

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATION.

The following executive communication was received from His Excellency the Governor:

STATE OF MINNESOTA, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
ST. PAUL, MINN., March 2d, 1885.

Hon. John L. Gibbs, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

SIR: I herewith return without my signature

H. F. No. 470, An act defining the boundaries of the school districts of the County of Hennepin, State of Minnesota.

This bill does not profess to change the boundary of any of the one hundred and twenty districts in Hennepin county, and it expressly leaves them subject to change by the board of county commissioners according to the general law. It is not suggested that there is doubt about the legality of any district boundary as established heretofore by the county board. The sole advantage to be gained from the passage of the bill is in securing in print and in one place the information in regard to school district boundaries in Hennepin county which must now be sought in the records of the auditors office for a number of years.

This bill, the first of its kind in this State, will be followed, if it becomes a law, by one of the kind in regard to every other county, for almost every county has had the same experience as Hennepin in forming school districts, and now has equal need of authentication and publication of their boundaries. But the boards of county commissioners which have formed the districts as they are, have surely power to record in convenient form, and even to publish the boundaries of the same.

I object to this bill because it will form a precedent for a bad practice, requiring the time of the legislature to do what the boards of county commissioners can do more expeditiously and with the same legal effect, doing in the most expensive manner what could be done far more cheaply by the State in another way, and better still by the counties.

Very respectfully,
L. F. HUBBARD,
Governor.

Mr. Snider moved that

H. F. No. 470, A bill to define the boundaries of the school districts of the county of Hennepin, in the State of Minnesota (returned by the Governor without his approval),

Be again put upon its final passage.

Which motion prevailed.

And the clerk called the roll on the passage of the bill.

And the question being taken on the passage of the bill there were yeas 70 and nays 17, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Batchelder, Bean, Becker, Borge, Bradford, Burlingame, Byorum, Caine, Canning, Carson, Colleston, Daniels, Downs H., Drake, Dyar, Erickson, Evans, Felzer, Fiddes, Flynn, Foster, Gor-