

TWENTY-EIGHTH DAY

St. Paul, Minnesota, Tuesday, April 2, 1991

The Senate met at 12:00 noon and was called to order by the President.

CALL OF THE SENATE

Mr. Moe, R.D. imposed a call of the Senate. The Sergeant at Arms was instructed to bring in the absent members.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Rev. Richard Keene Smith.

The members of the Senate gave the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

The roll was called, and the following Senators answered to their names:

Adkins	Day	Johnson, J.B.	Merriam	Ranum
Beckman	DeCramer	Johnston	Metzen	Reichgott
Belanger	Dicklich	Kelly	Moe, R.D.	Renneke
Benson, D.D.	Finn	Knaak	Mondale	Riveness
Berg	Flynn	Kroening	Morse	Sams
Berglin	Frank	Laidig	Neuville	Samuelson
Bernhagen	Frederickson, D.J.	Langseth	Novak	Solon
Bertram	Frederickson, D.R.	Larson	Olson	Spear
Brataas	Gustafson	Lessard	Pappas	Storm
Chmielewski	Hottinger	Luther	Pariseau	Stumpf
Cohen	Hughes	Marty	Piper	Traub
Dahl	Johnson, D.E.	McGowan	Pogemiller	Vickerman
Davis	Johnson, D.J.	Mehrkens	Price	Waldorf

The President declared a quorum present.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journal, as printed and corrected, was approved.

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Mrs. Benson, J.E. and Mr. Halberg were excused from the Session of today. Ms. Pappas was excused from the Session of today from 12:00 to 12:40 p.m.

EXECUTIVE AND OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received.

March 26, 1991

The Honorable Robert E. Vanasek
Speaker of the House of Representatives

The Honorable Jerome M. Hughes
President of the Senate

I have the honor to inform you that the following enrolled Acts of the 1991 Session of the State Legislature have been received from the Office of the Governor and are deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State for preservation, pursuant to the State Constitution, Article IV, Section 23:

S.F. No.	H.F. No.	Session Laws Chapter No.	Time and Date Approved 1991	Date Filed 1991
	104	10	9:37 a.m. March 26	March 26
246		11	9:40 a.m. March 26	March 26

Sincerely,
Joan Anderson Growe
Secretary of State

March 27, 1991

The Honorable Jerome M. Hughes
President of the Senate

Dear Senator Hughes:

It is my honor to inform you that I have received, approved, signed and deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State, S.F. No. 141.

Warmest regards,
Arne H. Carlson, Governor

March 28, 1991

The Honorable Robert E. Vanasek
Speaker of the House of Representatives

The Honorable Jerome M. Hughes
President of the Senate

I have the honor to inform you that the following enrolled Acts of the 1991 Session of the State Legislature have been received from the Office of the Governor and are deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State for preservation, pursuant to the State Constitution, Article IV, Section 23:

S.F. No.	H.F. No.	Session Laws Chapter No.	Time and Date Approved 1991	Date Filed 1991
	290	9	9:35 a.m. March 26	March 27
141		15	10:53 a.m. March 27	March 27

Sincerely,
Joan Anderson Growe
Secretary of State

March 27, 1991

The Honorable Jerome M. Hughes

President of the Senate

Dear Senator Hughes:

It is my honor to inform you that I have received, approved, signed and deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State, S.F. Nos. 7 and 393.

Warmest regards,
Arne H. Carlson, Governor

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

Mr. President:

I have the honor to announce the passage by the House of the following House Files, herewith transmitted: H.F. Nos. 128, 178, 697, 132, 326, 398 and 633.

Edward A. Burdick, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Transmitted March 27, 1991

FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

The following bills were read the first time and referred to the committees indicated.

H.F. No. 128: A bill for an act relating to water; mandating requirements on certain development; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 103B.3363, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 103B.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

H.F. No. 178: A bill for an act relating to occupations and professions; increasing minimum insurance coverage required for abstracters; abolishing requirement of seals by impression; repealing an obsolete provision; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 386.66 and 386.67; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 386.65, subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

H.F. No. 697: A bill for an act relating to credit unions; providing that credit unions may be designated as depositories of state funds; providing for the election of a supervisory committee; clarifying investment authority of board of directors; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 9.031, subdivision 1; 52.04, subdivision 1; 52.08; and 52.09, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

H.F. No. 132: A bill for an act relating to energy; improving energy efficiency by prohibiting incandescent lighting in certain exit signs; requiring amendments to building codes and standards to increase energy efficiency; requiring state agencies to use funds allocated for utility expenditures to buy nonincandescent bulbs; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 16B.61, subdivision 3; and 299F.011, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 16B.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration for comparison

with S.F. No. 137, now on General Orders.

H.F. No. 326: A bill for an act relating to elections; providing for time off to vote in primaries; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 204C.04.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration for comparison with S.F. No. 552, now on General Orders.

H.F. No. 398: A bill for an act relating to elections; providing for high school students 16 years old or more to act as election judges; clarifying the right to take time off from work without penalty to serve as an election judge; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 204B.19, subdivision 1, and by adding a subdivision; and 204B.195.

Referred to the Committee on Elections and Ethics.

H.F. No. 633: A bill for an act relating to watercraft; regulating the use and operation of personal watercraft; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 86B.005, by adding subdivisions; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 86B.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Mr. Moe, R.D. moved that the Committee Reports at the Desk be now adopted. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Lessard from the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources, to which was referred

S.F. No. 515: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; increasing the number of permits that may be held by one purchaser of timber on state lands; setting an interest rate of six percent for certain extensions of the permits; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 90.121.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 2, line 24, delete the new language and insert "*at the rate in effect under section 549.09 at the time the extension is granted*"

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, lines 4 and 5, delete "of six percent"

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

Mr. Lessard from the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources, to which was referred

S.F. No. 732: A bill for an act relating to state lands; offering an alternative to bond or deposit requirements on contracts for cutting timber; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 90.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"Section 1. [90.162] [ALTERNATIVE TO BOND OR DEPOSIT REQUIREMENTS.]

In lieu of the bond or cash deposit required by section 90.161 or 90.173, a purchaser of state timber may, at the time of the bid approval and upon payment by the purchaser to the commissioner of 25 percent of the appraised value under section 90.14, elect in writing on a form prescribed by the attorney general to prepay the purchase price for any designated cutting block identified on the permit before the date the purchaser enters upon the land to begin harvesting the timber.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 90.173, is amended to read:

90.173 [PURCHASER'S OR ASSIGNEE'S CASH DEPOSIT IN LIEU OF BOND.]

(a) In lieu of filing the bond required by section 90.161 or 90.171, as security for the issuance or assignment of a timber permit the person required to file the bond may deposit with the state treasurer cash, a certified check, a cashier's check, a personal check, a postal, bank, or express money order, assignable bonds or notes of the United States, or an assignment of a bank savings account or investment certificate or an irrevocable bank letter of credit, in the same amount as would be required for a bond. If securities listed in this section are deposited, the par value of the securities shall be not less than the amount required for the timber sale bond, and the person required to file the timber sale bond shall submit an agreement authorizing the commissioner to sell or otherwise take possession of the security in the event of default under the timber sale. All of the conditions of the timber sale bond shall equally apply to the deposit with the state treasurer. In the event of a default the state may take from the deposit the sum of money to which it is entitled; the remainder, if any, shall be returned to the person making the deposit and shall bear interest at the rate determined pursuant to section 549.09 if not returned within 30 days from the date of the default. Sums of money as may be required by the state treasurer to carry out the terms and provisions of this section are appropriated from the general fund to the state treasurer for these purposes. When cash is deposited for a bond, it shall be applied to the amount due when a statement is prepared and transmitted to the permit holder pursuant to section 90.181. Any balance due to the state shall be shown on the statement and shall be paid as provided in section 90.181. Any amount of the deposit in excess of the amount determined to be due pursuant to section 90.181 shall be returned to the permit holder when a final statement is transmitted pursuant to that section. All or part of a cash bond may be withheld from application to an amount due on a nonfinal statement if it appears that the total amount due on the permit will exceed the bid price.

(b) If an irrevocable bank letter of credit is provided as security under paragraph (a), at the written request of the permittee the state shall annually allow the amount of the bank letter of credit to be reduced by an amount proportionate to the value of timber that has been harvested and for which the state has received payment under the timber permit. The remaining amount of the bank letter of credit after a reduction under this paragraph must not be less than the value of the timber remaining to be harvested under the timber permit.

Sec. 3. [EFFECTIVE DATE.]

This act is effective the day following final enactment. Section 1 applies

to timber sale contracts entered into after the effective date of that section."

Delete the title and insert:

"A bill for an act relating to natural resources; offering an alternative to bond or deposit requirements on contracts for cutting timber; allowing reduction in value of letters of credit given as security for timber permits; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 90.173; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 90."

And when so amended the bill do pass. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

Mr. Lessard from the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources, to which was referred

S.F. No. 772: A bill for an act relating to crimes; imposing a duty to investigate and render aid when a person is injured in a shooting accident; imposing penalties; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 609.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, after line 6, insert:

"Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 97A.051, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. [SUMMARY OF FISH AND GAME LAWS.] (a) The commissioner shall prepare a summary of the hunting and fishing laws and deliver a sufficient supply to county auditors to furnish one copy to each person obtaining a hunting, fishing, or trapping license.

(b) At the beginning of the summary, under the heading "Trespass," the commissioner shall summarize the trespass provisions under sections 97B.001 to 97B.945, state that conservation officers and peace officers must enforce the trespass laws, and state the penalties for trespassing.

(c) In the summary the commissioner shall, under the heading "Duty to Render Aid," summarize the requirements under section 609.662 and state the penalties for failure to render aid to a person injured by gunshot."

Page 2, delete lines 31 to 34

Page 2, line 36, before "Section" insert "Section 1 is effective August 1, 1991." and delete "1" and insert "2"

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 4, after the second semicolon, insert "amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 97A.051, subdivision 2;"

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

Ms. Berglin from the Committee on Health and Human Services, to which was referred

S.F. No. 265: A bill for an act relating to family law; requiring persons who contract with the state to submit a statement regarding compliance with

child support orders; authorizing suspension of an occupational license for child support obligors who are in arrears; providing for court approval of certain marriage dissolutions without a hearing; requiring custody investigations; creating a summary dissolution pilot project; adding considerations on motions for modification of maintenance; including persons with an unborn child in common under the domestic abuse act; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 518.13, by adding a subdivision; 518.167, subdivision 1; 518.551, by adding a subdivision; 518.64, subdivision 2; and 518B.01, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 16B; 214; and 518.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Pages 3 to 6, delete sections 3 to 5

Renumber the sections in sequence

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, line 6, delete "providing for"

Page 1, delete lines 7 and 8

Page 1, line 9, delete everything before "adding"

Page 1, line 13, delete everything after "sections"

Page 1, line 14, delete everything before "518.551,"

Page 1, line 17, after "16B;" insert "and" and delete "; and 518"

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

Mr. Solon from the Committee on Commerce, to which was referred

S.F. No. 501: A bill for an act relating to insurance; regulating the availability of health insurance to small employers; imposing certain restrictions on the underwriting and rating of small employer groups; establishing a reinsurance pool for small employer business; requiring a review of the social and financial impacts of proposed mandated benefits; transferring regulatory authority over health maintenance organizations from the department of health to the department of commerce; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 60B.03, subdivision 2; and 62D.02, subdivision 3; proposing coding for new law as Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62K.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

"ARTICLE 1

Section 1. [62K.01] [DEFINITIONS.]

Subdivision 1. [TERMS.] For the purposes of sections 1 to 13, the terms defined in this section have the meanings given them unless the language or the context clearly indicates otherwise.

