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Farm mediation law changes

For the last six weeks, the Agriculture Finance Division of the Agriculture Committee has been meeting with farmers, mediators, lenders, farm equipment dealers, and officials from the Minnesota Extension Service to hear of ways to improve the farm mediation program.

Rep. Jerry Schoenfeld (DFL-Waseca) told the division March 4 that his bill, HF210, would address concerns many people voiced at earlier meetings.

Key provisions in HF210 would:

- allow farmers, financial analysts and mediators to meet in an orientation session to prepare for the first mediation meeting;
- prevent lenders from requiring farmers to waive their mediation rights as a condition of a loan agreement;
- require termination statements at the end of mediation;
- allow lenders to inspect a farmer's collateral after the farmer has requested mediation; and
- further clarify the lack of good

faith provision and deny farmers declaring bankruptcy from entering into mediation.

The division will vote on HF210 at its next meeting.

Commitment to Focus

Two resolutions that could postpone approval of the University of Minnesota's Commitment to Focus (CTF) program were before the Higher Education Committee March 4.

Authors Rep. Ernie Larsen (DFL-Ramsey) and Rep. Bob Johnson (DFL-Bemidji) presented and discussed their resolutions with committee members.

Larsen says he supports the program, but is cautious because of problems that may not surface until the mid-1990s. He says lawmakers should oversee the development of the program to be responsible to Minnesotans.

Johnson says he's opposed to funding CTF at this time because the Legislature has received too little information about the use of funds and its actual educational impact. His measure would stop any money from going to the University until

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after further study.

Both resolutions call for a joint House and Senate subcommittee to study during the interim the University's plan to cut enrollment and focus on graduate education and research.

Work-study dollars

Minnesota college and vocational students may have to work more to get money for school next year.

On Mar. 3, the Education Division of the Appropriations Committee reviewed a plan that would decrease some types of student aid while increasing available work-study money.

The governor's proposed budget would target an additional \$5.3 million for work-study to institutions in areas where opportunities for student employment are most limited. At the same time, the state would cut \$25 million from student scholarship and grant programs.

The proposed 71 percent increase in work-study money would be the second part of the governor's plan that would require students to work more and receive fewer student grants.

The change would both help and hurt students, says David Longanecker, executive director of the Higher Education Coordinating Board (HECB). He says HECB will increase the number of on-campus positions for students at non-metro schools who want to work, but can't find jobs. But, he says, the work-study increase would take grant money from students and force them to work more than is reasonable.

Rep. Ben Boo (IR-Duluth) opposes the change in funding. He says it would abandon long standing student aid policies.

Osteoporosis prevention

Osteoporosis is a bone disease that affects many people. Rep. Karen Clark (DFL-Mpls) says the public

could benefit from education and prevention programs about osteoporosis.

She sponsors HF178, a bill that would appropriate money for such programs around the state.

Clark says one of the bill's goals is to bring a virtually unknown disease into the open. She says it's a serious problem that hasn't had adequate attention.

On March 3, the Physical and Mental Health Subcommittee recommended the bill to pass. It goes next to the full Health and Human Services Committee.

Lemon law

Car manufacturers who want to do business in Minnesota may have to provide a state-approved arbitration program for new-car buyers.

At a meeting of the Senate and House Commerce Committees March 3, Attorney General Skip Humphrey announced plans for a bill that would amend the state's lemon law to make arbitration more effective.

Most car makers have some kind of arbitration program. Ford and Chrysler have independent arbitration boards; General Motors, AMC, and several others pay the Better Business Bureau to arbitrate disputes.

But Humphrey says some arbitration programs, like Ford's, allow up to four dealers and factory reps to debate, but fail to invite or notify consumers. He says that's not fair.

Under Humphrey's proposal, new car buyers would have access to an effective, fair, and privately run arbitration program. It would require boards to let consumers present oral arguments rather than submit written statements. And the proposal would require arbitrators to offer consumers the same remedies--replacement or refund--that the lemon law guarantees them.

The Legislature passed the lemon law in 1983. It requires manufacturers or their authorized

dealers to repair, free, any reported defect or problem their written warranty covers. It also gives consumers the option of replacement or refund of their money if after four repair attempts, the manufacturer cannot correct the problem. Other provisions require consumers to use the manufacturer's arbitration program to settle disputes.

Rep. Joe Begich (DFL-Eveleth), author of the 1983 bill, supports the attorney general's proposal.

Job Skills Partnership

Minnesota's Job Skills Partnership program is successfully training workers for jobs, director Monica Manning told the Economic Development and Housing Committee March 3.

The partnership brings together employers and state schools to train displaced workers; it has placed 2,300 unemployed workers since 1984. That's a 90 percent success rate at a cost to the state of only \$600 per student, says Manning. She says the partnership gets matching grants from companies to pay the rest of the bill. Not only is retraining cheap, the state also saves on unemployment and welfare costs, and collects over \$3 million annually in income tax from those employed workers, she says.

"Capital mobility is very speedy. A plant can leave a town, and open a month later in Mexico. . . . Human mobility is not as fast. One of the roles of the state is to look at how we can assist the human mobility so that people who are displaced will get jobs where new capital is coming into the state," says Manning.

The state can't carry all of the responsibility for retraining workers. But neither can industry, says Manning. A company must hire over 500 workers before their own retraining program would pay off. But only one percent of businesses in Minnesota employ that many people.

Manning says bringing the public and private sectors together is the

most important part of the job program: "The short-term training is of assistance immediately. But the long-term relationships that education is learning how to build with industry, and industry is learning how to build with educators, is the future of keeping a well-trained and well-educated work force will be."

Student work restrictions

A bill that would prohibit high school students under age 17 from working later than 11 p.m. on school nights, got the approval of the Labor-Management Relations Committee March 2.

Supporters of HF110 (D. Nelson, DFL-Champlin) told the committee that the bill would prevent work from interfering with school. Richard Mans, president of the Minnesota Federation of Teachers, testified for the proposal: "Teachers from all over Minnesota can tell you similar stories about working students falling asleep during class...not because of boredom or lack of motivation. It's exhaustion, pure and simple."

But Rep. Howard Miller (IR-Redwood Falls) says students' work schedules are not for the state to decide. "If schools are allowed to have students participate in athletic programs late at night, how can we say the parents and students can't choose to work late at night?" he asks.

Tom Newcombe of the Minnesota Restaurant, Hotel, and Resort Association says, "These are the folks [parents and guardians] that control the lives of their children. They're the ones that can say, 'if that job is tiring you too much, or the employer is keeping you too late, then get another job or stay home and study.'"

Bar closing time

Later closing times for bars could mean greater economic development,

job opportunities, and safer roads for the state, according to supporters of a bill the Regulated Industries Committee approved March 2.

HF397 (Kahn, DFL-Mpls), would allow bars to stay open until 3 a.m. both weekdays and weekends. Supporters say the bill would attract more convention business to the state, create more jobs and revenue, and strengthen the state's tourism industry.

Rep. Phyllis Kahn, the bill's author, says another reason to extend bar hours is to keep drinking drivers off the road while others are driving. She says, "The driving density on the road falls off dramatically after midnight and then starts picking up in the morning. So at 3 a.m. there's just not much traffic on the road."

Phone bill payments

People in towns of 1,000 or more may not have to worry about where they can pay their phone bills under HF152 (Begich, DFL-Eveleth), a bill the Regulated Industries Committee recommended to pass March 2.

Author of the bill, Rep. Joseph Begich, says in his community some people have no place to pay their phone bills because phone companies have closed offices. He says the problem affects mainly low-income and elderly persons. Supporters say the bill would affect at least 165 communities.

Now, according to Begich, those without checking accounts must pay at least \$3 extra for money orders to pay phone bills because they can't mail cash.

Under HF152, if a town's governing body asks for a place for people to pay phone bills, the phone company would provide it.

Opponents say the phone companies that would provide the locations would pass their costs on to consumers.

Department of Revenue

The Department of Revenue is asking the Legislature to grant \$5.2 million over the next two years for 130 additional tax auditors and collectors. Commissioner Tom Triplett told the State Departments Division of the Appropriations Committee March 2 that the department needs the help to track down people and businesses that don't pay their taxes.

But some committee members questioned whether a problem exists, and whether the department could collect enough unpaid taxes to pay for the state's additional staff.

Triplett says prosecuting tax evaders would make people more willing to pay their taxes voluntarily. "The more people perceive the system as fair, the more willing they will be to pay their taxes," says Triplett. He says the department collects \$5 billion annually in taxes, and expects to collect \$49 million more with the added enforcement staff.

The department's other budget requests include funds for improved telecommunication systems, and new quarters for its seven metro area offices.

Farm land values

Recent plummeting of farm land values may bottom out in the near future, according to Mike Wandmacher of the Department of Revenue.

Wandmacher appeared before the Property Tax Division of the Taxes Committee Feb. 27. He told committee members the decline in farm land value that began in the early 1980s is tapering off. And, he says southern Minnesota has felt the effect of decreased land values more than other areas in the state, such as the Red River Valley.

A major problem for farm owners, says Wandmacher, is that even though land values drop, property

taxes remain the same due to mill rate increases.

According to Department of Revenue figures, average farm land values went down by more than one-third in the last three years.

Correction:

A typographical error appeared in the Feb. 13 issue of *The Session Weekly* on page four in the highlight "Farm legal assistance." The paragraph should have read: "About 80,000 of Minnesota's **100,000** farm families have incomes below the poverty level, and nearly 30,000 have debt-to-asset ratios of over 70 percent, according to the program's statistics."

notes

Media Day at the Minnesota House was Thursday, March 5. Journalists from all over the state came to be part of a learning/working day at the Capitol. Journalists took on the roles of committee members and testifying citizens at a mock committee meeting. Jan Krause Kolars of KEYC-TV, North Mankato, was author-for-a-day of a bill proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution to reduce the size of the Legislature.

