retarded; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1591—Onnen (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; requiring licensure of facilities for children and handicapped persons in need of treatment; providing for licensure of certain facilities by the department of human services; allowing licensing of day care units for five or more nonresidents; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1592—Boo (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; raising the standards of assistance for families in the general assistance program; limiting monthly payments for facilities with negotiated rates; granting rulemaking authority; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF1593—Schreiber (IR)—Taxes

Local government aid; modifying the distribution formula for cities; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1594—Carlson, J (IR)—Health/Human Services

Human services; changing provisions of the aid to families with dependent children program; redefining human services assistance terms; clarifying assistance provisions; excluding certain property and income for assistance purposes; establishing a procedure for collection of overpayments; excluding certain women from work registration; changing medical assistance length of eligibility; allowing a \$50 disregard for child support; clarifies assistance application and issuance procedures; clarifying the county of responsibility; amending statutes.

HF1595—Frerichs (IR)—Taxes

Economic development; providing for the creation of economic growth areas; providing tax incentives; proposing coding for new law.

Tuesday, Apr 17

HF1596—Dimler (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; sales tax; providing for elimination of double taxation in sale and lease-back transactions; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF1597—Piepho (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs
City of Mankato; permitting the establishment of a port authority.

HF1598—Onnen (IR)—Taxes
Taxation; exempting from income taxation certain income used to purchase long-term care insurance; amending statutes.

HF1599—Fjoslien (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs
State monuments; authorizing development of a plan for a memorial to Native Americans; amending statutes.

HF1600—Shaver (IR)—Taxes
Taxation income; allowing insurance companies to use income as determined under the updated Internal Revenue Code in determining taxable net income under this chapter; amending statutes.

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A resolution memorializing the President and Congress of the United States to amend the Social Security Act to reverse overly-restrictive administrative interpretation of that act.

HF1602—Wynia (DFL)—Health/Human Services
Human services; transferring the child care sliding fee program to the department of economic security; expanding the child care sliding fee program; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

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HF1603—Uphus (IR)—Budget
Local government; directing the reimbursement of Pope county for the expenses of law enforcement and damages to public property connected with certain public demonstrations; appropriating money.

HF1604—Quist (IR)—Health/Human Services
Human services; establishing a new administration system for certain programs; providing for distribution of system costs; establishing a county services revolving account; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1605—Vellenga (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs
Ramsey county; authorizing the issuance of county bonds for capital improvement projects; proposing coding for new law.

HF1606—Wenzel (DFL)—Taxes
Taxation; property; providing that the basic maintenance levy not be applied against certain seasonal recreational property; providing a state reimbursement to school districts; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF1607—Sviggum (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs
Goodhue county; permitting the county to levy a tax for the county historical society.

HF1608—Osthoff (DFL)—Taxes
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HF1609—Hartinger (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs
Public indebtedness; changing notice and election requirements; amending statutes.

HF1610—McKasy (IR)—Judiciary
Courts; eliminating certain mileage expenses that court reporters may claim for reimbursement; eliminating the requirement that a court reporter reside in the district in which he or she is appointed; amending statutes.

House Advisories

Monday, Apr 15

HA17—Otis (DFL)—Education
A proposal to study pupil to teacher ratios.

HA18—Kvam (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration
A proposal for study of the appropriate work for the legislature in even-numbered years.

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SF70—Schmitz (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
Real property; local and metropolitan government; providing for acquisition and relocation assistance in cases of hardship to owners of homestead property located in a proposed state highway corridor; amending statutes.

SF597—Taylor (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs
City of North Mankato; permitting the establishment of a port authority; authorizing the port authority to exercise the powers of a municipal housing and redevelopment authority.

SF468—Pehler (DFL)—Education
Education; requiring an educational cooperative service unit to conduct a meeting annually to discuss issues of mutual concern and to facilitate coordination and cooperation; amending statutes.

SF675—Schmitz (DFL)—Transportation
Highways; allowing road authorities to designate minimum-maintenance roads; exempting road authorities from liability for damages arising from travel on minimum-maintenance roads; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

SF676—Chmielewski (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
Towns; authorizing the conduct of town business at places located outside the town; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

SF798—Solon (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
Labor; independent school district No. 709; removing educational assistants from civil service; amending laws.

SF82—Diessner (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
Real property; requiring that condominium floor plans be approved by county surveyor before recording; amending statutes.

SF152—Frank (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance
Insurance; accident and health; providing for the extraterritorial application of mandated maternity benefits for unmarried women; amending statutes.

SF485—Dicklich (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development
Commerce; franchises; providing for the assignment, transfer, or sale of a franchise under certain circumstances; providing certain equitable relief; amending statutes.

SF568—Dieterich (DFL)—Appropriations
Education; directing the commissioner of education to form an advisory committee on nonpublic schools; amending statutes.

SF126—Lantry (DFL)—Education
Education; requiring post-secondary governing boards to develop procedures to facilitate the transfer of credit between institutions; proposing coding for new law.

SF281—Petty (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
Criminal justice; clarifying the procedure for making certain claims against the state; providing limitations on the payment of claims; placing restrictions on places where work in restitution or community service may be performed; amending statutes.

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Education; requiring the state board of vocational technical education to adopt policies about minimum class size and placement ratios; exempting certain monetary distributions from certain contract procedures; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

SF566—Jude (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
Civil procedure; providing for the treatment of certain foreign judgments; enacting the Uniform Foreign Country Money-Judgments Recognition Act; proposing coding for new law.

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Human rights; prohibiting the waiver of legal rights or remedies in certain human rights cases; establishing standards for waiver rescission; amending statutes.

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Natural resources; authorizing additions to and deletions from certain state parks; amending laws.

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Taxation; providing for installment payments of deferred special assessments plus interest upon sale of green acres property; amending statutes.

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Intoxicating liquor; providing for issuance of licenses within Indian country; allowing the sales between collectors of discontinued brands of beer in cans; authorizing the issuance of on-sale licenses in certain theaters in Minneapolis; amending statutes.

SF441—Bertram (DFL)—Appropriations
National guard; changing minimum pay for certain enlisted persons; amending statutes.

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Insurance; removing the limits on credits offered on workers' compensation insurance premiums; amending statutes.

SF827—Reichgott (DFL)—Crime/Family Law
Marriage dissolution; requiring child support or maintenance obligors to file address or residence changes; amending statutes.

SF1088—Peterson, Donna (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Revenue recapture act; including the University of Minnesota in the definition of claimant agency; amending statutes.

SF302—Petty (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Commerce; providing for deposits of public funds in thrift institutions; amending statutes.

SF647—Pehler (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Education; Minnesota Educational Computing Corporation; removing some limits on its powers; providing for compliance with certain bidding laws for management computing services; amending statutes.

SF750—Chmielewski (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Veterans; authorizing the American Veterans to use space in the veterans service building; amending statutes.

SF916—Berglin (DFL)—Appropriations

Human services; authorizing the commissioner to establish a state advisory planning council; requiring counties to contract with nonprofit organizations; changing set aside project amounts; amending statutes.

SF682—Petty (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Human services; eliminating exclusions to licensing of child care programs; establishing qualifications for licensers; amending statutes.

SF930—Purfeerst (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Public safety; motor vehicles; clarifying penalties for failure to provide security for basic reparation benefits; defining terms; requiring certification procedure to obtain tax-exempt passenger vehicle license plates for unmarked vehicle of law enforcement agency; reducing 2,000-pound weight limitation to three-fourths ton for motor vehicles in certain situations; exempting certain returned motor vehicle registration documents from filing fee; prescribing dissemination of traffic accident information to news media; regulating format of certain license plates; increasing weight of vehicles which may be operated with class "C" driver's license; prescribing filing period for clerk of district court to forward drivers license applications and fees to department of public safety; authorizing commissioner of public safety to promulgate school bus driver qualification rules; authorizing access to certain private vehicle tax information under certain conditions; prescribing fees; amending statutes.

SF623—Reichgott (DFL)—Judiciary

Marriage dissolution; clarifying factors to consider in awarding maintenance; amending statutes.

SF709—Jude (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Courts; raising the jurisdictional limit on claims heard in conciliation court; amending statutes.

SF693—Spear (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Crimes; providing for forfeitures of communications devices and proceeds derived from commission of designated offenses; amending statutes.

SF882—Peterson, Donna (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Commerce; clarifying submission of applications for directors and officers liability insurance; providing for the withdrawal of certain registration statements; broadening the securities transaction exemptions for isolated sales an limited offerings; repealing the securities transaction for preorganization offerings; simplifying an exemption from franchise registration; providing for disclosure of representation by real estate brokers and salespersons; expanding those officers who may verify corporate broker licenses; altering re-examination requirements for brokers and salespersons who fail to renew their licenses; altering the unclaimed property reporting deadline for life insurance companies; raising the aggregation amount for holders reporting unclaimed property; specifying dates for notifying and advertising owners of abandoned property; and providing for the notification of all lienholders by a unit owners association in an assessment lien foreclosure; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

SF127—Benson (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Game and fish; authorizing big game licenses for nonresident students at resident fees; amending statutes.

SF330—Stumpf (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Public safety; permitting churches to display christmas trees with decorative lights; amending statutes.

SF728—Wegscheid (DFL)—Rules/Legislative Administration

A resolution memorializing the 100th anniversary of the birth of Harry S Truman, the 33rd President of the United States.

SF1307—Vega (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Cemeteries; providing for the maintenance of certain cemeteries containing the remains of pioneers and Minnesotans who died through the year 1875; amending statutes.

SF1334—Vega (DFL)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Utilities; regulating certain intrastate gas pipelines; amending statutes.

SF186—Chmielewski (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Administrative rules; requiring the director of the pollution control agency to give notice of application for a water pollution discharge permit; amending statutes.

SF285—Kronebusch (IR)—Agriculture

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SF521—Solon (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Corrections; authorizing the commissioner of corrections to prescribe the conditions under which persons on work release may retain and expend their earnings; providing for inmate contribution to funds for programs to aid victims of crime; clarifying the provisions relating to the use of force by correctional officers in preventing escape; providing preference to county employees displaced when counties change over and request probation services for county courts from the state; removing obsolete language; amending statutes.

SF1117—Berglin (DFL)—Health/Human Services

A resolution memorializing the President and Congress of the United States to amend the Social Security Act to reverse overly-restrictive administrative interpretation of that act.

SF219—Davis (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Transportation; restricting mowing of highway rights-of-way outside of cities; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

SF359—Dieterich (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Intoxicating liquor; increasing the maximum license fee for off-sale intoxicating liquor licenses; amending statutes.

SF805—Spear (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Human services; regulating long-term sheltered workshop; changing the effective date for long-term sheltered workshop evaluation criteria rules; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

SF381—Lantry (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Health; specifying nursing home correction order or noncompliance violations and penalties; amending statutes.

SF437—Petty (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Insurance; providing for the regulation of fraternal benefit societies; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

Tuesday, Apr 16

SF448—Wegscheid (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Crimes; providing penalty for assault of firefighters or emergency medical services personnel; amending statutes.

SF569—Merriam (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

Natural resources; granting conservation officers the authority of peace officers under certain circumstances; specifying areas of jurisdiction; amending statutes.

SF1045—Kroening (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Commerce; providing for the determination of certain usurious contracts; proposing coding for new law.

SF221—Davis (DFL)—Agriculture

Agriculture; providing for the prevention of economic waste in the marketing of certain agricultural crops produced in Minnesota by establishing minimum prices; providing for supply management and orderly marketing, administration, and enforcement; imposing a penalty; proposing coding for new law.

SF384—Johnson, Doug (DFL)—Appropriations

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



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ADVANCE COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

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Monday, April 23

8:00 a.m.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Dept. of Education; St. Thomas College.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Riders and other budget issues.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

After Session

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: Consider Division report for inclusion in omnibus bill. Continue Friday, April 19 agenda.

Tuesday, April 24

7:30 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Allocations for Charitable Gambling Board; Racing Commission; Dept. of Public Utilities Commission; Dept. of Transportation - Motor Carrier Safety; Transportation Regulation Board.

8:00 a.m.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Work on Division omnibus bill.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget issues.

8:15 a.m.

TAXES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: HF1489 (Shaver) Abolishing the combined reporting method of apportioning the income of multistate businesses. HF756 (Schreiber) Omnibus tax bill.

10:00 a.m.

JOINT SUBCOMMITTEE ON CLAIMS/ House Appropriations & Senate Finance, Rm. 400 S. Chrs. Rep. Merlyn Valan & Sen. Greg Dahl. Agenda: HF1458/SF165 (Valan); HF1459/SF164 (Valan) Various claims against the state.

2:00 p.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Allocations for Dept. of Transportation - General Support Services.

7:00 p.m.

TAXES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: HF569 (Schreiber) Providing a procedure for temporary updating of income tax references to the Internal Revenue Code in certain instances. Continue hearing HF756 (Schreiber) Omnibus tax bill.

Wednesday, April 25

7:30 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Allocations for Dept. of Transportation - Regional Transit Board.

8:00 a.m.

EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Review Division omnibus bill.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Work on Division omnibus bill.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget issues.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

7:00 p.m.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: HF939 (Rose) Solid waste and sewage sludge management; restricting land disposal of solid waste in the metropolitan area.

Thursday, April 26

7:30 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: Allocations for Dept. of Agriculture.

8:00 a.m.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson. Agenda: Work on Division omnibus bill.

8:15 a.m.

TAXES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: HF1400 (S. Olsen) Authorizing the conveyance of certain lands from the state to Independent School District No. 270. Remaining agenda to be announced.

8:30 a.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget issues.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

Friday, April 27

8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Merlyn Valan. Agenda: To be announced.

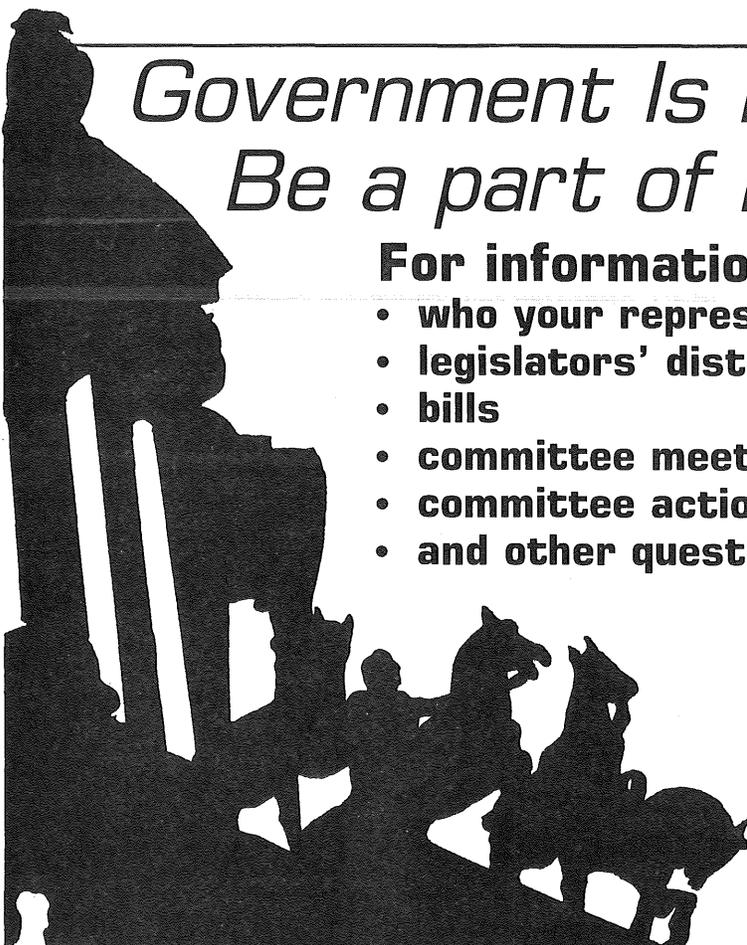
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STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget issues.

Saturday, April 28

9:00 a.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Budget issues.



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HIGHLIGHTS

Higher education dollars

The Education Division of the Appropriations Committee, April 25, recommended \$936.8 million for the University of Minnesota, \$38 million less than the governor requested.

Included in the proposal is \$12 million for a super computer institute, \$5.5 million for intercollegiate athletics, and \$320,000 for a talented youth program. This allocation should allow the University to hold tuition increases to under five percent. The proposal does not include additional funding for faculty salaries which the University said was a priority.

The proposal would grant \$345 million to the State University System, \$283 million to the Area Vocational-Technical Institutes' budget, and \$445 million to the Community College System. The Department of Education would get \$44 million; the Higher Education Coordinating Board, \$132 million.

The measure now goes to the full Appropriations Committee.

Credit interest rate

A bill that would eliminate the split interest rate ceiling for retail stores got final approval from the House on April 24 and is on its way to the governor for his approval.

The bill HF183 (Himle, IR-Bloomington) would allow all retailers to charge credit card users an annual interest rate of up to 18 percent. Presently, stores with annual gross sales over \$25 million can charge a rate of 16 percent, while small retailers may charge up to 18 percent.

Senate amendments to the bill would require retailers to give adequate notice of any interest increase and wouldn't allow the two percent increase to oil companies like Amoco and Exxon, and others whose national sales exceed \$10 billion dollars. These companies would retain the present 16 percent.

School after Labor Day

Legislation that would prohibit school districts from starting the school year before Labor Day, beginning in 1986, is now officially through the Legislature and has gone on to the governor's desk.

The bill, HF151 (Thiede, IR-Pequot Lakes), passed in the House for the second time April 24, this time adopting some Senate changes. The controversy that surrounded the bill since its introduction included proponents arguing that it would generate millions of dollars in sales tax revenue from Labor Day vacationers, and opponents who argued that the state shouldn't take from individual school districts the decision as to when to start the school year.

With the governor's signature, the bill becomes law.

Waste disposal

It could be the beginning of the end for metro area landfills if a bill the Local and Urban Affairs Committee recommended to pass April 24 becomes state policy.

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Rep. John Rose (IR-Roseville) is author of HF939 which would prohibit landfill disposal of solid waste, beginning in 1990.

Instead, the 5,000 tons of solid waste the metro area generates each day would go to refuse-derived fuel facilities (RDFs) for processing and burning.

Although it's a dramatic step forward, the bill sets up only rudimentary guidelines for moving into the 1990s, says Rep. Daniel Knuth (DFL-New Brighton).

"This is just another round in the hazardous waste battle," says Knuth, "and I fully suspect that there will be amendments to the Waste Management Act for the next 10 to 15 years."

The bill now moves on to the Rules and Legislative Administration Committee before going to the House floor for final action.

Omnibus tax bill

After working over 16 hours on an omnibus tax bill, the Taxes Committee on April 24 approved and sent to the floor of the House a \$1.3 billion tax-relief package — the largest in state history.

The measure would provide: \$849 million in individual income tax relief, \$350 million in sales tax cuts, including a reduction from 6 percent to 5-1/2 percent in the tax general sales tax, and over \$118 million in property tax relief.

Income tax relief

The \$849 million in income tax relief would provide a cut in individual income taxes by 16 percent and an average of \$181 for more than two million taxpayers. It would lower the 16 percent top rate to 14 percent. Over 431,700 taxpayers would pay an average of \$152 more in income taxes while over 425,000 would have no change.

The House income tax package retains a number of current credits and deductions, including: deductions for federal income taxes, military pay, dependent education expenses, and adoption expenses; and credits for political contributions, and child care expenses.

The bill, HF756 (Schreiber, IR-Brooklyn Park) would eliminate the current pension income subtraction (up to \$11,000 per person), but would replace it with a subtraction available to all taxpayers, 65 years or older, of up to \$3,000 per taxpayer. Other changes from current law would include: making unemployment compensation and social security taxable for taxpayers with incomes over a certain amount; eliminating the addition to Minnesota income of contributions to IRAs and other pension plans, the deduction for two wage earning married couples, and employee contributions to public pension plans.

Certain taxpayers would benefit under three new subtractions from their Minnesota income. One would allow a two-wage-earner married couple to subtract one-half of the federal deduction. Another would give taxpayers who care for an elderly person in their home up to a \$3,000 deduction. The third would allow non-itemizers to deduct up to one-half of the federal charitable deduction.

Under the bill, married couples would pay their tax on a joint filing basis, if they filed a joint return for federal income tax purposes. Under current law, a married couple calculates their tax based on each spouse's individual income and a single rate schedule.

Corporations would see an end to the so-called "unitary" tax under the proposal. Under the unitary system, national corporations must apportion a share of their total earnings in determining their Minnesota tax liability. HF756



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would allow corporations to calculate their taxes on their Minnesota profits only if that results in a decrease. Or they could continue to use the unitary tax if that is more beneficial.

Sales tax relief

Beginning July 1, 1986, the state's general sales tax rate would go from 6 percent to 5-1/2 percent, providing \$106.9 million in tax relief. The sales tax on motor vehicles would also go from 6 to 5-1/2 percent, providing over \$17 million in relief.

Farmers who purchase new and used farm machinery and repair/replacement parts would pay no sales tax under the proposal. They currently pay 4 percent for new and used machinery and 6 percent for repair/replacement parts.

Other sales tax changes include: exempting sales tax on purchases of capital equipment for new or expanded manufacturing in counties with ten percent or more unemployment or 10 percent or more agricultural employment; allowing retailers to retain a certain percentage of the sales tax they collect to reimburse them for their costs; reducing the 8 1/2 percent tax on beer and liquor to 8 percent on July 1 and eventually to 5 1/2 percent; and, reducing from 4 percent to 3 percent the sales tax on capital investment and special tooling.

Property tax relief

According to House Research estimates, property taxes would go down over \$118,700 million under the omnibus bill. But that estimate did not include changes in the school aids bill which could reduce property tax relief to \$40 million according to chief author Rep. Bill Schreiber.

Schreiber said the bill's property tax provisions are to reduce disparities among different classes of property and regions of the state. It would reduce the taxable values of four types of property: farm land; business property; high-value homes, especially in the metro area; apartments, and other types of residential real property.

Under the bill, the property tax on an average value (\$40,600) outstate home would increase 21 percent from \$378 to \$391 while the tax on an average value (\$75,900) Twin City home would go down 1.3 percent from \$1014 to \$1001.

The bill would reduce the portion of a homeowner's taxes the state pays from 54 percent to 50 percent, but it would increase the maximum homestead credit from \$650 to \$700. To protect homeowners from huge property tax increases next year, the bill provides for a "safety net" provision where the state would pay half of any increase in a homeowner's tax bill over \$100 or 12-1/2 percent, whichever is greater.

Child abuse fund

Legislation to create a child abuse trust fund passed in the House April 23.

The bill, HF450 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington), would repeal the \$2 checkoff on state income tax forms that goes toward the financing of campaigns and replace it with a \$2 checkoff for child abuse prevention programs.

Opponents of that method of funding argued that the Legislature shouldn't pit one good program (public financing of election campaigns) against another good program (child abuse prevention). They said that child abuse prevention should get funding the same way as other necessary services do — through a direct appropriation.

Author of HF450, Rep. Kathleen Blatz, said that lawmakers make tough choices every day. This choice is between using public dollars for funding campaigns or child abuse prevention programs. The latter, she said, is the "more meritorious" use of public money.

The Senate version of the bill, now in the Finance Committee, would allow the campaign checkoff to remain on tax forms and would add the trust fund checkoff.

Charitable gambling

Changes to the state's charitable gambling law are in HF1055 (Dimler, IR-Chanhassen). On April 23, the measure was made part of the omnibus bill coming out of the Agriculture, Transportation, and Semi-State Division of the Appropriations Committee.

The bill would reduce the size of the gambling control board from 22 to 7 members and reduce the board's powers, assigning those powers instead to local governments.

Another change would require that the person holding the liquor license must also be the person with the gambling license which would affect use of licensed liquor places by charitable organizations. Because the bill makes some changes in taxes coming to the state and in the regulating authority, it will get further consideration as an amendment to the division's appropriations omnibus bill.

Constitutional convention

The bill that would call for a constitutional convention went back to the author from the House floor, at his request.

The purpose of the convention would be to propose an amendment to the U.S. Constitution requiring a balanced federal budget. If 34 states pass such legislation, the nation would have its first constitutional convention since the founding fathers met in 1787 to draft the U.S. Constitution (ratified in 1790).

On April 18, the House voted 69 to 64 to amend the bill so that it would no longer call for a convention, but instead, would send a resolution to United States government officials stating that the President must submit to Congress a proposal for a balanced budget for fiscal year 1987, and requiring Congress to enact a balanced budget for 1987.