Subd. 2. [ACTUARIAL OPINION.] "Actuarial opinion" means a written statement by a member of the American Academy of Actuaries that a health

carrier is in compliance with this chapter, based on the person's examination, including a review of the appropriate records and of the actuarial assumptions and methods utilized by the health carrier in establishing premium rates for health benefit plans.

Subd. 3. [APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE CHAIRS.] "Appropriate committee chairs" means the chair of the health and human services committee and the chair of the insurance committee of the house of representatives, the chair of the commerce committee and the chair of the health and human services committee of the senate.

Subd. 4. [ASSOCIATION.] "Association" means the small employer reinsurance association.

Subd. 5. [AUDITOR.] "Auditor" means the office of the legislative auditor.

Subd. 6. [BASE PREMIUM RATE.] "Base premium rate" means for each class of business as to a rating period, the lowest premium rate charged or which could have been charged under a rating system for that class of business by the health carrier to small employers with similar case characteristics for health benefit plans with the same or similar coverage.

Subd. 7. [BOARD OF DIRECTORS.] "Board of directors" means the board of directors of the small employer reinsurance association.

Subd. 8. [CASE CHARACTERISTICS.] "Case characteristics" means the relevant characteristics of a small employer, as determined by a health carrier, which are considered by the carrier in the determination of premium rates for the small employer. Relevant characteristics include, but are not limited to, geographic area, employer group size, benefit differences, and family composition. Age, sex, claims experience, health status, and industry of the employer and duration of issue are not case characteristics for the purposes of this chapter.

Subd. 9. [CLASS OF BUSINESS.] "Class of business" means all of the small employer business of a health carrier as shown on the records of the health carrier except that a health carrier may establish, with the prior written approval of the commissioner, a distinct grouping of small employers:

- (1) if a class of business was acquired from another health carrier; or*
- (2) if the class of business relies on substantially different managed care requirements, including but not limited to the use of limited provider networks, prior authorization, concurrent review, discharge planning, and case management.*

The commissioner may approve the establishment of additional classes of business upon application to the commissioner and a finding by the commissioner that the action would enhance the efficiency and fairness of the small employer market.

Subd. 10. [COINSURANCE.] "Coinsurance" means an established dollar amount or percentage of health care expenses that an eligible employee or dependent is required to pay directly to a provider of medical services or supplies under the terms of a health benefit plan.

Subd. 11. [COMMISSIONER.] "Commissioner" means the commissioner of commerce or the commissioner's designated representative.

Subd. 12. [CONTINUOUS COVERAGE.] "Continuous coverage" means

the maintenance of continuous and uninterrupted health plan coverage by an eligible employee or dependent. An eligible employee or dependent is considered to have maintained continuous coverage if the individual requests enrollment in a health benefit plan within 30 days of termination of the prior health plan coverage.

Subd. 13. [DEDUCTIBLE.] *"Deductible" means the amount of health care expenses an eligible employee or dependent is required to incur before benefits are payable under a health benefit plan.*

Subd. 14. [DEMOGRAPHIC COMPOSITION.] *"Demographic composition" means the age and sex characteristics of eligible employees, the family composition of eligible employees, and the standard age categories used by a health carrier to establish premiums.*

Subd. 15. [DEPARTMENT.] *"Department" means the department of commerce.*

Subd. 16. [DEPENDENT.] *"Dependent" means an eligible employee's spouse, unmarried child who is under the age of 19 years, dependent child who is a student under the age of 25 years and financially dependent upon the eligible employee, or dependent child of any age who is disabled, subject to the applicable terms of the health benefit plan issued by the health carrier.*

Subd. 17. [DURATION OF ISSUE.] *"Duration of issue" means a rate factor used to justify higher rates which incorporated the length of time a group is covered by a health carrier, but which does not incorporate claims experience or health status.*

Subd. 18. [ELIGIBLE CHARGES.] *"Eligible charges" means the actual charges submitted to a health carrier by or on behalf of a provider, eligible employee, or dependent for health services covered by the carrier's health benefit plan. Eligible charges do not include charges for health services excluded by the health benefit plan or charges for which an alternate carrier is liable under the coordination of benefit provisions of the health benefit plan.*

Subd. 19. [ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEE.] *"Eligible employee" means an individual employed by a small employer for at least 20 hours per week on a regular basis and who has satisfied all employer participation and eligibility requirements, including but not limited to the satisfactory completion of a probationary period of not less than 30 days. A late entrant is not an eligible employee.*

Subd. 20. [FINANCIALLY IMPAIRED CONDITION.] *"Financially impaired condition" means a health carrier which is not insolvent and (1) is considered by the commissioner to be potentially unable to fulfill its contractual obligations, or (2) is placed under an order of rehabilitation or conservation by a court of competent jurisdiction.*

Subd. 21. [HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN.] *"Health benefit plan" means a policy, contract, or certificate issued by a health carrier to a small employer for the coverage of medical and hospital benefits. Health benefit plan includes a small employer plan. Health benefit plan does not include coverage that is:*

- (1) limited to disability or income protection coverage;*
- (2) automobile medical payment coverage;*
- (3) supplemental to liability insurance;*

(4) *designed solely to provide payments of a per diem, fixed indemnity or nonexpense incurred basis;*

(5) *credit accident and health insurance issued under chapter 62B;*

(6) *designed solely to provide dental or vision care;*

(7) *blanket accident and sickness insurance as defined in section 62A.11;*

(8) *accident only coverage issued by a licensed and tested insurance agent or solicitors that provides reasonable benefits in relation to the cost of covered services;*

(9) *long-term care insurance as defined in section 62A.46; or*

(10) *issued as a supplement to Medicare, as defined in sections 62A.31 to 62A.44.*

Subd. 22. [HEALTH CARRIER.] *"Health carrier" means an insurance company licensed under chapter 60A to offer, sell, or issue a policy of accident and sickness insurance as defined in section 62A.01; a health service plan licensed under chapter 62C; a health maintenance organization licensed under chapter 62D; a fraternal benefit society operating under chapter 64B; a joint self-insurance employee health plan operating under chapter 62H; and a multiple employer welfare arrangement, as defined in section 3 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), United States Code, title 29, section 1103, as amended through December 31, 1990.*

Subd. 23. [HEALTH PLAN.] *"Health plan" means a health benefit plan issued by a health carrier:*

(1) *to a small employer;*

(2) *to an employer who does not satisfy the definition of a small employer under subdivision 32; or*

(3) *to an individual purchasing an individual or conversion policy of health care coverage issued by a health carrier.*

Subd. 24. [INDEX RATE.] *"Index rate" means for each class of business as to a rating period for small employers with similar case characteristics, the arithmetic average of the applicable base premium rate and the corresponding highest premium rate.*

Subd. 25. [LATE ENTRANT.] *"Late entrant" means an eligible employee or dependent who is not enrolled in a small employer's health benefit plan. Late entrants may be subject to a preexisting condition limitation or exclusion from coverage for up to 18 months from the effective date of coverage of the late entrant. An otherwise eligible employee or dependent is not a late entrant if:*

(1) *the individual was covered by another group health plan at the time the individual was eligible to enroll in a health benefit plan, declined enrollment on that basis, and presents to a health carrier a certificate of termination of the coverage, provided that the individual maintains continuous coverage;*

(2) *the individual has lost coverage under another group health plan due to the expiration of benefits available under the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981 (COBRA), Public Law Number 99-272,*

as amended through December 31, 1990, and state continuation laws applicable to the employer or health carrier, provided that the individual maintains continuous coverage;

(3) the individual is a new spouse of an eligible employee, provided that enrollment is requested within 30 days of the date of marriage; or

(4) the individual is a new dependent child of an eligible employee, provided that enrollment is requested within 30 days of the date of birth or adoption.

Subd. 26. [MANDATED BENEFIT.] "Mandated benefit" means a health plan benefit required by state law to be included in a health plan offered or issued by a health carrier that requires the coverage of or the offer of coverage of specific diseases, conditions, treatments, or services or the direct reimbursement of services rendered by specific types of health care providers.

Subd. 27. [MCHA.] "MCHA" means the Minnesota comprehensive health association established under section 62E.10.

Subd. 28. [MEDICAL NECESSITY.] "Medical necessity" means the appropriate and necessary medical and hospital services eligible for payment under a health benefit plan as determined by a health carrier.

Subd. 29. [MEMBERS.] "Members" means the health carriers operating in the small employer market who are members of the association.

Subd. 30. [PREEXISTING CONDITION.] "Preexisting condition" means a condition manifesting in a manner that causes an ordinarily prudent person to seek medical advice, diagnosis, care, or treatment or for which medical advice, diagnosis, care, or treatment was recommended or received during the six months immediately preceding the effective date of coverage, or as to a pregnancy existing as of the effective date of coverage of a health benefit plan.

Subd. 31. [RATING PERIOD.] "Rating period" means the calendar period for which premium rates established by a health carrier are assumed to be in effect, as determined by the health carrier.

Subd. 32. [SMALL EMPLOYER.] "Small employer" means a person, firm, corporation, partnership, association, or other entity actively engaged in business who, on at least 50 percent of its working days during the preceding calendar year, employed no less than two nor more than 29 eligible employees. If a small employer has only two eligible employees, one employee must not be the spouse, child, sibling, parent, or grandparent of the other. Entities which are eligible to file a combined tax return for purposes of state tax laws are considered a single employer for purposes of determining the number of eligible employees. Small employer status must be determined on an annual basis as of the renewal date of the health benefit plan. The provisions of this chapter continue to apply to an employer who no longer meets the requirements of this definition until the annual renewal date of the employer's health benefit plan.

Subd. 33. [SMALL EMPLOYER MARKET.] "Small employer market" means the market for group health benefit plans for small employers. A health carrier is considered to be participating in the small employer market if the health carrier offers, sells, issues, or renews a health plan to a small employer or the eligible employees of a small employer offering a group health benefit plan.

Subd. 34. [SMALL EMPLOYER PLAN.] "Small employer plan" means a health benefit plan issued by a health carrier to a small employer for coverage of the medical and hospital benefits described in section 4.

Subd. 35. [TRANSITION PERIOD.] "Transition period" means January 1, 1993, through December 31, 1993.

Sec. 2. [62K.02] [PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS.]

Subdivision 1. [CARRIER PARTICIPATION.] Every health carrier shall, as a condition of authority to transact business in this state in the small employer market, offer, sell, issue, and renew a health benefit plan to small employers in accordance with this chapter. Beginning with the transition period, every health carrier participating in the small employer market shall make available a health benefit plan to small employers and shall fully comply with the underwriting and rate restrictions specified in this chapter. A health carrier may cease to transact business in the small employer market as provided under section 8.

Subd. 2. [EXCEPTION TO CARRIER PARTICIPATION.] A health carrier transacting business in the small employer market shall not be required to offer a health benefit plan to small employers under this chapter if the commissioner finds that the offer would place the health carrier in a financially impaired condition. A health carrier which does not offer a health benefit plan to small employers under this subdivision shall not offer a health benefit plan to small employers for 180 days following a determination by the commissioner that the health carrier has ceased to be in a financially impaired condition.

Subd. 3. [EMPLOYER PARTICIPATION.] Health carriers shall require that:

(1) 100 percent of a small employer's eligible employees who have not waived coverage participate in a health benefit plan offered, sold, issued, or renewed by the health carrier; and

(2) small employers contribute a minimum of 50 percent of the premium charged by the health carrier for coverage of an eligible employee.