Twenty-six states have better groundwater programs than Minnesota according to a report by the Fund for Renewable Energy and the Environment. The state's low ranking prompted Rep. Darby Nelson (DFL-Champlin) to introduce HF373, a bill that would allow the Hennepin County Soil and Water Conservation District to draw up plans for a countywide groundwater management program. Nelson presented HF373 to the Local and Urban Affairs Committee March 3.

Current active members of the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) would have a reduced vesting standard under a bill Rep. Wayne Simoneau (DFL-Fridley) presented to the Governmental Operations Committee Feb. 26. HF463 would decrease from 10 to 5, the number of years an employee must work to become vested in PERA. Under the proposal, 25,000 active members, of whom 16,000 are women, would become immediately vested. (correction to story in last week's *Session Weekly* "Notes")

An 87-page bill that would restructure the Department of Energy and Economic Development (DEED) got a hearing in the Rural

Development Subcommittee of the Economic Development and Housing Committee Feb. 26. HF2 (Schoenfeld, DFL-Waseca) would restructure DEED and create the Greater Minnesota Corporation. Bill's author, Rep. Jerry Schoenfeld, says HF2 will go through several committee reviews before it gets to the full House.

State Planning Agency director Lani Kawamura discussed the Rural Development Act, HF2 (Schoenfeld, DFL-Waseca), with the Economic Development and Housing Committee March 3. The bill would change the responsibilities of the Department of Energy and Economic Development and establish the Greater Minnesota Corporation.

A bill that would lower and simplify rates for waste disposal in the metropolitan area came out of the Environment Subcommittee of the Metropolitan Affairs Committee Feb. 27 with a recommendation to pass. HF499 (Nelson, DFL-Champlin) would allow the Metropolitan Waste Control Commission to charge a single rate, rather than charging seven rates in different parts of the Twin Cities. The bill also calls for a budget reserve so the commission doesn't have to raise rates in emergencies. HF499 goes next to the full Metropolitan Affairs Committee.

Unemployment Insurance and Worker's Compensation Division of the Labor-Management Relations Committee, heard reviews of workers' compensation insurance from the Insurance Federation of Minnesota and Minnesota's Self-Insurers Association March 2.

Department of Labor and Industry March 3 presented its budget to the State Departments Division of the Appropriations Committee. The department regulates and enforces occupational

safety and health, employment standards, and workers' compensation.

Department of Revenue is asking for \$17 million over the next two years to update its automation systems. Present computers are 10 to 25 years old, and are "fragmented, unstructured, and far from adequate," says Deputy Commissioner Ray Dore. He told the State Departments Division of the Appropriations Committee March 4 that better computers would cut down on paper work and help the department collect \$20 million in delinquent taxes.

Positioning Minnesota and the midwest as high-tech leaders was the subject of the Future and Technology Committee's March 2 meeting. Ellen Brown, vice president of the Midwest Technology Development Institute, told committee members her organization is developing cooperative partnerships with industry and education in nine midwest states. The goal? To increase expertise in areas of advanced ceramics and composites, advanced manufacturing, and farm enterprise.

Members of the Health and Human Services Division of the Appropriations Committee heard continuing budget overviews from the Department of Human Services March 2-4.

A 14-year-old computer needs upgrading in the Department of Human Services, says Bob Baird, director of the department's Health Care Programs. Baird told the Health and Services/Appropriations Division March 4 that scotch tape is holding together the computer the department uses to process medical claims.

Testimony continued on the state's corporate structure March 2 at the Taxes Committee's Tax Laws Division meeting--John James, assistant revenue commissioner, Compliance Tax Program, again doing the presentation.

Minnesota can expect a four percent inflation increase in 1987, says Dick Todd of the Minneapolis Federal Reserve. He and a Norwest Bank economist say the state's economy will grow at a slower rate than the national average in the near future. They made their predictions at a Ways and Means Committee meeting March 3.

Taxpayers have three new sources of help in the Minnesota Department of Revenue. The department has an Appeals Office, a Problem Resolution Office, and a Taxpayer Information Division.

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COMMITTEE ACTION

AGRICULTURE

Monday, Mar. 2

Department of Agriculture--miscellaneous services

HF303/SF336 (C. Nelson, DFL-Barrett)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Agriculture Committee)

Seed potatoes--disease standards

HF436/SF429 (Lieder, DFL-Crookston)--amended; not recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Agriculture Committee)

Agriculture Finance Div./Ag.

Wednesday, Mar. 4

Farmer-Lender Mediation Act--changes

HF210/SF89 (Schoenfeld, DFL-Waseca)--heard; amended. (SF on Senate Floor).

Farmer-lender mediation program--FmHA

HF575 (Sparby, DFL-Thief River Falls)--recommended to pass.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & HOUSING

Tuesday, Mar. 3

Rural development

HF2/SF1 (Schoenfeld, DFL-Waseca)--heard. (SF in Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee)

EDUCATION

Wednesday, Mar. 4

Smoke-free schools

HF227/SF671 (D. Nelson, DFL-Champlin)--passed as amended. (SF in Senate Education Committee)

Compulsory education--changes

HF432/SF425 (McEachern, DFL-St. Michael)--heard; amended. (SF in Senate Education Committee)

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

Tuesday, Mar. 3

Hazardous waste laws--violations, penalties

HF401 (D. Nelson, DFL-Champlin)--heard.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE

Wednesday, Mar. 4

Insurance--regulation changes

HF392/SF478 (Skoglund, DFL-Mpls)--heard; amended. (SF in Senate Commerce Committee)

JUDICIARY

Monday, Mar. 2

Corporate directors--personal liability

HF202/SF204 (Carruthers, DFL-Brooklyn Center)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Criminal syndicalism

HF316 (Pappas, DFL-St. Paul)--recommended to pass.

Human Rights Act--disabled persons

HF369/SF264 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF on Senate Floor)

Eminent domain--appraisal fee increase

HF372/SF368 (Rest, DFL-New Hope)--recommended to pass; referred to Appropriations Committee. (SF on Senate Floor)

Real estate--title defects

HF439/SF85* (Wagenius, DFL-Mpls)--recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.

Probate court fees

HF536/SF402 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)--recommended to pass. (SF passed Senate)

Alfentanil--controlled substance

HF688 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul)--recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.

Tuesday, Mar. 3

Nonprofit corporations--directors liability

HF141/SF181 (Ogren, DFL-Aitkin)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Adopted child--notice of death

HF270/SF439 (Vellenga, DFL-St. Paul)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Gender references

HF320 (Scheid, DFL-Brooklyn Park)--recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.

Crime & Family Law Div./Judic.

Monday, Mar. 2

Witnesses, competency--changes

HF286 (Vellenga, DFL-St. Paul)--heard; laid over.

Health care professionals-- impersonation

HF318/SF301 (Orenstein, DFL-St. Paul)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Crime victim rights-- expansion

HF336/SF232 (Seaberg, IR-Eagan)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Corrections authority/inmate restitution

HF375/SF586 (Kludt, DFL-Moorhead)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Health and Human Services Committee)

LABOR- MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

Monday, Mar. 2

Student work restrictions

HF110/SF528 (D. Nelson, DFL-Champlin)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Employment Committee)

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS

Tuesday, Mar. 3

Hennepin County--

groundwater management
HF373/SF353 (D. Nelson, DFL-Champlin)--heard. (SF in Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee)

Washington County--bonding

HF491/SF490 (Price, DFL-Woodbury)--recommended to pass; rereferred to Taxes Committee. (SF in Senate Local and Urban Government Committee)

County--service fees, emergency contracts

HF502 (Jennings, DFL-Rush City)--recommended to pass as amended.

REGULATED INDUSTRIES

Monday, Mar. 2

Phone bill payments-- locations

HF152/SF595 (Begich, DFL-Eveleth)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Public Utilities and Energy Committee)

Liquor sales--extension of hours

HF397 (Kahn, DFL-Mpls)--recommended to pass as amended.

Wednesday, Mar. 4

Pipeline Safety Act

HF91/SF90 (Knuth, DFL-New Brighton)--recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Judiciary Committee. (SF in Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee)

Pipeline Safety improvement-- resolution

HF567/SF661 (Knuth, DFL-New Brighton)--recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar. (SF in Senate Transportation Committee)

TRANSPORTATION

Wednesday, Mar. 4

Motorcycle passenger--helmet requirement

HF172/SF434 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)--not recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Transportation Committee)

Motorcycle drivers--helmet requirement

HF253/SF327 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)--not recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Transportation Committee)

Commercial driver--test, license

HF493/SF140 (K. Olson, DFL-Sherburn)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Transportation Committee)

FLOOR ACTION

CALENDAR

Monday, Mar. 2

Salary increase rejected

HF68*/SF505 (Vanasek, DFL-New Prague)--passed (116-10). (SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee)

CONCURRENCE & REPASSAGE

Monday, Mar. 2

Adoptive parents--access to records

HF41*/SF37 (Milbert, DFL-South St. Paul)--passed as amended by the Senate (124-0).

CONSENT CALENDAR

Thursday, Feb. 26

Local government--city reserve fund

HF81/SF484 (Stanis, IR-White Bear Lake)--passed as amended (118-0). (SF in Senate Local and Urban Government Committee)

Monday, Mar. 2

Credit discrimination

HF222/SF168* (Bishop, IR-Rochester)--passed as amended (123-0).

