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Austin woman to head House committee

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A woman will head a Minnesota legislative committee for the second time in state history, it was annouced yesterday by House Speaker-designate-Martin Sabo.

Sabo named Mrs. Helen McMillan, Austin DFLer, to chair the House Crime Prevention-Corrections Committe.

Mrs. McMillan is a 10year veteran of the House.

The only other woman ever to have chaired a committee was Mrs. Sally Luther, a Minneapolis DFLer who headed the House Civil Administrative Committee in 1959 and 1961.

All committee chairmen in both chambers have been named by DFL leaders for the 1973 session that starts Jan, 2.

In the House, the number of committees was cut from 24 last session to 19, and in the Senate the number was reduced from 21 to 13.

A reduction had been recommended last year by DFL Gov. Wendell Anderson. In a special message to the legislature, Anderson suggested that each chamber should have about 12 committees, a measure he said would allow lawmakers to better develop expertise in specific areas of legislation.

House Committee chairmen:

Agriculture — G e o r g e Mann, a Windom grain farmer; Appropriations — Fred Norton, St. Paul lawyer; City Government— Roy Ryan, St. Paul mechanical contractor; Commerce and Economic Development—James A dams, Minneapolis electrician; Education — Carl M. Johnson, St. Peter farmer and businessman; Environmental Preservation-Natural Resources — WilJard Munger, Duluth motel operator; Financial Institutions and Insurance— Bernard Brinkman, Richmond merchant; General Legislation and Veterans Affairs—Stanley F u d r o, Minneapolis union business-agent.

Governmental Operations — E. W. Quirin, Rochester insurance salesman; Health and Welfare — James Swanson, Richfield vocational instructor; Higher Education — Peter Fugina, Virginia, Minn., educational consultant; Judiciary — Richard Parish, Golden Valley Iawyer; Labor - Management Relations — Stanley Enebo, a Minneapolis electrician; Local Government — Harry Peterson, Madison farmer; Metropolitan and Urban Affairs — John Salchert, Minneapolis physician; Rules and Leglislative Administration — Irvin Anderson, International Falls papermill worker; Taxes — Raymond Pavlak, South St. Paul lawyer; Transportation — Bernard Carlson, Cloquet papermill worker;

Senate committee chairmen are Commerce and Labor — Baldy H an s e n, Austin banker; Committee on Committees—Jack Davies, Minneapolis law professor; Education — Jerome Hughes, Maplewood educational consultant; Finance — Edward Novak, St. Paul lawyer; General Legislation and Public Highways—Roger Laufenburger, Lewiston insurance salesman; Governmental Operations — Edward Gearty, Minneapolis lawyer.

Health, Welfare and Rehabilitation-George Conzemius, Cannon Falls teacher; Judiciary - Davies; Local Government-Alec Olson, Willmar securities investor and farmer; Metropolitan Government - John Chenoweth, St. Paul stockbroker; Natural Resources and Agriculture - Norbert Arnold, Pengilly manufacturer: Rules-Nicholas Coleman. St. Paul advertising agency owner; Taxes — Tony Perpich, Eveleth dentist,