Upon consideration of the amended legislation on April 22, the author, Rep. Mark Piepho (IR-Mankato), made a motion to return HF9 to him, removing it from further consideration.

Education funding

On April 22, the Education Division of the Appropriations Committee approved an allotment of almost \$44 million for the State Department of Education.

The amount fell short of the governor's recommendation of \$46 million and the department's request for \$53 million. Although attempts to include inflationary effects in several fund allocations failed, the committee approved amendments to allow for inflation for the Faribault School for the Blind and Deaf, and for Indian education.

In these cases, the rates would be three percent for fiscal year 1986 and three and one-half percent for fiscal year 1987. The measure is up for inclusion in the Education Division omnibus bill.

U of M endowed chairs

The University of Minnesota will be able to keep interest from its permanent \$56 million trust fund and apply it toward the 50 or more endowed chairs the school hopes to attract under HF359 (Carlson, L., DFL-Crystal). The Education Division of the Appropriations Committee recommended the bill to pass April 22.

Stanley B. Kegler, vice-president for institutional relations for the University, says pluses for the school are that the chairs will attract senior scholars and young scholars who already have doctorates in their fields, and outstanding graduate students who will want to work with these people.

The bill is part of the division's \$936.8 million allocation to the University.

Cigarette tax

The price of smoking could go up seven cents a pack July 1 if two bills the Taxes Committee recommended for passage become law. Six cents of the tax would go to fund the Combined Sewage Overflow (CSO) bill, HF849 (Valento, IR-Little Canada).

HF849 aims to bring metro and outstate sewage treatment up to federal standards. The state Department of Revenue estimates the tax would bring in \$24 million a year for the sewage program.

The remaining one cent of the seven cent increase would bring in \$4 million annually. That money would go to school districts and the Department of Health and Human Services for smoking prevention programs, under HF810 (Quist, IR-St. Peter).

If the federal tax of eight cents a pack goes off in October, as reports from Washington indicate, the price of cigarettes in Minnesota would remain the same, with the state picking up the former federal tax.

On April 19, the Taxes Committee heard, amended, recommended, and rereferred HF849 to the Appropriations Committee. On April 22, the same action was taken on HF810.

Mandatory seat belts

The mandatory seat belt bill, SF40 (Forsythe, IR-Edina), underwent five hours of testimony in a Transportation Committee meeting on April 18. Then, question of a possible error in the final vote count necessitated another hearing on April 19 when a vote of 10-8 sent the bill to the House floor for final action.

The bill would require front seat occupants and passengers under age 11 (sitting in any seat) to buckle up. Violators would get a safety warning that wouldn't be added to their driving record.

Among those exempt from the mandate would be: people driving in reverse or less than 25 miles per hour on jobs that require getting in and out of vehicles often; those riding in vehicles manufactured before Jan. 1, 1965, without belts; postal workers; and people who, for medical reasons, can't wear belts.

If this bill becomes law, Minnesota would be one of the first states to have a mandatory seat belt law with no penalty.

Public welfare

The Human Services Division of the Appropriations Committee on April 19, recommended to pass HF443 (Carlson J., IR-Moorhead), a bill that would cut employable people from state welfare rolls.

The bill tightens the definition of "eligible" and would grant general assistance only to those who come under that definition. It also removes the one-payment-every-six-months provision that the Human Services Division had originally recommended.

The bill will be part of the division's omnibus bill.

Crime victims

The Legislature's been working on the concerns of crime victims since the early 1970s, says Rep. Randy Kelly. Kelly, April 19, briefed the Governmental Operations Committee on some past legislative action, such as the crime victims' reparations act, sexual assault, and battered women's programs, crisis center program, and the victims' bill of rights.

Kelly said the 1974 Legislature created the crime victims reparations act, which reimburses victims for economic loss they incur as a result of a crime that a third party doesn't pay for such as medical and other out-of-pocket expenses. The Legislature, also in the mid '70s, created the sexual assault and battered women's programs.

In 1977, a crime victim crisis center program went into effect to help general victims of crime. And in 1983, the Legislature enacted the victims' bill of rights.

Kelly says different departments currently provide those services, and he has a proposal HF1231 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul) that would bring them all together under the office of the attorney general.

Other provisions in the bill would allow financial reparations for victims when the offender is a spouse, next of kin, or household member, and raise the maximum amount one can collect from the Reparations Board from \$25,000 to \$50,000.

Minimum pricing

The minimum pricing bill, HF396/SF221 (Brown, DFL-Appleton), passed the Senate April 15, but in the House, the Agriculture Committee didn't vote on the bill. Chair of the committee, Rep. K.J. McDonald (IR-Watertown), at an April 19 meeting, ruled that the measure needs further study.

The bill would empower the state commissioner of agriculture to set minimum prices for farm products, once other states controlling 60 percent of a commodity passed similar legislation. (South

Dakota and Iowa legislatures have passed similar bills, but their governors vetoed them). These prices would cover only in-state commodity sales and would be between 80 and 100 percent of parity.

If the establishment of minimum prices leads to excessive commodity production, the commissioner could, under the bill, set up procedures for supply management and orderly marketing.

The bill has opposition from the Minnesota Farm Bureau and the commissioner of agriculture. The governor, the Minnesota Farmers Union, and Groundswell are among those supporting it.

Unemployment comp

Legislation that attempts to restore solvency to the state's unemployment compensation fund by next year passed in the House April 18. Restoring solvency would do away with federal penalty taxes that fall on all employers, regardless of their layoff history.

In what legislators have called "the guts" of HF847 (Gutknecht, IR-Rochester) are provisions that would make benefit changes, including:

- an increase in the number of credit weeks an individual has to have worked to qualify for unemployment benefits (from 15 to 20 weeks);
- a change in the weekly benefit amount from the current formula, based on the worker's average weekly wage, to a flat one percent of the worker's gross income over the last 52 weeks; and
- a cap on the maximum weekly benefit amount of \$200 for fiscal year 1985, \$208 for 1986, and \$216 for 1987 and each year after that.

The minimum weekly benefit would be \$56 for any claimant who qualifies for benefits. On the seasonal employee issue, the legislation would prohibit individuals from drawing benefits in the third year when they've received benefits in that same calendar quarter for the two previous years. This affects up to 14,000 workers.

In terms of dollars, Department of Economic Security figures show HF847 would cut employers' state taxes \$278 million by 1990, taking into account a \$162 million increase due to federal conformity. It trims \$750 million from the anticipated \$2.5 billion employers will pay out in benefits between 1985 and 1990 under current law.

Handguns

The full House on April 18, gave final approval to a bill that would put an end to firearm ordinances in Minneapolis and St. Paul, which are more strict than firearm regulations in the rest of the state.

Current law allows more stringent regulations only in cities of the first class: Minneapolis, St. Paul, and Duluth. The bill's author, Rep. Joe Begich (DFL-Eveleth), says Duluth isn't an issue because it has no such ordinance.

The bill, HF576, is the same as one that passed the Legislature last year but didn't make it onto the law books because of the governor's veto.

Though Begich says the law should treat everyone the same, opponents argued that the larger cities have unique problems and should be able to come up with their own solutions.

The bill passed on a vote of 91 to 35.

The Senate, on April 15, moved to table the bill prior to its hearing in committee. The author, Senator Bob Lessard, may move to take it up later in the session.

COMMITTEE ACTION

AGRICULTURE

Friday, April 19

- **Pseudorabies control—clean-up program**
HF962/SF786 (Boerboom, IR-Cottonwood)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Minimum pricing bill**
HF396/SF221* (Brown, DFL-Appleton)—laid over. (See Highlight)

APPROPRIATIONS

Ag., Transportation & Semi-State Div./Approp.

Tuesday, April 23

- **Repeal of Charitable Gambling Board**
HF1055 (Dimler, IR-Chanhassen)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in Agriculture, Transportation, and Semi-State Division omnibus bill. (See Highlight)
- **Regional Transit Board—responsibilities/membership**
HF1189 (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in Agriculture, Transportation, and Semi-State Division omnibus bill.

Education Div./Approp.

Tuesday, April 23

- **University of Minnesota—trust fund for endowed chairs**
HF359 (Carlson, L., DFL-Crystal)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in Education Division omnibus bill. (See Highlight)

Human Services Div./Approp.

Friday, April 19

- **General assistance eligibility**
HF443 (Carlson, J., IR-Moorhead)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in Human Services Division omnibus bill. (See Highlight)
- **Health care cost containment**
HF965 (Zaffke, IR-Backus)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in Human Services Division omnibus bill.

Saturday, April 20

- **Community work experience program**
HF126 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—recommended to pass for inclusion in Human Services Division omnibus bill.

State Departs. Div./Approp.

Tuesday, April 23

- **National guard—increased pay for active service**
HF317 (Fjoslien, IR-Brandon)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in State Departments Division omnibus bill.
- **Property tax study commission—created**
HF388 (Burger, IR-Long Lake)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in State Departments Division omnibus bill.
- **Retirement benefits—pre-'73ers**
HF414 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—recommended to pass.
- **Metro Council—establish an oversight commission**
HF571 (Ozment, IR-Rosemount)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Surcharges on civil filing fees—sunset law repealed**
HF590 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass for inclusion in State Departments Division omnibus bill.
- **Grave markers—provided for veterans**
HF599 (Metzen, DFL-S. St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in State Departments Division omnibus bill.
- **Surcharge on fines—conservation officer training**
HF872 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in State Departments Division omnibus bill.
- **Elk—confinement of a herd**
HF964 (Tunheim, DFL-Kennedy)—recommended to pass for inclusion in State Departments Division omnibus bill.
- **Storage tanks—regulation**
HF1053 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in State Departments Division omnibus bill.
- **Olmsted County—land conveyance**
HF1253 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass.
- **State parks fees/receipts—changes**
HF1321 (Shaver, IR-Wayzata)—recommended to pass for inclusion in State Departments Division omnibus bill.
- **Game and fish—license fee increase**
HF1340 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in State Departments Division omnibus bill.

Thursday, April 25

- **Retirement benefits—pre-'73ers**
HF414 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—reconsidered and recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in State Departments Division omnibus bill.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Friday, April 19

- **Off-sale liquor license fees**
HF319/SF359* (Rose, IR-Roseville)—laid over for interim study.
- **Liquor—authorizing certain licensees to sell**
HF1448 (Vellenga, DFL-St. Paul)—not recommended to pass.
- **Town liquor license moratorium—extended one year**
HF1233 (Marsh, IR-Sauk Rapids)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **DEED—advocate for business license applicants**
HF1392 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Agreements to extend credit—in writing**
HF1409 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Lemon law—extended to agricultural vehicles**
HF1293 (Peterson, DFL-Princeton)—laid over.
- **Economic development strategy commission—created**
HF1549 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Department of Jobs/Training—created**
HF913 (Quist, IR-St. Peter)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

Friday, April 19

- **Minnesota Industrial Recovery Act of 1985**
HF1427 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Victims rights and compensation**
HF1231 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (See Highlight)
- **Condemnation of polluted land**
HF860 (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Public safety—law changes**
HF1128 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Communication systems—installment regulated**
HF1151 (Miller, IR-Redwood Falls)—recommended to pass as amended.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Friday, April 19

- **Health professionals—license/discipline revision**
HF1436 (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Regulation of psychotherapists—study commission**
HF1302/SF1006 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

JUDICIARY

Friday, April 19

- **Data privacy**
HF1589 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass as amended.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS

Wednesday, April 24

- **Solid waste—land disposal prohibited**
HF939 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Rules and Legislative Administration Committee. (See Highlight)

TAXES

Friday, April 19

- **Non-smoking programs—tax provided**
HF810 (Quist, IR-St. Peter)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (See Highlight)
 - **Combined sewage overflow—state financial assistance**
HF849 (Valento, IR-Little Canada)—heard as amended; laid over until April 22.
- Monday, April 22
- **Combined sewage overflow—state financial assistance**
HF849 (Valento, IR-Little Canada)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (See Highlight)

Tuesday, April 23

- **Updating MN tax references—IRC**
HF569 (Schreiber, IR-Brooklyn Park)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in Taxes omnibus bill.
- **Foreign sales corporations—excluded from combined report**
HF1588 (Himle, IR-Bloomington)—recommended to pass for inclusion in Taxes omnibus bill.

- **Budget reserve—segregated account**
HF416 (Himle, IR-Bloomington)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in Taxes omnibus bill.
- **Income tax simplification—reductions**
HF1269 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in Taxes omnibus bill.
- **Sales tax SC report**
*RF1024 (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in Taxes omnibus bill.

Wednesday, April 24

- **Local Government Finance Division omnibus bill**
*RF1023 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in Taxes omnibus bill.
- **Taxes omnibus bill**
HF756 (Schreiber, IR-Brooklyn Park)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)

Local Government Finance Div./Taxes

Friday, April 19

- **Taconite tax—mortgage registration tax**
HF1552 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass as amended.

Monday, April 22

- **Local Government Finance Division omnibus bill**
*RF1023 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass as amended to full committee.
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TRANSPORTATION

Thursday, April 18

- **Mandatory seat belt bill**
SF40 (Forysthe, IR-Edina)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)

Friday, April 19

- **Three-unit truck combinations**
HF1083 (Carlson, J., IR-Moorhead)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Highway jurisdiction study**
HF1052 (Rees, IR-Lakeville)—Laid over for interim study.

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FLOOR ACTION

SPECIAL ORDERS

Thursday, April 18

- **Unemployment insurance—changes**
HF847/SF1294 (Gutknecht, IR-Rochester)—passed. (See Highlight)
- **Crimes—increased penalties for drugs/burglary**
HF654/SF663 (Marsh, IR-Sauk Rapids)—passed.
- **Prison confinement pending sentencing**
HF766/SF1452 (Marsh, IR-Sauk Rapids)—passed as amended.
- **Regulation of firearms**
HF576/SF868 (Begich, DFL-Eveleth)—passed. (See Highlight)
- **Local government agencies—prompt payment of bills**
HF191/SF445 (Piepho, IR-Mankato)—passed as amended.
- **Escape from custody—mental patients**
HF839/SF810 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—passed as amended.

Monday, April 22

- **Constitutional convention—balanced budget**
HF9/SF326 (Piepho, IR-Mankato)—returned to author as amended. (See Highlight)
- **Child abuse prevention trust fund**
HF450/SF942 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—passed. (See Highlight)

Wednesday, April 24

- **Uniform anatomical gift act—minors**
HF683/SF1223 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—passed.
- **School bus—overhead rack/MN serial on bus body**
HF633 (Valan, IR-Moorhead)—passed as amended.
- **Forest fires—interstate agreements**
HF882 (Thorson, IR-Bemidji)—passed.
- **Wild animals—hunting law changes**
HF937 (Richter, IR-Wadena)—passed.

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CONSENT CALENDAR

Monday, April 22

- **Ramsey County—law clerk position unclassified**
HF823/SF1147 (Vellenga, DFL-St. Paul)—passed.
- **Mine pits/shafts—fencing**
HF1374/SF1412 (Begich, DFL-Eveleth)—passed.
- **Nonprofit corporation mail address**
HF311/SF379* (Vellenga, DFL-St. Paul)—passed.
- **Fraternal benefit societies—regulation**
HF552/SF437* (Halberg, IR-Burnsville)—passed.
- **Sister state—County of Kronoberg, Sweden**
HF886/SF1057 (Jennings, L., DFL-Rush City)—passed.
- **Convey land for historical purposes**
HF1113/SF795 (Pappas, DFL-St. Paul)—passed.
- **Dissolution of cooperatives**
HF532/SF46* (Poppenhagen, IR-Detroit Lakes)—passed.
- **Landscape contractors—payment**
HF863/SF833 (Schreiber, IR-Brooklyn Park)—passed.
- **Agricultural land—owned by a nursing home**
HF1570 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—passed.

CALENDAR

Monday, April 22

- **Relocation of residents in state highway corridors**
HF145/SF70* (Dimler, IR-Chanhassen)—passed as amended.
- **Worthless checks**
HF368/SF1037 (DenOuden, IR-Prinsburg)—passed as amended.
- **School fund lands—exchange and inventory**
HF399/SF377 (McEachern, DFL-St. Michael)—passed.

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- **Job evaluation—fire, police exemption**
HF418/SF438 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—passed.
- **Prejudgment seizure of property—procedures**
HF449/SF591 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—passed.
- **Hennepin County Commissioners—salaries set**
HF507/SF536 (Olsen, S., IR-St. Louis Park)—passed.
- **Metro government—sales of sports facility property**
HF558/SF541 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—passed.
- **Room air conditioners—energy efficiency rate**
HF626/SF625* (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—passed.

SUSPENSION OF RULES

Monday, April 22

- **Acid rain resolution**
HF1263/SF1231* (Rose, IR-Roseville)—passed.

CONCURRENCE & REPASSAGE

Thursday, April 18

- **Aid for unborn children—eligibility extended**
HF985 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—passed as amended by the Senate.

Monday, April 22

- **Snowmobile registration—correction in law**
HF928/SF727 (Thiede, IR-Pequot Lakes)—repassed as amended by the Senate.

Wednesday, April 24

- **Ramsey County—conciliation court referees' salaries**
HF461*/SF388 (Cohen, DFL-St. Paul)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
- **Schools—post Labor Day start**
HF151*/SF117 (Theide, IR-Pequot Lakes)—repassed as amended by the Senate. (See Highlight)
- **Int'l Falls, South Int'l Falls—consolidation**
HF1*/SF64 (Neuenschwander, DFL-Int'l Falls)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
- **Retail credit interest rate**
HF183*/SF131 (Himle, IR-Bloomington)—repassed as amended by the Senate. (See Highlight)

GOVERNOR

BILLS THE GOVERNOR SIGNED

Wednesday, April 17

- **AVTI—combined districts**
HF470*/SF518 (Erickson)—Chapter 23.

Friday, April 19

- **"Mentally impaired"—definition**
HF219/SF177* (Staten)—Chapter 24.
- **"Star City" signs on interstate highways**
HF586/SF635* (McEachern)—Chapter 25.
- **Timber harvest informational meeting**
HF881/SF679* (Thorson)—Chapter 26.
- **Santiago—detached facility**
HF85*/SF968 (Brinkman)—Chapter 27.
- **West St. Paul—election changes**
HF422*/SF434 (McKasy)—Chapter 28.
- **Ramsey County—no seasonal load requirements**
HF796*/SF1141 (Kostohyryz)—Chapter 29.
- **Local government—dissolutions/annexations**
HF991*/SF1102 (Valento)—Chapter 30.

RESOLUTIONS THE GOVERNOR SIGNED

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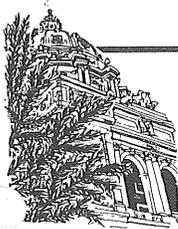
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BILL INTRODUCTIONS

Bill Introductions

Monday, Apr 22

HF1611—Knuth (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs
Ramsey county; authorizing the issuance of bonds for the construction of library buildings and an annual levy for debt retirement.

HF1612—Kahn (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs
City of Minneapolis; directing the charter commission to propose certain organizational changes; requiring a report to the legislature.

HF1613—Dyke (IR)—Agriculture
A resolution memorializing the President and Congress of the United States to eliminate the adverse effect on agriculture of the cargo preference law.

Wednesday, Apr 24

HF1614—Vanasek (DFL)—Budget
A resolution memorializing Congress to call a constitutional convention to propose an amendment to the United States Constitution to require a balanced federal budget.

HF1615—Vanasek (DFL)—Budget
A resolution memorializing the President and Congress to enact a balanced federal budget for fiscal year 1987.

HF1616—Vanasek (DFL)—Budget
A resolution memorializing Congress to propose an amendment to the United States Constitution to require a balanced federal budget.

HF1617—Tjornhom (IR)—Taxes
Taxation; property; providing for assessment of homesteads of certain persons age 60 and older; amending statutes.

HF1618—Riveness (DFL)—Education
Education; establishing a pilot all-day kindergarten program in independent school district No. 280, Richfield; appropriating money.

Thursday, Apr 25

HF1619—Rose (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources
Natural resources; maintaining the purity of state waters by restricting the location of hazardous waste disposal sites; amending statutes.

HF1620—McLaughlin (DFL)—Labor-Management Relations
Employment; requiring employers to grant unpaid leaves of absence to certain parents; proposing coding for new law.

HF1621—McLaughlin (DFL)—Health/Human Services
Health; requiring a study and a plan to provide comprehensive prenatal care.

HF1622—Gutknecht (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration
A resolution memorializing the President and Congress of the United States to set up a joint congressional commission to draft a law preventing states from selectively granting benefits to businesses moving into the state that are not offered to businesses already in the state.

HF1623—Redalen (IR)—Taxes
Taxation; limiting tax on certain sales of horses; amending statutes.

HF1624—Jacobs (DFL)—Taxes
Taxation; limiting payment of sales tax on transactions involving horses; amending statutes.

HF1625—Kvam (IR)—Appropriations
Establishing the legislative commission on the agricultural economy; providing for its duties and powers; appropriating money.

HF1626—Schafer (IR)—Health/Human Services
Health; requiring insurance coverage for special dietary treatment for phenylketonuria; providing an educational testing program; allowing a deduction for the costs of the special dietary treatment; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1627—Kvam (IR)—Taxes
Taxation; property; allowing certain property owners to appeal assessments directly to the tax or district court; amending statutes.

House Advisories

Monday, Apr 22

HA19—Rose (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources
A proposal to study unresolved issues associated with the management of solid waste.

Wednesday, Apr 24

HA20—Carlson, D (IR)—Financial Institution/Insurance
A proposal to study medical malpractice insurance.

HA21—McLaughlin (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development
A proposal to study the barriers to the growth of the State's bed and breakfast industry.

HA22—Bennett (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development
A proposal to study the role of state government and of the Department of Public Safety in the regulation of alcoholic beverages.

Thursday, Apr 25

HA23—Bennett (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development
A proposal to study metropolitan taxicab regulation and licensing.

HA24—Levi (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs
A proposal to study participation of youth in sports and athletic programs.

Senate Files/ 1st. Readings

Monday, Apr 22

SF1231—Willet (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
A resolution memorializing the President and Congress of the United States to take immediate steps to reduce acid deposition.

Wednesday, Apr 24

SF364—Wegscheid (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
Health; expanding the purposes of health care review organizations; amending statutes.

SF664—Jude (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
Natural resources; revising the boundaries of certain state forests; creating a new state forest; amending statutes.

SF743—Jude (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
Corporations; allowing nonprofit corporations to establish, maintain, and operate common trust funds; proposing coding for new law.

SF1099—Jude (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
Memorializing the President and Congress of the United States to award posthumous Medals of Freedom to Andrew Goodman, Michael Schwerner, and James Chaney.

SF1119—Bertram (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
Local government; increasing the amount that a county board may credit to the sheriff's contingency fund; amending statutes.

SF880—Merriam (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
Memorializing the United States Department of Energy of Minnesota's opposition to the siting of a high-level radioactive waste disposal site in Minnesota pursuant to the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982.

SF581—Wegscheid (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Commerce; authorizing certain investments in obligations of or guaranteed by the United States and certain other authorized securities; amending statutes.

SF994—Nelson (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Education; authorizing the transfer of certain state land unneeded for community college purposes to certain cities to be used for student housing; authorizing the sale of certain community college land in Worthington; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

SF1029—Spear (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Drivers licenses; providing for access to drivers license photographic negatives; amending statutes.

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SF335—DeCramer (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Animals; changing certain duties and powers of the board of animal health; amending statutes.

SF1244—Knutson (IR)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

City of Burnsville; increasing the total number of on-sale liquor licenses.

SF1278—Dicklich (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Financial institutions; providing for the extension of certain loan assumptions; amending statutes.

SF1347—Lessard (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Natural resources; authorizing the commissioner of natural resources to sell certain lands in Koochiching county.

SF901—Berglin (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Human services; increasing incentives for enforcing and collecting child support; requiring child support or maintenance obligors to file address or residence changes; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

SF1203—Spear (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

State departments and agencies; requiring agencies to provide services and materials in languages other than English; proposing coding for new law.

SF1193—Stumpf (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; aggregate removal production; eliminating time requirement for notifying operator of unpaid tax; imposing a penalty; amending statutes.

SF1353—Lessard (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Natural resources; authorizing the commissioner of natural resources to sell certain lands in St. Louis county.

SF1357—Reichgott (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Contempt of court; providing penalties for failure to file a complete income tax return pursuant to court order; proposing coding for new law.

SF896—Willet (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Energy; providing for the method of calculating the payback of certain energy conservation investments; amending statutes.

SF661—Freeman (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Commerce; regulating membership camping; prescribing the powers and duties of the commissioner; proposing coding for new law.