Certificate of title--transfer of duplicate

HF197*/SF195 (Frederick, IR-Mankato)--passed (123-0). (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

St. Paul--smoke detector ordinance

HF357*/SF585 (Orenstein, DFL-St. Paul)--passed as amended (127-0). (SF in Senate Local and Urban Government Committee)

GENERAL ORDERS

Monday, Mar. 2

**Criminal trial procedures--
changes**

HF137/SF220 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul)--
amended; progressed. (SF in Senate
Judiciary Committee)

**Mail order sales tax
resolution**

HF135 (McLaughlin, DFL-Mpls)--
recommended to pass.

**County medical assistance
claims**

HF18/SF15 (Ogren, DFL-Aitkin)--
recommended to pass. (SF in Senate
Judiciary Committee)

**Anatomical gifts--required
request for consent**

HF23/SF86 (Kahn, DFL-Mpls)--
recommended to pass. (SF on Senate
Floor)

**Corporate takeover law--
changes**

HF27/SF272 (Simoneau, DFL-Fridley)--
recommended to pass. (SF in Senate
Judiciary Committee)

**Overtime wages--ski
employees**

HF52 (Ogren, DFL-Aitkin)--
recommended to pass.

**Anoka County--highway
development**

HF94/SF200 (Simoneau, DFL-Fridley)--
rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
(SF in Senate Transportation Committee)

GOVERNOR

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Friday, Feb. 20

**Uniform Trade Secret Act--
revised**

HF45*/SF104 (Orenstein)--Chapter 1.

Wednesday, Feb. 25

**Corporate directors liability--
modified**

HF34*/SF35 (Carruthers)--Chapter 2.

RESOLUTIONS THE GOVERNOR SIGNED

Wednesday, Mar. 4

Highway funding resolution

HF66*/SF8 (A. Johnson)--Resolution 2.

**Adoptive parents--access to
records**

HF41*/SF37 (Milbert)--Resolution 3.

Key

HF--House File

SF--Senate File

HF#/SF#--companion bills

*--version of the bill under consideration

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The Legislature relies on committees, divisions, and subcommittees to be sure all bills get careful study and review. In the House, the Speaker of the House decides on the committees the House will have, and appoints the members and chairs who will serve on them. The speaker also assigns bills to the appropriate committees by topic.

Here's a list that briefly describes the function of each 1987-88 committee and division:

Agriculture--Sets out farm policies and programs for assistance to farmers, promotion of interstate and international trade, marketing commodities, and soil conservation.

Agriculture Finance Division--Makes budgetary decisions for programs the Agriculture Committee creates, including sources of funding. Reviews effectiveness and efficiency of farm programs.

Appropriations-- Recommends objectives and goals in appropriating state money; reviews the governor's budget proposals; recommends level of funding for all state agencies and any other program the state finances; provides estimates of appropriations to the Ways and Means Committee; reviews every bill that needs an appropriation even if the bill had its first hearing in another committee. For example, a proposal having to do with agriculture that involves spending money, would go first to the Agriculture Committee or one of its divisions.

Agriculture, Transportation, Semi-state Division--Reviews and makes recommendations for funding of agricultural programs, the World Trade Center, transportation projects, the departments of agriculture and transportation, and boards and organizations the state partially funds.

Education Division-- Recommends funding for the University of Minnesota, state universities, community colleges, AVTI's, and the Department of Education.

Health and Human Services Division-- Recommends funding for state health and human service programs.

State Departments Division--Proposes the omnibus state departments bill appropriating money for state departments and agencies.

Commerce--Addresses consumers' concerns; works closely with the Department of Commerce and the Consumer Services Division of the Attorney General's Office in writing consumer protection legislation.

Economic Development and Housing--Makes recommendations for programs in job development and training, financing businesses, housing and community development, and rural development. Makes recommendations for allocating private activity bonds. Also reviews programs in the Department of Energy and Economic Development.

Education-- Recommends programs for K-12 education. Looks to making education fair and equal among different regions in the state and among different social and economic groups. Also addresses teachers' training and parent/community involvement in education.

Education Finance Division--Reviews and makes recommendations for the funding of school systems and educational programs. Creates a formula for distributing funds among school districts.

Environment and Natural Resources--Concerned with hunting and fishing regulation and promotion, pollution, waste management, wildlife protection, forestry and mining.

Financial Institutions and Insurance--Concerned with consumer rights in insurance; affordability and availability of insurance for individuals and companies; reviews banking charges and definitions of accounts and services.

Future and Technology--

Concerned with long range economic and job needs, emphasizing Minnesota's place in the world market. Anticipates demographic (population) changes in the state for consideration in educational, economic, housing, health, crime, environmental, tax, and other policy decisions.

General Legislation, Veterans Affairs, and Gaming--

Addresses gambling issues and regulations; veterans' programs; regulation of elections; and other miscellaneous legislation.

Governmental Operations--

Reviews any bill that substantially changes or creates a new state department, agency, commission, board or bureau, though the bill may have had its first review and hearing in another committee; deals with public employee pension plans, and state workers' bargaining procedures.

Health and Human Services--

Reviews and makes recommendations for the policies, goals, objectives, reform and creation of welfare programs; concerned with the availability of programs and services; also deals with the licensing of health care providers and social workers. (The Health and Human Services Division of the Appropriations Committee works on the funding of programs.)

Higher Education--

Makes recommendations for the goals and objectives of AVTI's, state universities, community colleges, and the University of Minnesota; assesses the quality, availability, and governance of these institutions; concerned with student financial aid and enrollment.

Judiciary--

Considers sentencing guidelines, bail requirements, citizen rights, and corrections. Evaluates structure and organization of courts.

Crime and Family Law Division--

Concerned with sentencing guidelines and procedures in juvenile delinquency, and child abuse, custody, and support cases.

Labor-Management Relations--

Concerned with negotiation procedures, wages, unemployment insurance, workers' compensation, and the rights and responsibilities of workers, managers, and owners.

Unemployment Insurance and Workers' Compensation Division--

Deals with the concerns of businesses, workers, and insurance companies, and the effectiveness and availability of unemployment insurance and workers' compensation.

Local and Urban Affairs--

Makes recommendations concerning relations between state and local governments, the impact of federal and state programs on local government, and the jurisdiction, control and bonding authority of local government.

Metropolitan Affairs--

Reviews the structures, goals and programs of metropolitan agencies; concerned with transportation, sewers, roads, bridges, parks, airports, and bonding for state construction projects in the metropolitan area.

Regulated Industries--

Concerned with controls on industries the state regulates, such as liquor, phone, power, and commercial soliciting.

Rules and Legislative Administration--

Establishes a budget for House committee expenses; determines House rules, joint rules, and administrative duties of the House.

Taxes--

Reviews any bill that affects state income, sales, use, or property tax policy, though tax bills may first go to another committee; concerned with budget stability; provides estimates of current taxes to the Ways and Means Committee.

Property Tax Division--

Evaluates property tax system, state aid to local governments, property tax relief for individuals, and fairness of tax base.

Tax Laws Division--

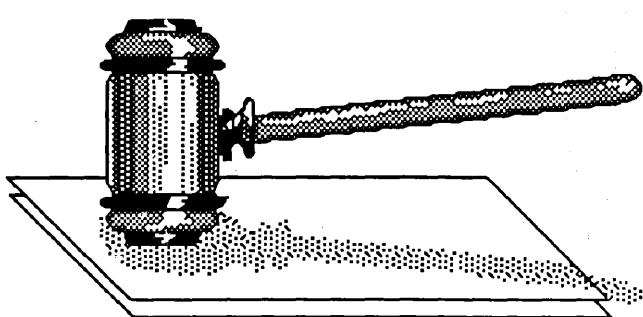
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Transportation--

Concerned with safety, highway construction, maintenance, regulations of road use, and licensing of vehicles.

Ways and Means--

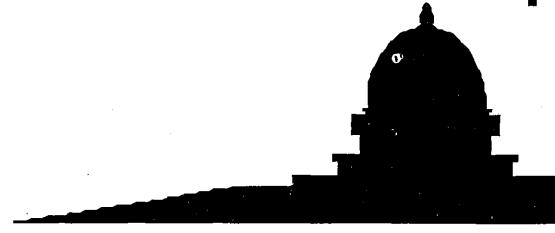
Sets overall spending and taxing policies and limits for the Appropriations and Taxes Committees, and the Education Finance Division of the Education Committee.



IN THE HOPPER...

BILL INTRODUCTIONS

February 27-March 5, 1987



House Bill Introductions Monday, Mar. 2

HF649--Ogren (DFL)--Labor-Management Relations

Employment; providing for severance pay and insurance coverage to certain terminated employees; requiring employers to provide notice of certain actions related to work force reductions; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF650--Rest (DFL)--Judiciary

Crime; permitting courts to sentence sex offenders to prison as well as to treatment as a condition of probation; amending statutes.

HF651--Scheid (DFL)--

General Legislation/ Veterans Affairs/Gaming

Elections; setting times for changing election precincts and reapportioning certain election districts; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF652--Wenzel (DFL)--

Local/Urban Affairs

The city of Little Falls; authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds to refund certain tax increment bonds of the city; authorizing the city to use the unexpended proceeds of the refunded bonds for other municipal purposes.

HF653--Reding (DFL)--

Environment/

Natural Resources

Wild animals; use of lights in taking or tending traps; length of otter season; setting traps near water; amending statutes.

HF654--Wagenius (DFL)--

Metropolitan Affairs

Metropolitan government; providing for the composition of the metropolitan airports commission; amending statutes.

