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Ex-lawmaker Fena dies at 86

Jack Fena, a former six-term Minnesota legislator, died Friday in Duluth at age 86 in a Duluth nursing home. He had suffered a stroke 11 years ago. The Hibbing native and DFLer represented House District 63 from 1959 to 1963 and again from 1965 to 1973. He was a primary author of the taconite amendment in 1964, which collects produc-

tion taxes from Minnesota mines. After retiring from the Legislature in 1973, Fena served as an assistant St. Louis County attorney. Four years later, Gov. Rudy Perpich appointed him a Minnesota tax court judge. He was also a lieutenant in the U.S. Marines and served in World War II in the Pacific.

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