SF1329—Merriam (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Taxation; clarifying definitions for sales and use tax; clarifying exemptions; providing an exemption for certain mailing materials used for advertising purposes; imposing civil and criminal penalties for underreporting or failing to report motor vehicle excise tax; repealing certain refund procedures; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

SF781—Peterson, Donna (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Juvenile court; clarifying the authority to release juvenile court records; amending statutes.

SF954—Jude (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Veterans; reestablishing the board of governors of the Big Island Veterans Camp; providing for its appointment and duties; transferring certain state land to the board; providing for the possible disposition of the land by the board; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

SF986—Chmielewski (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Workers' compensation; providing for miscellaneous changes; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

SF1140—Peterson, D (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Agriculture; requiring swine herd identification for disease control and meat inspection; proposing coding for new law.

SF1148—Freeman (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Commerce; defining "trade secret"; amending statutes.

SF1254—Dicklich (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Occupational safety and health; prescribing duties of employers and of employees; providing for standards; providing for the use of investigative information; providing for enforcement mechanisms; amending statutes.

SF274—Spear (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Civil commitment; requiring a hearing for the continued commitment of mentally retarded persons; amending statutes.

SF453—Reichgott (DFL)—Appropriations

Natural resources; reducing fees for camping spaces within a state park and state park motor vehicle permits for physically handicapped persons; amending statutes.

SF814—Peterson, R (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Education; establishing the state council on vocational technical education; proposing coding for new law.

SF1356—Jude (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Statutes; conforming various laws to judicial decisions of unconstitutionality and suggestions for clarity; amending statutes.

SF1388—Reichgott (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Courts; clarifying the jurisdiction of the court of appeals to issue writs; amending statutes.

SF83—Bertram (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; providing an exemption from sales tax for the gross receipts from sales of tangible personal property, admission charges, and sales of food, meals, or drinks at certain events sponsored by certain non-profit organizations; amending statutes.

SF1077—Pogemiller (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Courts; providing for reimbursement of residents required to testify in another state in criminal cases; amending statutes.

SF1374—Freeman (DFL)—Appropriations

State parks; establishing lease rate for a certain part of Fort Snelling state park.

SF115—Samuelson (DFL)—Taxes

Motor vehicles; providing for free license plates for former prisoners of war; amending statutes.

SF927—Merriam (DFL)—Appropriations

Watercraft; exempting certain boats from watercraft licensing requirements; amending statutes.

SF1071—Petty (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Corporations; providing for access by shareholders to certain corporate records; protecting the privacy of individuals; amending statutes.

SF1214—Pehler (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Negligence; clarifying immunity from liability for volunteer firefighters who render assistance at scenes of emergency; amending statutes.

SF1238—Storm (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Intoxicating liquor; authorizing the issuance of temporary on-sale intoxicating liquor licenses; amending statutes.

SF459—Spear (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Probate; adopting provisions of the uniform probate code and clarifying laws relating to intestate succession, spouse's elective share, and omitted spouses and children; clarifying provisions relating to the award of costs in guardianship and conservatorship proceedings; providing for the payment of reasonable fees and expenses for certain guardians and conservators; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.



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Monday, April 29

8:00 a.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: To be announced.

10:00 a.m.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: HF587 (Waltman) Providing income tax incentives to landowners who sell or lease agricultural land to beginning farmers and to banks who make loans to beginning farmers. HF1259 (Kiffmeyer) Altering certain class B master electrician licensing requirements. HF1265 (Riveness) Providing for economic opportunity and arts enterprise zones. HF1595 (Frerichs) Providing for the creation of economic growth areas. HF1627 (Kvam) Allowing certain property owners to appeal assessments directly to the tax or district court.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

Tuesday, April 30

To be announced.

Wednesday, May 1

8:30 a.m.

TAXES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: HF1552 (Dempsey) Depositing revenue from the mortgage registration and deed taxes with the county and reducing certain welfare aids to the counties by the amount of revenue deposited. HF1581 (Rose) Establishing a scholarship for excellence program. HF1457 (Blatz) Removing certain restrictions on special permits to move manufactured homes. HF1607 (Sviggum) Permitting Goodhue county to levy a tax for the county historical society. HF687 (Erickson) Repealing requirements for a department slogan on printed matter. HF1623 (Redalen) Sales tax on horses. HF1402 (Schreiber) Agricultural resource loan guaranty program. HF130 (Minne) Motor vehicle excise tax; exempting sales of cars. HF969 (Kalis) Exempting petroleum products used in certain improvements to agricultural land for purposes of the sales tax. HF136 (Tunheim) Providing for refunds of certain gasoline taxes paid by resorts.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

Thursday, May 2

9:00 a.m.

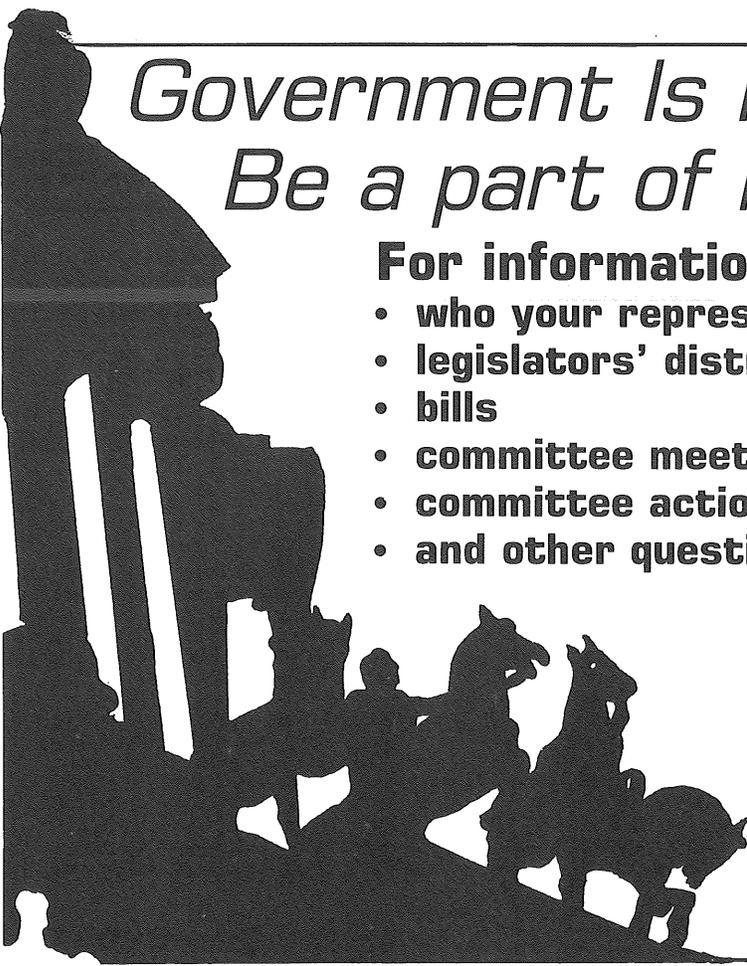
TAXES, Rm. 5. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: HF630 (Boerboom) Establishing a gross vehicle weight limitation for state trunk highways. HF1188 (Zaffke) Providing authority for tourism and agriculture promotion. HF757 (Zaffke) Authorizing a special levy for park and recreation purposes. HF1561 (Waltman) Providing for payment of reduced assessment credit to the city of Zumbrota. HF856 (Pauly) Imposing an additional tax on certain interest earned on state or municipal obligations. HF857 (S. Olsen) Authorizing the receiver of an insolvent insurer to accelerate the distribution of available assets in payment of claims against the insurer.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

Friday, May 3

To be announced.



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HIGHLIGHTS

Funding bills

The Appropriations Committee wrapped up 17 weeks of study and work when they sent to the full House the omnibus funding bills that came to the committee from its four divisions.

The committee recommended to pass the \$1 billion State Departments Division bill, HF1641 (DenOuden, IR-Prinsburg), on May 1. The bill cuts personnel and funding to many departments including the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Energy and Economic Development.

The committee's April 30 agenda included the Human Services Division's budget bill of \$2 billion that would provide funding for the departments of health, welfare, corrections, and economic security over the next couple years. The committee approved HF1640 (Anderson, IR-Ottertail) which would reduce the number of people that would qualify for general assistance by an estimated 24,000.

Also on that date, the committee approved the \$2 billion Agriculture, Transportation, and Semi-State Division bill, HF1639 (Valan, IR-Moorhead).

April 29, the committee completed work on the Education Division bill, HF1638 (Haukoos, IR-Albert Lea), granting \$1.9 billion to state universities, community colleges, AVTIs, the University of Minnesota, and various scholarship and grant programs.

The full House will begin taking action on these bills next week.

911 emergency call

Three-fourths of the people in Minnesota can now dial 911 for emergency help. But present service, and plans to extend it, would

end July 1 this year under the State Departments' funding bill, which doesn't grant the \$7.9 million needed to continue or to complete the state-wide hookup.

The Appropriations Committee recommended HF1641 to pass May 1 and also voted to repeal present law that directs all counties to have 911 service operational by Dec. 15, 1986.

The bill's author, Gaylin DenOuden (IR-Prinsburg), says eliminating 911 is a move to reduce the size and scope of government. Rep. Phyllis Kahn (DFL-Mpls) failed in several attempts to include the service in the funding bill which goes now to the full House.

Scholarships

The Taxes Committee, May 1, heard HF1581 (Rose, IR-Roseville), a bill that would set up a scholarship for excellence program for outstanding Minnesota high school students. The program would grant \$1,000 scholarships to qualified 11th and 12th graders for their college educations.

Chief author Rep. John Rose says the proposed program is unique because it would base awards strictly on scholarship rather than need. He says the plan also includes a renewal provision and an opportunity for \$1,000 to revert to the high school the student attended while studying and getting the scholarship awards.

The bill originally called for a tax checkoff to raise money for the program. But because several committee members preferred a direct appropriation over the checkoff, the committee agreed to delete the checkoff provision.

The committee hears the bill again on May 3.

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Tax cuts

On April 30, after eight hours of debate by legislators on both sides of the tax issue, the House voted 100 to 32 in favor of HF756 (IR-Schreiber, Brooklyn Park). The taxes omnibus bill includes \$1.2 billion in tax cuts.

Majority Leader Rep. Connie Levi (IR-Dellwood) called the legislation a balanced, equitable, and fair package. But Rep. John Brandl (DFL-Mpls) said the proposal doesn't allow for proper funding of such services as education and social services.

HF756 calls for individual income tax reductions of \$849 million and sales tax cuts of \$350 million (including 1/2 percent off the 6 percent general sales tax).

The House adopted an amendment calling for the state to pay homestead credits in the seven-county metropolitan area equal to one percent of the market value of the home, up to a maximum of \$700. Outside the metro area, homestead credits would be 49 percent of the gross tax for a homeowner, up to \$700. Currently, the state pays homestead credits amounting to 54 percent of a homeowner's tax bill, up to \$650.

The bill went to the Senate where a different version is in the process.

Farm tax incentives

Retiring farmers who sell and lease land to beginning farmers would benefit under HF587 (Waltman, IR-Elgin). The bill would allow them to make these tax exclusions:

- up to \$10,000 in rental income each year for up to five years on land they lease to beginning farmers;
- \$50,000 of capital gains from reportable state income on sales of land to beginning farmers; and
- income from contract for deed land sales to beginning farmers.

Rep. K. J. McDonald (IR-Watertown), chair of the Agriculture Committee, says the bill will give recognition to those who are willing to help young farmers get started. Looking at the bill in that light, he says, could make it part of the farm plan this year in the Legislature.

The Local Government Finance Division of the Taxes Committee, on April 29, recommended HF587 to pass. The full Taxes Committee hears it next.

License plate tags

Large numbers of notices reminding Minnesota drivers to renew their license plate tags get lost in the mail, according to reports from the Department of Public Safety. That means some motorists unknowingly drive with expired tags on their vehicles.

HF454 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights), a bill the House repassed as amended by the Senate April 29, and which is on its way to the governor for his signature, will come to the aid of people whose notices don't get to them.

Under the bill, a person could avoid paying for a ticket for driving an unregistered vehicle by: producing a registrar's statement about failure to send a notice, paying the license fee, and putting the tags on within 10 days of getting the citation.

Liability for dogs

The House April 25 passed HF264, a bill that would set criminal penalties for people who cause death or substantial bodily harm to others by letting their dogs run or by failing to properly confine them.

Rep. Jim Heap (IR-Plymouth), author of the bill, says it stems from an accident in his district involving the death of seven-year-old Jeremiah Rogholt.

"This bill came before us through a tragic incident, one in which a little boy, seven years of age was viciously attacked and lost his life . . . We have a number of other issues that have been added to the bill. But I think what it's trying to say is that we want owners to take necessary safety precautions with their animals," he said.

The bill would require proper identification of dogs. And owners who don't have their dogs vaccinated against rabies would be guilty of a petty misdemeanor if the dog bites someone.

Vouching for voters

The House, April 25, approved HF634 (Shaver, IR-Wayzata), a bill that would put a limit of three on the number of people one could vouch for at the voting polls on election day.



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The bill's author, Rep. Craig Shaver, says Minnesota is one of the few states in the nation that lets people register to vote on election day. He says that although he has heard from people who want to repeal the provision in state law that permits such registration, he thinks the law serves a useful purpose for people who have recently moved.

The bill wouldn't apply if an individual is vouching for voters who all live in the same family dwelling and are all members of the same family, or who are residents of a shelter for battered women.

The law now allows a person to vouch for a new voter if he or she personally knows the individual. Shaver says testimony in the House elections subcommittee from election law officials pointed to abuses of the present law, such as people vouching for individuals they had not met before.

COMMITTEE ACTION

APPROPRIATIONS

Friday, April 26

- **Nonpublic schools—advisory committee**
HF322 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—recommended to pass.
- **Education finance omnibus bill**
HF88 (Olsen, S., IR-St. Louis Park)—recommended to pass as amended.

Monday, April 29

- **Education—appropriations omnibus bill**
HF1638 (Haukoos, IR-Albert Lea)—recommended to pass as amended.

Key
HF — House File
SF — Senate File
HF#/SF# — companion bills
* — version of the bill under consideration

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Tuesday, April 30

- **Human services—appropriations omnibus bill**
HF1640 (Anderson, IR-Ottertail)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Ag., Trans., and Semi-State—appropriations omnibus bill**
HF1639 (Valan, IR-Moorhead)—recommended to pass. (See Highlight)

Wednesday, May 1

- **State departments—appropriations omnibus bill**
HF1641 (DenOuden, IR-Prinsburg)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)

Education Div./Approp.

Friday, April 26

- **Education—appropriations omnibus bill**
HF1638 (Haukoos, IR-Albert Lea)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)

Human Services Div./Approp.

Saturday, April 27

- **Human services—appropriations omnibus bill**
HF1640 (Anderson, R., IR-Ottertail)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)

State Departs. Div./Approp.

Tuesday, April 30

- **State departments—appropriations omnibus bill**
HF1641 (DenOuden, IR-Prinsburg)—recommended to pass as amended.

TAXES

Wednesday, May 1

- **Taconite tax—mortgage registration tax**
HF1552 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Scholarship for excellence program**
HF1581 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—heard as amended; laid over until May 3. (See Highlight)
- **Moving mobile homes—permit restrictions removed**
HF1457 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—recommended to pass.
- **Goodhue County—add'l levy for historical society**
HF1607 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Agriculture Dept. omnibus bill**
HF687 (Erickson, IR-Hills)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Horses—sales tax limited**
HF1623 (Redalen, IR-Fountain)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Resort owners—marine gas tax refund**
HF136 (Tunheim, DFL-Kennedy)—recommended to pass as amended.

Thursday, May 2

- **Trunk highway—80,000 lb. statewide gross weight limit**
HF630 (Boerboom, IR-Cottonwood)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
- **Cass, Hubbard Counties—add'l levies authorized**
HF757 (Zaffke, IR-Backus)—recommended to pass as amended (Note: the language of HF1188 was amended into the bill).
- **Agriculture—resource loan guaranty program**
HF1402 (Schreiber, IR-Brooklyn Park)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee (Note: certain provisions of HF1265 - Opportunity enterprise zones - were amended into the bill).
- **Income tax—excess interest on local gov't bonds**
HF856 (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Insolvent insurers—distribution of assets**
HF857 (Olsen, S., IR-St. Louis Park)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Sale and leasebacks—double tax eliminated**
HF1596 (Dimler, IR-Chanhassen)—recommended to pass.
- **Sales tax exemption—petroleum products for erosion control**
HF969 (Kalis, DFL-Walters)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Former POWs—free license plates**
HF5 (Wenzel, DFL-Little Falls)—recommended to pass as amended.

Local Government Finance Div./Taxes

Monday, April 29

- **Landowners selling to beginning farmers—taxbreaks**
HF587 (Waltman, IR-Elgin)—recommended to pass as amended to full committee. (See Highlight)
- **Opportunity enterprise zones**
HF1265 (Riveness, DFL-Bloomington)—recommended to pass as amended to full committee.
- **Economic growth areas—tax incentives**
HF1595 (Frerichs, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass as amended to full committee.
- **Property owners—appeals directly to court**
HF1627 (Kvam, IR-Litchfield)—recommended to pass as amended to full committee.

FLOOR ACTION

SPECIAL ORDERS

Thursday, April 25

- **Town laws—various changes**
HF889 (Frederickson, IR-Windom)—passed as amended.
- **Criminal liability—dangerous animals**
HF264/SF348 (Heap, IR-Plymouth)—passed as amended. (See Highlight)
- **Elections—vouching limited**
HF634/SF1354 (Shaver, IR-Wayzata)—passed as amended. (See Highlight)

Wednesday, May 1

- **Community colleges—sale of lands**
HF1011/SF994* (Dyke, IR-Worthington)—passed.
- **Board of Animal Health—powers and duties**
HF708/SF335* (McDonald, IR-Watertown)—passed.
- **“Set-aside program”—changes**
HF1109/SF1233 (Frerichs, IR-Rochester)—passed.
- **Workers' comp reinsurance association—board membership**
HF781/SF788 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—passed.
- **Immunity for volunteer firefighters**
HF959/SF1214* (Marsh, IR-Sauk Rapids)—passed.
- **Corporate records—shareholders' access**
HF1161/SF1071 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—passed.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Monday, April 29

- **State parks—additions/deletions**
HF967/SF783* (Olson, E., DFL-Fosston)—passed as amended.
- **Validation of foreclosure sales—effective dates**
HF141/SF143* (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—passed.
- **Sheriff's contingency fund—credit amounts increased**
HF1316/SF1119* (Brinkman, DFL-Richmond)—passed.

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Monday, April 29

- **Taxes omnibus bill**
HF756 (Schreiber, IR-Brooklyn Park)—passed as amended. (See Highlight)

Wednesday, May 1

- **Income tax, property tax—administrative changes**
HF1045 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—passed.
- **Sales/motor vehicle excise tax—changes**
HF1000/SF1329* (Tjornhom, IR-Richfield)—passed.
- **Tax compliance department bill**
SF450 (Schreiber, IR-Brooklyn Park)—passed.

CONCURRENCE & REPASSAGE

Thursday, April 25

- **Soil/water conservation—cost-sharing funds**
HF94/SF101 (Redalen, IR-Fountain)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
 - **Local governments—comprehensive municipal plans**
HF247/SF505 (Olsen, S., IR-St. Louis Park)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
 - **Local govts.—joint insurance arrangements**
HF267*/SF344 (Solberg, DFL-Bovey)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
 - **Peace officers—arrest authority**
HF266/SF527 (Marsh, IR-Sauk Rapids)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
 - **State lands—sale to city of Hastings**
HF230/SF284 (Ozment, IR-Rosemount)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
 - **Extradition under treaty**
HF831/SF803 (Ozment, IR-Rosemount)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
 - **Veterans Service Building space**
HF982/SF1185 (Metzen, DFL-South St. Paul)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
 - **Fair trade regulations on hogs**
HF1093 (Wenzel, DFL-Little Falls)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
 - **Restitution—enforcement**
HF645 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
 - **Circle Pines Utilities Commission**
HF1197 (Voss, DFL-Blaine)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
 - **Elections—absentee ballot changes**
HF759 (Backlund, IR-Fridley)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
- ### Monday, April 29
- **Motorist—unregistered vehicles**
HF454/SF657 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—repassed as amended by the Senate. (See Highlight)

- **HECB—student advisory council**
HF204/SF235 (Piepho, IR-Mankato)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
- **Van-type motor homes—regulation**
HF256/SF406 (Bennett, IR-Shoreview)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
- **Ramsey County—creation of a personnel system**
HF907/SF689 (Valento, IR-Little Canada)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
- **Soil/water conservation board—powers/duties**
HF565/SF526 (Welle, DFL-Willmar)—repassed as amended by the Senate.

Wednesday, May 1

- **School fund lands—exchange/inventory**
HF399*/SF377 (McEachern, DFL-St. Michael)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
- **County property—sale through brokers**
HF446*/SF1060 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
- **Convey land for historical purposes**
HF1113*/SF795 (Pappas, DFL-St. Paul)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
- **Winona—sale of certain county land**
HF1152*/SF1078 (Sherman, IR-Winona)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
- **White Bear and Ramsey County—land transfer**
HF1226/SF1075 (Stanius, IR-White Bear Lake)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
- **Jails/lockups—recordkeeping systems**
HF1193/SF1157 (Clausnitzer, IR-Maple Grove)—repassed as amended by the Senate.

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Monday, April 29

- **Elections—correct precinct lists**
HF91*/SF139 (Shaver)—Chapter 31.
- **American Legion—employee benefit coverage**
HF112*/SF93 (Sviggum)—Chapter 32.

- **School elections—qualification of candidates**
HF157*/SF307 (Waltman)—Chapter 33.
- **Motor vehicle sale/distribution regulations—changes**
HF241*/SF393 (Dempsey)—Chapter 34.
- **George Mann Memorial Highway**
HF221* (Kalis)—Chapter 35.
- **Adjutant general—additional assistant**
HF316*/SF495 (Thorson)—Chapter 36.
- **Roseville—on-sale liquor licenses**
HF320*/SF360 (Rose)—Chapter 37.
- **Commitment records—eliminating certain requirements**
HF335*/SF422 (Bishop)—Chapter 38.
- **Election judges—persons qualified**
HF379*/SF365 (Fjoslien)—Chapter 39.
- **Campaign contribution reports—certified mail allowed**
HF415*/SF486 (Minne)—Chapter 40.
- **Ramsey County—conciliation court referees' salaries**
HF461*/SF388 (Cohen)—Chapter 41.
- **Lismore—bonds for municipal facilities**
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Key
HF — House File
SF — Senate File
HF#/SF# — companion bills
* — version of the bill under consideration

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BILL INTRODUCTIONS

Bill Introductions

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- **HF1628—Hartinger (IR)—Crime/Family Law**
Crime victims; making the battered women's council permanent; providing funds for the battered women program; appropriating money; amending statutes.
- **HF1629—Kelly (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs**
Health; creating a public corporation to provide health care services and research; providing that subsidiaries govern St. Paul Ramsey Medical Center and a physicians and dentists association; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1630—Knickerbocker (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Insurance; life; providing for the payment of a fee to the commissioner for valuing policies; amending statutes.

HF1631—Clark (DFL)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Utilities; providing for access by disabled persons to telephone service; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1632—Kelly (DFL)—Governmental Operations

State treasurer; transferring most of the duties of the state treasurer to the commissioner of finance and other state officials; transferring personnel positions from the office of state treasurer to the department of finance; abolishing the state treasurer's revolving fund for cashing checks; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

Wednesday, May 1

HF1633—Schoenfeld (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

City of Waseca; establish and provide taxes and service charges for a special service district.

HF1634—Shaver (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; authorizing the commissioner of natural resources to lease peat lands for wild rice farming; proposing coding for new law.

HF1635—Olsen, S (IR)—Judiciary

Real property; providing a restriction on the duration of conditions affecting certain real property; providing an exemption for the city of North Oaks; amending statutes.

HF1636—Rose (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Game and fish; requiring certain big game animals to be covered when transported; amending statutes.

HF1637—Gruenes (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local government; permitting the establishment of special service districts in the cities of Sartell, Sauk Rapids, St. Cloud, and Waite Park; providing taxing and other financial authority for the cities.