HF655--Redalen (IR)--

Agriculture

Agriculture; clarifying and amending the farmer-lender mediation act; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF656--O'Connor (DFL)--

Labor-Management Relations

Public Safety; regulating high pressure piping and pipefitters; providing penalties; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF657--Bauerly (DFL)--

Education

Education; requiring post-secondary institutions to reimburse school districts when post-secondary credit is granted for courses originally taken for secondary credit only; amending statutes.

HF658--Bauerly (DFL)--

Judiciary

Tort liability; decreasing the tort liability limits for the state and its municipalities; amending statutes.

HF659--Ogren (DFL)--

Health/Human Services

Public Welfare; providing an exemption from statutory limits for certain levies for services to the aging; amending statutes.

HF660--Blatz (IR)--Judiciary

Government data practices; providing an exception to the nondisclosure of welfare data to law enforcement or probation officers in certain cases; amending statutes.

HF661--Solberg (DFL)--

Commerce

Commerce; granting motor fuel retailers the option to purchase from wholesalers other than the refiner; proposing coding for new law.

HF662--Kalis (DFL)--

Education

Education; eliminating a restriction on interdistrict cooperation revenue based on the size of a school district; amending statutes.

HF663--Wenzel (DFL)--

Health/Human Services

Health; providing for disposition of the remains of human fetuses; providing a penalty; proposing coding for new law.

HF664--Winter (DFL)--

Environment/

Natural Resources

Game and fish; beginning the open season for angling two weeks earlier in certain areas south of U.S. trunk highway No. 14 and in Lincoln, Lyon, Redwood, and Brown counties; amending statutes.

HF665--Stoopsma (DFL)--

General Legislation/

Veteran Affairs/Gaming

Veterans; providing for special motor vehicle license plates for former prisoners of war free of charge; amending statutes.

HF666--Nelson, K (DFL)--

Education

Education; providing for programs, aids, grants, and levies; changing formulas and authority for school transportation and capital expenditures; changing the PER process; providing for academic excellence awards; changing special, family, and safety program provisions; consolidating the school depository laws; changing some pupil residency requirements; providing for library board expenses; implementing teacher education program changes; establishing all day kindergarten demonstration sites; awarding grants for K-3 reduced class size programs; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF667--Gruenes (IR)-- Governmental Operations Retirement; public employees retirement association; permitting the purchase of prior service credits by certain employees; amending statutes.	HF675--Bertram (DFL)-- Health/Human Services Human services; establishing residency requirements for general assistance and AFDC; proposing coding for new law.	HF682--Pappas (DFL)-- Governmental Operations State departments and agencies; creating a commission for the quincentennial of the Hispanic presence in the western hemisphere.
HF668--Gruenes (IR)-- Health/Human Services Health; extending the moratorium on hospital capacity expansion; amending laws.	HF676--Skoglund (DFL)-- Financial Institutions/ Insurance Commerce; requiring financial institutions to provide certain basic services to customers without charge; providing enforcement powers; proposing coding for new law.	HF683--O'Connor (DFL)-- Governmental Operations The organization and operation of state government; adding members to the board of animal health; modifying and clarifying the powers of the board; regulating dealers; prescribing a civil penalty; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.
HF669--Skoglund (DFL)-- Financial Institutions/ Insurance Insurance; accident and health; allowing certain assignments of benefits for alcoholics and drug dependents; amending statutes.	HF677--Price (DFL)-- Education Education; requiring school districts to establish local literacy policies and standards for high school graduation; amending statutes.	HF684--Lieder (DFL)-- Transportation Transportation; creating a state institutions town road account; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.
HF670--Bertram (DFL)-- Governmental Operations Retirement; refunds of contributions or deferred annuities to employees of the Albany community hospital.	HF678--Scheid (DFL)--Taxes Taxation; property taxation; modifying the method of determining certain adjusted assessed value; modifying the method of determining agricultural market value for market value for property tax purposes; amending statutes.	HF685--Schoenfeld (DFL)-- Appropriations Appropriations; removing requirements for the payment of certain costs.
HF671--Bertram (DFL)-- Governmental Operations State; designating an official state beer; proposing coding for new law.	HF679--Simoneau (DFL)-- Governmental Operations Administrative procedure; clarifying provisions relating to administrative procedure; clarifying provisions relating to emergency rules; amending statutes.	HF686--Voss (DFL)--Taxes Taxation; motor vehicle excise; changing the definition of purchase price for purposes of a transfer by gift; amending statutes.
HF672--Tunheim (DFL)-- Agriculture Agriculture; changing certain bonding provisions of grain storage laws; authorizing a hearing and rulemaking; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.	HF680--Tunheim (DFL)-- Governmental Operations Retirement; teachers retirement association; extending retroactively a provision allowing accrual of benefits from the date teaching service terminated if applications for retirement are filed within 90 days of that date; amending statutes.	HF687--Poppenhagen (IR)-- Judiciary Collection and dissemination of data; allowing law enforcement agencies to release the date of birth of persons involved in traffic accidents; amending statutes.
HF673--Lasley (DFL)-- Economic Development/ Housing Housing; creating advisory task force in the state pollution control agency to study and advise on moisture and air quality problems in single-family homes; requiring reports; appropriating money.	HF681--Skoglund (DFL)-- Environment/ Natural Resources A resolution memorializing the President, Congress, and the Federal Aviation Administration to accelerate the modernization of commercial aircraft fleets operating in and to the United States by requiring the use of quieter, Stage 3 aircraft.	HF688--Kelly (DFL)-- Judiciary Controlled substances; classifying the substance alfentanil as a schedule II controlled substance; amending statutes.
HF674--Blatz (IR)--Judiciary Crimes; dictating circumstances in which the court may stay execution of sentence following conviction for a second or subsequent offense relating to criminal sexual conduct; providing that information regarding a sexual assault victim is private; amending statutes.		HF689--Swenson (IR)-- Education Education; modifying the tuition reimbursement provisions for the post-secondary enrollment options program; appropriating money; amending statutes.

**HF690--Swenson (IR)--
Judiciary**

Traffic regulations; requiring a blood or urine test when there is probable cause to believe there is impairment by a controlled substance; requiring alternative test to be offered under certain conditions; amending statutes.

**HF691--Seaberg (IR)--
Health/Human Services**

Health care; regulating prepayment demonstration projects; requiring demonstration providers to follow certain claims settlement practices when contracting with other health care and social service practitioners to provide services to enrollees; amending statutes.

**HF692--McKasy (IR)--
Judiciary**

Public safety; providing for access to criminal justice datacommunications network and defining purposes for its use; amending statutes.

**HF693--Olson, E (DFL)--
Education**

Education; excluding community education fund balances from calculations of second tier levy fund balances from calculations of second tier levy fund balances; restoring aids and levies lost because of earlier inclusions; amending statutes.

**HF694--Trimble (DFL)--
Education**

Education; authorizing school districts to levy for day care programs; amending statutes.

**HF695--Gruenes (IR)--
General Legislation/
Veterans Affairs/Gaming**

Lawful gambling; regulating distributor licenses; removing the prohibition against liquor wholesalers becoming licensed distributors of gambling equipment; repealing statutes.

**HF696--Kostohryz (DFL)--
Education**

Education; setting the foundation aid formula allowance for the 1987-1988 and 1988-1989 school years; removing the metering of state-aid payments to school districts; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

**HF697--Price (DFL)--
Education**

School districts; authorizing more capital outlay levying authority; amending statutes.

**HF698--Nelson, D (DFL)--
Education**

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; adding two post-secondary vocational teachers to the board of teaching; requiring the board of teaching to consider vocational education teacher licensure requirements adopted by the state board of vocational technical education; requiring that rules adopted by the board of teaching do not affect the validity of licenses of certain vocational personnel or the rights and privileges of the holders; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

**HF699--Nelson, D (DFL)--
Judiciary**

Collection and dissemination of data; providing for the destruction of certain data; amending statutes.

**HF700--Skoglund (DFL)--
Governmental Operations**

State lands; transferring jurisdiction and responsibility for maintaining soldiers home bridge from department of veterans affairs to department of transportation.

**HF701--Jacobs (DFL)--
Regulated Industries**

Public utilities; authorizing the public utilities commission to deregulate competitive telecommunications services; requiring interexchange companies to pay reasonable access fees; requiring certain companies to post a bond; prohibiting telephone companies from subsidizing competitive services from noncompetitive services; requiring telephone companies to provide full disclosure of their services and rates; authorizing the commission to require telephone companies to upgrade their services; providing that local telephone exchanges may not be sold without commission approval; requiring persons providing private shared tenant service to grant certain access; requiring the state planning agency to conduct a study on universal service assistance;

amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

**HF702--Dempsey (IR)--
Governmental Operations**

The office of the secretary of state; providing for the preservation of land surveys; establishing time for the permanent microfilming of the surveys; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF703--Jacobs (DFL)--Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; including machinery used for sod growing in the definition of farm machinery; amending statutes.

HF704--Rest (DFL)--Judiciary

Public safety; providing for the mandatory surrender of registration plates and certificates of motor vehicles operated by repeat DWI offenders; providing for administrative and judicial review; amending statutes.

**HF705--Kelly (DFL)--
Judiciary**

Traffic regulations; requiring certain persons convicted of DWI or a DWI related offense to undergo chemical use assessment; imposing an assessment on persons convicted of DWI for the purpose of financing these assessments; appropriating money; amending statutes.