Subd. 4. [UNDERWRITING RESTRICTIONS.] Health carriers may apply underwriting restrictions to coverage for health benefit plans for small employers, including any preexisting condition limitations, only as expressly permitted by this chapter. Except as authorized for late entrants, preexisting conditions may be excluded by a health carrier for a period not to exceed 12 months from the effective date of coverage of an eligible employee's or dependent's health benefit plan. When calculating a preexisting condition limitation, a health carrier shall credit the time period an eligible employee or dependent was previously covered by another health benefit plan, provided that the individual maintains continuous coverage. Late entrants may be subject to a preexisting condition limitation not to exceed 18 months from the effective date of coverage of the late entrant. Late entrants may also be excluded from coverage for a period not to exceed 18 months, provided that if a health carrier imposes an exclusion from coverage and a preexisting condition limitation, the combined time period for both the coverage exclusion and preexisting condition limitation shall not exceed 18 months.

Subd. 5. [CANCELLATIONS.] No health carrier shall cancel, decline to issue, or fail to renew a health benefit plan as a result of the claim experience or health status of the small employer group. A health carrier

may cancel, decline to issue, or fail to renew a health benefit plan:

(1) for nonpayment of the required premium or contributions toward premiums by the small employer or eligible employee;

(2) for fraud or misrepresentation by the small employer, eligible employee, or dependent with respect to their eligibility for coverage or any other material fact;

(3) if eligible employee participation during the preceding calendar year declines to less than 100 percent;

(4) for failure of an employer to comply with the health carrier's premium contribution requirements;

(5) if a health carrier ceases to do business in the small employer market as provided under section 8;

(6) for any other reasons or grounds expressly permitted by the respective licensing laws and regulations governing a health carrier, including but not limited to service area restrictions imposed on health maintenance organizations under section 62D.03, subdivision 4, paragraph (m), and insufficient provider network capacity, as determined by the commissioner, to the extent that these grounds are not expressly inconsistent with this chapter.

Subd. 6. [MCHA ENROLLEES.] Health carriers shall offer coverage to an eligible employee or dependent enrolled in MCHA at the time of the health carrier's issuance of a health benefit plan to a small employer. MCHA enrollees shall be enrolled in the small employer's health benefit plan as of the first date of renewal of a health benefit plan occurring after January 1, 1993, or, in the case of a new group, as of the initial effective date of the health benefit plan. Unless otherwise permitted by this chapter, health carriers shall not impose any underwriting restrictions, including any preexisting condition limitations on any eligible employee or dependent previously enrolled in MCHA and transferred to a health benefit plan so long as continuous coverage is maintained.

Sec. 3. [62K.03] [TRANSITION PERIOD.]

Subdivision 1. [APPLICABILITY OF CHAPTER REQUIREMENTS.] Beginning with the transition period, health carriers participating in the small employer market shall offer and make available a health benefit plan to small employers who satisfy the small employer participation requirements specified in section 2, subdivision 3, and shall comply with the underwriting, rating, and other requirements specified in sections 2 to 8. Compliance with these requirements is required as of the first renewal date of any small employer group occurring during the transition period. For new small employer business, compliance is required as of the first date of offering occurring during the transition period.

Subd. 2. [NEW CARRIERS.] A health carrier entering the small employer market after the transition period shall begin complying with the requirements of this chapter as of the first date of offering of a health benefit plan to a small employer. A health carrier entering the small employer market after the transition period is considered to be a member of the small employer reinsurance association as of the date of the health carrier's initial offer of a health benefit plan to a small employer.

Sec. 4. [62K.04] [SMALL EMPLOYER PLAN BENEFITS.]

Subdivision 1. [BENEFIT DESIGN.] The minimum benefits of a small

employer plan must be equal to 80 percent of the cost of health care services covered under the small employer plan, in excess of an annual deductible which may not exceed \$500 per individual and \$1,000 per family. Coinsurance and deductibles do not apply to prenatal services, as defined by section 62A.047, and medical services and supplies provided to children.

Out-of-pocket costs for covered services may not exceed \$3,000 per individual and \$6,000 per family per year. The annual maximum benefit is limited to \$75,000 per person. The maximum lifetime benefit shall not be less than \$500,000.

Subd. 2. [MINIMUM BENEFITS.] The medical services and supplies listed in this subdivision are the minimum benefits that must be covered by a small employer plan:

- (1) inpatient and outpatient hospital services;*
- (2) physician services for the diagnosis or treatment of illnesses, injuries, or conditions;*
- (3) diagnostic X-rays and laboratory tests;*
- (4) ground transportation provided by a licensed ambulance service to the nearest facility qualified to treat the condition;*
- (5) services of a home health agency if the services qualify as reimbursable services under Medicare and are directed by a physician;*
- (6) services of a private duty registered nurse if medically necessary, as determined by the health carrier;*
- (7) the rental or purchase, as appropriate, of durable medical equipment, other than eyeglasses and hearing aids;*
- (8) child health supervision services up to age 18, as defined in section 62A.047;*
- (9) maternity and prenatal care services as defined in section 62A.047;*
- (10) mental or nervous disorder consultation, diagnosis, and treatment services as defined in section 62A.152, subdivision 2, or sections 62D.102 and 62D.103 and the provision by a health maintenance organization of inpatient treatment for mental and emotional conditions of at least 30 days in each contract year;*
- (11) treatment of alcoholism, chemical dependency, or drug addiction as defined in section 62A.149 or 62D.103 and the provision by a health maintenance organization of treatment for alcohol and other chemical dependency in a licensed residential primary treatment program or hospital for up to the greater of 28 days or a number of days equivalent to 20 percent of the other inpatient hospital care coverage;*
- (12) treatment of emotionally handicapped children in a residential treatment facility as defined in section 62A.151;*
- (13) chiropractic services for the diagnosis or treatment of illnesses, injuries, or conditions within the chiropractic scope of practice as defined in section 148.01. Examination by, or referral from, a medical physician shall not be a condition of receipt of chiropractic care under this subdivision;*
- (14) drugs requiring a physician's prescription, subject to a \$5 copayment; and*

(15) services provided by a registered nurse as defined in section 62A.15, subdivision 3a.

Subd. 3. [ADDITIONAL BENEFITS.] Health carriers may offer small employers additional benefits not listed in this section.

Subd. 4. [BENEFIT EXCLUSIONS.] No medical, hospital, or other health care benefits, services, supplies, or articles not expressly specified in subdivision 2 are required to be included in a health benefit plan. Nothing in subdivision 2 restricts the right of a health carrier to restrict coverage to those services which are medically necessary. Health carriers may exclude a benefit, service, supply, or article not expressly specified in subdivision 2 from a health benefit plan.

Subd. 5. [CONTINUATION COVERAGE.] Health benefit plans must include only the continuation of coverage provisions required by the Consolidated Omnibus Reconciliation Act of 1981 (COBRA), Public Law Number 99-272, as amended through December 31, 1990.

Subd. 6. [DEPENDENT COVERAGE.] Other state law and rules applicable to health plan coverage of newborn infants, dependent children who do not reside with the eligible employee, handicapped children, and dependents and adopted children apply to a health benefit plan.

Subd. 7. [MEDICAL EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT.] Health carriers may reimburse or pay for medical services provided under a health benefit plan in accordance with the health carrier provider's contract requirements including but not limited to salaried arrangements, capitation, the payment of usual and customary charges, fee schedules, discounts from fee-for-service, per diems, diagnostic-related groups (DRGs), and other payment arrangements. Nothing in this chapter requires a health carrier to develop, implement, or change its provider contract requirements for a health benefit plan. Coinsurance, deductibles, out-of-pocket maximums, and maximum lifetime benefits must be calculated and determined in accordance with each health carrier's standard business practices.

Subd. 8. [PLAN DESIGN.] Notwithstanding any other law, regulation, or administrative interpretation to the contrary, health carriers may offer a health benefit plan through any provider arrangement, including but not limited to the use of open, closed, or limited provider networks. Health carriers shall use professionally recognized provider standards of practice when they are available, and may use utilization management practices otherwise permitted by law, including but not limited to second surgical opinions, prior authorization, concurrent and retrospective review, referral authorizations, case management and discharge planning. A health carrier may contract with groups of providers with respect to health care services or benefits, and may negotiate with providers regarding the level or method of reimbursement provided for services rendered under a health benefit plan.

Sec. 5. [62K.05] [DISCLOSURE OF UNDERWRITING RATING PRACTICES.]

When offering or renewing a health benefit plan, health carriers shall disclose in all solicitation and sales materials:

(1) the case characteristic factors used to determine initial and renewal rates, including demographics, claim experience, health status, benefit design, industry of the small employer, or duration of issue;

(2) the extent to which premium rates for a small employer are established

or adjusted based upon actual or expected variation in claim experience;

(3) provisions concerning the health carrier's right to change premium rates and the factors other than claim experience that affect changes in premium rates;

(4) a description of the class of business in which a small employer is or will be included, including the applicable grouping of plan;

(5) provisions relating to renewability of coverage; and

(6) the use and effect of any preexisting condition provisions, if permitted.

Sec. 6. [62K.06] [SMALL EMPLOYER REQUIREMENTS.]

Subdivision 1. [VERIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY.] Small employers purchasing a health benefit plan shall maintain information verifying the continuing eligibility of the employer, its employees, and their dependents, and shall provide the information to health carriers on a quarterly basis or as reasonably requested by the health carrier.

Subd. 2. [WAIVERS.] Small employers participating in a health benefit plan shall maintain written documentation of a waiver of coverage by an eligible employee or dependent and shall provide the documentation to the health carrier upon reasonable request.

Sec. 7. [62K.07] [RESTRICTIONS RELATING TO PREMIUM RATES.]

Subdivision 1. [RATE RESTRICTIONS.] Premium rates for all health benefit plans sold or issued to small employers are subject to the restrictions specified in subdivisions 2 to 4.

Subd. 2. [INDEX RATE.] Between classes of business, the index rate for a rating period for any class of business must not exceed the index rate for any other class of business by more than 20 percent, adjusted pro rata for periods less than one year.

Subd. 3. [PREMIUM VARIATIONS.] Within a class of business, the premium rates charged during a rating period to small employers with similar case characteristics for the same or similar coverage, or the rates which could be charged to the employers under the rating system for that class of business, are limited to the index rate, plus or minus 30 percent of the index rate, adjusted pro rata for rating periods of less than one year.

Subd. 4. [ANNUAL PREMIUM INCREASE.] The percentage increases in the premium rate charged to a small employer for a new rating period may not exceed the sum of the following:

(1) the percentage change in the index rate measured from the first day of the prior rating period to the first day of the new rating period;

(2) an adjustment, not to exceed 15 percent annually and adjusted pro rata for rating periods of less than one year, due to the claims experience, health status, or duration of issue of the eligible employees or dependents of the small employer as determined from the health carrier's rate manual for the class of business; and

(3) any adjustment due to change in coverage, demographic composition, or change in the case characteristics of the small employer as determined from the health carrier's rate manual for the class of business.

Subd. 5. [TABLE RATING.] The difference between the highest premium

rate for all rate tables and the lowest premium rate for all rate tables within a class of business for small employers with similar case characteristics is limited to the average premium rate for all rate tables, plus or minus 30 percent, adjusted pro rata for rating periods of less than one year.

Subd. 6. [INVOLUNTARY TRANSFERS PROHIBITED.] *A health carrier shall not involuntarily transfer a small employer into or out of a class of business. A health carrier shall not offer to transfer a small employer into or out of a class of business unless the offer is made to transfer all small employers in the class of business without regard to case characteristics, age, sex, claim experience, health status, industry of the employer, or duration of issue.*

Sec. 8. [62K.08] [CESSATION OF SMALL EMPLOYER BUSINESS.]