HF1638—Forsythe (IR)—Appropriations

Organization and operation of state government; appropriating money for education and related purposes to the department of education, higher education coordinating board, state board of vocational technical education, state board for community colleges, state university board, University of Minnesota, and the Mayo medical foundation, with certain conditions; providing for staff assistance, average cost of instruction, appropriations carry over authority, a science and technology center, financial aid, credit transferability, surveys, studies, reports, notices, planning, policy development, mission statements, task forces, private proprietary schools, state university parking, annual appropriations, aid payments, review of vocational capital improvements, veterans' vocational program exemptions, vocational budgets and programs, endowed chairs, and pilot programs; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1639—Forsythe (IR)—Appropriations

State government; appropriating money to the department of transportation and other agencies with certain conditions; modifying agencies and responsibilities; providing for regulation of certain activities and practices; prescribing funds, accounts, bonding, and fees; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

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Organization and operation of state government; appropriating money for human services, corrections, health, and other purposes with certain conditions; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

Thursday, May 2**HF1642—McDonald (IR)—Agriculture**

A resolution memorializing the Congress of the United States to take broad-based action to resolve the American agricultural crisis.

HF1643—Cohen (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; disability and survivor benefits for a certain corrections department employee.

HF1644—Knickerbocker (IR)—Education

Education; establishing the foundation aid formula allowance for 1986-1987; amending statutes.

HF1645—Beard (DFL)—Taxes

Economic development; creating a special enterprise zone for a large manufacturing facility; providing for the taxation of the facility; authorizing the issuance of bonds; providing assistance to locate a large manufacturing facility in the state; appropriating money; amending statutes.

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A proposal to study state contracts for long distance telephone service.

Wednesday, May 1**HA26—Sherman (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration**

A proposal to study ways to expedite legislative debate.

HA27—Piepho (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

A proposal to study the market effects of government sponsored multifamily housing.

Thursday, May 2**HA28—Heap (IR)—Labor-Management Relations**

A proposal to study the collection and use of data used for unemployment figures.

HA29—Rose (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

A proposal to study issues of concern regarding wild rice farming on state-owned peatlands.

HA30—Price (DFL)—Education

A proposal to study state funding for K-12 education.

HA31—McKasy (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration

A proposal to study ways to expedite legislative debate.

HA32—Price (DFL)—Education

A proposal for an interim study to examine school district boundaries and possible realignments of administrative and attendance boundaries.

HA33—Tomlinson (DFL)—Rules/Legislative Administration

A proposal to study ways to expedite legislative debate.

HA34—Kelly (DFL)—Rules/Legislative Administration

A proposal to study ways to expedite legislative debate.

HA35—Kelly (DFL)—Rules/Legislative Administration

A proposal to study ways to expedite legislative debate.

HA36—Bishop (IR)—Judiciary

A proposal to study the human rights act.

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Local government; providing for the maintenance of town cartways; amending statutes.

SF1398—Wegscheid (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Deposit and investment of public funds; modifying the collateral requirements for public deposits; amending statutes.

SF721—Ramstad (IR)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

City of Plymouth; permitting the establishment of a port authority; amending laws.

SF1087—Frederick (IR)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Drainage; authorizing the construction of roads rather than bridges or culverts in certain instances; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

SF818—Pogemiller (DFL)—Appropriations

Employment and economic opportunity; providing for the streamlining and coordination of job, economic development, and income-maintenance programs; setting as dual goals the lowering of unemployment rates and welfare caseloads; creating the councils for the hearing impaired and for the blind; abolishing the department of economic security; creating a new department of employment and training; transferring responsibilities of the department of economic security to the department of employment and training and the department of human services; transferring certain employment and training functions of the department of human services and the department of administration to the department of employment and training; providing for biennial statewide plans for employment and training and apprenticeships; providing for coordination of state and federal jobs programs; establishing community investment programs; granting rulemaking authority; changing formulas for paying local agencies for general assistance grants to recipients subject to work requirements; removing a sunset provision from the Minnesota emergency employment development act; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

SF243—Wegscheid (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Health; providing for physical therapy evaluation and referral; prohibiting certain practices by physical therapists; amending statutes.

SF643—Wegscheid (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Fish and game; changing designation of muskellunge lakes; providing for certain restrictions on designated muskellunge lakes; providing a penalty for a person that illegally takes or possesses a muskellunge; amending statutes.

SF862—Pehler (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Courts; providing conciliation court with jurisdiction to determine actions brought by educational institutions to recover student loans; amending statutes.

SF1363—Jude (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Statutes; correcting erroneous, ambiguous, omitted, and obsolete references and text; eliminating certain redundant, conflicting, and superseded provisions; reenacting certain laws; providing instructions to the revisor; amending statutes; amending laws; reenacting statutes; repealing statutes; repealing laws.

SF251—Berglin (DFL)—Appropriations

Nursing homes; establishing an educational program for resident and family advisory councils; authorizing a surcharge on license fees; requiring evaluation and a report to the legislature by the Minnesota board on aging; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

SF1131—Vega (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

City of South St. Paul; providing for the financing of certain public improvements.

SF1485—Vega (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

City of South St. Paul; authorizing the expenditure of certain tax increments to pay costs of a combined storm-sanitary sewer separation project.

SF87—Wegscheid (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Agriculture; removing the limitation on certain fees for state livestock weighing services; amending statutes.

SF1499—Mehrkens (IR)—Taxes

Goodhue county; permitting the county to levy a tax for the county historical society; imposing a reverse referendum requirement.

SF952—Waldorf (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Occupations and professions; providing for licensing of alarm and communication contractors and installers by the board of electricity; amending statutes.

SF1061—Schmitz (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; property; clarifying the definition of real property; amending statutes.

SF1279—Vega (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Housing; providing for a product standard for formaldehyde in building materials used in the construction of housing units; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

SF1190—Peterson, Donna (DFL)—Taxes

Housing; providing for local and regional review and comment on housing programs; extending interest reduction program; ratifying the Minneapolis/St. Paul housing finance board established under a joint powers agreement; clarifying tax status of public housing property managed by a housing redevelopment authority or public housing agency; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

SF547—DeCramer (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Motor vehicles; exempting from certain franchising requirements those dealers who remodel or convert motor vehicles for medical purposes; prohibiting issuance of a motor vehicle dealer license to a person convicted of certain crimes; authorizing immediate revocation or suspension of motor vehicle dealer licenses upon conviction; removing an exception allowing a motor vehicle dealer to register a vehicle without a certificate of title; amending statutes.

SF887—Merriam (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Environment; providing for determination of environmental impairment; amending statutes.

SF1362—Jude (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

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; expanding the mandatory free distribution of Minnesota Rules; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

SF1447—Langseth (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

City of Breckenridge; permitting the establishment of a port authority; authorizing the port authority to exercise the powers of a municipal housing and redevelopment authority.

SF86—Wegscheid (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Agriculture; changing requirements for certain adulterated milk or cream; providing a penalty; amending statutes.

SF944—Waldorf (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Education; authorizing the sale of computers and related products by the state university board; state board for community colleges, and state board of vocational technical education; requiring contracts with private vendors for service, maintenance, and support; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

SF921—Samuelson (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Consumer protection; regulating prepayments of certain funeral and burial goods and services; amending statutes.

SF1291—Benson (IR)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

The town of Harmony; allocating money from state transfer funds to replace bridge.

SF615—Stumpf (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Lake of the Woods county; authorizing the issuance of bonds for the construction of jetties and related public improvements; and authorizing the levy of special assessments.

SF825—Reichgott (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

City of Crystal; regulating the holding of public offices by council members; providing for the adoption of emergency ordinances.

SF1220—Anderson (IR)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

City of Wadena; permitting the establishment of a port authority.

SF1249—Purfeerst (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Horse racing; making certain technical and clarifying amendments; providing for certain name changes; modifying certain license revocation and suspension procedures; modifying the amounts deducted by the licensee for purses; appropriating money; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

SF616—Stumpf (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

City of Warroad; permitting the establishment of a port authority.

SF863—Reichgott (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Commerce; modifying the definition of credit card to include other types of instruments; prescribing criminal penalties for financial transaction card fraud; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

SF1208—Renneke (IR)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

City of Gaylord; authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds to finance the acquisition and betterment of municipal buildings.

SF1308—Benson (IR)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Olmsted county; providing for sales, leases, and conveyances; providing certain exceptions to public bidding requirements.

SF1404—Wegscheid (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Local government; expanding the authority of counties to make electronic funds transfers; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

SF650—Pogemiller (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Crimes; increasing the penalty for an offense committed against a transit provider or operator when violence or a threat of violence is not involved; amending statutes.

SF904—Mehrkens (IR)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Local government; granting the cities of Red Wing and Hastings the authority to establish a port authority; authorizing each port authority to exercise the power of a municipal housing and redevelopment authority; authorizing the cities to impose restrictions and limitations upon the powers and procedures of the port authority; permitting each city to choose the name of the port authority; providing for removal of port authority commissioners; requiring local approval.

SF1234—Waldorf (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

City of Saint Paul; permitting the city to issue temporary on-sale wine licenses to nonprofit charitable, religious, or veterans organizations.

SF1411—Willet (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

City of Bemidji; permitting the city to contribute to a community seed capital fund.

SF658—Peterson, C (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Wild animals; altering certain provisions regarding taking and possession, and penalties related thereto; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

SF580—Schmitz (DFL)—Appropriations

City of Lakeville; appropriating money to return a forfeiture.

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SF979—Luther (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Dispute resolution; establishing guidelines for community dispute resolution programs; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

SF1202—Dahl (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Environment; requiring the commissioner of health to monitor the quality of water in private water wells in the metropolitan area; amending statutes.

SF35—Diessner (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Crimes; requiring health professionals to report suspicious wounds to law enforcement authorities; amending statutes.

SF800—Reichgott (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Consumer protection; prohibiting certain deceptive advertising practices; amending statutes.





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ADVANCE COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

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Monday, May 6
8:00 a.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations, Rm. 300 S. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: HF376 (Knickerbocker) Regulating initial fees and fee adjustments for state agency services. HF1256 (DenOuden) Altering certain provisions regarding water permit fees. HF646 (Dempsey) Providing for fees of the county recorder and registrar of titles. HF871 (Riveness) Clarifying laws governing fiscal notes on bills affecting state revenues. HF1359 (Bishop) Providing for indemnification of judges and employees of the legislative and judicial branches from tort, civil, or equitable claims. HF1014 (Frerichs) Requiring titling for certain watercraft. HF194 (R. Anderson) Appropriating interest from the budget reserve account for debt retirement only.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

Tuesday, May 7
8:00 a.m.

RULES & LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATION, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Connie Levi. Agenda: 1) House Resolution 30 (Elioff) Commending and congratulating Arnold T. Baland for his longtime contribution to public awareness in Minnesota of the nature and importance of our freedoms under our democratic system of government. 2) Senate Concurrent Resolution 9 (R. Moe) Adopting permanent joint rules of the Senate and House of Representatives. 3) Special Orders. 4) HF939 (Rose) Relating to solid waste and sewage sludge management.

10:00 a.m.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: HF774 (Seaberg) Recodification of juvenile code.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

Wednesday, May 8
2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

Thursday, May 9
9:00 a.m.

COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: Discuss subjects for interim study.

2:00 p.m.

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

Friday, May 10
9:00 a.m.

JOINT SUBCOMMITTEE ON CLAIMS/ House Appropriations & Senate Finance, Rm. 400 S. Chrs. Rep. Merlyn Valan & Sen. Greg Dahl. Agenda: HF1459/ SF164 (Valan) Various claims against the state.



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HIGHLIGHTS

Legislative countdown

The countdown's started for the end of the 1985 Legislative Session. Lawmakers have just a few days to tie things up.

House and Senate conference committees are in the process of working out differences over spending and tax bills. In most cases, they have a long way to go before coming up with some compromises.

Business still pending includes legislation to raise the drinking age to 21, which the Senate had passed and the House was debating when this story went to press.

The boating while intoxicated bill, which would set penalties for people who operate motor boats while drunk similar to those for people who drink and drive, has approval in the Senate, but is waiting for consideration in the full House.

Other legislation still awaiting House action would clarify when someone has to report child abuse and clear up some problems under the current law, and another bill would set stiffer penalties on people who hit and run.

Still on the back burner in the House, is a bill that would set penalties against psychotherapists who engage in sex with their patients.

The session comes to a close on May 20.

Title 19 waiver

An amendment on the House floor restored the Title 19 waiver provision to HF1640 (Forsythe, IR-Edina), the \$1.9 billion human services omnibus bill. The waiver allows the use of federal and state money for aid to retarded people at home or in intermediate care facilities.

Of five other amendments, two passed that Rep. Lee Greenfield (DFL-Mpls) offered. One would prevent the state from paying higher rates than HMOs and other insurers pay for services in care facilities.

The other amendment would permit doctors to remove the brains of deceased medical assistance recipients who may have had Alzheimer's disease. St. Paul Ramsey Medical Center would use the brains for study of the disease.

HF1640 freezes all state spending on health care, general assistance, aid to families with dependent children (AFDC), and restricts general assistance eligibility to the unemployable.

The House passed the bill May 8. It goes now to a conference committee to sort out House and Senate differences.

Taxes omnibus bill

Five DFLers from the Senate and five Independent-Republicans from the House met May 8 to begin the work of hammering out a compromise on a tax-cut bill that may total \$1 billion.

The House has passed a \$1.2 billion bill that cuts income taxes by \$849 million and sales taxes by \$350 million. It would also cut property taxes, but by how much is in dispute.

The Senate has passed a \$814.3 million tax-cut bill that would reduce individual income taxes by \$744 million and give \$38 million in property tax relief.

Sen. Douglas Johnson (DFL-Cook), chair of the Senate Taxes and Tax Law Committee, says the Senate proposal is well-balanced, that it targets the tax relief to middle-income families in the income tax area.

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Rep. Bill Schreiber (IR-Brooklyn Park), chair of the House Taxes Committee, spoke for the House bill, saying it is a larger tax relief package than the Senate's.

"Senators, we were the last ones off the campaign trail. House after house after house was concerned about job development in Minnesota, because the word had gotten out that Minnesota is not a good place to do business," said Schreiber. "We believe a signal is necessary to the business community."

State history book

A new history book for Minnesota students may be on the way. The Appropriations Committee recommended to pass, May 8, HF1243 (McPherson, IR-Stillwater), a bill that would have the Minnesota Historical Society develop a better book on the history of the state than is now available for Minnesota schools.

Rep. Harriet McPherson, the bill's author, says she drafted the bill in response to complaints from area teachers about lack of a good state history textbook.

Rep. Lyndon Carlson (DFL-Crystal), a civics teacher in New Hope, supports the bill and the idea that Minnesota teachers need a better tool for teaching state history.

HF1243 goes next to the House floor.

Spending bills pass

Three major spending bills won approval of the House May 7, in a session that ran well into the night.

First, was the semi-state bill with a \$1.9 billion appropriation to the departments of agriculture, transportation, and various semi-state agencies, such as the Minnesota Historical Society.

The state departments bill was next. It funds most state departments, the legislature, courts, and numerous other programs at a cost of \$1.1 billion.

Some discussion centered around funding of 911 emergency services. The legislation now carries a \$1.6 million appropriation for completing the statewide hookup but doesn't fund operational and maintenance costs of the service.

Rep. Phyllis Kahn (DFL-Mpls) tried unsuccessfully to amend the bill to provide extra dollars through an access fee that telephone companies would collect, and through a direct general fund appropriation.

But bill author, Rep. Gaylin DenOuden (IR-Prinsburg), said local governments should come up with funds for 911. He said operational costs, about \$7 million, could come out of state general funds, "but we don't have those dollars." And, he said, I don't think the funding should come from access fees. "Another way is to have those local units make some decisions in their own way."

The third bill to get House approval would fund higher education and carries an appropriation of \$1.5 billion. The bills now go to conference committees where House and Senate members will work out differences.

Education aid

The difference between House and Senate education bills are on the conference committee table at the Capitol. On May 7, the House passed its \$2 billion school-aids plan, on a vote of 90 to 41.

HF88 (Olsen, IR-St. Louis Park) would appropriate nearly \$2.6 billion in the 1986-87 biennium and an additional \$18 million in deficiencies for the current biennium, for a total of \$2.63 billion. Those dollars are an increase of nearly 25 percent more than the comparable measure two years ago and \$80 million more than the governor recommended, according to Rep. Sally Olsen.

The bill would increase state funding for elementary and secondary education, raise the foundation aid formula allowance, and increase categorical funding (i.e., special education aid, gifted and talented aid) as well. It would provide funds for staff development, teacher training, curriculum development, and gives greater flexibility to local school districts.

The bill would also appropriate about \$4 million in cigarette tax revenues for a tobacco-use prevention program and about a million dollars for a school program to combat chemical dependency.

Job training

Some economic forecasters have predicted that Minnesota will need an influx of out-of-state workers to fill future job demands. Others are asking, "Why not train Minnesota citizens who need employment for those jobs?"

That's the purpose behind HF913/SF818, says House author Rep. Allen Quist, (IR-St. Peter). The bill would encourage counties



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to help AFDC recipients prepare themselves for an active role in Minnesota's expanding workplace.

On May 6, the Human Services Division of the Appropriations Committee sent the bill on to the full Appropriations Committee for further discussion, with a recommendation to pass.

Juvenile code

The Crime and Family Law Committee is looking at the current juvenile code and possible changes to it. May 3, the committee heard a report by House Research Analyst Kerry Kinney Fine on a study of out-of-home placements of children.

In 1981, Fine said 25,000 children were in out-of-home placements—juvenile corrections facilities, group homes, corrections group homes, residential treatment centers, and hospital chemically dependent and mentally retarded programs. Then, Fine said, about 366 residential facilities existed in the state.

In other testimony, the committee heard that the rate of institutionalization is very high in Minnesota.

Dave Hunt, presenting a Citizens' League report, said the state ranks 11th in the nation in juvenile commitments to training school. Two of the reasons for the state's high ranking are the Juvenile Court's goal of rehabilitation and the availability of private insurance, he said.

Also, he said, legal standards in the juvenile justice system may be incentives to arrest juveniles in efforts to do something about crime. Another factor, Hunt said, is that deficiencies in Minnesota's juvenile justice laws often sanction unnecessary removal of juveniles from their homes.

League recommendations include making sure that government pursues alternatives to residential care, changing the way government pays for that care, repeal of status offenses from the jurisdiction of the juvenile court, enforcing restitution, and in abuse cases, giving more consideration to removing the abusing parent from the home, instead of removing the abused child.

Committee hearings and discussions on the issue will continue.

Saturn proposal

On May 3, the Taxes Committee sent HF1645 (Beard, DFL-Cottage Grove), the Saturn proposal bill on to the Appropriations Committee with a recommendation to pass.

The bill includes most of the governor's bid for the GM Saturn auto plant. The bill would give a 30-year tax holiday on property, sales, and corporate income taxes that would save GM an estimated \$804 million.

The bill would appropriate over \$75 million to fund the costs of the plant site and improvements, the creation of a University Center of Advanced Manufacturing Technologies, customized job training at an on-site center, and relocation services for Saturn employees.

Clean water

Although the combined sewer overflow problem has been in the headlines this session, pinpointing water pollution in the Twin Cities metro area, Minnesota has 500 other communities that need wastewater treatment facilities. Cost would be over \$1.1 billion.

But, since the 1970s, federal dollars for pollution control have been fewer, and funding for wastewater treatment has been tough. To get at the funding problem Rep. Don Valento (IR-Little Canada) is sponsoring HF849, the "privatization bill."

HF849 would encourage towns and cities in Minnesota to team up with private industry to solve the problem.

Under the bill, a municipality could have a private company build and even operate a sewage treatment facility. The city could then collect its costs from the state, if the plant consistently met state and federal pollution control standards.

The League of Minnesota Cities supports the privatization approach, seeing it as an incentive for communities to meet the 1988 federal water quality deadlines.

HF849 is now in the Appropriations Committee.

COMMITTEE ACTION

APPROPRIATIONS

Wednesday, May 8

- **Taconite tax—mortgage registration tax**
HF1552 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass.
- **Olmsted County—state land conveyance**
HF1253 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass.
- **Fee/fees adjustments—legislative regulation**
HF376 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—recommended to pass.
- **Water permit fees—changes**
HF1256 (DenOuden, IR-Prinsburg)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Indemnification—judges**
HF1359 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass.
- **Fort Snelling—concession fees**
HF1248 (Tjornhom, IR-Richfield)—recommended to pass.
- **Patrol mobile communications equipment**
HF827 (Piepho, IR-Mankato)—recommended to pass.
- **Minnesota Historical Society—instructional materials**
HF1243/SF1002 (McPherson, IR-Stillwater)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)

- **Plumbers apprentice registration**
HF324/SF125* (O'Connor, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass.
- **Poison information—regional centers**
HF1331/SF1320* (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—recommended to pass.
- **Sexual exploitation by psychotherapists**
HF1070 (Ozment, IR-Rosemount)—recommended to pass.

Ag., Transportation & Semi-State Div./Approp.

Monday, May 6

- **Authorizing issuance/sale of state transportation bonds**
HF1311 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—recommended to pass as amended for inclusion in general bonding bill.
- **Patrol mobile communications equipment**
HF827 (Piepho, IR-Mankato)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Minnesota Historical Society—instructional materials**
HF1243/SF1002 (McPherson, IR-Stillwater)—recommended to pass as amended.

Human Services Div./Approp.

Monday, May 6

- **Poison information—regional centers**
HF1331/SF1320* (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—recommended to pass.
- **Health professionals—license/discipline revision**
HF1436 (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Programs for nursing home councils**
HF679/SF291 (Boo, IR-Duluth)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Dept. of jobs/training—created**
HF913 (Quist, IR-St. Peter)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)
- **Sexual exploitation by psychotherapists**
HF1070 (Ozment, IR-Rosemount)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Plumbers apprentice registration**
HF324/SF125* (O'Connor, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended.

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State Departs. Div./Approp.

Monday, May 6

- **Fees/fee adjustments—legislative regulation**
HF376 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Water permit fees—changes**
HF1256 (DenOuden, IR-Prinsburg)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **County recorder/secretary of state—fees**
HF646 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Indemnification—judges**
HF1359 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass.
- **Watercraft titling—security interests**
HF1014 (Frerichs, IR-Rochester)—tabled for interim study.
- **Concession fees at Fort Snelling**
HF1248 (Tjornhom, IR-Richfield)—recommended to pass.

RULES & LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATION

Tuesday, May 7

- **Solid waste—land disposal prohibited**
HF939 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—referred to Appropriations Committee.

TAXES

Friday, May 3

- **Landowners selling to beginning farmers—tax breaks**
HF587 (Waltman, IR-Elgin)—heard.
- **Motor vehicle excise tax—certain vehicles exempted**
HF130 (Minne, DFL-Hibbing)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Credit unions—deposit of public funds allowed**
HF364/SF302* (Rees, IR-Lakeville)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Housing programs—local, regional review**
HF1548/SF1190* (Boo, IR-Duluth)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Plymouth—reassessment of spec'l assessments authorized**
HF1490 (Shaver, IR-Wayzata)—recommended to pass.
- **Saturn proposal**
HF1645 (Beard, DFL-Cottage Grove)—recommended to pass as amended; referred to Appropriations Committee. (See Highlight)

Tuesday, May 7

- **Property owners—appeals directly to court**
HF1627 (Kvam, IR-Litchfield)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Landowners selling to beginning farmers—tax breaks**
HF587 (Waltman, IR-Elgin)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Scholarship for excellence program**
HF1581 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—recommended to pass as amended.

- **Unclaimed property—coverage extended to corporate stock**
HF883 (Tomlinson, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Waseca—special service district**
HF1633 (Schoenfeld)—recommended to pass as amended.

FLOOR ACTION

CONCURRENCE & REPASSAGE

Thursday, May 2

- **Beltrami County—proceeds from tax-forfeited lands**
HF362*/SF355 (Thorson, IR-Bemidji)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
 - **County gov'ts.—language cleanup/minor changes**
HF516 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
 - **Child sex abuse victims—access to court data**
HF657/SF611 (Levi, IR-Dellwood)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
 - **Uniform anatomical gift act—minors**
HF683/SF1223 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
 - **Forest fires—interstate agreements**
HF882 (Thorson, IR-Bemidji)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
 - **Chisago County—sale of tax-forfeited land**
HF1150/SF1266 (Jennings, L., DFL-Rush City)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
- ### Tuesday, May 7
- **Liquor licensees—3.2 beer sales**
HF603/SF768 (Marsh, IR-Sauk Rapids)—repassed as amended by the Senate.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Thursday, May 2

- **Emergency farm operating act—lender clarified**
HF1216/SF1199 (Redalen, IR-Fountain)—repassed as amended by Conference.