**HF706--Kelly (DFL)--
Judiciary**

Juveniles; clarifying certain recent changes to the juvenile court act; clarifying recent changes to the juvenile court act; clarifying the hearing and records procedures of the juvenile court; providing for the enforcement of juvenile court restitution orders; permitting administrative docketing of certain unpaid county reimbursements; clarifying certain crime victim notification and protection laws; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

**HF707--Voss (DFL)--
Judiciary**

Civil actions; allocating fault in certain civil actions; defining the term "damages"; abolishing joint liability; providing an exception; providing for contribution from other joint tortfeasors; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

**HF708--Wynia (DFL)--
Health/Human Services**

Human services; creating the right start sliding fee health care program for pregnant women and children; proposing coding for new law.

**HF709--Sviggum (IR)--
Judiciary**

Crimes; providing a penalty for assaulting correctional officers; amending statutes.

**HF710--DeBleck (DFL)--
Health/Human Services**

Human services; appropriating money to reimburse counties for the costs of administration and direct client services for the work readiness program.

**HF711--Orenstein (DFL)--
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.

**HF712--Onnen (IR)--
Governmental Operations**

Proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, changing article IV, sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, and 26; article VIII, section 1, article IX, sections 1 and 2, and article XI, section 5; providing for a unicameral legislature.

HF713--Rest (DFL)--Judiciary
Statutes; correcting erroneous, ambiguous, omitted, and obsolete references and text; eliminating certain redundant, conflicting, and superseded provisions; providing instructions to the revisor; amending statutes; repealing statutes; repealing laws.**HF714--Jaros (DFL)--
Local/Urban Affairs**

Duluth airport authority; providing that authority employees hired after a certain date are not covered by any civil service system.

Thursday, Mar. 5

**HF715--Riveness (DFL)--
Labor-Management Relations**

Unemployment compensation; regulating administration of unemployment compensation; providing for benefits and contribution rates; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

**HF716--Johnson, R (DFL)--
Higher Education**

Education; state university board; allowing a choice from among three low bidders in capital projects; proposing coding for new law.

**HF717--Vellenga (DFL)--
Health/Human Services**

Human services; providing for changes to the property-related payment rate for nursing homes; amending statutes.

**HF718--Solberg (DFL)--
Governmental Operations**

Public employees; defining terms and conditions of public employment; allowing expanded payment of certain accumulated sick leave; amending statutes.

**HF719--McLaughlin (DFL)--
Regulated Industries**
Utilities; trade practices; restricting use and connection of automatic dialing-announcing devices to telephone lines; proposing coding for new law.**HF720--Simoneau (DFL)--
Governmental Operations**

Retirement; providing for payment of an amount equal to the costs of Medicare Plan B supplemental medical coverage for retirees of the Minnesota state retirement system; appropriating money.

**HF721--Greenfield (DFL)--
Health/Human Services**

Human services; providing for the recovery of medical assistance overpayments; amending statutes.

**HF722--Greenfield (DFL)--
Health/Human Services**

Health; creating exceptions to the nursing home moratorium; establishing a review process for approval of additional exceptions to the moratorium;

prohibiting renewal of licenses for nursing home and boarding care home beds in rooms with more than four beds; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF723--Olsen, S (IR)--Taxes

Taxation; property; providing for assessment of homesteads of certain persons age 60 and older; amending statutes.

**HF724--Waltman (IR)--
Commerce**

Commerce; real estate salespersons and brokers; regulating continuing education requirement; allowing home study; requiring rules; amending statutes.

**HF725--Clark (DFL)--
Health/Human Services**

Human services; authorizing earned income savings accounts for general assistance recipients in residential chemical dependency treatment programs; amending statutes.

**HF726--Reding (DFL)--
Agriculture**

Agriculture; establishing a windbreak management program; exempting certain windbreaks from property taxes; providing a state-paid windbreak credit; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

**HF727--Simoneau (DFL)--
Governmental Operations**

Public employees; setting salaries and salary ranges for certain employees; amending statutes.

**HF728--Bauerly (DFL)--
Education**

Education; adding an equity allowance to the cost differential tier; increasing the capital expenditure revenue allowance; decreasing the capital expenditure levy; amending statutes.

**HF729--Schreiber (IR)--
Local/Urban Affairs**

Local government; permitting compensation for members of statutory city park boards; amending statutes.

HF730--Wagenius (DFL)--**Judiciary**

Witnesses; expanding the exception to the husband-wife privilege applicable to crimes committed against children; amending statutes.

HF731--O'Connor (DFL)--**Transportation**

Transportation; providing for the use of recycled waste tires for highway construction; requiring certain construction bidding practices; requiring the commissioner of transportation to use or encourage the use of waste tires in highway construction; prohibiting disposal of waste tires; requiring the pollution control agency to conduct planning; providing for an advisory task force; amending statutes.

HF732--O'Connor (DFL)--**Judiciary**

Civil actions; limitations on commencement of actions; providing for the limitation of actions before administrative agencies; amending statutes.

HF733--McEachern (DFL)--**Transportation**

Transportation; authorizing special permits for 110-foot vehicle combinations to operate outside the metropolitan area on interstate highways; setting a fee for the permit; providing for the modification of certain interchanges, streets, and highways; amending statutes.

HF734--Shaver (IR)--**Local/Urban Affairs**

The Minnehaha Creek watershed district; providing for the establishment of a district project maintenance of existing district projects.

HF735--Peterson (DFL)--**Regulated Industries**

Liquor; removing a restriction on issuance of off-sale licenses in Kanabec county; amending statutes.

HF736--Blatz (IR)--Judiciary

Probate; changing the intestate descent of cemetery lots; amending statutes.

HF737--McLaughlin (DFL)--**Taxes**

A resolution memorializing the President and Congress to prevent from taking effect the proposed Internal Revenue Service regulations that limit the lobbying activities by nonprofit organizations.

HF738--Reding (DFL)--**Environment/
Natural Resources**

Game and fish; providing for cooperative management of wildlife resources; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF739--Johnson V (IR)--**Transportation**

Transportation; providing for the deposit of motor vehicle excise tax revenues in fiscal year 1987; amending statutes.

HF740--Kostohryz (DFL)--**General Legislation/
Veterans Affairs/Gaming**

Horse racing; modifying the purse structure; providing for the representation of horsemen contracting with a licensee; modifying taxes; eliminating the payment of a percentage of the breakage to the commission; amending statutes.

**HF741--Pappas (DFL)--Higher
Education**

Education; providing for expanded offerings at Metropolitan State University; appropriating money.

HF742--Rest (DFL)--Judiciary

Statutes; removing certain substantive gender references in Minnesota statutes; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF743--Skoglund (DFL)--**Metropolitan Affairs**

Metropolitan government; providing for the appointment of members of the metropolitan airports commission; requiring adoption and review of an implementation plan and budget; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF744--McLaughlin (DFL)--**Metropolitan Affairs**

Metropolitan government; adding the chair of the transit commission to membership on the metropolitan financial reporting and management advisory committee; amending statutes.

HF745--Welle (DFL)--**Health/Human Services**

Human services; allowing certain facilities to choose higher payment limits; requiring a study of geographic groups; amending statutes.

HF746--Riveness (DFL)--**Financial Institutions/
Insurance**

Occupations and professions; requiring health maintenance organizations to offer chiropractic services and specifying the conditions of those services; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF747--Rest (DFL)--Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; exempting manufacturing equipment; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF748--Jefferson (DFL)--**Health/Human Services**

Human services; clarifying the rulemaking authority concerning occupancy rates in intermediate care facilities for persons with mental retardation or related conditions; amending statutes.

HF749--Lieder (DFL)--**Local/Urban Affairs**

Local government; permitting counties to withdraw from regional development commissions; amending statutes.

HF750--Lieder (DFL)--**Governmental Operations**

State lands; authorizing sale of certain tax-forfeited lands that border public water in East Grand Forks, Polk county.

HF751--Lieder (DFL)--**Transportation**

Traffic regulations; establishing certain weight limits; amending statutes.