Subdivision 1. [NOTICE TO COMMISSIONER.] *A health carrier electing to cease doing business in the small employer market shall notify the commissioner 180 days prior to the effective date of the cessation. The cessation of business does not include the following activities:*

(1) the elimination of a class of business by a health carrier so long as other classes of business are maintained;

(2) the failure of a health carrier to offer or issue new business in the small employer market or continue an existing product line, provided that a health carrier does not terminate, cancel, or fail to renew its current small employer business or other product lines; and

(3) the inability of a health maintenance organization to offer or renew a health benefit plan because it has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the commissioner that it will not have the capacity within its service area to adequately deliver services to the enrollees of health benefit plans because of its obligations to existing large group contract holders and enrollees.

Subd. 2. [NOTICE TO EMPLOYERS.] *A health carrier electing to cease doing business in the small employer market shall provide 120 days' written notice to each small employer covered by a health benefit plan issued by the health carrier. A health carrier that ceases to write new business in the small employer market shall continue to be governed by this chapter with respect to continuing small employer business conducted by the carrier.*

Subd. 3. [REENTRY PROHIBITION.] *A health carrier that ceases to do business in the small employer market after the effective date of this chapter is prohibited from writing new business in the small employer market in this state for a period of five years from the date of notice to the commissioner. This subdivision applies to any health maintenance organization that ceases to do business in the small employer market in one service area with respect to that service area only.*

Sec. 9. [62K.09] [REINSURANCE ASSOCIATION.]

Subdivision 1. [NONPROFIT CORPORATION.] *The small employer reinsurance association is a nonprofit corporation.*

Subd. 2. [PURPOSE.] *The association is established to provide for the fair and equitable transfer of risk associated with participation by a health carrier in the small employer market to a private reinsurance pool created and maintained by the association. The participation by a health carrier in the reinsurance pool is voluntary.*

Subd. 3. [TASK FORCE.] *The commissioner shall establish a five-member*

task force to develop the rules of participation in and operating guidelines for the reinsurance pool. Each member of the task force must be representative of the member's respective share in the small employer market during the preceding year. One member must be representative of an insurance company licensed under chapter 60A to offer, sell, or issue a policy of accident or sickness insurance. One member must be representative of a nonprofit health service plan corporation regulated under chapter 62C. One member must be representative of a health maintenance organization regulated under chapter 62D.

Subd. 4. [APPOINTMENT.] The commissioner shall appoint the members of the task force no later than June 15, 1991.

Subd. 5. [REPORT.] The task force shall report to the appropriate committee chairs on their recommendations for operation of the reinsurance association no later than January 15, 1992. The report must include recommendations regarding the transfer of risk to the association, assessments, board composition, and operation of the association. The report must include recommendations regarding statutory changes necessary for implementation of the reinsurance association by January 1, 1993.

Sec. 10. [62K.10] [SUPERVISION BY COMMISSIONER.]

Subdivision 1. [REPORTS.] Health carriers doing business in the small employer market shall file by April 1 of each year an annual actuarial opinion with the commissioner certifying that the health carrier is in compliance with the underwriting and rating requirements of this chapter and that the rating methods used by the carrier are actuarially sound. A health carrier shall retain a copy of the opinion at its principal place of business.

Subd. 2. [RECORDS.] Health carriers doing business in the small employer market shall maintain at their principal place of business a complete and detailed description of their rating practices, including information and documentation which demonstrate that a health carrier's rating methods and practices are based upon commonly accepted actuarial assumptions and are in accordance with sound actuarial principles.

Subd. 3. [SUBMISSIONS TO COMMISSIONER.] The commissioner may request information and documentation from a health carrier describing its rating practices and renewal underwriting practices, including information and documentation that demonstrates that a health carrier's rating methods and practices are in accordance with sound actuarial principles. Information received by the commissioner under this subdivision is nonpublic data as provided under section 13.37.

Sec. 11. [62K.11] [PENALTIES AND ENFORCEMENT.]

The commissioner may suspend or revoke a health carrier's license or certificate of authority or impose a civil penalty not to exceed \$25,000 for each violation of this chapter. The action must be by order and subject to the notice, hearing, and appeal procedures specified in section 60A.051. The action of the commissioner is subject to judicial review as provided under chapter 14.

Sec. 12. [62K.12] [PROHIBITED PRACTICES.]

Subdivision 1. [PROHIBITION ON ISSUANCE OF INDIVIDUAL POLICIES.] Health carriers operating in the small employer market shall not offer, issue, or renew an individual policy, subscriber contract, or certificate to an eligible employee or dependent of a small employer who satisfies the

employer participation requirements specified in section 2, subdivision 3, except as permitted in subdivision 2.

Subd. 2. [EXCEPTIONS.] (a) Health carriers may sell, issue, or renew individual conversion policies to eligible employees and dependents otherwise eligible for conversion coverage under section 62D.104 as a result of leaving a health maintenance organization's service area.

(b) Health carriers may sell, issue, or renew individual conversion policies to eligible employees and dependents otherwise eligible for conversion coverage as a result of the expiration of any continuation of group coverage required under sections 62A.146, 62A.17, 62A.21, 62C.142, 62D.101, and 62D.105.

Subd. 3. [SALE OF OTHER PRODUCTS.] A health carrier shall not condition the offer, sale, issuance, or renewal of a health benefit plan on the purchase by a small employer of other insurance products offered by the health carrier or a subsidiary or affiliate of the health carrier, including but not limited to life, disability, property, and general liability insurance. This prohibition does not apply to insurance products offered as a supplement to a health maintenance organization plan to provide coverage to enrollees for health care services and supplies received from providers who are not employed by, under contract with, or otherwise affiliated with the health maintenance organization.

Sec. 13. [62K.13] [MANDATORY REVIEW OF MANDATED BENEFITS.]

Subdivision 1. [APPLICATION.] This section applies to amendments or revisions to the minimum benefits specified in section 4 and to newly enacted, amended, or revised benefits applicable to a health plan.

Subd. 2. [EVALUATION PROCESS.] A person, association, or organization seeking consideration of a legislative proposal that would mandate a new, revised, or amended minimum benefit or the offering of a new, revised, or amended minimum benefit by a health carrier in a health plan shall submit to the office of the legislative auditor a report which assesses the social and financial impact of the proposed benefit. The appropriate committee chairs shall also refer all legislative proposals for new health plan benefits or amendments to current health plan benefits to the auditor for review and evaluation.

Subd. 3. [EVALUATION CRITERIA.] Upon receipt of a legislative proposal, the auditor shall evaluate the social and financial impact of a proposed change, amendment, revision, or addition to a health plan using the following criteria, to the extent that reliable information is available:

(1) the extent to which the treatment or service is utilized by a significant portion of the population;

(2) the extent to which health plan coverage is currently generally available without a mandate;

(3) if coverage is not generally available, the extent to which lack of coverage results in persons being unable to obtain necessary health care;

(4) if coverage is not generally available, the extent to which lack of coverage results in unreasonable financial hardship;

(5) the level of public demand for the treatment or for health plan coverage of the treatment;

(6) *the extent to which health plan coverage would increase or decrease the cost of treatment or service;*

(7) *the extent to which health plan coverage may increase the use of the treatment or service;*

(8) *the extent to which the treatment or service may be a substitute or alternative for a more expensive treatment;*

(9) *the extent to which health plan coverage can reasonably be expected to increase or decrease premiums and the administrative expenses of health carriers; and*

(10) *the impact of the proposed mandate on the total cost of health care.*

The legislative auditor may request the appropriate committee chairs to prioritize the proposals referenced under this section to enable the legislative auditor to evaluate them in order of importance.

Subd. 4. [QUALIFIED EXPERTS.] The legislative auditor may contract with qualified experts in the disciplines of biostatistics, epidemiology, health economics, medicine, underwriting, actuarial science, and health sciences research to review the social and financial impact of proposed mandates. Qualified experts under contract to the auditor shall provide a written report of their analysis. The qualified experts shall evaluate the social and financial impact of the proposed mandate using the criteria stated in subdivision 3.

Subd. 5. [PUBLIC COMMENT.] The auditor shall publish in the State Register a description of the proposed change in mandated benefits and a notice soliciting public comment on the proposal. The auditor shall receive written public comments from interested persons for 30 days from the date of publication in the State Register. All data or comments submitted to the auditor are public data, unless the provider of the data requests that it be held as trade secret information and maintained as nonpublic data, as defined by section 13.02, subdivision 9. All public comments submitted to the auditor must, to the extent feasible, address the criteria stated in subdivision 3 and must be forwarded to any qualified experts retained by the auditor.

Subd. 6. [AUDITOR'S DUTIES.] The auditor shall review reports received from qualified experts and public comments. The auditor shall issue a recommendation in the form of a written report which incorporates the reports of qualified experts and public comments. The report must be issued no later than 120 days after the date of submission under subdivision 2. The auditor shall forward this recommendation to the appropriate committee chairs, the speaker of the house, and the majority leader of the senate.

Sec. 14. [APPROPRIATION.]

\$ is appropriated from the general fund to the office of the legislative auditor for purposes of carrying out the auditor's duties under this chapter.

Sec. 15. [EFFECTIVE DATES.]

Sections 1 and 9 are effective the day following final enactment. The remaining sections are effective January 1, 1993.

ARTICLE 2

Section 1. [HEALTH PLAN REGULATION.]

The commissioner of health and the commissioner of commerce shall develop a plan for the functional division of regulatory authority over health plans. This plan must be presented to the appropriate committee chairs by November 1, 1991. The plan must allow each commissioner to exercise independent authority to the greatest extent possible and must minimize jurisdictional overlaps. The plan must provide the commissioner of commerce with primary authority for regulating the financial integrity and corporate structure of health carriers and must provide the commissioner of health with primary authority for regulating health care delivery and health care quality. The functional division of regulatory authority by the departments must begin no later than April 1, 1992."

Delete the title and insert:

"A bill for an act relating to insurance; regulating the availability of health insurance to small employers; imposing certain restrictions on the underwriting and rating of small employer groups; establishing a reinsurance pool for small employer business; requiring a review of the social and financial impacts of proposed mandated benefits; requiring a plan for dividing regulatory authority over health plans between the departments of commerce and health; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law as Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62K."

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

Mr. Solon from the Committee on Commerce, to which was re-referred

S.F. No. 2: A bill for an act relating to health care; establishing the Minnesotans' health care plan to provide health coverage to uninsured and underinsured Minnesotans; requiring all Minnesotans to maintain health coverage; creating a department of health care access; requiring the new commissioner to set overall limits on health care spending and make recommendations regarding health care system reform; creating a technology and benefits advisory committee; creating a health care expenditures advisory committee; requiring an implementation plan and reports; creating a health care analysis unit; requiring data and research initiatives; establishing a rural health advisory committee; requiring joint rural health initiatives; restricting underwriting and premium rating practices; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 15.06, subdivision 1; and 43A.08, subdivision 1a; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 16B; and 62J; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 62E.51 to 62E.55.

Reports the same back with the recommendation that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 24, delete "CARE ACCESS AGENCY" and insert "DEPARTMENT DUTIES"

Pages 1 and 2, delete section 1

Pages 2 and 3, delete section 3 and insert:

"Sec. 2. [62A.301] [UNIFORM POLICY FORMS.]

The commissioner shall adopt rules prescribing uniform policy forms for all policies of accident and health insurance, health maintenance contracts regulated under chapter 62D, health benefit certificates offered through a fraternal beneficiary association regulated under chapter 64B, and group subscriber contracts offered by nonprofit health service plan corporations regulated under chapter 62C in order to give the insurance purchaser a reasonable opportunity to compare the cost of insuring with various insurers. This section does not apply to policies designed primarily to provide coverage payable on a per diem, fixed indemnity or nonexpense incurred basis, or policies that provide only accident coverage."