Wednesday, May 8

- **Transcript fees—increased by chief judges**
HF1382 (Cohen, DFL-St. Paul)—repassed as amended in Conference.

SUSPENSION OF RULES

Monday, May 6

- **Education—appropriations omnibus bill** HF1638 (Haukoos, IR-Albert Lea)—passed as amended.

RULE 1.10

Monday, May 6

- **Ag, trans., and semi-state—appropriations omnibus bill** HF1639 (Valan, IR-Moorhead)—passed as amended.
- **State departments—appropriations omnibus bill** HF1641 (DenOuden, IR-Prinsburg)—passed as amended.

Tuesday, May 7

- **Education finance omnibus bill** HF88 (Olsen, S., IR-St. Louis Park)—passed as amended. (See Highlight)

Wednesday, May 8

- **Claims against the state** HF1458 (Valan, IR-Moorhead)—passed.
- **Human services—appropriations omnibus bill** HF1640/SF1525* (Forsythe, IR-Edina)—passed as amended. (See Highlight)

SPECIAL ORDERS

Thursday, May 2

- **Guardians/conservators—costs** HF1023/SF459* (Vanasek, DFL-New Prague)—passed as amended.
- **Funeral services—regulation of prepayments** HF1106/SF921* (Frerichs, IR-Rochester)—passed.
- **Drainage proceedings—road construction, not crossings** HF1170/SF1087* (Hartle, IR-Owatonna)—passed.
- **Fair labor standard practices act—changes** HF1280/SF1218 (Burger, IR-Long Lake)—passed as amended.
- **Adulterated milk or cream—purchase/sale prohibited** HF1135/SF86* (Uphus, IR-Sauk Centre)—passed.
- **Olmsted County—leasing of hospital property** HF1266/SF1308* (Frerichs, IR-Rochester)—passed.
- **Gaylord—general obligation bonds** HF1308/SF1208* (Schafer, IR-Gibbon)—passed.

- **Investment of public funds—modifies some requirements** HF1375/SF1398* (Schreiber, IR-Brooklyn Park)—passed as amended.
- **Harmony—funds to replace bridge** HF1417/SF1291* (Redalen, IR-Fountain)—passed.
- **Indian children—placement** HF782/SF961 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—passed as amended.
- **Mora/New Ulm/Waseca—special service districts** HF592/SF593 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—passed.
- **Bemidji—community seed capital fund** HF503/SF1411 (Thorson, IR-Bemidji)—passed.

GOVERNOR

BILLS THE GOVERNOR SIGNED

Wednesday, May 1

- **Retailer credit interest rate** HF183*/SF131 (Himle)—Chapter 57.

Monday, May 6

- **Int'l Falls, South Int'l Falls—consolidation** HF1*/SF64 (Neuenschwander)—Chapter 58.
- **Soil/water conservation—cost-sharing funds** HF94*/SF101 (Redalen)—Chapter 59.
- **HECB—student advisory council** HF204*/SF235 (Piepho)—Chapter 60.
 - State lands—sale of city of Hastings HF230*/SF284 (Ozment)—Chapter 61.
- **Local governments—comprehensive municipal plans** HF247*/SF505 (Olsen, S.)—Chapter 62.
- **Van-type motor homes—regulation** HF256*/SF406 (Bennett)—Chapter 63.
- **Motorist—unregistered vehicles** HF454*/SF657 (McKasy)—Chapter 64.
- **State Planning Agency—housekeeping changes** HF468*/SF463 (McPherson)—Chapter 65.
- **Hennepin County Commissioners—salaries set** HF507*/SF536 (Olsen, S.)—Chapter 66.
- **Soil/water conservation board—powers/duties** HF565*/SF526 (Welle)—Chapter 67.
- **Community development corps—board members' income level** HF580*/SF779 (O'Connor)—Chapter 68.
- **County humane societies—appropriations increase** HF656*/SF637 (Anderson, R.)—Chapter 69.
- **Mankato—one short-term liquor license** HF698*/SF698 (Frederick)—Chapter 70.

- **Petroleum production definitions** HF730*/SF493 (Tjornhom)—Chapter 71.
- **Elections—absentee ballot changes** HF759*/SF231 (Backlund)—Chapter 72.
- **Minnesota Electrical Act—changes** HF825*/SF838 (Bennett)—Chapter 73.
- **Extradition under treaty** HF831*/SF803 (Ozment)—Chapter 74.
- **Duluth—easement conveyance** HF852*/SF787 (Boo)—Chapter 75.
- **Landscaping contractors—payment** HF863*/SF833 (Schreiber)—Chapter 76.
- **Heritage reservation commissions—laws governing** HF951*/SF1346 (Piepho)—Chapter 77.
- **Veterans Service Building space** HF982*/SF1185 (Metzen)—Chapter 78.
- **Mn Municipal Board—allowed to require hearings** HF1065*/SF1101 (Boerboom)—Chapter 79.
- **Agricultural land—owned by a nursing home** HF1570*/SF1197 (Dempsey)—Chapter 80.

Key
HF — House File
SF — Senate File
HF#/SF# — companion bills
* — version of the bill under consideration

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BILL INTRODUCTIONS

Bill Introductions

Monday, May 6

HF1646—Dempsey (IR)—Transportation
School buses; excluding certain vehicles from the definition of school bus; amending statutes.

HF1647—Clausnitzer (IR)—Governmental Operations
Public employees; authorizing governmental subdivisions to make certain contributions on behalf of employees; amending statutes.

HF1648—Kelly (DFL)—Education
Education; allowing certain teachers serving in the Peace Corps to be granted life licenses.

HF1649—Pappas (DFL)—Governmental Operations
State government; establishing a recycling program for state government; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

Tuesday, May 7

HF1650—Rose (IR)—Transportation
Highway traffic regulations; authorizing passengers of limousines operated by chauffeurs to possess and consume intoxicating liquors and nonintoxicating malt liquors; proposing coding for new law.

HF1651—Murphy (DFL)—Health/Human Services
Human services; establishing a program of equestrian activities for disabled persons; appropriating money.

HF1652—Rose (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources
Natural resources; recodifying laws governing wild animals in general, the taking and possession of game and fish; and the management of natural resources; providing penalties; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF1653—Rest (DFL)—Health/Human Services
Human services; requiring the commissioner of human services to make educational resources available to residents in a community where a residential facility for mentally retarded persons is located; amending statutes.

HF1654—Skoglund (DFL)—Labor-Management Relations
Labor; prohibiting the charging of a fee in connection with a job application; providing penalties; proposing coding for new law.

HF1655—Onnen (IR)—Health/Human Services
Commitment; changing the definitions of mentally ill, and mentally ill and dangerous; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1656—Kvam (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration
Legislature; requiring department and agency legislation to be introduced within 30 days after the legislative session convenes; providing for an exception; proposing coding for new law.

HF1657—Battaglia (DFL)—Rules/Legislative Administration
A resolution memorializing the governments of the United States and Canada to take prompt action to ensure that all travel on water routes between the United States and Canada by motorized watercraft be allowed.

Wednesday, May 8

HF1658—McLaughlin (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs
Elections; changing certain election day registration requirements; amending statutes.

HF1659—Gutknecht (IR)—Governmental Operations
Employee relations; establishing a fund and program for the payment of health care benefits of certain retired governmental employees; appropriating funds; proposing coding for new law.

Thursday, May 9

HF1660—Dempsey (IR)—Crime/Family Law
Crimes; redefining the "claim of right" defense to criminal trespass; amending statutes.

HF1661—Segal (DFL)—Health/Human Services
Human services; requiring the commissioner to develop a process for quality of care evaluation of facilities for adult mentally ill persons; requiring a report; amending statutes.

HF1662—Metzen (DFL)—Judiciary
Contracts; providing for payments from contractors to subcontractors; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1663—Dempsey (IR)—Crime/Family Law
Crimes; repealing the "claim of right" defense to criminal trespass; amending statutes.

HF1664—Redalen (IR)—Regulated Industries/Energy
Local government; regulating contracts for the purchase of fuel by a municipality required for generation of municipal power; amending statutes.

HF1665—Erickson (IR)—Labor-Management Relations
Workers' compensation; providing for comprehensive changes based on the Florida law; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

House Advisories

Monday, May 6

HA37—Kelly (DFL)—Judiciary
A proposal to study sale by the state of lists derived from license and registration information.

Tuesday, May 7

HA38—Ozment (IR)—Health/Human Services
A proposal to investigate allegations of cancer and groundwater contamination in Dakota County.

HA39—Jennings, L (DFL)—Appropriations
A proposal to study welfare fraud and child support collections.

HA40—Price (DFL)—Education
A proposal for an interim study of physical education programs.

Wednesday, May 8

HA41—Heap (IR)—Labor-Management Relations
A proposal to study the benefits of early intervention with employees that are receiving workers compensation or unemployment insurance.

Thursday, May 9

HA42—DenOuden (IR)—Appropriations
A proposal to study the functions and duties of the agencies of state government that deal with water resources.

Senate Files/ 1st. Readings

Monday, April 6

SF919—Wegscheid (DFL)—Appropriations

Agriculture; limiting security interests in farm product proceeds; protecting buyers when subject to a security interest; amending statutes.

SF1525—Willet (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Organization and operation of state government; authorizing cost containment programs in medical assistance and general assistance medical care programs; establishing a permanency planning program for children at risk of out-of-home placement; appropriating money for human services, corrections, health, and other purposes with certain conditions; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

Tuesday, May 7

SF5—Diessner (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Alcoholic beverages; increasing the age for licensing, sale, purchase, consumption, possession, and furnishing of alcoholic beverages; establishing programs for education on avoidable health risks related to alcohol and other drugs; increasing the fee for the reinstatement of drivers licenses revoked for alcohol-related violations; appropriating money; amending statutes.

SF1187—Novak (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Local government; regulating municipal employee residency requirements; exempting certain firefighters; amending statutes.

SF1458—Novak (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Traffic regulations; removing certain restrictions on special permits to move manufactured homes; amending statutes.

SF583—Spear (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Crimes; making certain trespasses and assaults a gross misdemeanor; providing for the admissibility of certain evidence in domestic abuse prosecutions; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

SF1067—Peterson, R (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Commerce; requiring certain agreements to extend credit to be in writing; proposing coding for new law.

SF401—DeCramer (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Creditor's remedies; providing for an increase in the amount of farm machines and implements exemption; clarifying the garnishment limitation for the sale of farm products; authorizing the court to allow the respondent in a replevin action to retain or regain possession without posting a bond; authorizing the court to stay an action to recover possession for up to six months; extending the effective period of a garnishee summons; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

SF806—Novak (DFL)—Appropriations

Environment; providing for the regulation of underground storage tanks; proposing coding for new law.

SF1049—Spear (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Human services; refining the vulnerable adults reporting act; clarifying definitions; requiring reporting of financial exploitation; providing for local welfare agency actions to protect vulnerable adults; amending statutes.

Wednesday, May 8

SF966—Solon (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Health; requiring a study and a report on the needs of persons with brain impairments.

SF352—Freeman (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Taxation; providing for an annual compressed natural gas user permit; establishing compressed natural gas user permit fees in lieu of gas taxes; requiring a report to the legislature; providing a penalty; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

SF1431—Spear (DFL)—Rules/Legislative Administration

A resolution memorializing the negotiators for the United States at the Geneva arms talks to demand Soviet action to stop anti-Jewish discrimination and to allow Jews to emigrate.

Thursday, May 9

SF1219—Stumpf (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Natural resources; making groundwater protection a watershed district purpose; establishing a procedure for increasing the number of watershed district managers; defining certain proceedings as contested cases; providing a procedure for noncontroversial proceedings; providing for appeals; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

SF1429—Peterson, R (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

State government; providing for indemnification of judges and employees of the legislative and judicial branches from tort, civil, or equitable claims; preserving immunities; amending statutes.

SF295—Willet (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Counties; authorizing a special levy for county agricultural society and park and recreation purposes for Hubbard county; authorizing a special levy for support of the Clearwater county hospital; authorizing a special levy for tourism and agriculture promotion in Cass county; requiring a reverse referendum under certain circumstances; increasing the amount of loans available to certain counties for design and construction costs of district heating and qualified energy improvements; allowing municipalities to accelerate repayment of principal of energy loans; authorizing county regulation of pawnbrokers, second-hand, and junk dealers; designating Hubbard county as a fiscal agent; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

SF879—Freeman (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Economic development; adding definitions to the Minnesota energy and economic development authority law; clarifying purposes of the economic development fund; adding development power and authority; restricting the duties of the energy and economic development authority and enlarging the duties of the commissioner of energy and economic development; extending the life of the Minnesota manufacturing growth council; amending statutes.

SF31—Diessner (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Motorboat safety; requiring liability insurance on watercraft; strengthening prohibitions and penalties regarding operation of motorboat while under the influence of alcohol or a controlled substance; providing a penalty; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

SF567—Luther (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Real property; changing notice period required for cancellation of contract for deed; designating vendor's attorney as an agent; eliminating the mortgage registration tax on contracts for deed; extending the provision authorizing courts to approve postponements of mortgage foreclosure and contract for deed terminations and making them permanent law in certain cases; abolishing certain exclusionary provisions; clarifying certain provisions; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

SF1159—Luther (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Corporations; regulating corporate takeovers and control share acquisitions; defining terms; prescribing penalties; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

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ADVANCE COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

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Monday, May 13
8:00 a.m.

APPROPRIATIONS, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Mary Forsythe. Agenda: HF646 (Dempsey) Providing for fees of the county recorder and registrar of titles. SF251/HF679 (Boo) Establishing an educational program for nursing home consumer advisory councils. SF818/HF913 (Quist) Abolishing the department of economic security. Additional agenda to be announced.

12:00 noon

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

Tuesday, May 14
12:00 noon

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

Wednesday, May 15
12:00 noon

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

Thursday, May 16
12:00 noon

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.

Friday, May 17
12:00 noon

The House of Representatives will meet in Session.



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HIGHLIGHTS

Appropriations bills

In its final meeting for the 1985 legislative session, the Appropriations Committee recommended three major bills to pass. They amended and approved a \$59 million sewage treatment plan, HF849 (Valento, IR-Little Canada), the Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) bill, that gets its funding from a six-cents-a-pack cigarette tax.

The plan would help fund waste water and sewage treatment plants, statewide. In its original form, HF849 authorized 15-year loans to cities with fewer than 75 percent separated sewers. The amended version extends loan eligibility to include the city of South St. Paul.

The committee also approved the Fish and Wildlife Enhancement Act of 1985, HF628 (Rose, IR-Roseville). The bill would set aside \$25 million for setting aside eroding crop lands and managing Minnesota's wildlife habitat. Fifteen of the \$25 million would come from the unused portion of the farm interest loan buydown the Legislature passed in February of this year.

The third bill to move out of the committee is the Saturn plant bill, HF1645 (Beard, DFL-Cottage Grove). The bill would create a special enterprise zone if General Motors (GM) locates the Saturn plant in Minnesota. The offer would grant \$75 million in tax breaks and development funds to GM.

Mark Dayton, commissioner of energy and development, says this kind of offer is necessary to attract GM and that the state will be the winner in the long run. Dayton also says the state is ready to extend the same sort of offer to other manufacturing companies if they choose to expand in Minnesota.

All three bills now go to the House floor.

Cigarette taxes

State taxes on cigarettes could be funding a variety of projects in Minnesota this year.

On May 16, the Appropriations Committee recommended to pass HF849 (Valento, IR-Little Canada), the Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) bill. HF849 carries a provision taxing cigarettes six cents a pack to fund sewer reconstruction and other projects.

On May 15, the committee also recommended to pass HF810 (Quist, IR-St. Peter), a bill that would put a one-cent tax on each pack of cigarettes to fund a non-smoking program in Minnesota schools.

Some of the money would also go to the health department to help enforce the Minnesota clean indoor air act.

The bill could raise as much as \$10 million, twice the cost of the \$5 million needed for the non-smoking program and enforcement aid for the indoor air act. That extra \$5 million caught the attention of the budget-conscious committee members at a May 14 meeting.

They attached amendments to target \$500,000 to a mosquito control program and \$3 million to programs for handicapped preschool children. But on the 15th, the committee reconsidered and removed those amendments.

Combined Sewer Overflow

The Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) bill, HF849 (Valento, IR-Little Canada), came out of the Appropriations Committee, May 16, with a recommendation to pass.

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The bill would call for a six-cents-a-pack cigarette tax, four cents of which would go to the state water pollution control fund. Money from this fund would make up grants or loans to cities for sewage control projects.

At a May 10 hearing on the bill, legislators heard opposition to the grants and loans provision from Maureen Warren of the St. Paul mayor's office and Bill Barnhart of the Minneapolis coordinator's office. They objected to allowing interest-bearing loans for Twin Cities projects but interest-free grants for outstate projects — a policy they they said was "discriminatory."

Rep. Don Valento, the bill's author, says the loan program will benefit the whole state, maintain the money pool, and keep the program alive.

Sales tax on used cars

Buyers of used cars would get a sales tax break under HF130 (Minne, DFL-Hibbing), a bill the House passed May 15.

The bill would repeal the six percent sales tax on used cars 10 years and older. Buyers would instead pay a flat \$10 fee. HF130 would exempt classic and pioneer cars, and people who buy those cars would continue to pay the six percent sales tax.

"I know many of you, as I have, have heard complaints about paying taxes over and over again on the same vehicle," author Rep. Lona Minne told House members.

People have had problems determining and arguing the value of these older used cars with registrars, Minne said. "It's been a source of irritation for both registrars and purchasers and the revenue impact is minimal," she said.

The bill goes next to the Senate.

Underground development

Lack of space has always been a problem in crowded urban areas. But development of underground space could be part of the solution, says Rep. Sidney Pauly (IR-Eden Prairie).

"We have technology to create a whole, new basement in this state," says Pauly, author of HF922/SF925.

During discussion of the bill at the May 15 House session, Pauly exhibited a sample of soft St. Peter sandstone to House members. She says this stone, a formation of soil and glacial drift deposit, forms a unique subsurface under Minnesota's prairies, woodlands, lakes, and hills.

HF922/SF925 would authorize development of this subsurface which Pauly says would allow for dust and vibration-free, naturally secure space for development of industry, commerce, and transit.

The state would retain all mineral rights of developed underground territory under the bill. Municipalities would get bonding authority and the power to develop underground space.

An amendment to the bill would prohibit use of underground development for hazardous and high-level nuclear waste. The bill passed on a 113-0 vote.

Guns, superfund bills

The cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul could no longer have stricter gun laws than the rest of the state if the governor signs legislation now on its way to his desk. Similar legislation died last year with a governor's veto.

While other legislation is also moving through the House and Senate to the governor, bills affecting the superfund law have come to a standstill.

Both House and Senate have approved bills to compensate victims of hazardous waste releases, but the bills aren't the same. And neither body has appointed members to a conference committee to come to an agreement. Without that agreement, the victims' compensation measure, HF876 (Olsen S., IR-St. Louis Park), won't get to the governor nor the law books.

Proposals that attempt to make the superfund law more palatable to Minnesota businesses have had the approval of the full House for some time. But the Senate's waiting for a conference committee to come up with a victims' compensation plan before acting on superfund changes in HF268 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon).

Seat belts

Rep. Mary Forsythe (IR-Edina) author of HF119/SF40*, the man-



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datory seat belt bill that would require Minnesota motorists to buckle up, made a motion in the May 15 session of the House to table the measure, after a motion for reconsideration. Her action makes it possible for the House to take up the bill again before the scheduled end of the session, May 20.

In the House May 10 session, the bill met defeat on a vote of 61 for and 70 against, the second time in two years the House has rejected seat belt legislation. And the second time the Senate has supported it.

The bill does not include penalties. It would apply to all front-seat occupants and riders under age 11 (in any seat) and exempt about six different groups of people from the belt requirement. Violators would receive a safety warning that wouldn't go on their driving records.

Attempts to put penalty provisions in the bill failed. And passage of HF119/SF40* would make Minnesota the first state in the Union to pass a seat belt law without penalties for violations.

Drinking age 21

A House and Senate conference committee agreed, May 15, to raise the state's drinking age to 21 in 1986, if Iowa and Wisconsin raise theirs, and Congress doesn't repeal the federal mandate.

The federal mandate requires states to increase the age or lose some federal highway aid. For Minnesota, that would be a loss of about \$33 million over the next two years.

Right now, laws in Minnesota, Iowa, and Wisconsin provide for a 19 drinking age for all alcoholic beverages. North Dakota's age is 21 and South Dakota has a combined age of 21 for distilled spirits and 19 for beer and wine. Expectations are that the Iowa Legislature, which recently refused to take ac-

tion on the drinking age, will pass a "21 bill" in their '86 legislative sessions. Wisconsin remains questionable.

Rep. Gary Schafer (IR-Gibbon), is the author of SF5, the 21 bill, which will now go back to both the House and Senate for repassage.

Out-of-business sales

Anyone falsely representing a sale as a going-out-of-business event could be in trouble with the law if HF988/SF800* (Becklin, IR-Cambridge), becomes law.

The bill, which passed in the House May 15, would make it illegal for anyone to represent a sale as "going-out-of-business" if advertising for the sale runs longer than 120 days; if a retailer orders an unusual amount of merchandise shortly before the sale or during sale days—a practice known as stuffing sales; if the sale continues after the advertised ending date; or the retailer has held a going-out-of-business sale at the same location during the preceding 120 days.

An amendment to the bill would require real estate brokers or salespersons to tell all parties of a real estate transaction which party they represent.

The bill goes next to the governor.

Psychotherapy, hit-run

Two bills the Crime and Family Law Committee recommended to pass in recent weeks won the approval of the full House May 14. They are proposals concerned with conduct of psychotherapists and penalties for hit-run offenses.

One bill, HF1227 (Bishop, IR-Rochester), would prohibit psychotherapists from engaging in sexual acts with their patients. Psychotherapists would be guilty of criminal sexual conduct if they have sex with a patient during a session, even if the patient consents; if the patient, or former patient, is emotionally dependent on the therapist and unable to say "no"; or if the therapist represents sex as part of the patient's treatment.

The other bill, SF33 (Hartinger, IR-Coon Rapids), would impose criminal penalties on drivers involved in hit and run accidents. The bill would base the penalties on the degree of harm the accident caused and whether the driver was at fault.

The bill would increase the penalty for causing an accident that results in death to seven years and/or \$14,000. And it would establish a penalty for causing an accident that results in great bodily harm.

HF1227 is waiting for Senate approval, and SF33 has now passed both Houses.

Stun guns

On May 9, House members amended stun-gun legislation into SF693 (Bishop, IR-Rochester), a bill that deals with forfeiture of property used in a crime.

Minnesota doesn't have laws on the books now that regulate the use of stun guns. However, the city of St. Paul has an ordinance banning them. The Legislation the House passed on the 9th, would allow possession and use of stun guns in defense of person or property.

Author of the proposal, Rep. Joel Jacobs (DFL-Coon Rapids), says the stun-gun legislation relates to what is already in state statute regarding the use of mace.

"It regulates mace and will regulate stun guns in an identical manner. What we're attempting to do is allow the public to have stun guns. But we want to reassure that they're used properly . . . in defense of a person," said Jacobs.

The bill would prohibit possession and use by people under 18 years old, people convicted of a violent crime or drug offense, and those who are mentally ill or chemically dependent.

Use of stun guns against police officers would carry a five-year felony penalty, and sale of the gun to anyone the law prohibits from its possession or use would be illegal.

Though some members opposed the legislation, arguing that research isn't complete and not enough knowledge exists on the gun's effects, and others objected to what they termed, "ready public access to a weapon," the bill passed 94 to 28.

The Senate also passed the bill, so it goes next to the governor.

Correction

In the highlight, Title 19 waiver, on page 1 of last week's *Session Weekly*, Rep. Wes Skoglund (DFL-Mpls) is the author of the amendment to the human services appropriations omnibus bill, HF1640/SF1525*, that would permit doctors to remove the brains of deceased general assistance recipients who may have had Alzheimer's disease. St. Paul Ramsey Medical Center would use the brains for study of the disease.