HF752--Rest (DFL)--Taxes Taxation; sales and use; defining manufacturing equipment and providing a four percent rate; abolishing the exemption for sales of capital equipment in distressed counties; amending statutes; repealing statutes.	HF760--Skoglund (DFL)--Metropolitan Affairs Metropolitan government; setting the maximum tax for the mosquito control district; amending statutes.	HF769--Anderson, F (DFL)--Governmental Operations Retirement; refunds of contributions to employees of the Canby community hospital district.
HF753--Nelson (DFL)--Education Education; removing references to repealed statutes; removing obsolete language; amending statutes.	HF761--Sviggum (IR)--Labor-Management Relations Unemployment compensation; defining the term agricultural labor; amending statutes.	HF770--Schreiber (IR)--Transportation Drivers' licenses; increasing age from 19 to 21 for provisional driver's license; imposing fees; amending statutes.
HF754--Rest (DFL)--Economic Development/Housing Local and state government debt financing; allocating bonding authority subject to a volume cap under federal tax law; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.	HF762--Vellenga (DFL)--Education Education; requiring school nurses in schools; describing their responsibilities; providing for dispensing medication in schools; authorizing a grant program; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.	HF771--Forsythe (IR)--Education School districts; authorizing a capital expenditure levy for surplus school buildings used for community purposes; amending statutes.
HF755--Seabert (IR)--Metropolitan Affairs Metropolitan government; authorizing municipalities in the metropolitan area to adopt ordinances related to aircraft noise; proposing coding for new law.	HF763--Dorn (DFL)--Health/Human Services Human services; creating the office of ombudsman for older Minnesotans; proposing coding for new law.	HF772--Kinkel (DFL)--Governmental Operations Retirement; establishing a voluntary retirement plan for certain qualified employees of public and private ambulance services; proposing coding for new law.
HF756--Sarna (DFL)--General Legislation/Veterans Affairs/Gaming Elections; prohibiting cities of the first class from changing their voting systems without demonstrating the effectiveness of a proposed new system.	HF764--Clark (DFL)--Health/Human Services Human services; providing for a statewide interpreter service for hearing impaired persons; altering membership on Minnesota council for the hearing impaired; amending statutes.	HF773--Solberg (DFL)--Education Education; establishing a pilot program to reduce class sizes in kindergarten through third grade; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.
HF757--Segal (DFL)--Judiciary A resolution memorializing the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to grant exit visas to Jewish prisoners of conscience.	HF765--Segal (DFL)--Health/Human Services Human services; mandating a comprehensive system of mental health services; amending statutes; proposing coding; repealing statutes.	HF774--Murphy (DFL)--Labor-Management Relations Workers' compensation; regulating insurance premium computations for certain public employees; amending statutes.
HF758--Welle (DFL)--Health/Human Services Occupations and professions; establishing a board of marriage and family therapy; licensing and regulating marriage and family therapists; providing penalties; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.	HF766--McDonald (IR)--Agriculture Agriculture; requiring that local weed inspectors be qualified as commercial pesticide applicators; amending statutes.	HF775--McDonald (IR)--Governmental Operations State departments and agencies; repealing the requirement for older members of certain boards, commissions, and councils; repealing statutes.
HF759--Munger (DFL)--Appropriations Improvement of the Lake Superior Zoological Gardens; appropriating funds from the state building fund for its improvement.	HF767--Welle (DFL)--Health/Human Services Human services; providing for a limit on resolution of nursing home appeals; amending statutes.	HF776--Schoenfeld (DFL)--Agriculture Agriculture; regulating the family farm security program; providing for eligibility; permitting the sale of loans; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.
	HF768--Gruenes (IR)--Economic Development/Housing Housing; extending housing and redevelopment authority interest reduction program; amending statutes.	

**HF777--Anderson, G (DFL)--
Commerce**

Motor fuels; providing that unleaded gasoline sold in Minnesota after June 30, 1987, must be blended with ethanol; amending statutes.

**HF778--Carlson, L (DFL)--
Higher Education**

Education; authorizing a study of a state savings incentive program to provide money for post-secondary education; appropriating money.

**HF779--Kelly (DFL)--
Education**

Education; establishing a pilot program to reduce class sizes in kindergarten through third grade; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

**HF780--Rodosovich (DFL)--
Governmental Operations**

Administrative procedure; defining certain terms; requiring agencies to solicit outside information before publishing proposed rules; limiting instances in which agencies are required to consider the impact of proposed rules in certain instances; empowering agencies to adopt emergency rules in certain circumstances; providing a procedure for the commissioner of human services to adopt rules required by federal directive; abolishing the power of the legislative commission for review of administrative rules to suspend rules; requiring the commission to review exemptions from the administrative procedure act; permitting the commission to review federally mandated rules; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

**HF781--Rodosovich (DFL)--
Health/Human Services**

Human services; establishing a system of state-operated, community-based residential programs for persons with mental retardation; prohibiting layoffs of employees in regional treatment centers and state nursing homes; stating the policy of the state relating to services to persons with mental retardation or related conditions; creating an exception to the intermediate care facility for persons with mental retardation or related conditions moratorium; establishing requirements for determining waivered service rates; appropriating money; amending statutes;

proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

**HF782--Clark (DFL)--
Health/Human Services**

Human services; providing that medical certification for general assistance benefits may be made by a licensed chiropractor; amending statutes.

**HF783--Vellenga (DFL)--
Judiciary**

Data practices; permitting certain employers to request criminal history records of prospective employees from the bureau of criminal apprehension; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

**HF784--McEachern (DFL)--
Education**

Education; establishing a school district reorganization task force.

**HF785--Gruenes (IR)--
Health/Human Services**

Human services; removing the sunset on certain day care exclusions; repealing laws.

HF786--Lasley (DFL)--Taxes

Taxation; property; providing a state paid small business property tax credit; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF787--Cooper (DFL)--Taxes

Taxation; property; providing a state paid small business property tax credit; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF788--Dauner (DFL)--Taxes

Taxation; property; providing a state paid small business property tax credit; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

**HF789--Pappas (DFL)--
Economic****Development/Housing**

Housing; authorizing the Minnesota housing finance agency to make grants to municipalities for the provision of housing for very low income persons; proposing coding for new law.

**HF790--Skoglund (DFL)--
Health/Human Services**

Human services; continuing funding for autopsies on deceased medical assistance recipients who were victims of Alzheimer's disease; appropriating money.

**HF791--Wynia (DFL)--
Financial Institutions/
Insurance**

Financial institutions; permitting additional detached facilities; amending statutes.

**HF792--Voss (DFL)--
Financial Institutions/
Insurance**

Credit unions; permitting certain groups to join existing credit unions; amending statutes.

**HF793--Rukavina (DFL)--
Governmental Operations**

Public meeting; requiring certain notice for all meetings; permitting certain remedies for violations; providing penalties; amending statutes.

**HF794--Long (DFL)--
Environment/
Natural Resources**

Waste management; regulating disposal of wastes; providing for a solid waste management policy; providing for recycling policy and marketing; managing household hazardous wastes; regulating the sale and disposal of motor oil and lead acid batteries; providing for waste pesticide collection; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding.

**HF795--Rest (DFL)--
Economic Development/
Housing**

Economic development; recodifying provisions governing housing and redevelopment authorities, port authorities, economic development authorities, area redevelopment, municipal development districts, mined underground space development, rural development finance authorities, public development debt, enterprise zones, tax increment financing, and other local economic development tools; extending duration of bond allocation act; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

House Advisories
Monday, Mar. 2

**HA4--Wenzel (DFL)--
Health/Human Services**

A proposal relating to agriculture; proposing an interim study of the problems of the rural emergency medical system in Minnesota.

**Senate Files/
First Readings**
Monday, Mar. 2

SF208--Peterson (DFL)--

Governmental Operations

Occupations and professions; architects, engineers, land surveyors, and landscape architects; making certain technical changes related to certain licensing exceptions; amending statutes.

Thursday, Mar. 5

**SF258--Jude (DFL)--Referred
to the Chief Clerk**

Comparison

Utilities; regulating certain intrastate gas pipelines; proposing coding for new law.

**SF25--Benson (IR)--
Transportation**

Traffic regulations; requiring additional reflective devices for persons using alternate slow moving vehicle emblems; amending statutes.

**SF94--Davis (DFL)--
Commerce**

Public health; requiring an itemized billing for hearing aid repairs; amending statutes.

**SF117--Dicklich (DFL)--
Regulated Industries**

Liquor; authorizing St. Louis county to issue one off-sale liquor license.

**SF139--Dicklich (DFL)--
Local/Urban Affairs**

Alcoholic beverages; authorizing St. Louis county to issue one off-sale license.

**SF402--Jude (DFL)--Referred
to the Chief Clerk for
comparison**

Courts; setting uniform fees in probate proceedings; amending statutes.

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COMING UP NEXT WEEK...

ADVANCE COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

March 9-13, 1987

All rooms are in the State Office Building unless otherwise indicated. This schedule is subject to change. For up-to-date information, call House Calls at (612) 296-9283 (recording) or House Information at (612) 296-2146. All meetings are open to the public.

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 to Dorothy Sawyer, House Information, 175 State Office Building.

Monday, Mar. 9
8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION, SEMI-STATES DIVISION/ APPROPRIATIONS

Room 400S State Office Building. Chr. Rep. James Rice. Agenda: MN Historical Society Fiscal Agents overview; MN Humanities Commission; Sibley House Assoc.; MN International Center; Camp Ripley Military Museum; MN Air National Guard Museum; & Urban Workshop, Project 120.

EDUCATION DIVISION/ APPROPRIATIONS

Room 300N State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Lyndon Carlson. Agenda: 1) Continuation of AVTI budget overview. 2) U of MN Commitment to Focus funding.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/ APPROPRIATIONS

Room 200 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Ann Wynia. Agenda: Continuation of Dept. of Human Services budget hearings.

EDUCATION

Room 5 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Bob McEachern. Agenda: Presentation by the state university system on teacher education programs.

8:30 a.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIV./APPROPRIATIONS

Room 300S State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Phyllis Kahn. Agenda: Budget hearing: Public Employee Relations Board; Office of Administrative Hearings.

9:00 a.m.

PERSONNEL SUBCOMMITTEE/ GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

Room 10 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Rich O'Connor. Agenda: HF548 (Pelowski) Legislature; creating a silver-haired legislature program assisted by the MN board on aging. HF468 (Sviggum) State government; amending legislative action required to put recommendations of the state compensation council into effect.

10:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE

Room 5 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Stephen Wenzel. Agenda: HF672 (Tunheim) Changing certain bonding provision of grain storage laws. HF349 (Krueger) Providing for research on stray voltage. SF137 (Wegscheid) HF419 (Krueger) Companion bill. Clarifying the exceptions to prohibition of adulterated milk. HF575 (Sparby) A resolution directing the Farmers Home Administration to cooperate with Farmer-Lender Mediation Program. HF589 (Ogren) Providing for selection, sale, of land to produce wild rice.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW DIVISION/JUDICIARY

Room 500N State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Vellenga. Agenda: HF515

(Carruthers) Traffic regulations. HF427 (Rest) Public safety; providing that violation of local DWI ordinance is counted for purposes of driver's license revocation. HF705 (Kelly) Traffic regulations. HF704 (Rest) Public safety.