Page 3, line 28, delete "health care"

Page 3, line 29, delete "access," and delete the second comma

Page 4, delete lines 2 to 10 and insert:

"Subd. 5. [COMMISSIONER.] "Commissioner" means the commissioner of health.

Subd. 6. [DEPARTMENT.] "Department" means the department of health."

Page 4, line 33, after "practice" insert ", including but not limited to: medical doctors, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, certified nurse midwives, chiropractors, podiatrists, physical therapists, occupational therapists, speech therapists, and audiologists"

Page 6, line 1, delete "care access"

Page 6, line 9, delete "BUREAU OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS" and insert "HEALTH CARE PLAN DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION"

Page 6, line 10, delete "bureau of health care access"

Page 6, line 11, delete "in the" and delete "of human services" and delete "initial"

Page 6, line 13, delete "to the commissioner of health" and insert "under this chapter."

Page 6, delete lines 14 to 19

Page 6, line 20, delete "access." and delete "of human services"

Page 6, line 24, delete "bureau" and insert "department"

Page 6, lines 27 and 29, delete "of human services"

Page 6, line 28, after "department" insert "specified under this chapter"

Page 6, delete lines 32 to 36

Page 7, delete lines 1 to 8 and insert:

"Sec. 5. [62J.05] [HEALTH CARE PLAN ADMINISTRATION.]

Subdivision 1. [GENERAL POWERS AND DUTIES.] The commissioner shall:"

Page 8, line 22, delete "3" and insert "2"

Page 8, line 26, delete "4" and insert "3"

Page 8, line 29, delete "5" and insert "4"

Page 9, line 8, delete "of health care access"

Page 9, line 13, delete "6" and insert "5"

Page 9, lines 18 and 19, delete "*health care access*" and insert "*commerce*"

Page 9, lines 30 and 31, delete "*of health care access*"

Page 10, line 34, delete "*of health care access*"

Page 11, lines 8 and 9, delete "*of health care access*"

Page 11, line 11, delete "IMPLEMENTATION" and insert "PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT"

Page 11, line 12, delete "NEW PROGRAM PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT" and insert "REQUIRED ACTIVITIES"

Page 12, lines 18 and 25, delete "*of health care access*"

Page 12, line 26, delete "*commissioners*" and insert "*commissioner*" and delete "*and health*"

Page 13, lines 15, 26, and 34, delete "*of health care access*"

Page 13, line 27, delete "*commissioners*" and insert "*commissioner*" and delete "*and health*"

Page 14, line 12, delete "*care access*"

Page 15, line 2, delete "6" and insert "5" and delete "2" and insert "1"

Page 15, lines 4 and 14, delete "*of health care access*"

Page 15, line 23, delete "*care access*"

Page 15, line 24, delete "*health,*"

Page 16, line 14, delete "*of health care access*"

Page 16, line 22, delete "HUMAN SERVICES" and insert "HEALTH; ADMINISTRATION"

Page 16, line 23, delete "*human services*" and insert "*health*"

Page 16, line 24, delete "10" and insert "9"

Page 16, delete lines 26 to 29

Page 16, line 30, delete "3" and insert "2"

Page 16, line 32, delete "9" and insert "8" and delete "10" and insert "9"

Page 16, line 34, delete "4" and insert "3"

Page 16, line 36, delete "9" and insert "8"

Page 17, line 2, delete "*Subdivision 1. [CHEPP.]*"

Page 17, delete lines 5 to 18 and insert:

"Sec. 12. [EFFECTIVE DATE.]

Section 1 is effective July 1, 1992, and applies to contracts entered into or renewed, or goods or services provided, after that date. Sections 4 and 7 are effective July 1, 1991. Section 6 is effective January 1, 1992."

Renumber the sections of article 1 in sequence

Page 17, line 33, delete “*of health care access*”

Page 19, line 17, delete “*of health care access*”

Page 20, after line 11, insert:

“Subd. 7. [ASSET LIMITATIONS AND TRANSFER PROHIBITIONS.] The commissioner shall adopt by rule asset limitations and transfer prohibitions to be applied in determining an individual’s or family’s eligibility for a subsidy.”

Page 20, line 35, delete “2” and insert “1”

Page 22, line 12, after the period, insert *“The commissioner may solicit bids and contract separately for dental care services, which may be provided by the same health plan that provides other services. Health plans may bid and contract to provide only dental care services or to provide only non-dental services.”*

Page 23, line 13, after the period, insert *“Nothing in this section is intended to limit access to chiropractic care under article 3, section 3, subdivision 2, subject to reasonable managed care protocols and criteria for determining appropriate use of chiropractic care.”*

Page 30, line 29, after the period, insert *“The commissioner shall collect premiums from state residents for the amount that would have been required to be paid for the period of time during which the enrollee had failed to maintain sufficient health care coverage.”*

Page 31, line 12, delete “*of health care access*”

Page 32, line 3, after “PRIMARY” insert “MEDICAL” and after the semicolon, insert “CHIROPRACTIC CARE;”

Page 32, line 5, after “PRIMARY” insert “MEDICAL”

Page 32, after line 15, insert:

“Subd. 2. [CHIROPRACTIC CARE.] The intermediate benefit set covers care provided by doctors of chiropractic. The total number of visits provided by doctors of chiropractic and health professionals is subject to the visit limits in section 4, subdivision 1.”

Renumber the subdivisions in sequence

Page 33, line 13, after “professionals” insert *“, including but not limited to: medical doctors, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, certified nurse midwives, chiropractors, podiatrists, physical therapists, occupational therapists, speech therapists, and audiologists”*

Page 40, line 11, delete “7” and insert “6”

Page 40, after line 28, insert:

“Subd. 3. [DENTAL AND OTHER LIMITED COVERAGE.] Health plan companies providing dental coverage only may sell the dental care component of the intermediate benefit set and of the universal basic benefit set without being required to offer the non-dental components of the benefit sets.”

Page 41, lines 16 and 17, delete “*of health care access*”

Page 42, line 15, delete “*of health care access*”

Page 46, line 24, delete “*human services*” and insert “*health*”

Page 46, line 34, delete "*of health care*"

Page 46, line 35, delete "*access will*" and insert "*shall*"

Page 47, line 5, delete "*of health care access*"

Page 47, line 21, after "*commissioner*" insert "*of health*"

Page 47, line 25, delete "*care access*"

Page 47, line 26, delete "*health*" and insert "*commerce*"

Page 47, lines 33 and 34, delete "*health care access*" and insert "*commerce*"

Page 49, line 14, delete "(a)"

Page 49, delete lines 17 to 22

Page 52, line 23, delete "*of health care access*"

Page 53, lines 7 and 21, delete "*of health care access*"

Page 56, lines 2 and 9, delete "*of health care access*"

Page 56, line 12, after the period, insert "*Health plan companies providing only dental care must be charged reinsurance premiums that reflect the expected cost to the reinsurance pool attributable to that category of limited coverage.*"

Page 56, line 21, delete "CARE ACCESS" and insert "; BIASED SELECTION ADJUSTMENT AND REINSURANCE POOL"

Page 56, line 23, delete "*care access*"

Amend the title as follows:

Page 1, lines 5 and 6, delete "creating a department of health care access;"

Page 1, line 6, delete "new"

Page 1, line 7, after "*commissioner*" insert "*of health*"

Page 1, line 17, delete everything after the semicolon

Page 1, delete line 18

Page 1, line 19, delete "1a;"

Page 1, line 20, after "16B;" insert "62A;"

And when so amended the bill do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

Mr. Moe, R.D. from the Committee on Rules and Administration, to which was referred

H.F. No. 661 for comparison with companion Senate File, reports the following House File was found not identical with companion Senate File as follows:

GENERAL ORDERS

H.F. No. S.F. No.

661

CONSENT CALENDAR

H.F. No. S.F. No.

761

CALENDAR

H.F. No. S.F. No.

Pursuant to Rule 49, the Committee on Rules and Administration recommends that H.F. No. 661 be amended as follows:

Delete all the language after the enacting clause of H.F. No. 661, the first engrossment and insert the language after the enacting clause of S.F. No. 761; further, delete the title of H.F. No. 661, the first engrossment and insert the title of S.F. No. 761.

And when so amended H.F. No. 661 will be identical to S.F. No. 761, and further recommends that H.F. No. 661 be given its second reading and substituted for S.F. No. 761, and that the Senate File be indefinitely postponed.

Pursuant to Rule 49, this report was prepared and submitted by the Secretary of the Senate on behalf of the Committee on Rules and Administration. Amendments adopted. Report adopted.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS

S.F. Nos. 515 and 732 were read the second time.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS

H.F. No. 661 was read the second time.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Finn moved that the name of Mr. Stumpf be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 121. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Lessard moved that the name of Mr. Moe, R.D. be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 561. The motion prevailed.

Mr. McGowan moved that the name of Mr. Renneke be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 671. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Day moved that his name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 685. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Marty moved that his name be stricken as a co-author to S.F. No. 770. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Frank moved that the name of Mr. Marty be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 956. The motion prevailed.

Ms. Berglin moved that the name of Mr. Marty be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 957. The motion prevailed.

Ms. Pappas moved that the name of Mr. McGowan be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 979. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Price moved that the name of Mr. Morse be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1042. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Mehrkens moved that the names of Messrs. Morse, Sams and Davis be added as co-authors to S.F. No. 1050. The motion prevailed.

Ms. Pappas moved that the name of Mr. Spear be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1086. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Larson introduced—

Senate Resolution No. 43: A Senate resolution honoring Bertha M. Anderson, Fergus Falls, Minnesota, Department of Minnesota President of the Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Ms. Berglin moved that her name be stricken as chief author, shown as a co-author and the name of Mr. Hottinger be added as chief author to S.F. No. 198. The motion prevailed.

CALENDAR

H.F. No. 82: A bill for an act relating to public contracts; modifying the criteria for businesses and firms required to file affirmative action plans; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 363.073, subdivision 1; and 473.144.

Was read the third time and placed on its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 63 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Adkins	Day	Johnson, J.B.	Metzen	Renneke
Beckman	DeCramer	Johnston	Moe, R.D.	Riveness
Belanger	Dicklich	Kelly	Mondale	Sams
Benson, D.D.	Finn	Kroening	Morse	Samuelson
Berg	Flynn	Laidig	Neuville	Solon
Berglin	Frank	Langseth	Novak	Spear
Bernhagen	Frederickson, D.J.	Larson	Olson	Storm
Bertram	Frederickson, D.R.	Lessard	Pariseau	Stumpf
Brataas	Gustafson	Luther	Piper	Traub
Chmielewski	Hottinger	Marty	Pogemiller	Vickerman
Cohen	Hughes	McGowan	Price	Waldorf
Dahl	Johnson, D.E.	Mehrkins	Ranum	
Davis	Johnson, D.J.	Merriam	Reichgott	

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

H.F. No. 373: A bill for an act relating to commerce; removing a real estate licensing prohibition; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 82.20, subdivision 4.

Was read the third time and placed on its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 63 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Adkins	Day	Johnson, J.B.	Metzen	Renneke
Beckman	DeCramer	Johnston	Moe, R.D.	Riveness
Belanger	Dicklich	Kelly	Mondale	Sams
Benson, D.D.	Finn	Kroening	Morse	Samuelson
Berg	Flynn	Laidig	Neuville	Solon
Berglin	Frank	Langseth	Novak	Spear
Bernhagen	Frederickson, D.J.	Larson	Olson	Storm
Bertram	Frederickson, D.R.	Lessard	Pariseau	Stumpf
Brataas	Gustafson	Luther	Piper	Traub
Chmielewski	Hottinger	Marty	Pogemiller	Vickerman
Cohen	Hughes	McGowan	Price	Waldorf
Dahl	Johnson, D.E.	Mehrkins	Ranum	
Davis	Johnson, D.J.	Merriam	Reichgott	

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

S.F. No. 567: A bill for an act relating to retirement; authorizing appointed public officers to purchase public employees retirement association service credit for previous service as an elected official; amending Laws 1990, chapter 570, article 8, section 14, subdivision 1.