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COMMITTEE ACTION

APPROPRIATIONS

Monday, May 13

- **County recorder/secretary of state—fees**
HF646 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Programs for nursing home councils**
HF679/SF251* (Boo, IR-Duluth)—recommended to pass.
- **Dept. of jobs/training—created**
HF913/SF818* (Quist, IR-St. Peter)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Health professionals—license/discipline revision**
HF1436 (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Agricultural products—registration system for buyers**
HF990/SF919* (Dimler, IR-Chanhassen)—recommended to pass.
- **Local governments—fiscal notes for state mandates**
HF490 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—recommended to pass.
- **Public safety dept. bill**
HF1250 (Ozment, IR-Rosemount)—recommended to pass.
- **Medical assistance— to mothers living with parents**
HF911 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—recommended to pass.
- **Three-unit truck combinations**
HF1083 (Carlson, J., IR-Moorhead)—recommended to pass.
- **Counties—funds for family reunification**
HF765 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—recommended to pass.
- **Victims' rights and compensation**
HF1231/SF1126 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass.
- **Three-wheel, off-road vehicles—regulation**
HF1015 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone)—recommended to pass.

Tuesday, May 14

- **Counties—comprehensive local water management plans**
HF961 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—recommended to pass.
- **Solid waste—land disposal prohibited**
HF939 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Non-smoking programs—tax provided**
HF810 (Quist, IR-St. Peter)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)
- **State hospital—service agreements**
HF347/SF147* (Rodosovich, DFL-Faribault)—recommended to pass.

- **Fish and Wildlife Enhancement Act—created**
HF628 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—heard. (See Highlight)

Wednesday, May 15

- **Neglected children—expanded definition**
HF1175 (Kiffmeyer, IR-Big Lake)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Mentally ill—state planning council**
HF910/SF916* (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—recommended to pass.
- **Block grant funds—allocation**
HF828 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **General assistance—state aid to counties**
HF1258 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Nursing homes—changes in reimbursement procedures**
HF769 (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Health—regulating community health services**
HF658 (Zaffke, IR-Backus)—recommended to pass.
- **Hearing instrument dispensing—regulation**
HF1048/SF928* (Frerichs, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Non-smoking programs—tax provided**
HF810 (Quist, IR-St. Peter)—reconsidered and recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)

Thursday, May 16

- **Agriculture Dept. omnibus bill**
HF687 (Erickson, IR-Hills)—recommended to pass as amended.
- **Combined sewage overflow—state financial assistance**
HF849 (Valento, IR-Little Canada)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)
- **Fish and Wildlife Enhancement Act—created**
HF628 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—recommended to pass as amended. (See Highlight)
- **Saturn proposal**
HF1645 (Beard, DFL-Cottage Grove)—recommended to pass. (See Highlight)
- **Agriculture—resource loan guaranty program**
HF1402 (Schreiber, IR-Brooklyn Park)—recommended to pass as amended.

Ag., Transportation &
Semi-State Div./Approp.

Friday, May 10

- **Three-unit truck combinations**
HF1083 (Carlson, J., IR-Moorhead)—
recommended to pass as amended.
- **Fish and Wildlife
Enhancement Act—created**
HF628 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—
recommended to pass as amended.
(See Highlight)
- **Public Safety departmental bill**
HF1250 (Ozment, IR-Rosemount)—
recommended to pass.
- **Trunk highway—80,000 lb.
statewide gross weight limit**
HF630 (Boerboom, IR-Cottonwood)—
tabled for interim study.

Human Services
Div./Approp.

Friday, May 10

- **State hospitals—
service agreements**
HF347/SF143 (Rodosovich, DFL-
Faribault)—recommended to pass.
- **Health—regulating
community health services**
HF658 (Zaffke, IR-Backus)—
recommended to pass as amended.
- **Non-smoking programs—
tax provided**
HF810 (Quist, IR-St. Peter)—
recommended to pass as amended.
(See Highlight)
- **Combined sewage overflow—
state financial assistance**
HF849 (Valento, IR-Little Canada)—
recommended to pass as amended.
(See Highlight)
- **Counties—funds
for family unification**
HF765 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—
recommended to pass.
- **Medical assistance—
to mothers living with parents**
HF911 (Gruenes, IR-St.Cloud)—
recommended to pass.
- **Victims' rights/compensation**
HF1231/SF1126 (Kelly, DFL-St.Paul)—
recommended to pass.
- **Nursing homes—changes
in reimbursement procedures**
HF769 (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—
recommended to pass.

State Departs.
Div./Approp.

Friday, May 10

- **Local governments—
fiscal notes for state mandates**
HF490 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—
recommended to pass as amended.
- **Counties—comprehensive
local water management plans**
HF961 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—
recommended to pass as amended.
- **Three-wheel, off-road
vehicles—regulation**
HF1015 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone)—
recommended to pass as amended.
- **Solid waste—
land disposal prohibited**
HF939 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—
recommended to pass as amended.

TAXES

Key
HF — House File
SF — Senate File
HF#/SF# — companion bills
* — version of the bill under consideration

*Copies of bills and resolutions are
available from the
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St. Paul, MN 55155, (612) 296-2314.*

FLOOR ACTION

CONCURRENCE & REPASSAGE

Thursday, May 9

- **St. Louis County—
land conveyance**
HF231 (Boo, IR-Duluth)—repassed as
amended by the Senate.
 - **Local government agencies—
prompt payment of bills**
HF191 (Piepho, IR-Mankato)—repassed
as amended by the Senate.
 - **Arson/fire scene investigations**
HF374/SF501 (Seaberg, IR-Mendota
Heights)—repassed as amended by the
Senate.
- Monday, May 13
- **Armed forces—
spouse's driver's license**
HF835*/SF1155 (Miller, IR-Redwood
Falls)—repassed as amended by the
Senate.
 - **Credit union powers**
HF216*/SF229 (Halberg, IR-
Burnsville)—repassed as amended by
the Senate.

- **Utilities—no recourse against
landlords on tenant contracts**
HF143*/SF855 (Blatz, IR-
Bloomington)—repassed as amended
by the Senate.
- **Prejudgment seizure
of property—procedures**
HF449*/SF591 (Blatz, IR-
Bloomington)—repassed as amended
by the Senate.
- **No-fault insurance—changes;
stacking—eliminated**
HF345*/SF314 (Seaberg, IR-Mendota
Heights)—repassed as amended by the
Senate.

Tuesday, May 14

- **Fishing licenses—
Camp Ripley personnel**
HF18*/SF1461 (Wenzel, DFL-Little
Falls)—repassed as amended by
Senate.
 - **County land—
sale with mineral rights**
HF521*/SF378 (Johnson, IR-
Caledonia)—repassed as amended by
the Senate.
 - **Wild animals—
hunting law changes**
HF937*/SF791 (Richter, IR-Wadena)—
repassed as amended by the Senate.
- Wednesday, May 15
- **Mora/New Ulm/Waseca—
special service districts**
HF592*/SF593 (Dempsey, IR-New
Ulm)—repassed as amended by the
Senate.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Monday, May 13

- **Teacher/school board
mediation—changes PELRA**
HF207/SF118* (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—
repassed as amended by Conference.

Tuesday, May 14

- **Heartland trail—
land conveyance**
HF1235*/SF1062 (Zaffke, IR-Backus)—
repassed as amended by Conference.
- **Town laws—various changes**
HF889*/SF639 (Frederickson, IR-
Windom)—repassed as amended by
Conference.
- **Dangerous weapons—
flammable liquids**
HF274*/SF414 (Ozment, IR-
Rosemount)—repassed as amended by
Conference.

Wednesday, May 15

- **Horseracing—
county fair racing days**
HF227*/SF239 (Minne, DFL-Hibbing)—
repassed as amended by Conference.

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Thursday, May 9

- **Sale and leasebacks—double tax eliminated**
HF1596 (Dimler, IR-Chanhassen)—passed.
- **Horses—sales tax limited**
HF1623 (Redalen, IR-Fountain)—passed as amended.
- **Property owners—appeals directly to court**
HF1627 (Kvam, IR-Litchfield)—passed.

Tuesday, May 14

- **Taconite tax—mortgage registration tax**
HF1552 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—passed.
- **Indemnification—judges**
HF1359/SF1429* (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—passed.

Wednesday, May 15

- **Victims' rights and compensation**
HF1231/SF1126 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul)—passed.
- **Public Safety departmental bill**
HF1250*/SF1252 (Ozment, IR-Rosemount)—passed as amended.
- **Motor vehicle excise tax—certain vehicles exempted**
HF130*/SF159 (Minne, DFL-Hibbing)—passed. (See Highlight)
- **Income tax—excess interest on local gov't bonds**
HF856*/SF854 (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—passed.

SPECIAL ORDERS

Thursday, May 9

- **AVTIs—class size/associate degrees**
HF476/SF563* (Heap, IR-Plymouth)—passed as amended.
- **Drinking age—raised to 21**
HF102/SF5* (Schafer, IR-Gibbon)—passed as amended. (See Highlight)
- **Forfeiture—communications devices used in a crime**
HF636/SF693* (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—passed as amended. (See Highlight)

Monday, May 13

- **Data privacy**
HF1589/SF1013 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—passed.
- **Retirement—working past rule of 85 deadline**
HF229/SF312 (Dempsey, IR-new Ulm)—passed.

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- **Retirement—municipal ambulance and rescue volunteers**
HF607/SF766 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—passed.
- **Retirement—consolidating Moorhead funds**
HF1369/SF1336 (Carlson, J., IR-Moorhead)—passed.
- **Big Island Veterans Board of Governors—reinstated**
HF1033/SF954* (Kostohryz, DFL-North St. Paul)—passed as amended.
- **Child abuse reporting—changes**
HF275/SF196* (Levi, IR-Dellwood)—passed as amended.
- **Assault and domestic abuse—penalties increased**
HF800/SF583* (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—passed as amended.
- **Child support—enforcement incentives**
HF912/SF901* (Clausnitzer, IR-Maple Grove)—passed.
- **Dissolution of marriage—spousal maintenance**
HF643/SF623* (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—passed as amended.
- **Insolvent insurers—distribution of assets**
HF857/SF905 (Olsen, S., IR-St. Louis Park)—passed.
- **Workers' compensation—statute changes**
HF1130/SF986* (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—passed as amended.
- **Late payments to farm implement retailers**
HF43/SF71* (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—passed.
- **Sports bookmaking**
HF448/SF207* (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—passed.
- **OSHA—right-to-know changes**
HF1262/SF1254* (Himle, IR-Bloomington)—passed.
- **Communication systems—installment regulation**
HF1151/SF952* (Miller, IR-Redwood Falls)—passed as amended.
- **Town business—authorized outside of town**
HF677/SF676* (Uphus, IR-Sauk Centre)—passed as amended.
- **Dept. of Transportation omnibus bill**
HF1155/SF43* (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—passed as amended.
- **Interstate acquisition of banks—reciprocity**
HF671/SF607 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—amended; failed.
- **Mandatory seat belt bill**
HF119/SF40* (Forsythe, IR-Edina)—amended; failed. (See Highlight)

Tuesday, May 14

- **Moving mobile homes—permit restrictions removed**
HF1457/SF1458* (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—passed.

- **State council on vocational education**
HF897/SF814* (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—passed as amended.
- **Dam reconstruction and repair—grants/loans**
HF694/SF627 (Anderson, R., IR-Ottertail)—passed.
- **Fraudulent going out of business sales**
HF988/SF800* (Becklin, IR-Cambridge)—passed as amended. (See Highlight)
- **Assaults—certain penalties increased**
HF820/SF448* (Tompkins, IR-Apple Valley)—passed.
- **Residents testifying outside state—increased fees**
HF1001/SF1077* (Backlund, IR-Fridley)—passed.
- **Juvenile court records—authority to release**
HF806/SF781* (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul)—passed.
- **Membership camping—regulations**
HF947/SF661* (Zaffke, IR-Backus)—passed.
- **Conciliation court—limit raised**
HF1075/SF709* (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—passed.
- **Conciliation court—student loans**
HF1178/SF862* (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—passed as amended.
- **Compressed natural gas—annual user permits**
HF323/SF352* (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—passed.
- **Sexual exploitation by psychotherapists**
HF1070/SF1004 (Ozment, IR-Rosemount)—passed.
- **Psychotherapists—prohibiting sexual relations with patients**
HF1227/SF1003 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—passed. (See Highlight)
- **Town liquor license moratorium—extended one year**
HF1233/SF1103 (Marsh, IR-Sauk Rapids)—passed.
- **Vulnerable adults—refinement of reporting act**
HF1437/SF1049* (Burger, IR-Long Lake)—passed.

- **Health care review—expanded purposes**
HF818/SF364* (Poppenhagen, IR-Detroit Lakes)—passed as amended.
 - **Waiver of rights—human rights cases**
HF543/SF609* (Halberg, IR-Burnsville)—passed as amended.
 - **Municipal improvements—advertisement of sales**
HF689/SF542* (Himle, IR-Bloomington)—passed.
 - **“Hit and run”—penalties**
HF690/SF33* (Hartinger, IR-Coon Rapids)—passed. (See Highlight)
 - **Roadside mowing—restrictions**
HF409/SF219* (Rose, IR-Roseville)—passed.
 - **Minnesota Racing commission—housecleaning bill**
HF1281/SF1249* (Kostohryz, DFL-No. St. Paul)—passed as amended.
 - **Mpls—establishing special service districts**
HF384*/SF303 (Otis, DFL-Mpls)—passed as amended.
- Wednesday, May 15**
- **Drainage law—recodified**
HF442/SF45* (Jennings, L. DFL-Rush City)—passed.
 - **Collector sewers—state construction grants**
HF725*/SF1070 (Rees, IR-Lakeville)—laid over.
 - **Child protection workers—training**
HF1107/SF1176* (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—passed.
 - **Fort Snelling—concession fees**
HF1248/SF1374* (Tjornhom, IR-Richfield)—passed.
 - **Town cartways—maintenance**
HF1435/SF1358* (Quist, IR-St. Peter)—passed.
 - **Burnsville—5 additional liquor licenses**
HF1307/SF1244* (Seaberg, IR-Mendota Heights)—passed.
 - **South St. Paul—bonds for sewer separation**
HF380/SF1131* (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—passed.
 - **Education assistants—off Duluth civil service roles**
HF918/SF798* (Jaros, DFL-Duluth)—passed.

- **Goodhue County—add'l levy for historical society**
HF1607/SF1499* (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—passed.
- **Dakota County—electronic fund transfers**
HF1460/SF1404* (Ozment, IR-Rosemount)—passed as amended.
- **Plymouth—reassessment of spec'l assessments authorized**
HF1490/SF1414* (Shaver, IR-Wayzata)—passed.
- **Olmsted County—state land conveyance**
HF1253/SF1171* (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—passed as amended.
- **Court of appeals—jurisdiction clarified**
HF1578/SF1388* (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—passed.
- **Hubbard County—parks and recreation levy**
HF757/SF295* (Zaffke, IR-Backus)—passed as amended.
- **Red Wing—establishes port authority**
HF942/SF904* (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—passed.
- **Fergus Falls—port authority powers**
HF71/SF63* (Anderson, B. IR-Ottertail)—passed.
- **MECC—removes some restrictions on operations**
HF619/SF647* (Erickson, IR-Hills)—passed as amended.
- **South St. Paul—sewer tax increments**
HF970/SF1485* (Metzen, DFL-So. St. Paul)—passed.
- **Municipalities—economic development powers**
HF922/SF925* (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—passed as amended. (See Highlight)
- **Patrol mobile communications equipment**
HF827*/SF792 (Piepho, IR-Mankato)—passed.
- **Pheasant stamp exemption—northern counties**
HF174/SF228* (Neuenschwander, DFL-Int'l Falls)—passed.
- **Condo floor plans—approval by county surveyor**
HF285/SF82* (Beard, DFL-Cottage Grove)—passed.
- **Koochiching County—land conveyance**
HF1498/SF1347* (Neuenschwander, DFL-Int'l Falls)—passed.
- **St. Louis County—land conveyance**
HF1497/SF1353* (Battaglia, DFL-Two Harbors)—passed.
- **Industrial loan/thrift—authority/regulations**
HF344/SF230* (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—passed as amended.

- **Liquor licenses—issuance within Indian country**
HF1343/SF1183* (Bennett, IR-Shoreview)—passed as amended.
- **Insurance company investments**
HF498/SF375* (Skoglund, DFL-Mpls)—passed.
- **Domestic abuse act—service by publications**
HF1205/SF1036* (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls)—passed as amended.
- **St. Paul—temporary on-sale wine licenses**
HF1171/SF1234* (Osthoff, DFL-St. Paul)—passed as amended.

GOVERNOR

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Wednesday, May 8

- **State parks—additions/deletions**
HF967/SF783* (Olson, E.)—Chapter 81.
- **Sheriff's contingency fund—credit amounts increased**
HF1316/SF1119* (Brinkman)—Chapter 82.
- **Sales/motor vehicle excise tax—changes**
HF1000/SF1329* (Tjornhom)—Chapter 83.
- **Peace officers—arrest authority**
HF266*/SF527 (Marsh)—Chapter 84.
- **Local governments—joint insurance arrangements**
HF267*/SF344 (Solberg)—Chapter 85.
- **Eden Prairie—one-day liquor license**
HF428*/SF553 (Pauly)—Chapter 86.
- **Itasca County—promotional expenditures**
HF537*/SF552 (Solberg)—Chapter 87.

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- **Non-alcoholic beverages—wholesaler credit**
HF602*/SF816 (Marsh)—Chapter 88.
- **Ramsey County—creation of a personnel system**
HF907*/SF689 (Valento)—Chapter 89.
- **Circle Pines Utility Commission**
HF1197*/SF920 (Voss)—Chapter 90.
- **Mpls.—establishes a Youth Coordination Board**
HF1198*/SF1152 (Nelson, K.)—Chapter 91.
- **White Bear and Ramsey County—land transfer**
HF1226*/SF1075 (Stanis)—Chapter 92.

Thursday, May 9

- **Adulterated milk or cream—purchase/sale prohibited**
HF135/SF86* (Uphus)—Chapter 93.
- **Validation of foreclosure sales—effective dates**
HF141/SF143* (Dempsey)—Chapter 94.
- **Funeral services—regulation of prepayments**
HF1106/SF921* (Frerichs)—Chapter 95.
- **Community colleges—sale of lands**
HF1011/SF994* (Dyke)—Chapter 96.
- **Corporate records—shareholders' access**
HF1161/SF1071* (McKasy)—Chapter 97.
- **Beltrami County—proceeds from tax-forfeited lands**
HF362*/SF355 (Thorson)—Chapter 98.
- **New Brighton—civil service exemptions**
HF1199*/SF1167 (Knuth)—Chapter 99.

Friday, May 10

- **Board of Animal Health—powers and duties**
HF708/SF335* (McDonald)—Chapter 100.
- **Tax compliance dept. bill**
SF450* (Jude)—Chapter 101.
- **Drainage proceedings—road construction instead of crossing**
HF1170/SF1087* (Hartle)—Chapter 102.
- **Gaylord—general obligation bonds**
HF1308/SF1208* (Schafer)—Chapter 103.

- **Immunity for volunteer firefighters**
HF959/SF1214* (Marsh)—Chapter 104.
- **Harmony—funds to replace bridge**
HF1417/SF1291* (Redalen)—Chapter 105.
- **Bemidji—community seed capital fund**
HF1503/SF1411* (Thorson)—Chapter 106.
- **Car loans—permanent usury rate**
HF273*/SF490 (McKasy)—Chapter 107.
- **County property—sales through brokers**
HF446*/SF1060 (Johnson)—Chapter 108.
- **County governments language cleanup/minor changes**
HF516*/SF642 (Johnson)—Chapter 109.
- **Restitution—enforcement**
HF645*/SF746 (Bishop)—Chapter 110.
- **Indian children—placement**
HF782*/SF691 (Sviggum)—Chapter 111.
- **Forest fires—interstate agreements**
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HF1216*/SF1199 (Redalen)—Chapter 114.

Tuesday, May 14

- **Olmsted County—leasing of hospital property**
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- **School fund lands—exchange/inventory**
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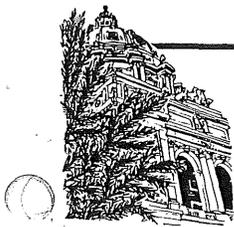
RESOLUTIONS THE GOVERNOR SIGNED

Wednesday, May 8

- **Fair trade regulation on hogs**
HF1093*/SF1024 (Wenzel)—**Resolution 4.**
Friday, May 10
- **Milk requirements—resolutions**
HF1388* (Richter)—Resolution 5.

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Bill Introductions

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HF1666—Dimler (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Consumer protection; providing alternative security requirements for health and social referral clubs; amending statutes.

HF1667—Schreiber (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; changing rate of the occupation tax on taconite and certain other ores; amending statutes.

HF1668—McLaughlin (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Insurance; requiring carryover of deductibles when a group health policy is replaced; proposing coding for new law.

HF1669—Shaver (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; eliminating the addition to federal adjusted gross income for employee teacher retirement contributions; amending statutes.

Tuesday, May 14

HF1670—Bennett (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

Public development debt; providing reporting of data; disclosure of financial, personal, and criminal information of developers of certain types of public financing; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1671—Neuenschwander (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Fish and game; establishing lifetime licenses to take big game, small game, and fish; providing restrictions for the licenses; providing for payment of lifetime licenses by installments; allowing credit for a previously purchased lifetime license when purchasing another; dedicating license fee receipts and restricting expenditure of investment income; establishing license fees; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1672—Clark (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources

Environment; requiring the issuance of transportation certificates prior to the shipment of high level radioactive waste; providing for the administration of a certification and inspection program; providing for the designation of transportation routes; amending statutes.

Wednesday, May 15

HF1673—Pappas (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Insurance; requiring reduction in auto insurance premiums for seat belt use; prohibiting reduction of coverage for failure to wear a seat belt; amending statutes.

HF1674—Solberg (DFL)—Judiciary

Corporations; authorizing and regulating employee cooperative corporations; proposing coding for new law.

HF1675—McLaughlin (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Insurance; accident and health; requiring coverage for hospice care; proposing coding for new law.

HF1676—Segal (DFL)—Commerce/Economic Development

Commerce; requiring gasoline service stations to provide certain goods and services; proposing coding for new law.

HF1677—Thorson (IR)—Education

Education; changing the way the department of education provides certain information and other services; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF1678—Clark (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs

Elections; authorizing additional means of proving residence for purpose of election day registration; amending statutes.

Thursday, May 16

HF1679—Nelson, K (DFL)—Regulated Industries/Energy

Horse racing; imposing a tax for the funding of social services programs; amending statutes.

HF1680—Segal (DFL)—Transportation

Traffic regulations; requiring school buses to have seat belts; amending statutes.

HF1681—Carlson, D (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources

Natural resources; providing for an administrative process for the designation of peatland scientific and natural areas; establishing powers and duties of the commissioner of natural resources; requiring local participation in the designation process; proposing coding for new law.

HF1682—Staten (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; exempting certain persons age 65 or over; amending statutes.

HF1683—Segal (DFL)—Health/Human Services

Human services; requiring a study of medical assistance payments to day treatment programs for the mentally ill.

HA44—Segal (DFL)—Health/Human Services

A proposal to study health insurance for low income workers.

HA45—Wynia (DFL)—Education

A proposal for examination of current and future capital needs in higher education.

HA46—Pauly (IR)—Labor-Management Relations

A proposal to study the extent of sexual discrimination in labor unions.

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HA47—Valento (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs

A proposal to study the feasibility of building a convention center in Minneapolis.

HA48—Clark (DFL)—Health/Human Services

A proposal to study the health care problems of uninsured children.

Senate Files/ 1st. Readings

Monday, May 13

SF1036—Reichgott (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Domestic abuse; providing for service by publication under certain circumstances under the Domestic Abuse Act; clarifying relief and providing for additional relief; amending statutes.

SF1118—DeCramer (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Agriculture; requiring lender's response for an agricultural production input lien be sent to borrowers; providing filing procedure; authorizing rules; amending statutes.

SF429—Peterson, C (DFL)—Appropriations

Industrial development bonds; requiring the refund of application deposit to the city of Fergus Falls; appropriating money for the refund.

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House Advisories

Tuesday, May 14

HA43—Piepho (IR)—Regulated Industries/Energy

A proposal to study the impact that regulated utilities have on small businesses in the sales and service of appliances.

SF832—Waldorf (DFL)—Education

University of Minnesota; changing restrictions on the permanent university fund so that the fund can be used to help endow professorial chairs; appropriating money; amending statutes.

SF925—Pogemiller (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Economic development; granting certain powers to municipalities; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

SF1171—Brataas (IR)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

State lands; conveying land to Olmsted county.

SF1506—Frederick (IR)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

City of Waseca; establish and provide taxes and service charges for a special service district; authorizing the city of Albert Lea to establish a port authority; authorizing the city of Austin to establish a port authority.