UNEMPLOYMENT COMP. & WORKERS' COMP. DIV./

LABOR-MGMT. RELATIONS
Room 500S State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Mary Murphy. Agenda: Mike Hatch, Dept. of Commerce will talk about the State of Minnesota's Assigned Risk Plan.

REGULATED INDUSTRIES

Room 10 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Joel Jacobs. Agenda: HF189 (Jacobs) Utilities; deregulating certain telecommunication services. HF324 (Osthoff) Alcoholic beverages: allowing retail price advertising.

12:00 noon

EDUCATION FINANCE/ EDUCATION

Room 300N State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Ken Nelson. Agenda: Community & family education, libraries, developmental programs for four & five year olds. voluntary choice.

FUTURIST SUBCOMMITTEE/ FUTURE & TECHNOLOGY

Room 5 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Dan Knuth. Agenda: Presentation by Earl C. Joseph, President of Anticipatory Sciences, Inc.

FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES SUBCOMMITTEE/LABOR- MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

Room 200 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Pat Beard. Agenda: HF42 (Pappas) Regulating substance abuse testing of employees & job applicants.

**DATA PRACTICES
SUBCOMMITTEE/
JUDICIARY**

Room 300S State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Darby Nelson. Agenda: HF568 (Jefferson) Collection & dissemination of data. HF660 (Blatz) Government data practices. HF534 (Nelson, D.) Collection & dissemination of data.

2:00 p.m.

The House will meet in Session.

7:00 p.m.

**COMMISSION ON THE
ECONOMIC STATUS
OF WOMEN**

Room 112 Capitol. Agenda: Public meeting on the topic of Parental Leave, anyone wishing to testify at the hearing should contact the Commission office at 296-8590 or 1-800-652-9747.

Tuesday, Mar. 10
8:00 a.m.

**AGRICULTURE,
TRANSPORTATION &
SEMI-STATES
DIV./APPROPRIATIONS**

Room 400S State Office Building. Chr. Rep. James Rice. Agenda: Continuation of the Dept. of Transportation overview.

**EDUCATION DIVISION/
APPROPRIATIONS**

Room 300N State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Lyndon Carlson. Agenda: Economic development requests by Higher Ed. Systems.

**HEALTH & HUMAN
SERVICES DIVISION/
APPROPRIATIONS**

Room 200 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Ann Wynia. Agenda: Continuation of Dept. of Human Services budget hearings.

**STATE DEPARTMENTS
DIV./ APPROPRIATIONS**

Room 300S State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Phyllis Kahn. Agenda: Budget hearing: Pollution Control Agency.

**PENSIONS
SUBCOMMITTEE/
GOVERNMENTAL
OPERATIONS**

Room 10 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Leo Reding. Agenda: HF680 (Tunheim) Retirement; teachers retirement association; extending retroactively a provision allowing accrual of benefits from the date teaching service terminated if applications for retirement are filed within 90 days of that date. HF293 (Jaros) Retirement; membership of firefighters employed by the department of military affairs in the public employees police & fire fund. HF99 (McKasy) Retirement; West St. Paul police relief assoc.; defining salary for benefit & contribution purposes. HF 22 (Forsythe) Retirement; authorizing certain members of the public employees retirement assoc. to elect a benefit conversion.

**PROPERTY TAX
DIVISION/TAXES**

Room 400N State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Lona Minne. Agenda: Public testimony on commercial property taxes.

**TAX LAWS
DIVISION/TAXES**

Room 500N State Office Building. Rep. Chr. Dee Long. Agenda: Continuation of public testimony on Governor's corporate tax proposal.

10:00 a.m.

**TOURISM SUBCOMMITTEE/
COMMERCE**

Basement Hearing Room State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Tony Kinkel. Agenda: overview from Northwest Airlines. HF487 (Peterson) Commerce; regulating membership camping practices; prohibiting certain advertising practices; establishing escrow requirements; regulating subdivided land sales practices; prohibiting certain advertising practices.

**ENVIRONMENT &
NATURAL RESOURCES**

Room 10 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Willard Munger. Agenda: HF297 (Long) Creating a lien against property for expenses incurred in the clean-up of pollution.

**HEALTH & HUMAN
SERVICES**

Room 5 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Lee Greenfield. Agenda: HF358 (Seagal) Cancer surveillance; HF178 (Clark) Osteoporosis demonstration project. HF243 (Wynia) Education programs for nursing home family/resident councils. HF526 (Welle) Shared service agreements. HF527 (Cooper) Cost of care at Regional Treatment Centers; insurance subrogation. HF556 (Jefferson) Difficulty of care payments for foster homes. HF557 (Kelso) Mental Retardation Division name change. HF558 (Dauner) RTC worker pay rates.

12:00 noon

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
& HOUSING**

Room 5 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Todd Otis. Agenda: HF2 (Schoenfeld) Economic development; rural development.

JUDICIARY

Basement Hearing Room State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Randy Kelly. Agenda: HF91 (Knuth) Utilities; enacting the MN pipeline safety act. HF318 (Orenstein) Crimes: creating the crime of criminal sexual conduct by impersonating a health care professional. HF375 (Kludt) Corrections; clarifying the commissioner of corrections' authority in licensing & supervising institutions & facilities.

HF36 (Seaberg) Crimes: making certain victims rights provisions applicable to victims of certain ordinance violations. HF687 (Poppenhagen) Collection & dissemination of data; allowing law enforcement agencies to release the date of birth of persons involved in traffic accidents. HF519 (Orenstein) Tort claims; including the state agricultural society in the definition of state. HF374 (Blatz) Children; regulating the trust fund for prevention of child abuse.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS

Room 200 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. David Battaglia. Agenda: HF531 (Rice) Hennepin county; bonds for capital improvements. HF619 (Carlson, D.) Fire protection district for Moose Lake & surrounding territory. HF542 (Welle) Transportation; providing an alternative procedure to record town roads.

2:00 p.m.

**FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS/
INSURANCE**

Room 5 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Wes Skoglund. Agenda: HF392 (Skoglund) Insurance Omnibus bill.

**VETERANS AFFAIRS &
MISCELLANEOUS
LEGISLATION**

**SUBCOMMITTEE/GENERAL
LEGISLATION, VETERANS
AFFAIRS & GAMING**

Room 500S State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Joe Quinn. Agenda: HR6 (Johnson, B.) Paul Bunyan's 50th Anniversary; HF43 (Bauerly) Special license plates for Vietnam Vets; HF229 (Milbert) Special license plates for Vietnam Vets; HF223 (Beard) Appropriating money for use by the Military Order of the Purple Heart in assisting Veterans to make claims against the U.S. government.

**SENTENCING GUIDELINE
SUBCOMMITTEE/
JUDICIARY**

Room 500N State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Loren Solberg. Agenda: HF8 (Wenzel) Crimes; imposing a mandatory minimum sentence on persons who commit criminal vehicular operations resulting in death; HF10(Wenzel) Crimes; providing for life imprisonment without parole for persons convicted of premeditated murder in the first degree; eliminating juvenile court jurisdiction over minors 14 years old & older accused of murder in the second degree to cover the unintentional killing of certain young children; increasing penalties & imposing mandatory minimum sentences for certain homicides & other crimes; clarifying the elements of manslaughter in the first degree; prohibiting waiver of certain mandatory minimum sentencing provisions.

**TRANSPORTATION
SUBCOMMITTEE/
METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS**

Room 500N State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Peter McLaughlin. Agenda: HF416 (Nelson, K.) Light rail transit.

3:30 p.m.

**RULES & LEGISLATIVE
ADMINISTRATION**

Room 400N State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Robert Vanasek. Agenda: Joint rules; Affirmative action policy; Congratulatory Resolutions.

4:00 p.m.

TRANSPORTATION

Room 200N State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Henry Kalis. Agenda: HF428 (Welle) Caboose regulations. HF644 (Krueger) Caboose regulations.

7:00 p.m.

JUDICIARY

Basement Hearing Room State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Randy Kelly. Agenda: Bills not heard from the 12:00 noon meeting on this date will be taken up at this evening meeting.

WAYS & MEANS

Room 5 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Fred Norton. Agenda: Public testimony on the Governor's tax & expenditure proposals. Persons wishing to testify should contact Dick Pfutzenreuter, Chief Fiscal Analyst, at 296-5069.

Wednesday, Mar. 11

8:00 a.m.

**AGRICULTURE,
TRANSPORTATION &
SEMI-STATES DIVISION/
APPROPRIATIONS**

Room 400S State Office Building. Chr. Rep. James Rice. Agenda: Continuation of DOT overview.

**EDUCATION DIVISION/
APPROPRIATIONS**

Room 300N State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Lyndon Carlson. Agenda: Telecommunications overview.

**HEALTH & HUMAN
SERVICES DIVISION/
APPROPRIATIONS**

Room 200 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Ann Wynia. Agenda: Continuation of Human Services budget hearing.

**STATE DEPARTMENTS
DIV./APPROPRIATIONS**

Room 300S State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Phyllis Kahn. Agenda: Budget hearing: Pollution Control Agency. (continuation)

EDUCATION

Room 5 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Bob McEachern. Agenda: HF432 (McEachern) Modifying certain provisions of the compulsory attendance laws.

**GOVERNMENTAL
STRUCTURES
SUBCOMMITTEE/
GOVERNMENTAL
OPERATIONS**

Room 10 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Bob Jensen. Agenda: HF683 (O'Connor) Organization & operation of state government; adding members to the board of animal health. HF566 (Knuth) Public safety; authorizing executive council, under federal law, to repair state property damage by major disaster. HF679 (Simoneau) Administrative procedure; clarifying provisions relating to emergency rules.