Was read the third time and placed on its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 61 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Adkins	Day	Johnson, J.B.	Moe, R.D.	Sams
Beckman	DeCramer	Johnston	Mondale	Samuelson
Belanger	Dicklich	Kelly	Morse	Solon
Benson, D.D.	Finn	Kroening	Neuville	Spear
Berg	Flynn	Laidig	Novak	Storm
Berglin	Frank	Langseth	Olson	Stumpf
Bernhagen	Frederickson, D.J.	Larson	Piper	Traub
Bertram	Frederickson, D.R.	Lessard	Pogemiller	Vickerman
Brataas	Gustafson	Luther	Price	Waldorf
Chmielewski	Hottinger	Marty	Ranum	
Cohen	Hughes	McGowan	Reichgott	
Dahl	Johnson, D.E.	Mehrkens	Renneke	
Davis	Johnson, D.J.	Metzen	Riveness	

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

S.F. No. 252: A bill for an act relating to housing; authorizing a multi-county housing and redevelopment authority to appoint additional commissioners; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 469.006, subdivision 2.

Was read the third time and placed on its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 61 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Adkins	Day	Johnston	Mondale	Sams
Beckman	DeCramer	Kelly	Morse	Samuelson
Belanger	Dicklich	Kroening	Neuville	Solon
Benson, D.D.	Finn	Laidig	Novak	Spear
Berg	Flynn	Larson	Olson	Storm
Berglin	Frank	Lessard	Pariseau	Stumpf
Bernhagen	Frederickson, D.J.	Luther	Piper	Traub
Bertram	Frederickson, D.R.	Marty	Pogemiller	Vickerman
Brataas	Hottinger	McGowan	Price	Waldorf
Chmielewski	Hughes	Mehrkens	Ranum	
Cohen	Johnson, D.E.	Merriam	Reichgott	
Dahl	Johnson, D.J.	Metzen	Renneke	
Davis	Johnson, J.B.	Moe, R.D.	Riveness	

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

S.F. No. 437: A bill for an act relating to agriculture; changing the shade tree disease and wood use programs; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 18.023, subdivisions 10a and 11; and 18.024, subdivision 1.

Was read the third time and placed on its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 64 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Adkins	Day	Johnson, J.B.	Merriam	Reichgott
Beckman	DeCramer	Johnston	Metzen	Renneke
Belanger	Dicklich	Kelly	Moe, R.D.	Riveness
Benson, D.D.	Finn	Knaak	Mondale	Sams
Berg	Flynn	Kroening	Morse	Samuelson
Berglin	Frank	Laidig	Neuville	Solon
Bernhagen	Frederickson, D.J.	Langseth	Novak	Spear
Bertram	Frederickson, D.R.	Larson	Olson	Storm
Brataas	Gustafson	Lessard	Pariseau	Stumpf
Chmielewski	Hottinger	Luther	Piper	Traub
Cohen	Hughes	Marty	Pogemiller	Vickerman
Dahl	Johnson, D.E.	McGowan	Price	Waldorf
Davis	Johnson, D.J.	Mehrkins	Ranum	

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

S.F. No. 187: A bill for an act relating to mental health; authorizing competent persons to make advance declarations regarding mental health treatment; requiring certain notices to be given to the designated agency; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 253B.03; 253B.18, subdivisions 4b and 5; and 253B.19, subdivision 2.

Was read the third time and placed on its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 63 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Adkins	Day	Johnson, J.B.	Merriam	Reichgott
Beckman	DeCramer	Johnston	Metzen	Renneke
Belanger	Dicklich	Kelly	Moe, R.D.	Riveness
Benson, D.D.	Finn	Knaak	Mondale	Sams
Berg	Flynn	Kroening	Morse	Samuelson
Berglin	Frank	Laidig	Neuville	Solon
Bernhagen	Frederickson, D.J.	Langseth	Novak	Spear
Bertram	Frederickson, D.R.	Larson	Olson	Storm
Brataas	Gustafson	Lessard	Pariseau	Stumpf
Chmielewski	Hottinger	Luther	Piper	Traub
Cohen	Hughes	Marty	Pogemiller	Vickerman
Dahl	Johnson, D.E.	McGowan	Price	
Davis	Johnson, D.J.	Mehrkins	Ranum	

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

S.F. No. 154: A bill for an act relating to manufactured home parks; providing for notice and right to purchase for conversion or the closing of a park under certain circumstances; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 327C.095, subdivision 1, and by adding subdivisions; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 327C.

Was read the third time and placed on its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 60 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Adkins	Day	Johnson, D.J.	Merriam	Ranum
Beckman	DeCramer	Johnson, J.B.	Metzen	Renneke
Belanger	Dicklich	Johnston	Moe, R. D.	Riveness
Benson, D.D.	Finn	Kelly	Mondale	Sams
Berg	Flynn	Knaak	Morse	Samuelson
Berglin	Frank	Laidig	Neuville	Solon
Bernhagen	Frederickson, D.J.	Langseth	Novak	Spear
Bertram	Frederickson, D.R.	Larson	Olson	Storm
Chmielewski	Gustafson	Luther	Pariseau	Stumpf
Cohen	Hottinger	Marty	Piper	Traub
Dahl	Hughes	McGowan	Pogemiller	Vickerman
Davis	Johnson, D.E.	Mehrkins	Price	Waldorf

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

S.F. No. 561: A bill for an act relating to natural resources; authorizing certain minors to harvest wild rice without a license; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 84.091, subdivision 2.

Was read the third time and placed on its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 61 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Beckman	DeCramer	Johnston	Metzen	Sams
Belanger	Dicklich	Kelly	Moe, R. D.	Samuelson
Benson, D.D.	Finn	Knaak	Mondale	Solon
Berg	Flynn	Kroening	Morse	Spear
Berglin	Frank	Laidig	Neuville	Storm
Bernhagen	Frederickson, D.J.	Langseth	Olson	Stumpf
Bertram	Frederickson, D.R.	Larson	Piper	Vickerman
Brataas	Gustafson	Lessard	Pogemiller	Waldorf
Chmielewski	Hottinger	Luther	Price	
Cohen	Hughes	Marty	Ranum	
Dahl	Johnson, D.E.	McGowan	Reichgott	
Davis	Johnson, D.J.	Mehrkins	Renneke	
Day	Johnson, J.B.	Merriam	Riveness	

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

S.F. No. 638: A bill for an act relating to elections; providing directions for the preparation of ballot instructions; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 204B.36, subdivision 2.

Was read the third time and placed on its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 64 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Adkins	Day	Johnson, J.B.	Merriam	Reichgott
Beckman	DeCramer	Johnston	Metzen	Renneke
Belanger	Dicklich	Kelly	Moe, R. D.	Riveness
Benson, D.D.	Finn	Knaak	Mondale	Sams
Berg	Flynn	Kroening	Morse	Samuelson
Berglin	Frank	Laidig	Neuville	Solon
Bernhagen	Frederickson, D.J.	Langseth	Novak	Spear
Bertram	Frederickson, D.R.	Larson	Olson	Storm
Brataas	Gustafson	Lessard	Pariseau	Stumpf
Chmielewski	Hottinger	Luther	Piper	Traub
Cohen	Hughes	Marty	Pogemiller	Vickerman
Dahl	Johnson, D.E.	McGowan	Price	Waldorf
Davis	Johnson, D.J.	Mehrkins	Ranum	

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

S.F. No. 636: A bill for an act relating to local government; enlarging authority to participate in certain federal loan programs; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 465.73.

Was read the third time and placed on its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the bill.

The roll was called, and there were yeas 62 and nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Adkins	DeCramer	Johnston	Moe, R.D.	Riveness
Beckman	Dicklich	Kelly	Mondale	Sams
Belanger	Finn	Knaak	Morse	Samuelson
Benson, D.D.	Flynn	Kroening	Neuville	Solon
Berg	Frank	Laidig	Novak	Spear
Berglin	Frederickson, D.J.	Langseth	Olson	Storm
Bernhagen	Frederickson, D.R.	Larson	Pariseau	Stumpf
Bertram	Gustafson	Lessard	Piper	Traub
Chmielewski	Hottinger	Luther	Pogemiller	Vickerman
Cohen	Hughes	Marty	Price	Waldorf
Dahl	Johnson, D.E.	McGowan	Ranum	
Davis	Johnson, D.J.	Mehrkens	Reichgott	
Day	Johnson, J.B.	Metzen	Renneke	

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

GENERAL ORDERS

The Senate resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, with Mr. Hughes in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee arose, and Mr. Hughes reported that the committee had considered the following:

S.F. No. 539, which the committee recommends to pass.

H.F. No. 646, which the committee recommends to pass, subject to the following motion:

Mr. Solon moved that the amendment made to H.F. No. 646 by the Committee on Rules and Administration in the report adopted March 27, 1991, pursuant to Rule 49, be stricken. The motion prevailed. So the amendment was stricken.

On motion of Mr. Moe, R.D., the report of the Committee of the Whole, as kept by the Secretary, was adopted.

Without objection, the Senate reverted to the Order of Business of Motions and Resolutions.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

RECESS

Mr. Moe, R.D. moved that the Senate do now recess subject to the call of the President. The motion prevailed.

After a brief recess, the President called the Senate to order.

APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Moe, R.D. from the Subcommittee on Committees recommends that the following Senators be and they hereby are appointed as a Conference Committee on:

H.F. No. 196: Mr. Bertram, Ms. Johnson, J.B. and Mr. Laidig.

Mr. Moe, R.D. moved that the foregoing appointments be approved. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Cohen moved that S.F. No. 28 be withdrawn from the Committee on Elections and Ethics and re-referred to the Committee on Redistricting. The motion prevailed.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

The following bills were read the first time and referred to the committees indicated.

Mr. Dahl introduced—

S.F. No. 1091: A bill for an act relating to waste; extending the date for incinerator ash to be considered special waste; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 115A.97, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Mrs. Adkins, Mr. Frederickson, D.J. and Ms. Flynn introduced—

S.F. No. 1092: A bill for an act relating to human services; requiring notice of changes in documentation requirements; increasing the other operating cost limit; adjusting the efficiency incentive; modifying the appeal process; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 256B.431, subdivision 1, and by adding a subdivision; and 256B.50, subdivision 1d.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Ms. Johnson, J.B. introduced—

S.F. No. 1093: A bill for an act relating to education; changing the definition of a student's attendance area for purposes of authorizing state transportation aid; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 124.223, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Messrs. Kelly and Finn introduced—

S.F. No. 1094: A bill for an act relating to corrections; providing for reimbursement for certain sentences; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 401.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Messrs. McGowan and Johnson, D.J. introduced—

S.F. No. 1095: A bill for an act relating to taxation; excluding medical expense deductions from alternative minimum taxable income; amending

Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 290.091, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes and Tax Laws.

Messrs. Finn, Solon, Samuelson and Dicklich introduced—

S.F. No. 1096: A bill for an act relating to commerce; restraint of trade; prohibiting the charging of unconscionable prices for motor fuel; providing for investigations, enforcement, and remedies; establishing a volunteer corps to aid in enforcement; imposing a penalty; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 325D.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Messrs. Dahl and Benson, D.D. introduced—

S.F. No. 1097: A bill for an act relating to taxation; property; extending the open space property tax benefits to equestrian property owned by certain organizations; providing for agricultural classification of certain property; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 273.112, subdivision 3; and 273.13, subdivision 23.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes and Tax Laws.