SF1176—Merriam (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Children; requiring a new job classification in child protection; requiring continuing education; providing for a joint training program; requiring a report to the legislature; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

SF45—DeCramer (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Drainage; recodifying the drainage law; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

SF821—Laidig (IR)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Unclaimed property; extending coverage to corporate stock and other ownership interests; amending statutes.

SF1225—Davis (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Agriculture; exempting manufactured home parks and recreational camping areas from food handling licenses; regulating organically grown foods; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

SF1414—Jude (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

City of Plymouth; authorizing the reassessment of special assessments against certain lands in the city.

SF1434—Jude (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Real estate; providing for service in forcible entry and unlawful detainer actions; amending statutes.

SF363—Pogemiller (DFL)—Rules/Legislative Administration

Minnesota Constitution; proposing an amendment combining the offices of state treasurer, state auditor, and secretary of state into the office of state comptroller; providing that the first comptroller would be elected in 1990; transferring the powers, responsibilities, and duties of the state auditor, the secretary of state, and the state treasurer to the state comptroller.

SF492—Wegscheid (DFL)—Appropriations

Veterans; requiring the commissioner of veterans affairs to provide certain grave markers; appropriating money; amending statutes.

SF565—Chmielewski (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Animals; prohibiting the use of a decompression chamber to destroy an animal; imposing a penalty; proposing coding for new law.

SF830—Merriam (DFL)—Judiciary

Courts; eliminating certain mileage expenses that court reporters may claim for reimbursement; eliminating the requirement that a court reporter reside in the district in which he or she is appointed; amending statutes.

Wednesday, May 15**SF866—Merriam (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison**

Solid waste and sewage sludge management; restricting land disposal of solid waste in the metropolitan area; providing for the financing of resource recovery facilities in the metropolitan area by counties and the metropolitan council; changing provisions relating to designation plans, disposal sites, local disposal fees, metropolitan sludge and sludge ash facilities, and metropolitan county ordinances; granting and clarifying the powers which may be exercised by a county located outside the metropolitan area if it enters into an agreement with a metropolitan county for solid waste or resource recovery purposes; defining terms; allocating and appropriating money from the metropolitan landfill contingency action and abatement funds; permitting Pennington county to dispose of certain property; permitting Itasca county to accept loans, advances, or grants from federal or state government; permitting certain counties to make joint contracts or agreements for solid waste management; providing for use of an appropriation for solid waste incineration equipment at the Fergus Falls State Hospital; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

Thursday, May 16**SF339—Dicklich (DFL)—Appropriations**

Human services; establishing a program in the department of economic security to distribute grants to centers that provide independent living services; amending statutes.

SF719—Stumpf (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Wild animals; authorizing the commissioner of natural resources to permit, on an experimental basis, the taking of two deer by one hunter, under conditions and restrictions prescribed by order; requiring the removal of elk from the state; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

SF708—Moe, D (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Legislature; providing for expanded authority of the legislative coordinating commission; establishing the position of director of protocol services; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

SF977—Peterson, Donna (DFL)—Appropriations

Elections; changing certain filing provisions; providing for training of election judges and election officials; requiring publication of certain election guides; excepting certain election judges from receiving compensation; changing certain canvassing procedures; providing for certain recounts; defining terms; changing certain deadlines; changing certain procedures relating to voting machines; appropriating money; amending statutes.

SF304—DeCramer (DFL)—Appropriations

Transportation; motor carriers; providing for annual increases in gross weight tax rates; establishing a gross vehicle weight limitation for state trunk highways; revising the gross weight seasonal zone; providing for ten percent overweight allowance for movement of potatoes and sugar beets; allowing wide loads of baled agricultural products to travel certain roads at certain times by annual permit; removing a requirement that wide loads be marked by flashing amber lights; requiring a district priority list; providing that a county may challenge a seasonal weight restriction imposed by the commissioner; appropriating money; amending statutes.

SF1130—Waldorf (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Occupations and professions; changing the composition of the board of medical examiners and the method of appointing board members; authorizing the release of certain information by the board of medical examiners; requiring the board of medical examiners to adopt a written statement describing its procedures, and publish disciplinary actions; revising the standards for licensing and disciplining physicians; establishing reporting requirements for health professionals and granting immunity to those complying with reporting requirements; establishing special requirements for health-related licensing boards; appropriating money; recodifying certain provisions in statutes; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.



Advance Committee Schedule

Monday, May 20

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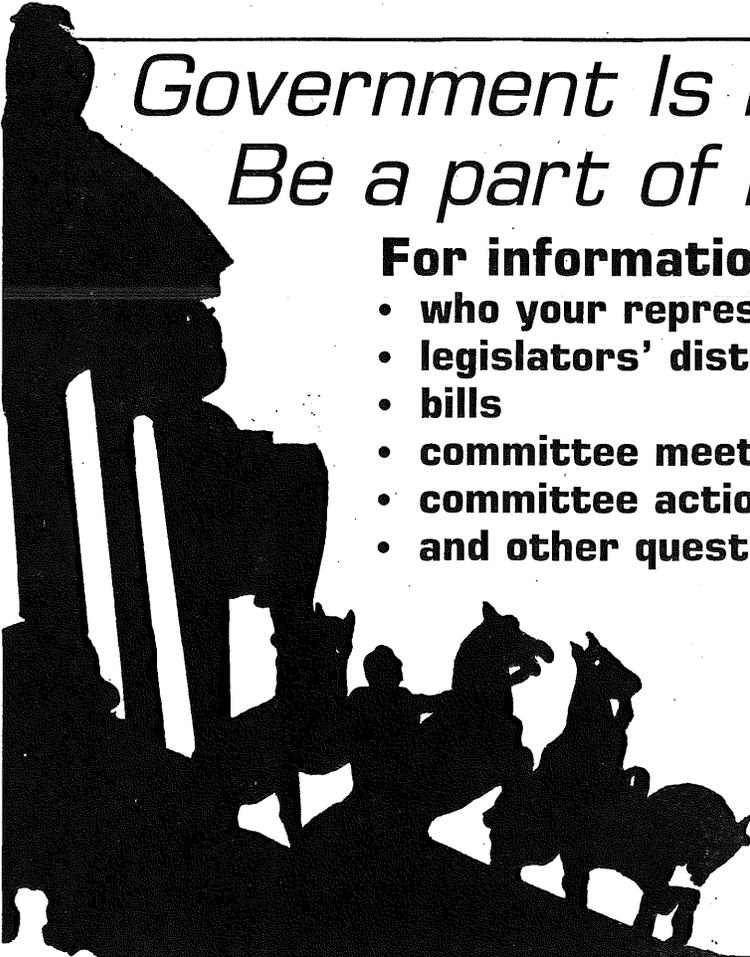
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HIGHLIGHTS

Session ends

"The House stands adjourned until 2 p.m., Monday, Feb. 3, 1986."

With that, Speaker of the House David M. Jennings, an Independent-Republican from Truman, fourth-term legislator and former minority leader, brought the gavel down on the 1985 regular session at midnight, May 20.

Minnesota's Constitution requires the Legislature to adjourn its regular session on the first Monday after the third Saturday in May.

The Constitution further provides that "on extraordinary occasions" the governor may call the Legislature into a special session. This year, with tax and spending proposals still under negotiation between the House and Senate, lawmakers can count on coming back to the Capitol to wrap things up at a date the governor will set.

You can read about some of the accomplishments of the 1985 legislature in other highlight articles in this issue and in the bill listings under "Floor Action." When legislators return to the Capitol in early February for the 1986 regular session, they hope to complete their legislative business within six weeks.

Credit card fraud

A bill, SF863 (Seaberg, IR-Mendota Heights), cracking down on credit card fraud won final approval in the House May 20.

The bill attempts to make it easier for authorities to get at people trafficking lost, stolen, forged, or counterfeit credit cards (financial transaction cards). To do this, the bill would call for prosecution of anyone who sells or uses a coun-

terfeit, lost, or stolen card. And penalties would be as much as five years in prison and/or a \$5,000 fine.

The bill would also prosecute anyone using a financial transaction card *number* to get goods or money without the consent of the card holder. Present law covers only the use of the card.

Anyone making or altering cards would be guilty of aggravated forgery and could face a 10-year sentence and/or a fine of up to \$20,000. And anyone providing false information when applying for a card could serve up to 90 days in prison and/or a fine of up to \$300.

The bill now goes to the governor's desk.

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Saturn plant

The House approved the \$1.3 billion Saturn car plant proposal, May 20. The package includes tax incentives and appropriations that lawmakers hope will encourage General Motors (GM) to locate a large-scale manufacturing facility in the state.

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The bill, HF1645 (Beard, DFL-Cottage Grove), would create a special enterprise zone in the event GM would locate in Cottage Grove. The other candidate site for the plant, Duluth, already has such a zone.

"The tax incentives are provided for 30 years for a facility located in the special enterprise zone," Rep. Patrick Beard, the bill's author, told his House colleagues in the late night session.

Those incentives are abatement of corporate income taxes and sales tax exemptions for construction materials and equipment used in the zone, and the abatement of property taxes, said Beard.

"The local jurisdictions will be reimbursed for the net costs associated with the development of the manufacturing facility," he said.

The legislation would also provide funds for costs of the site and improvements, a University of Minnesota Center of Advanced Manufacturing Technologies, and customized job training. But it does not include money for relocation expenses and subsidized mortgages for employees as the governor proposed.

Though the bill faced opposition from lawmakers who felt it was unfair to Minnesota businesses, it passed on an 82 to 46 vote. The Senate approved it closer to the midnight deadline May 20 and sent it on to the governor.

DNR bill: deer and elk

Hunters could take two deer, beginning this fall, on an experimental basis, in Minnesota if HF940/SF719* (Rose, IR-Roseville) becomes law.

"This is the bill that enables the Department of Natural Resources to use as a management tool the issuance of licenses to take more than one deer," Rep. John Rose, author of the bill, told House members at the May 20 session.

And Rep. Wally Sparby (DFL-Thief River Falls) asked for support of an amendment to the bill that concerns an elk situation in northwestern Minnesota.

"Rep. Tunheim (DFL-Kennedy) and I've shared a problem here that's been very painstaking for us at many times. It's the elk situation where we have about 48 elk up in northwestern Minnesota that are inhabiting areas of Marshall, Roseau, and Beltrami counties.

"We would appreciate your support in making sure that we get them removed to some other area of the state other than those three counties and out of the agricultural areas of the state," said Sparby.

The amendment would direct the Department of Natural Resources to move the herd of elk by Sept. 1 and would appropriate \$20,000 in moving expenses. House members supported Sparby's request, amended and passed the bill.

The bill now goes to the governor for his signature.

Counties, health care

Minnesota counties would get some help with health care costs from HF910 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud), which passed in the final hours of the 1985 legislative session on May 20.

Among other provisions, the bill allows counties to contract for services with public and private nonprofit organizations. According to the bill author, Rep. Dave Gruenes, such nonprofit organizations frequently provide services at a lower cost than many for-profit companies.

Supporters of the measure say this is a small, but important

change, especially since a greater share of the health care burden has shifted from the federal level to the shoulders of county government.

The Senate did not take final action on the bill.

Combined sewer overflow

The combined sewer overflow (CSO) bill, HF849 (Valento, IR-Little Canada) faced opposition on the House floor May 20. It went down in defeat twice in the first five hours of the last day of the regular session.

The bill would establish a statewide grant and loan program to help Minnesota municipalities with water-cleanup programs.

The House rejected the bill, which initially excluded Minneapolis from getting any loans, on a 56 to 73 vote early in the day. Two hours later, after adoption of an amendment making Minneapolis eligible for loans, the bill lost 13 more votes, failing 48 to 86.

Supporters of the proposal said the bill must pass or Minnesota will lose federal transportation funds. They had planned to bring it before the House a third time before adjournment of the regular session.

Most opponents object to use of the cigarette tax to fund water treatment, and others said they feel Minneapolis and St. Paul should pay for their own problems.



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Child abuse

Changes to the juvenile code that would give more protection to children and families who face allegations of child abuse passed on the House floor the last day of the 1985 legislative session in HF848 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington).

Bill author, Rep. Kathleen Blatz, said a House and Senate conference committee agreed to keep language in the bill that would require family members who are guilty of sex offenses (intrafamilial sex offenders) to spend some time in jail.

The conferees removed other House language that would have renamed the crime of intrafamilial sex abuse.

"What we did instead was merge the intrafamilial statute with the criminal sexual conduct statute so it's all under one statute now," said Blatz. "However, the Senate did concede to the House language dealing with minimum time in the local jail, and also with the requirement that a convicted offender complete treatment.

"We lost the mandatory taping provision in the House bill, but we replaced it with required written records of any meetings with a child abuse victim," Blatz told House members just prior to final passage of the bill.

Other child abuse legislation to get final approval is SF196 (Levi, IR-Dellwood), a bill that would clarify the standard for mandatory and voluntary child abuse reporting. Both bills have gone to the governor for his signature.

Retirement legislation

Retirement legislation getting final approval in the House May 20 incorporates a number of bills that had previous hearings in the House. One of those would provide lump-sum payments to public employees who retired prior to 1973.

"Within the recommendation of the governor's budget, it basically provides, very straightforward, for

a payment of \$18 per year of service payable on Dec. 1, 1985, and \$19 per year of service payable on Dec. 1 of 1986," said Rep. Gerald Knickerbocker (IR-Hopkins), author of HF98.

That would mean a lump-sum payment for all the pre-1973 retirees, about 14,000 of them, Knickerbocker said.

Other provisions would remove the 30-year cap on the number of years of service credit for computing benefits for Minneapolis teachers and would recognize years of retirement in bonus checks for retired St. Paul teachers.

Also, the Duluth Teachers Retirement Fund Association could pay annual post retirement adjustments to its retirees.

Final say on the proposal now lies with the governor.

Baby Doe bill

Medical care for abandoned and/or seriously ill babies is the subject of HF1175*/SF1127 (Kiffmeyer, IR-Big Lake). The bill expands the definition of child neglect to include the withholding of medical treatment to infants with a life-threatening condition.

Its author, Rep. Ralph Kiffmeyer, says the bill keeps Minnesota on top as a leader in child abuse prevention. The measure had opposition from some lawmakers who objected to the lack of financing in the bill to help with care of possibly terminally ill infants. However, it passed, May 20, by a 124 to 5 vote and goes next to the governor's desk for his signature.

Lemon law

A bill, HF242 (Bennett, IR-Shoreview), that would make a change in the state's auto warranty law, or "lemon law," moved out of the House and Senate chambers on the last day of the '85 session, with recommendations to pass.

The bill had been in a conference committee where conferees were trying to decide on an amendment the Senate added that would extend the lemon law to cover farm vehicles.

That amendment, which at one time came over to the House from

the Senate in bill form, failed to get approval in a House committee that laid it over for interim study.

House conferees, upholding that position, agreed to a motion to drop the amendment and add language to the bill that would require a division of the attorney general's office to study the issue over the interim and report back to the House and Senate Agriculture committees in November with the findings.

HF242, now on its way to the governor for approval, requires car manufacturers to give directly to new car buyers, a written notice of their rights under the lemon law.

Clarifications

In the highlight, "Underground development," on page 2 of last week's *Session Weekly*, the third paragraph should read:

During discussion of her bill (HF922/SF925) at the May 15 House session, Rep. Sidney Pauly (IR-Eden Prairie) exhibited a sample of soft St. Peter sandstone to House members. **The ancient St. Peter sandstone is capped by a layer of equally ancient limestone, then topped off by more recent glacial drift and soil.** She said this composition forms a unique subsurface under Minnesota's prairies, woodlands, lakes, and hills.

A correction regarding HF1640 on page 4 of last week's *Session Weekly* should read:

With permission of next of kin, attending physicians, and Ramsey County Medical Center, doctors could remove brain tissue from deceased medical assistance recipients who may have had Alzheimer's disease. Tissue samples would then be sent to Ramsey County Medical Center for study.

Farm issues

Farm legislation that came out of this session included a program that buys down interest costs on new operating loans for financially strapped farmers and a program that encourages banks to submit existing loans to the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) for loan guarantees and debt restructuring.

Other legislation offers: aid to farmers who can't make payments on Family Farm Security Program loans; funds for farm financial crisis intervention services; a fur farm registration system; and bills that increase the value of farm machines and implements exempt from garnishment, from the current \$5,000 to \$10,000, and that regulate soil conservation and excessive soil loss controls.

Also, a new law gives buyers of farm products relief from a double jeopardy uniform commercial code exemption that can cause buyers to pay twice for the same product.

History textbook

HF1243 (McPherson, IR-Stillwater), the bill that would authorize the Minnesota Historical Society to produce a Minnesota history textbook, faced an hour-long debate on the House floor May 17, before passing on a 100 to 2 vote.

The bill doesn't appropriate any funds for the book which schools would purchase. But it would allow per diem payments to a 15-member advisory committee. The bill must now pass in the Senate before it can be enacted into law.

About Session Weekly

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FLOOR ACTION

CONCURRENCE & REPASSAGE

(Under Concurrence and Repassage, the House accepts the Senate amendments to House Files, repasses the bills, and sends them to the governor for his signature.)

Thursday, May 16

- **Income tax property tax—administrative changes**
HF1045*/SF1104 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—repassed as amended by the Senate.

Friday, May 17

- **Corporations—income tax changes**
HF779*/SF822 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—repassed as amended by the Senate.
- **Veterinarians—foreign graduates practices**
HF533/SF341 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—repassed as amended by the Senate.

Monday, May 20

- **Pension Commission—actuarial services funds**
HF98*/SF204 (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—repassed as amended by Senate (Note: the following retirement bills were amended into the bill: HF's 414, 1077, 1165, and 1242). (See Highlight)
- **Liquor recodification bill**
HF1145*/SF1122 (Bennett, IR-Shoreview)—repassed as amended by Senate.
- **Aspen cord weight**
HF155*/SF1170 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone)—repassed as amended by Senate.
- **Horseracing—medication medical testing**
HF758*/SF678 (Carlson, D., IR-Sandstone)—repassed as amended by Senate.
- **Insolvent insurers—distribution of assets**
HF857*/SF905 (Olsen, IR-St. Louis Park)—repassed as amended by Senate.
- **Excessive soil loss controls**
HF957*/SF1033 (Knuth, DFL-New Brighton)—repassed as amended by Senate.
- **Claims against the state**
HF1458*/SF1165 (Valan, IR-Moorhead)—repassed as amended by Senate.
- **Rural rehabilitation Corp. Trust Liquidation Trust Act**
HF648*/SF601 (Sparby, DFL-Thief River Falls)—repassed as amended by Senate.

- **Dept. of Revenue—
income tax update**
HF538*/SF665 (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—not
repassed as amended by Senate.
- **Block grant funds—allocation**
HF828*/SF1246 (Sviggum, IR-
Kenyon)—repassed as amended by
Senate.
- **Dramshop insurance—
aggregate limit**
HF265*/SF334 (Kvam, IR-Litchfield)—
repassed as amended by Senate.
- **Town liquor license
moratorium—extended one year**
HF1233*/SF1103 (Marsh)—repassed
as amended by Senate.
- **Family farm security
program—changes**
HF35*/SF461 (Dimler, IR-Chanhassen)—
repassed as amended by Senate.
- **Water permit fees—changes**
HF1256*/SF1450 (DenOuden, IR-
Prinsburg)—repassed as amended by
Senate.
- **Multi-party accounts act**
HF140*/SF144 (McKasy, IR-Mendota
Heights)—repassed as amended by
Senate.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Thursday, May 16

- **Pituitary gland—
removal by county coroner**
HF277/SF331* (McEachern, DFL-St.
Michael)—repassed as amended by
Conference.

Friday, May 17

- **Set-aside program—changes**
HF1109/SF1233 (Frerichs, IR-
Rochester)—repassed as amended by
Conference.
- **Education mission statement**
HF282 (Nelson, K. DFL-Mpls)—
repassed as amended by Conference.
- **Moorhead—urban town powers**
HF58*/SF65 (Valan, IR-Moorhead)—
repassed as amended by Conference.

- **Parental abduction—
clarifications**
HF245*/SF802 (Segal, DFL-St. Louis
Park)—repassed as amended by
Conference.
 - **State councils—appointments**
HF786*/SF808 (Gutknecht, IR-
Rochester)—repassed as amended by
Conference.
 - **Belle Plain—
use of term “borough”**
HF1032/SF1138 (Rees, IR-Lakeville)—
repassed as amended by Conference.
- Monday, May 20**
- **Investment of public funds—
modifies some requirements**
HF1375/SF1398* (Schreiber, IR-
Brooklyn Park)—repassed as amended
by conference (Senate did not take final
action).
 - **School bus—overhead rack/
MN serial on bus body**
HF633*/SF622 (Valan, IR-Moorhead)—
repassed as amended by Conference
(now goes to the governor).
 - **Disorderly houses—crime of
owning/operating**
HF78*/SF550 (Staten, DFL-Mpls)—
repassed as amended by Conference
(now goes to the governor).
 - **Hennepin, Ramsey Co.
juvenile judges**
HF83*/SF443 (Forsythe, IR-Edina)—
repassed as amended by Conference
(now goes to the governor).
 - **Metro government—sales
of sports facility property**
HF558*/SF541 (Blatz, IR-
Bloomington)—repassed as amended
by Conference (now goes to the
governor).
 - **Plumbing—lead free
solder in pipes**
HF535*/SF589 (Sherman, IR-Winona)—
repassed as amended by Conference
(now goes to the governor).
 - **State University System—
payroll deductions**
HF968*/SF946 (Thorson, IR-Bemidji)—
repassed as amended by Conference
(Senate did not take final action).
 - **Cogeneration/small power
facilities—no certificate**
HF1037*/SF1163 (Tjornhom, IR-
Richfield)—repassed as amended by
Conference (now goes to the
governor).
 - **Retirement—local plans**
HF729*/SF861 (Scheid, DFL-Brooklyn
Park)—repassed as amended by
Conference (now goes to the governor.
Note - The following HF's relating to
local retirement plans were amended
into the bill: HF's 10, 86, 234, 237,
360, 421, 855, 930, 1019, 1095,
1273, 1336, 1337, 1369, and 1536)
(now goes to the governor).
 - **Criminal liability—
dangerous animals**
HF264*/SF348 (Heap, IR-Plymouth)—
repassed as amended by Conference
(now goes to the governor).

- **Child abuse—juvenile/
criminal code changes**
HF848 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—
repassed as amended by Conference
(now goes to the governor). (See
Highlight)
- **Lemon law—amendment**
HF242*/SF394 (Bennett, IR-
Shoreview)—repassed as amended by
Conference (now goes to the
governor). (See Highlight)
- **Abuse reporting—notice to
parents/guardians**
HF213*/SF500 (Stanius, IR-White Bear
Lake)—repassed as amended by
Conference (now goes to the
governor).
- **Local fire protection—changes
for special districts**
HF315*/SF282 (Becklin, IR-
Cambridge)—repassed as amended by
Conference (now goes to the
governor).
- **Mental health—interstate
service contracts**
HF186*/SF146 (Sherman, IR-Winona)—
repassed as amended by Conference
(now goes to the governor).
- **Health professionals—
reporting suspicious wounds**
HF1029/SF35* (Bennett, IR-
Shoreview)—repassed as amended by
Conference (now goes to the
governor).
- **Conciliation court—
student loans**
HF1178/SF862* (McKasy, IR-Mendota
Heights)—repassed as amended by
Conference (now goes to the
governor).
- **Counties—
additional levies authorized**
HF757/SF295* (Zaffke, IR-Backus)—
repassed as amended by Conference
(now goes to the governor).
- **Child abuse reporting—changes**
HF275/SF196* (Levi, IR-Dellwood)—
repassed as amended by Conference
(now goes to the governor. Note:
Portions of HF643/SF623 - Dissolution
of marriage—spousal maintenance
(Bishop, IR-Rochester) were amended
into the bill).