10:00 a.m.

**AGRICULTURE FINANCE
DIVISION/AGRICULTURE**

Basement Hearing Room State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Jerry Schoenfeld. Agenda: HF210 (Schoenfeld) Farmer-Lender Mediation Act.

HIGHER EDUCATION

Room 500N State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Mike Jaros. Agenda: HF640 (Carlson, L.) Expanding HEBC Career Guidance Program. HF520 (Krueger) Appropriating money to State University Board for Women's Intercollegiate Athletic programs. HF632 (Kinkel) Allowing the Student Council of the HEBC to vote.

**TRANSPORTATION
SUBCOMMITTEE/
METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS**

Room 500S State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Peter McLaughlin. Agenda: To be announced.

12:00 noon

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE

Room 5 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Wes Skoglund. Agenda: HF392 (Skoglund) Insurance Omnibus bill.

TRANSPORTATION

Room 10 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Henry Kalis. Agenda: HF323 (Lieder) MN/DOT Worker Safety & housekeeping items. HF29 (Skoglund) Child restraint carriers. HF269 (Kahn) Bicyclists & headphones.

2:00 p.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIV./APPROPRIATIONS

Room 300S State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Phyllis Kahn. Agenda: Budget hearing: Pollution Control Agency: Waste Management Board.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE, FARM COMMODITIES, AGRI-BUSINESS & MKTG/AGRICULTURE

Room 500N Chr. Rep. Charles Brown. Agenda: Dr. Richard Sauer, Vice Pres. for Ag, Forestry & Home Economics, Dir. of Ag Experiment Station. Representative from Dept. of Energy, Bio-Mass Utilization. Ken Born, Pres. of Montial Co., Mpls.

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/EDUCATION

Room 300N State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Ken Nelson. Agenda: Interdistrict cooperation, health, safety & nutrition programs, miscellaneous programs, any uncompleted governor's budget recommendations.

REGULATED INDUSTRIES

Room 200 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Joel Jacobs. Agenda: HF266 (Ogren) Intoxicating liquor; prohibiting discrimination in sales.

HIGHWAYS & MOTOR VEHICLES

SUBCOMMITTEE/ TRANSPORTATION

Room 10 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Bernie Lieder. Agenda: HF111 (Olsen, O.) Pearl Harbor license plates.

HF168 (Peterson, J.) Pick-up truck license plates. HF621 (Carlson, D.) Tax-exempt license plates.

5:00 p.m.

PENSIONS & RETIREMENT COMMISSION

Room 10 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Wayne Simoneau. Agenda: Minutes from 3/2 meeting; correspondence; report from the Commission Actuary; reports from the Fund Administrators; report from Exec. Dir., State Board of Investment; HF463 (Simoneau) Five year vesting. Pension guarantee HF458 (Simoneau), HF113 (Sviggum), & HF122 (Riveness); Early retirement under the Rule of 85.

6:00

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE

Room 5 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Wes Skoglund. Agenda: HF392 (Skoglund) Insurance Omnibus bill.

Thursday, Mar. 12

8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIV./APPROPRIATIONS

Room 400S State Office Building. Chr. Rep. James Rice. Agenda: Continuation of DOT overview.

EDUCATION DIVISION/ APPROPRIATIONS

Tour. Chr. Rep. Lyndon Carlson. Agenda: Visit to Metro Area bonding request site.

HEALTH/HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/ APPROPRIATIONS

Room 200 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Ann Wynia. Agenda: County Human Services funding issues; Continuation of Dept. of Human Services budget hearings.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIV./APPROPRIATIONS

Room 300S State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Phyllis Kahn. Agenda: Budget

hearing: Dept. of Energy & Economic Development. (DEED)

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

Room 10 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Wayne Simoneau. Agenda: HF11 (Begich) Tax forfeited land; providing for the sale of a certain tract. HF700 (Skoglund) State lands; transferring jurisdiction & responsibility for maintaining soldiers home bridge from Dept. of Veterans affairs to Dept. of Transportation

TAXES

Room 5 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Gordon Voss. Agenda: HF528 (Voss) Governor's miscellaneous taxes; public testimony. NOTE: If time permits, Dept. of Revenue will begin overview of HF525 (Voss) Changing & eliminating sales tax exemptions; etc.

10:00 a.m.

SMALL BUSINESS, ENERGY,& REAL ESTATE SUBCOMMITTEE/ COMMERCE

Basement Hearing Room State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Wally Sparby. Agenda: HF576 (Sparby) Regulating securities. HF661 (Solberg) Granting motor fuel retailers the option to purchase from wholesalers other than the refiner.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

Room 10 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Willard Munger. Agenda: Continuation of HF401 (Nelson, D.) Criminal penalties for hazardous waste & others.

PHYSICAL/MENTAL HEALTH SUBCOMMITTEE/ HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Room 5 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Gloria Segal. Agenda: HF290 (Greenfield) Social worker licensure.

SOCIAL SERVICES SUBCOMMITTEE/HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Room 200 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Peter Rodosovich. Agenda: HF506 (Wynia) SILS reimbursement. HF591

(Wynia) General assistance denial appeals. HF539 (Vellenga) Adoption subsidies.	(Bauerly) Equity revenues & capital expenditures.	GOVERNMENT STRUCTURES/ METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS Room 500S State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Phil Carruthers. Agenda: To be announced.
12:00 noon	Friday, Mar. 13 8:00 a.m.	12:00 noon
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & HOUSING Room 5 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Todd Otis. Agenda: To be announced.		ENVIRONMENT SUBCOMMITTEE/ METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS Room 500N State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Darby Nelson. Agenda: To be announced.
GENERAL LEGISLATION, VETERANS AFFAIRS & GAMING Room 500S State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Kick Kostohryz. Agenda: Discussion on Canterbury Downs bill (Kostohryz)	HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/ APPROPRIATIONS Room 200 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Ann Wynia. Agenda: Public testimony: Long term care management; chemical dependency, hearing impaired, & protection programs; mental retardation programs; reimbursement & facilities administration (including Regional Treatment Centers).	PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE Room 300S State Office Building. Chr. Sen. James Pehler. Agenda: Election of officers, Lakeshore disposal report, and update on other trust fund revenues.
LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS Room 200 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. David Battaglia. Agenda: HF254 (Wenzel) Brainerd port authority. HF 345 (Wenzel) Allowing certain cities to appropriate money for advertising. HF469 (McEachern) Food licenses; regulating vending machine inspection fees.	STATE DEPARTMENTS DIV./APPROPRIATIONS Room 300S State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Phyllis Kahn. Agenda: Budget hearings: Dept. of Energy & Economic Development (DEED); World Trade Center Board.	CRIME & FAMILY LAW DIVISION/JUDICIARY Room 500N State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Vellenga. Agenda: Continuation of Monday, March 9 meeting. HF590 (Rest) Crimes; sentencing. HF286 (Vellenga) Witnesses; removing the presumption against the competency of certain witnesses. HF690 (Swenson) Traffic regulations.
2:00 p.m. The House will meet in Session.	PROPERTY TAX DIVISION/TAXES Room 400N State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Lona Minne. Agenda: Public testimony on commercial-industrial property taxes.	10:00 a.m.
AFTER SESSION	TAX LAWS DIVISION/ TAXES Room 500N State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Dee Long. Agenda: HF616 (Voss) Corporate tax. Presentation by Dept. of Revenue.	
ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES Room 10 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Willard Munger. Agenda: Continuation of HF401 (Nelson, D.) Criminal penalties for hazardous waste.	EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/EDUCATION Room 300N State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Ken Nelson. Agenda: To be announced.	CIVIL LAW SUBCOMMITTEE/ JUDICIARY Room 400N State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Howard Orenstein. Agenda: HF550 (Kludt) Real property; providing for prima facie effect of certain statements in an acknowledgment. HF580 (Greenfield) Human rights; changing certain requirements relating to disabled persons.
4:00 p.m.		
HOUSING SUBCOMMITTEE/ ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & HOUSING Room 400S State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Richard Jefferson. Agenda: HF371 (Jefferson) Eminent domain; regulating relocation benefits for displaced persons. HF396 (Olson) Housing; landlord & tenant.		
7:30 p.m.		
EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/EDUCATION Elk River High School Mini Theater. Chr. Rep. Ken Nelson. Agenda: HF728		



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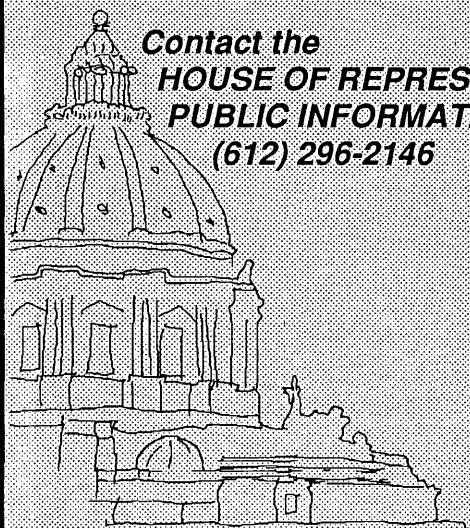
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In 1929, the Minnesota Legislature enacted the first Minnesota port authority in St. Paul as an agency to develop river commerce. Today, however, the authority has little to do with river commerce or water ports. It's basically an economic development agency that has helped over 227 firms locate or expand throughout St. Paul since the early 1930s.

Duluth, a port dealing with international goods, has the only "true" Minnesota port authority. Bloomington, Granite Falls, Minneapolis, St. Cloud, South St. Paul and Winona have port authorities similar to St. Paul's.