Mr. Chmielewski introduced—

S.F. No. 1098: A bill for an act relating to taxation; property; providing a special levy for libraries; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 275.50, subdivision 5.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes and Tax Laws.

Messrs. Beckman, Knaak, Solon, Ms. Piper and Mr. McGowan introduced—

S.F. No. 1099: A bill for an act relating to insurance; regulating claim denial; requiring chemical dependency claim reviewers to meet certain qualifications; requiring insurers to file an annual report on evaluations with the commissioner of commerce; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 72A.201, subdivision 8.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mses. Pappas, Piper and Mr. Spear introduced—

S.F. No. 1100: A bill for an act relating to occupations and professions; creating a board of massage therapy; providing rulemaking authority; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 214.01, subdivision 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 148.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Messrs. Beckman, Gustafson and Dicklich introduced—

S.F. No. 1101: A bill for an act relating to utilities; authorizing the public utilities commission to allow recovery of utility operating expenses associated with certain economic or community development activities; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 216B.02, by adding a subdivision; and 216B.16, subdivision 8, and by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Energy and Public Utilities.

Messrs. Johnson, D.E.; Chmielewski; Johnson, D.J.; Benson, D.D. and Riveness introduced—

S.F. No. 1102: A bill for an act relating to state parks; authorizing land acquisition within certain state parks; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Messrs. Metzen, Morse and Moe, R.D. introduced—

S.F. No. 1103: A bill for an act relating to economic development; appropriating money for grants to small businesses between phases of the federal Small Business Innovation Research Program.

Referred to the Committee on Economic Development and Housing.

Mr. Solon introduced—

S.F. No. 1104: A bill for an act relating to taxation; exempting certain printed materials from the sales tax; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 297A.25, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes and Tax Laws.

Mr. Solon introduced—

S.F. No. 1105: A bill for an act relating to taxation; exempting certain capital equipment used in the printing industry from the sales and use tax; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 297A.25, subdivision 10, and by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes and Tax Laws.

Mr. McGowan introduced—

S.F. No. 1106: A bill for an act relating to health; asbestos abatement; clarifying standards and licensing requirements for asbestos abatement; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 326.71, subdivisions 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, and by adding subdivisions; 326.72; 326.73; 326.74; 326.75, subdivisions 1, 2, and 3; 326.76; 326.78; 326.79; 326.80; and 326.81; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 326; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 326.71, subdivision 7; and 326.75, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Ms. Johnson, J.B.; Messrs. Dicklich, DeCramer, Beckman and Ms. Reichgott introduced—

S.F. No. 1107: A bill for an act relating to education; authorizing pilot outcome-based schools authorized by school boards.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Messrs. Morse, Gustafson, Mehrkens and Solon introduced—

S.F. No. 1108: A bill for an act relating to occupations and professions; providing for the licensing of maintenance plumbers for hospitals and nursing

homes; providing for rulemaking; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 326.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Messrs. Morse, Solon, Hottinger and Mrs. Benson, J.E. introduced—

S.F. No. 1109: A bill for an act relating to commerce; requiring additional license for motor vehicle lessor, wholesaler, or auctioneer when establishing additional place of doing business in a second class city outside of the metropolitan area; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 168.27, subdivision 10.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Messrs. Moe, R.D.; Stumpf; Finn and Lessard introduced—

S.F. No. 1110: A bill for an act relating to agriculture; abolishing refund of checkoff fee paid by paddy wild rice producers; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 17.63.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development.

Messrs. Dicklich, Knaak and Pogemiller introduced—

S.F. No. 1111: A bill for an act relating to education; permitting school district employees to be reimbursed for the costs of defending against criminal charges; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 123.35, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Ms. Johnson, J.B.; Messrs. DeCramer; Moe, R.D.; Marty and Johnson, D.J. introduced—

S.F. No. 1112: A bill for an act relating to energy; providing incentives for renewable energy sources of utility power; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 216B.03; 216B.164, subdivision 3; and 272.02, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Energy and Public Utilities.

Mr. Stumpf introduced—

S.F. No. 1113: A bill for an act relating to taxation; restoring a payment of certain homestead and agricultural credit aid to the Red Lake watershed district; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Ms. Olson introduced—

S.F. No. 1114: A bill for an act relating to taxation; providing for distribution of penalties and interest on property taxes payable to a tax increment financing district; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 276.131.

Referred to the Committee on Economic Development and Housing.

Messrs. Mehrkens, McGowan, Langseth, Beckman and Vickerman introduced—

S.F. No. 1115: A bill for an act relating to drug enforcement; authorizing an additional levy by counties for drug abuse resistance education; authorizing reimbursement of local government units and county law enforcement agencies who assign peace officers to teach drug abuse resistance education in schools; requiring certification of peace officers who teach drug abuse resistance education curricula in schools; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 299A.33, subdivision 3; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 299A.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Messrs. Vickerman and DeCramer introduced—

S.F. No. 1116: A bill for an act relating to counties; permitting counties to spend money for broadcast facilities; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 375.164.

Referred to the Committee on Local Government.

Mr. Luther and Ms. Pappas introduced—

S.F. No. 1117: A bill for an act relating to insurance; accident and health; establishing minimum loss ratios for certain noncomprehensive policies; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62A.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. Luther introduced—

S.F. No. 1118: A bill for an act relating to commerce; franchises; regulating assignments, transfers, and sales; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 80C.14, subdivision 5.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Ms. Ranum, Messrs. Solon, Merriam and Luther introduced—

S.F. No. 1119: A bill for an act relating to insurance; the Minnesota comprehensive health insurance plan; regulating meetings and experimental delivery and managed care delivery methods; authorizing preferred provider networks; classifying PPO agreement data; regulating access; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 62E.10, subdivisions 4 and 9; 62E.12; 62E.13, by adding a subdivision; and 62E.14, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62E.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. Finn, Ms. Reichgott, Messrs. Neuville, Cohen and Luther introduced—

S.F. No. 1120: A bill for an act relating to the secretary of state; changing certain fees, deadlines, and procedures; providing for supplemental filing and information services; providing for removal of documents from the public record; clarifying certain language; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 5.03; 5.16, subdivision 5; 302A.821, subdivisions 3, 4, and

5; 303.07, subdivision 2; 303.08; 303.13, subdivision 1; 303.17, subdivision 1; 308A.131, subdivision 1; 308A.801, subdivision 6; 317A.821, subdivision 2; 317A.823; 317A.827, subdivision 1; and 331A.02, subdivision 1; Laws 1989, chapter 236, section 12; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 5.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Messrs. Novak, Price, Chmielewski, Knaak and Ms. Traub introduced—

S.F. No. 1121: A bill for an act relating to taxation; reducing the property tax class rate applied to certain homesteads; conforming income tax provisions with changes in federal income tax laws; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 273.13, subdivision 22; 290.01, subdivisions 19 and 19a; 290.067, subdivision 1; and 290.92, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes and Tax Laws.

Mrs. Benson, J.E.; Messrs. Day, Neuville, Mrs. Adkins and Mr. Hottinger introduced—

S.F. No. 1122: A bill for an act relating to local government; permitting public officers to rent space in public facilities; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 471.88, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Local Government.

Mr. Cohen, Ms. Pappas, Messrs. Knaak, Price and Kelly introduced—

S.F. No. 1123: A bill for an act relating to transportation; authorizing the commissioner of transportation to construct light rail transit; abolishing the authority of metropolitan regional rail authorities to levy a property tax for light rail transit; imposing a one-half of one percent sales tax in the metropolitan counties; requiring plans; establishing a demonstration light rail transit facility in the central corridor; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 297A.02, by adding a subdivision; 297A.44, subdivision 1; 398A.04, by adding a subdivision; 473.399, by adding a subdivision; 473.3993, subdivisions 2, 3, and by adding a subdivision; 473.3994; 473.3996; and 473.4051; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 174 and 473; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 473.3994, subdivision 6; and Laws 1989, chapter 339, section 21.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Messrs. Mondale, Laidig, Cohen, Ms. Flynn and Mr. Frank introduced—

S.F. No. 1124: A bill for an act relating to metropolitan government; providing for an advisory task force on metropolitan planning and development; directing the metropolitan council to conduct a study.

Referred to the Committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Messrs. Novak, Luther, Dahl, Metzen and Kelly introduced—

S.F. No. 1125: A bill for an act relating to taxation; property; modifying certain definitions in the fiscal disparities program; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 473F.02, subdivisions 12 and 13.

Referred to the Committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Ms. Johnson, J.B. and Mr. Waldorf introduced—

S.F. No. 1126: A bill for an act relating to local government; providing procedures for storm sewer improvements; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 444.18, by adding a subdivision; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 444.18, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Local Government.

Mr. Vickerman introduced—

S.F. No. 1127: A bill for an act relating to human services; exempting intermediate care facilities for persons with mental retardation or related conditions from certain additional state human services rules.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Messrs. Luther, Cohen, Solon, Spear and Hottinger introduced—

S.F. No. 1128: A bill for an act relating to insurance; providing for replacement cost insurance coverage for personal property; prohibiting insurers from requiring more than one residential renter's insurance policy be written to cover a single household; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 65A.10; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 65A.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. Lessard introduced—

S.F. No. 1129: A bill for an act relating to water and wastewater treatment; expanding the authority of municipalities to contract for private design and construction of water and wastewater treatment facilities; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 471.371, subdivisions 2, 4, and 5; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 471.371, subdivisions 1 and 6.

Referred to the Committee on Local Government.

Mr. Lessard introduced—

S.F. No. 1130: A bill for an act relating to labor; regulating wages paid on Sundays and legal holidays; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 177.25, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Employment.

Messrs. McGowan and Johnson, D.E. introduced—

S.F. No. 1131: A bill for an act relating to traffic regulations; authorizing cities to establish speed zones on local streets; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 169.14, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Messrs. Riveness and Belanger introduced—

S.F. No. 1132: A bill for an act relating to metropolitan government; providing for the disposition of property at the Bloomington metropolitan

sports facilities site, and the satisfaction of various related interests.

Referred to the Committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

Messrs. Novak and Mondale introduced—

S.F. No. 1133: A bill for an act relating to local government; permitting municipal corporations to acquire a material for water treatment without bond; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 574.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Messrs. Novak, Bertram, Dahl, Lessard and Bernhagen introduced—

S.F. No. 1134: A bill for an act relating to the environment; petrofund; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 115C.09, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, and 5; 116.46, subdivision 7; 116.491, subdivision 1; and 116.50; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 115C.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Messrs. Dahl, Merriam, Morse and Price introduced—

S.F. No. 1135: A bill for an act relating to the environment; providing for the Minnesota releaf program; creating an advisory task force; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 88.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Mr. Kelly, Ms. Pappas, Messrs. Cohen and Waldorf introduced—

S.F. No. 1136: A bill for an act relating to public safety; providing for Ramsey county police department; appropriating money.

Referred to the Committee on Local Government.

Ms. Pappas, Messrs. Kroening, Solon, Metzen and Mrs. Benson, J.E. introduced—

S.F. No. 1137: A bill for an act relating to housing; redefining eligibility requirement for targeted neighborhoods; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 466A.01, subdivision 2; 466A.02, subdivision 2; and 466A.05, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Economic Development and Housing.