- **Credit card fraud**
HF1076/SF863* (Seaberg, IR-Mendota Heights)—repassed as amended by Conference (now goes to the governor). (See Highlight)
- **Child protection workers—training**
HF1107/SF1176* (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—repassed as amended by Conference (now goes to the governor).
- **MECC—removes some restrictions on operations**
HF619/SF647* (Erickson, IR-Hills)—repassed as amended by Conference (now goes to the governor).
- **Programs for nursing home councils**
HF679/SF251* (Boo, IR-Duluth)—repassed as amended by Conference (now goes to the governor).
- **Transit operators/providers—crimes against**
HF788/SF650* (Valento, IR-Little Canada)—repassed as amended by Conference (now goes to the governor).
- **Guardians/conservators—costs**
HF1023/SF459* (Vanasek, DFL-New Prague)—repassed as amended by Conference (now goes to the governor).
- **Employee relations—dept. bill**
HF513*/SF1063 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—ruled out of order.
- **Minnesota Racing Commission—housecleaning bill**
HF1281/SF1249* (Kostohryz, DFL-No. St. Paul)—repassed as amended by Conference (now goes to the governor).
- **Sexual exploitation by psychotherapists**
HF1070*/SF1004 (Ozment, IR-Rosemount)—repassed as amended by Conference (now goes to the governor).
- **Dept. of Revenue—property taxes**
HF556/SF472* (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—repassed as amended by Conference (now goes to the governor).

- **Psychotherapists—prohibiting sexual relations w/patients**
HF1227*/SF1003 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—repassed as amended by Conference (now goes to the governor).
- **Deer hunting—permits taking two deer per year**
HF940/SF719* (Rose, IR-Roseville)—repassed as amended by Conference (now goes to the governor).
- **Liquor licenses—issuance with Indian country**
HF1343/SF1183* (Bennett, IR-Shoreview)—repassed as amended by Conference (now goes to the governor).
- **Garnishment—farm machinery exemption increased**
HF1097/SF401* (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—repassed as amended by Conference (now goes to the governor).
- **Dept. of Transportation—housekeeping bill**
HF1155/SF43* (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—repassed as amended by Conference (now goes to the governor).
- **Town business—authorized outside of town**
HF677/SF676* (Uphus, IR-Sauk Centre)—repassed as amended by Conference (now goes to the governor).

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Thursday, May 16

- **Local governments—fiscal note for state mandates**
HF490/SF423 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—passed.
- **County recorder/secretary of state—fees**
HF646/SF762 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—passed.
- **Dept. of Jobs/Training—created**
HF913/SF818* (Quist, IR-St. Peter)—passed.
- **Programs for nursing home councils**
HF679/SF251* (Boo, IR-Duluth)—passed.
- **Water permit fee—changes**
HF1256/SF1450 (DenOuden, IR-Prinsburg)—passed.

SPECIAL ORDERS

Thursday, May 16

- **Corrections—inmates' earnings**
HF484/SF521* (Sherman, IR-Winona)—passed.
- **Workers' compensation insurance premium—removes credit limit**
HF545/SF557* (Poppenhagen, IR-Detroit Lakes)—passed.
- **Trade secrets—defined**
HF1421/SF1148* (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—passed.
- **Investments in federal debt—mutual funds**
HF605/SF581* (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—passed.

- **Hunting and fishing—law changes**
HF623/SF658* (Thiede, IR-Pequot Lakes)—passed as amended.
- **Income taxes—penalty for failure to file**
HF1405/SF1357* (Halberg, IR-Burnsville)—passed as amended.
- **Brain damaged adults—establishment of services**
HF1541/SF966* (Riveness, DFL-Bloomington)—passed.
- **State forests—boundary changes**
HF998/SF664* (Waltman, IR-Elgin)—passed.
- **Transit operators/providers—crimes against**
HF788/SF650* (Valento, IR-Little Canada)—passed as amended.
- **Credit card fraud**
HF1076/SF863* (Seaberg, IR-Mendota Heights)—passed as amended. (See Highlight)
- **Counties—comprehensive local water management plans**
HF961/SF993 (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—passed as amended.
- **Corporate takeover law—changes**
HF916/SF1159* (Heap, IR-Plymouth)—passed as amended.
- **Unlawful detainer actions—service**
HF1129/SF1434* (McPherson, IR-Stillwater)—passed.
- **Loan assumptions—extension provided**
HF1558/SF1278* (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—passed.
- **Firefighters—exemptions from residency requirements**
HF1282/SF1187* (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—passed.
- **Liquor—cities temporary on-sale license**
HF785/SF1238* (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie)—passed as amended.

- **Plymouth**—
establishes port authority
HF743/SF721* (Clausnitzer, IR-Maple Grove)—passed.
- **North Mankato**—
establishes port authority
HF693/SF597* (Frederick, IR-Mankato)—passed.
- **Wadena**—
establishes port authority
HF1309/SF1220* (Richter, IR-Wadena)—passed.
- **Breckenridge**—
establishes port authority
HF1468/SF1447* (Valan, IR-Moorhead)—passed.
- **Warroad**—
establishes port authority
HF594/SF616* (Tunheim, IR-Kennedy)—passed.
- **Health professionals**—
reporting suspicious wounds
HF1029/SF35* (Bennett, IR-Shoreview)—passed as amended.
- **Physical therapy**—
evaluations and referrals
HF346/SF243* (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—passed.
- **Formaldehyde standards**
HF1360/SF1279* (Zaffke, IR-Backus)—passed as amended.
- **Crystal**—**council members in other public offices**
HF997/SF825* (Carlson, L., DFL-Crystal)—passed.
- **Excessive soil loss controls**
HF957/SF1033 (Knuth, DFL-New Brighton)—passed.
- **Fire services**—**fingerprinting**
HF1064/SF1019 (O'Connor, DFL-St. Paul)—passed.
- **Waseca**—
special service district
HF1633/SF1506* (Schoenfeld, DFL-Waseca)—passed.

- Friday, May 17**
- **Motor vehicle**—
auctions/licensing
HF593/SF547* (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—passed.
 - **Uniform Foreign Money Judgment Act**
HF891/SF566* (Rees, IR-Lakeville)—passed.
 - **Organic food**—**regulation**
HF1086/SF1225* (Omann, IR-St. Joseph)—passed as amended.
 - **Block grant funds**—**allocation**
HF828 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—passed.
 - **Poison information**—
regional centers
HF1331/SF1320* (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—passed.
 - **Water quality monitoring**—
private wells in metro area
HF718/SF1202* (Nelson, D., DFL-Champlin)—passed.
 - **Minnesota Historical Society**—
instructional materials
HF1243*/SF1002 (McPherson, IR-Stillwater)—passed. (See Highlight)
 - **Uniform Conservation Easement Act**
HF452/SF455* (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)—passed.
 - **Uniform Notarial Act**
HF1443/SF276* (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—passed as amended.
 - **State investment board**—
departmental bill
HF817/SF319* (Knickerbocker, IR-Hopkins)—passed.
 - **Agricultural products**—
registration system for buyers
HF990/SF919* (Dimler, IR-Chanhassen)—passed as amended.
 - **Counties**—
funds for family reunification
HF765 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—passed as amended.
 - **Child support**—
parental liability
HF1018 (Quist, IR-St. Peter)—passed.
 - **Securities and real estate omnibus bill**
HF842/SF882* (Marsh, IR-Sauk Rapids)—passed as amended.
 - **Minimum maintenance roads**
HF723/SF675* (Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—passed.
 - **Uniform transfers to minors act**
HF737/SF374* (Backlund, IR-Fridley)—passed.
 - **Watershed district law-changes**
HF1279/SF1219 (Waltman, IR-Elgin)—passed as amended.
 - **Three-unit truck combinations**
HF1083 (Carlson, J., IR-Moorhead)—failed as amended.
 - **Spearing prohibited on muskellunge lakes**
HF413/SF643* (Stanius, IR-White Bear Lake)—passed.
 - **Garnishment**—**farm machinery exemption increased**
HF1097/SF401* (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—passed as amended.

- **Unclaimed property**—**extending coverage to corporate stock**
HF883/SF821* (Tomlinson, DFL-St. Paul)—passed.
 - **Landowners selling to beginning farmers**—**tax breaks**
HF587 (Waltman, IR-Elgin)—passed as amended.
 - **Lake of the Woods**—
public improvement bonds
HF584/SF615* (Tunheim, DFL-Kennedy)—passed as amended.
 - **State Hospitals**—
service agreements
HF347/SF147* (Rodosovich, DFL-Faribault)—passed.
- Monday, May 20**
- **Health professionals**—
license/discipline revision
HF1436/SF1130* (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—passed as amended (now goes to the governor).
 - **Mentally ill**—**state planning council**
HF910/SF916* (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud)—passed as amended (now goes to the governor). (See Highlight)
 - **Claims against the state**
HF514/SF281* (Ogren, DFL-Aitkin)—passed as amended (now goes to the governor).
 - **Non-profit corporations**—
common trust funds allowed
HF695/SF743* (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—passed (now goes to the governor).
 - **Combined sewage overflow/ state financial assistance**
HF849*/SF1009 (Valento, IR-Little Canada)—not passed as amended. (See Highlight)
 - **General assistance**—
state aid to counties
HF1258*/SF1094 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—passed (Senate did not take final action).
 - **Health**—**regulating community health services**
HF658*/SF494 (Zaffke, IR-Backus)—passed (Senate did not take final action).

- **U of M—debt collection from income tax refunds**
HF1057/SF1088* (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls.)—passed (now goes to the governor).
- **Dept. of Public Safety omnibus bill**
HF1128/SF930* (Carlson, D.)—passed as amended (now goes to the governor).
- **Timber resource development**
HF1300*/SF1275 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—passed (Senate did not take final action).
- **Mentally retarded—continued commitment**
HF934/SF274* (Long, DFL-Mpls.)—passed (now goes to the governor).
- **Usury laws—effect of repeal/change in rate**
HF1225/SF1045* (Carlson, L., DFL-Crystal)—passed as amended (now goes to the governor).
- **Livestock weighing fees**
HF208/SF87* (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—passed as amended (now goes to the governor).
- **Dogs—causing harm to big game or livestock**
HF366/SF279* (Hartinger, IR-Coon Rapids)—passed as amended (now goes to the governor).
- **Agreements to extend credit—in writing**
HF1409/SF1067* (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—passed (now goes to the governor).
- **Solid waste—land disposal prohibited**
HF939/SF866* (Rose, IR-Roseville)—passed as amended (now goes to the governor).
- **Deer hunting—permits taking two deer per year**
HF940/SF719* (Rose, IR-Roseville)—passed as amended (see Conference Committees). (See Highlight)

- **Traffic at unmarked T-intersections**
HF1180/SF19* (Lieder, DFL-Crookston)—passed as amended (now goes to the governor).
- **Neglected children—expanded definition**
HF1175*/SF1127 (Kiffmeyer, IR-Big Lake)—passed as amended (now goes to the governor). (See Highlight)
- **Animals—decompression chambers prohibited**
HF834/SF565* (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul)—passed (now goes to the governor).
- **Punch card voting—absentees allowed**
HF815*/SF934 (Fjoslien, IR-Brandon)—not passed.
- **Agricultural input lien—lender's response**
HF1317/SF1118* (Brinkman, DFL-Richmond)—passed (now goes to the governor).
- **Fish and Wildlife Enhancement Act—created**
HF628*/SF723 (Rose, IR-Roseville)—passed (Senate did not take final action).
- **Contract for deed—notice period**
HF601/SF567* (Halberg, IR-Burnsville)—passed as amended (Senate did not concur with House amendments and appointed a conference committee).
- **Saturn proposal**
HF1645*/SF1510 (Beard, DFL-Cottage Grove)—passed as amended (now goes to the governor). (See Highlight)
- **Non-smoking programs—tax provided**
HF810*/SF776 (Quist, IR-St. Peter)—passed as amended (Senate did not take final action).
- **Revisor's bill**
HF1370/SF1362* (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—passed (now goes to the governor).
- **Revisor's bill**
HF1371/SF1363* (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—passed (now goes to the governor).
- **Hearing instrument dispensing—regulation**
HF1048/SF928* (Frerichs, IR-Rochester)—passed as amended (now goes to the governor).
- **Swine herd—disease control/meat inspection**
HF1513/SF1140* (McDonald, IR-Watertown)—passed as amended (now goes to the governor).
- **Revisor's bill—unconst'l statutes**
HF1431/SF1356* (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—passed as amended (Senate did not take final action).
- **Nursing homes—changes in reimbursement procedures**
HF769/SF903* (Onnen, IR-Cokato)—passed as amended (Senate did not take final action).

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Wednesday, May 15

- **AVTIs—class size/associate degrees**
HF476/SF563* (Heap)—Chapter 122.
- **Uniform Anatomical Gift Act—minors**
HF683*/SF1223 (Johnson)—Chapter 123.
- **Winona—sale of certain county land**
HF1152*/SF1078 (Sherman)—Chapter 124.
- **Transcript fees—increased by chief judges**
HF1382*/SF1371 (Cohen)—Chapter 125.

Friday, May 17

- **Sports bookmaking**
HF448/SF207* (Blatz)—Chapter 126.
- **Roadside mowing—restrictions**
HF409/SF219* (Rose)—Chapter 127.
- **Compressed natural gas—annual user permits**
HF323/SF352* (McKasy)—Chapter 128.
- **Membership camping—regulations**
HF947/SF661* (Zaffke)—Chapter 129.
- **OSHA—right-to-know changes**
HF1262/SF1254* (Himle)—Chapter 130.
- **Child support—enforcement incentives**
HF912/SF901* (Clausnitzer)—Chapter 131.
- **Moving mobile homes—permit restriction removed**
HF1457/SF1458* (Blatz)—Chapter 132.
- **South St. Paul—sewer tax increments**
HF970/SF1485* (Metzen)—Chapter 133.
- **Cheese sold in wineries**
HF97*/SF157 (Redalen)—Chapter 134.
- **Utilities—no recourse against landlords on tenant contracts**
HF143*/SF855 (Blatz)—Chapter 135.

- **Local government agencies—prompt payment of bills**
HF191*/SF445 (Piepho)—Chapter 136.
- **Credit union powers**
HF216*/SF229 (Halberg)—Chapter 137.
- **St. Louis County—land conveyance**
HF231*/SF308 (Boo)—Chapter 138.
- **Liquor—hours for Sunday sale**
HF308*/SF353 (Frederick)—Chapter 139.
- **Worthless checks**
HF368*/SF1037 (DenOuden)—Chapter 140.
- **Arson/fire scene investigations**
HF374*/SF501 (Seaberg)—Chapter 141.
- **Master plumber ad requirement**
HF385*/SF385 (Himle)—Chapter 142.
- **County land—sale with mineral rights**
HF521*/SF378 (Johnson)—Chapter 143.
- **Regulation of firearms**
HF576*/SF868 (Begich)—Chapter 144.
- **Armed Forces—spouse's driver's license**
HF835*/SF1155 (Miller)—Chapter 145.
- **South St. Paul—bonds for sewer separation**
HF380/SF1131* (McKasy)—Chapter 146.
- **Insurance company investments**
HF498/SF375* (Skoglund)—Chapter 147.
- **Fraudulent going-out-of-business sales**
HF988/SF800* (Becklin)—Chapter 148.
- **Conciliation court—limit raised**
HF1075/SF709* (McKasy)—Chapter 149.
- **Vulnerable adults—refinement of reporting act**
HF1437/SF1049* (Burger)—Chapter 150.
- **Residents testifying outside state—increased fees**
HF1001/SF1077* (Backlund)—Chapter 151.
- **Big Island Veterans Board of Governors—reinstated**
HF1033/SF954* (Kostohryz)—Chapter 152.
- **Prejudgment seizure of property—procedures**
HF449*/SF591 (Blatz)—Chapter 153.

Monday, May 20

- **Fishing licenses—Camp Ripley personnel**
HF18*/SF1461 (Wenzel) Chapter 154.
 - **Late payments to farm implement retailers**
HF43/SF71* (Johnson)—Chapter 155.
 - **Condo floor plans—approval by county surveyor**
HF285/SF82* (Beard)—Chapter 156.
 - **Teacher/school board mediation—changes PELRA**
HF207/SF118* (Sviggum)—Chapter 157.
 - **Pheasant stamp exemption—northern counties**
HF174/SF228* (Neuenschwander)—Chapter 158.
 - **Assault/domestic abuse—penalties increased**
HF800/SF583* (Blatz)—Chapter 159.
 - **Forfeiture—communications devices used in a crime**
HF636/SF693* (Bishop)—Chapter 160.
 - **Juvenile court records—authority to release**
HF806/SF781* (Kelly)—Chapter 161.
 - **State council on vocational education**
HF897/SF814* (Gruenes)—Chapter 162.
 - **Town cartways—maintenance**
HF1435/SF1358* (Quist)—Chapter 163.
 - **Fort Snelling—concession fees**
HF1248/SF1374* (Tjornhom)—Chapter 164.
 - **Court of Appeals—jurisdiction clarified**
HF1578/SF1388* (Bishop)—Chapter 165.
 - **Indemnification—judges**
HF1359/SF1429* (Bishop)—Chapter 166.
- #### Tuesday, May 21
- **Dangerous weapon—flammable liquids**
HF274*/SF414 (Ozment)—Chapter 167.
'Is' No-fault insurance—changes; stacking—eliminated
 - **Town laws—various changes**
HF345*/SF314 (Seaberg)—Chapter 168.
 - **Town laws—various changes**
HF889*/SF639 (Frederickson)—Chapter 169.
 - **Wild animals—hunting law changes**
HF937*/SF791 (Richter)—Chapter 170.
 - **Heartland Trail—land conveyance**
HF1235*/SF1062 (Zaffke)—Chapter 171.
 - **Drainage law—recodified**
HF442/SF45* (Jennings, L.)—Chapter 172.
 - **Fergus Falls—port authority powers**
HF71/ SF63* (Anderson, R.)—Chapter 173.
 - **Municipal improvements—advertisement of bids**
HF689/SF542* (Himle)—Chapter 174.

- **Waiver of rights—human rights cases**
HF543/SF609* (Halberg)—Chapter 175.
- **Education assistants—remove from Duluth civil service roles**
HF918/SF798* (Jaros)—Chapter 176.
- **Red Wing—establishes port authority**
HF942/SF904* (Sviggum)—Chapter 177.
- **Koochiching County—land conveyance**
HF1498/SF1347* (Neuenschwander)—Chapter 178.
- **St. Louis County—land conveyance**
HF1497/SF1353* (Battaglia)—Chapter 179.
- **Plymouth—reassessment of special assessments authorized**
HF1490/SF1414* (Shaver)—Chapter 180.
- **Goodhue County—additional levy for historical society**
HF1607/SF1499* (Sviggum)—Chapter 181.

Key

HF — House File
SF — Senate File
HF#/SF# — companion bills
* — version of the bill under consideration

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BILL INTRODUCTIONS

Bill Introductions

Friday, May 17

HF1684—Carlson, J (IR)—Transportation

Traffic regulations; authorizing commissioner of transportation to issue special permit for three-vehicle combination exceeding length and weight restrictions to travel on certain interstate highways; prescribing fees; amending statutes.

HF1685—Tjornhom (IR)—Transportation

Transportation; allowing car pools to use bus ramps onto controlled access highways; amending statutes.

HF1686—McKasy (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; changing computation of corporate net operating losses and carryovers; amending statutes.

Monday, May 20

HF1687—Vanasek (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Metropolitan government; permitting the issuance of bonds to make certain improvements to sports facilities; amending statutes.

HF1688—Solberg (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Insurance; accident and health; preserving insurability after waiving group health insurance coverage; proposing coding for new law.

HF1689—Kvam (IR)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Financial institutions; authorizing interstate acquisition and formation of banks between this state and certain states on a reciprocal basis; proposing coding for new law.

HF1690—Wenzel (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; directing payment of certain disability benefits withheld from a member of the public employees police and fire fund.

HF1691—Quinn (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Metropolitan government; permitting the issuance of bonds to make certain improvements to sports facilities; amending statutes.

HF1692—Neuenschwander (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Tax-forfeited lands; providing for sale of certain improved lots; amending statutes.

House Advisories

Friday, May 17

HA49—Otis (DFL)—Education

A proposal to study programs designed to serve teenaged parents.

HA50—Bishop (IR)—Regulated Industries/Energy

A proposal to study the effect of long-term contracts to supply electricity to municipal utilities.

HA51—Redalen (IR)—Regulated Industries/Energy

A proposal to study the Division of Energy.

HA52—Osthoff (DFL)—Regulated Industries/Energy

A proposal to study utility regulation in the State of Minnesota.

HA53—Miller (IR)—Regulated Industries/Energy

A proposal to study the Energy Assistance Program.

HA54—Frederick (IR)—Agriculture

A proposal to study agricultural commodities marketing through on-farm production of ethanol.

HA55—Richter (IR)—Agriculture

A proposal to study fluid milk enhancement through the addition of non-fat solids.

HA56—Valan (IR)—Agriculture

A proposal to study the problem of capital flight from Minnesota Agriculture.

HA57—Sparby (DFL)—Agriculture

A proposal for an interim study on agriculture.

Monday, May 20

HA58—Rees (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

A proposal to investigate the commercial impacts by municipally owned and operated liquor stores.

HA59—Dempsey (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development

A proposal to study municipal overburden.

HA60—Ozment (IR)—Governmental Operations

A proposal to study certain functions and actions of the Pollution Control Agency.

HA61—Kalis (DFL)—Transportation

A proposal to study use of highway trust fund money.

HA62—Kelly (DFL)—Crime/Family Law

A proposal to study the costs of DWI control, enforcement, and prevention to state and local government.

HA63—Segal (DFL)—Rules/Legislative Administration

A proposal to study staggered legislative terms.

Senate Files/ 1st Readings

Friday, May 17

SF767—Peterson, C (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local government; allowing for an increase in the appropriation a county may make for a county humane society in any year; authorizing the county board of Otter Tail county to adopt an ordinance for the control of dogs and cats; amending statutes.

SF908—Berglin (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Human services; revising procedures and requirements under the aid to families with dependent children, medical assistance, and general assistance programs; appropriating money; amending statutes.

SF903—Berglin (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Human services; creating a procedure for reconsideration of a resident's case mix classification; establishing approval procedures and requirements for hospital swing beds; restricting licensure of new nursing home beds; expanding the preadmission screening program; revising statutes relating to nursing home reimbursement; requiring nursing homes participating in the medical assistance program to be medicare certified; creating an appeal process for nursing home appraisals; authorizing the legislative commission on long-term health care to study cost containment strategies and collect data; requiring recovery of the federal share of medical assistance overpayments; authorizing bingo in nursing homes and senior citizen housing projects; requiring review by the commissioners of human services and health of proposals for revenue bond financing of health facility projects; requiring a study of the feasibility of home equity conversion to finance long-term health care; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

SF1513—Pehler (DFL)—Local/Urban Affairs

Local government; permitting the establishment of special service districts in the cities of Sartell, Sauk Rapids, St. Cloud, Isle, Mora, Becker, and Waite Park; providing taxing and other financial authority for the cities.

SF1014—Petty (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Public safety; subjecting rules relating to drunk driving to certain provisions of the administrative procedure act; repealing rules; providing for the application of certain traffic regulations; eliminating redundant and surplus language; requiring courts to furnish information relating to prior convictions without charge in gross misdemeanor prosecutions of the driving while under the influence of alcohol law; clarifying the prosecution for failure to appear in court; providing for notice to grandparents in certain matters concerning juveniles; providing for rights of grandparents at hearings concerning juveniles; requiring revocation of the drivers license of a person who flees in a motor vehicle from a peace officer; authorizing criminal trials with petit juries composed of six persons for gross misdemeanor prosecutions; clarifying the receipt of a copy of a confession or admission; admitting into evidence for impeachment purposes certain convictions of prior driving offenses; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

SF1512—Novak (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison

Public finance; imposing financial reporting and accounting requirements; allowing municipalities to issue bonds for pension liabilities; allowing municipalities to issue bonds on various conditions; limiting use of tax increments in interest reduction programs; removing limitation on duration of interest reduction programs; modifying limitations for Duluth home energy improvement loans; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

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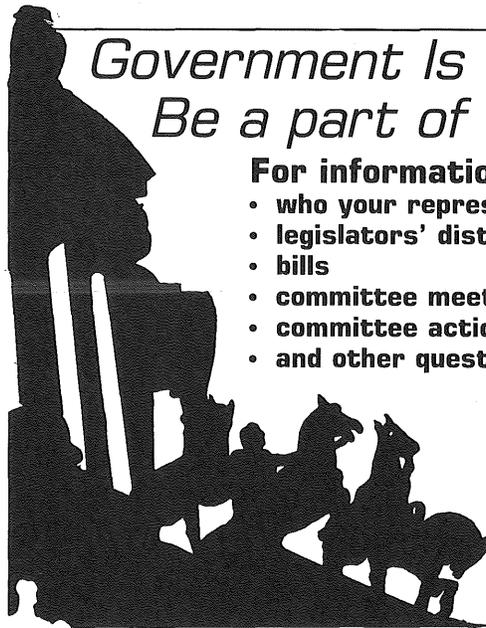
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