Mr. Solon, Ms. Piper, Messrs. Vickerman and Samuelson introduced—

S.F. No. 1138: A bill for an act relating to human services; requiring the commissioner of human services to waive certain state mandates; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 256E.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Mr. Solon introduced—

S.F. No. 1139: A bill for an act relating to retirement; major and statewide retirement plans; crediting service and salary when back pay is awarded in

the event of a wrongful discharge; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 356.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Ms. Traub, Mr. Metzen, Mrs. Pariseau, Messrs. Renneke and McGowan introduced—

S.F. No. 1140: A bill for an act relating to metropolitan transit; providing for financial assistance to and the administration of opt-out transit service programs; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 473.375, subdivisions 13 and 15; 473.377, subdivision 1; and 473.388.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Mr. Solon introduced—

S.F. No. 1141: A bill for an act relating to legal actions; damages with respect to lost coverage in the event of a wrongful dismissal of a public employee; establishing a measure for damages; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 356 and 548.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Davis introduced—

S.F. No. 1142: A bill for an act relating to agricultural finance; changing certain provisions of the rural finance authority's beginning farmer program; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 41B.03, subdivision 3; 41B.036; and 41B.039, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development.

Messrs. Dicklich, Pogemiller, Mehrkens, Ms. Olson and Mr. Dahl introduced—

S.F. No. 1143: A bill for an act relating to education; proposing a Minnesota schools of excellence pilot program; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 121.612, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Laidig introduced—

S.F. No. 1144: A bill for an act relating to education; increasing special education teacher salary aid ceilings; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 124.32, subdivision 1b; and 124.574, subdivision 2b.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Kelly introduced—

S.F. No. 1145: A bill for an act relating to evidence; allowing evidence regarding a child passenger restraint system in certain criminal actions; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 169.685, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Messrs. Stumpf and Moe, R.D. introduced—

S.F. No. 1146: A bill for an act relating to highways; designating state highways within wild, scenic, and recreational river corridors as possessing natural, scenic, historical, and aesthetic characteristics; protecting and maintaining these characteristics; allowing commissioner of transportation to provide state-aid funding; providing for liability; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 86A.05, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Mr. Stumpf introduced—

S.F. No. 1147: A bill for an act relating to education; appropriating money for a telecommunications grant to the Goodridge school district.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Messrs. Frederickson, D.J.; Johnson, D.E.; Stumpf and Beckman introduced—

S.F. No. 1148: A bill for an act relating to education; establishing a state system of technical colleges; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 43A.08, subdivision 1; 136C.04, subdivisions 3, 5, 12, 13, 14, 18, and by adding a subdivision; 136C.08, subdivision 1; 136C.15; 136C.31, subdivision 1; 136C.41, by adding a subdivision; 136C.44; 136D.21; 136D.30; 136D.73, subdivisions 2 and 4a; 136D.75; 136D.81, subdivision 1; 179A.10, subdivisions 1 and 2; and 275.125, subdivision 14a; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 136C; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 136C.02, subdivisions 6 to 9; 136C.04, subdivision 16; 136C.041; 136C.05; 136C.07, subdivisions 4, 5, and 5a; 136C.36; 136C.60 to 136C.69; 136D.77; 136D.81, subdivision 2; and 136D.91, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Messrs. Finn; Frederickson, D.R. and Morse introduced—

S.F. No. 1149: A bill for an act relating to the building code; clarifying the basis of building code review fees; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 16B.61, subdivision 1a.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Cohen, Spear, Marty and Kelly introduced—

S.F. No. 1150: A bill for an act relating to crimes; juveniles; making an adult criminally liable for procuring or hiring a juvenile to commit an offense; providing that an offense resulting in an adjudication of delinquency is a criminal act for purposes of the racketeering law; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 609.05, subdivision 4, and by adding a subdivision; and 609.902, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Pogemiller introduced—

S.F. No. 1151: A bill for an act relating to taxation; expanding eligibility for the child care credit; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section

290.067, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes and Tax Laws.

Messrs. DeCramer; Solon; Mehrkens; Moe, R.D. and Riveness introduced—

S.F. No. 1152: A bill for an act relating to motor vehicles; authorizing the registrar of motor vehicles to prorate the original registration on groups of passenger motor vehicles presented to St. Paul by a lessor; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 168.017, subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Mr. Chmielewski introduced—

S.F. No. 1153: A bill for an act relating to the legislature; leave of absences for service; making it clear that leaves of absence must be granted whenever attending to public business; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 3.088, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Employment.

Mr. Kelly introduced—

S.F. No. 1154: A bill for an act relating to stepparents; designating Stepparents Day; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 10.

Referred to the Committee on Veterans and General Legislation.

Mr. Laidig introduced—

S.F. No. 1155: A bill for an act relating to real property; providing for cause of action on an interest in real property of a married person when the property was conveyed by the person's spouse before March 1, 1977; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 519.101.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Ms. Pappas, Mrs. Benson, J.E. and Mr. Mondale introduced—

S.F. No. 1156: A bill for an act relating to education; assuring that each blind student receives an individualized Braille literacy assessment and appropriate educational services resulting from the assessment; establishing standards of proficiency and instruction for Braille literacy; requiring the licensure of teachers of blind students in accord with Braille literacy standards; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 120.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Ms. Piper introduced—

S.F. No. 1157: A bill for an act relating to local government; permitting certain cities to make a levy for peace officer costs; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 275.50, subdivision 5a.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes and Tax Laws.

Mr. Frederickson, D.R. introduced—

S.F. No. 1158: A bill for an act relating to public safety; providing for revocation of driver's licenses and permits, motor vehicle registration certificates, and motor vehicle certificates of title when persons pay for issuance of these documents with bad checks; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 299A.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Mr. Bernhagen introduced—

S.F. No. 1159: A bill for an act relating to education; authorizing the Hutchinson school district to levy for payments on a certain lease purchase agreement.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Messrs. Frederickson, D.J.; Berg; Mrs. Adkins, Messrs. Johnson, D.E. and Chmielewski introduced—

S.F. No. 1160: A bill for an act relating to local government; providing for the organization, administration, and operation of a hospital district in the county of Swift and the city of Benson.

Referred to the Committee on Local Government.

Mr. Kroening introduced—

S.F. No. 1161: A bill for an act relating to retirement; adding a surviving spouse to the board of trustees of the Minneapolis police relief association; amending Laws 1965, chapter 493, section 3, as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Mr. Day introduced—

S.F. No. 1162: A bill for an act relating to game and fish; requiring certain hunters to have completed firearms safety and wildlife identification courses; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 97A.405, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Mr. Johnson, D.J. introduced—

S.F. No. 1163: A bill for an act relating to human services; adoption; making local agencies liable for costs relating to a condition of the child that the agency knew about but did not disclose to the adoptive parents; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 259.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Mr. Johnson, D.J. introduced—

S.F. No. 1164: A bill for an act relating to local government; permitting the city of Biwabik and the town of White to establish a joint east range economic development authority.

Referred to the Committee on Economic Development and Housing.

Mr. Kelly introduced—

S.F. No. 1165: A bill for an act relating to animals; changing disposition of certain seized animals; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 35.71, subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Veterans and General Legislation.

Messrs. Stumpf, Morse and Waldorf introduced—

S.F. No. 1166: A bill for an act relating to education; requiring the development of policies for students with disabilities in post-secondary institutions; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 135A.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Cohen, Mses. Flynn, Reichgott, Messrs. Bernhagen and Novak introduced—

S.F. No. 1167: A bill for an act relating to taxation; requiring the metropolitan council to levy a tax for support of nonprofit arts organizations; providing for distribution of the proceeds as determined by the state board of the arts; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 129D.01; 129D.04, subdivisions 1 and 2; 473.13, subdivisions 1 and 2; and 473.249, subdivision 2, and by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 129D.

Referred to the Committee on Veterans and General Legislation.

Mr. Waldorf, Ms. Flynn, Messrs. Merriam and DeCramer introduced—

S.F. No. 1168: A bill for an act relating to public employment; transferring certain state employees from the unclassified to the classified service; requiring rules for evaluating the performance of arbitrators; establishing deadlines for certain steps in the arbitration process; establishing a procedure for setting the dates for meetings of arbitration panels; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 11A.07, subdivision 4; 43A.08, subdivisions 1, 1a, and by adding a subdivision; 43A.18, subdivision 4; 43A.37, subdivision 1; 116K.04, subdivision 5; 136A.03; 179A.05, subdivision 6; 179A.16, subdivisions 4, 6, and 7; and 349A.02, subdivision 4; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 352D.02, subdivision 1b.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations.

Messrs. Luther; Moe, R.D.; Pogemiller and Ms. Reichgott introduced—

S.F. No. 1169: A bill for an act relating to elections; establishing additional standards for county and city redistricting plans regarding population equality, protection of minority populations, and preservation of communities of interest; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 205.84, subdivision 1; and 375.025, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Redistricting.

Ms. Reichgott and Mr. Gustafson introduced—

S.F. No. 1170: A bill for an act relating to taxation; extending the seasonal residential and recreational property tax refund to taxes payable in 1991; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 290A.04, subdivision 2i.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes and Tax Laws.

Messrs. Luther; Solon; Johnson, D.J.; Ms. Reichgott and Mr. Belanger introduced—

S.F. No. 1171: A bill for an act relating to corporations; requiring the commissioner of commerce to collect and analyze information about non-profit corporations; requiring a report.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. Kelly and Ms. Pappas introduced—

S.F. No. 1172: A bill for an act relating to the city of St. Paul; providing certain economic development authority.

Referred to the Committee on Economic Development and Housing.

Mr. DeCramer introduced—

S.F. No. 1173: A bill for an act relating to motor carriers; allowing motor carrier certificate to be suspended or revoked for certain violations; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 221.021.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Mr. Sams introduced—

S.F. No. 1174: A bill for an act relating to water; setting a minimum water use processing fee for water use permits issued for irrigation; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 103G.271, subdivision 6.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Mr. DeCramer introduced—

S.F. No. 1175: A bill for an act relating to motor carriers; adopting federal out-of-service criteria for motor carriers; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 221.031, by adding a subdivision; and 221.605, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Messrs. Benson, D.D.; Merriam; Larson and Neuville introduced—

S.F. No. 1176: A bill for an act relating to health care; promoting the availability of health insurance for small employers; establishing mechanisms for containing health care costs; requiring long-term goals for improving the health of Minnesotans; requiring studies; establishing an office of rural health; establishing requirements to improve access to health services in rural areas; establishing a pilot project for uninsured low-income persons; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 136A.1355, subdivisions 2 and 3; 144.147, subdivision 4; 144.698, subdivision 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapters 136A and 144; proposing coding

for new law as Minnesota Statutes, chapter 62K; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 144.70.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Mr. Merriam introduced—

S.F. No. 1177: A bill for an act relating to taxation; exempting certain land exchange deeds and conveyances from the state deed tax; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 287.22.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes and Tax Laws.

Mr. Merriam introduced—

S.F. No. 1178: A bill for an act relating to elections; allowing school meetings on certain election days; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 204C.03, subdivision 3.

Referred to the Committee on Elections and Ethics.

Mr. Pogemiller introduced—

S.F. No. 1179: A bill for an act relating to public finance; providing conditions and requirements for the issuance of debt and for the financial obligations of authorities; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 287.06; 400.101; 429.061, subdivision 3; 447.49; 469.155, subdivision 12; 473.811, subdivision 2; 475.58, subdivision 2; 475.60, subdivision 1; 475.66, subdivision 3; and 475.67, subdivisions 3 and 8; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 469; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 475.60, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes and Tax Laws.

Without objection, the Senate reverted to the Order of Business of Motions and Resolutions.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Benson moved that the name of Mr. Solon be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 1176. The motion prevailed.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Moe, R.D. moved that the Senate do now adjourn until 2:00 p.m., Thursday, April 4, 1991. The motion prevailed.

Patrick E. Flahaven, Secretary of the Senate