

FIFTH DAY

St. Paul, Minnesota, Thursday, January 12, 1995

The Senate met at 9:00 a.m. and was called to order by the President.

CALL OF THE SENATE

Mr. Betzold 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. Paul H. Harris.

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

Anderson	Flynn	Kramer	Morse	Robertson
Beckman	Frederickson	Krentz	Murphy	Sams
Belanger	Hanson	Kroening	Neuville	Samuelson
Berg	Hottinger	Laidig	Novak	Scheevel
Berglin	Janezich	Langseth	Olson	Solon
Bertram	Johnson, D.E.	Larson	Ourada	Spear
Betzold	Johnson, D.J.	Lesewski	Pappas	Stevens
Chandler	Johnson, J.B.	Lessard	Pariseau	Stumpf
Chmielewski	Johnston	Marty	Pogemiller	Terwilliger
Cohen	Kelly	Merriam	Price	Vickerman
Day	Kiscaden	Metzen	Ranum	Wiener
Dille	Kleis	Moe, R.D.	Reichgott Junge	
Finn	Knutson	Mondale	Riveness	

The President declared a quorum present.

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

EXECUTIVE AND OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received and referred to the committees indicated.

May 12, 1992

The Honorable Jerome Hughes
President of the Senate

Dear Sir:

The following appointment is hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

BOARD OF ANIMAL HEALTH

John A. Howe, D.V.M., 575 Trout Lake Rd., Grand Rapids, Itasca County, effective May 11, 1992, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1996.

(Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development.)

May 12, 1992

The Honorable Jerome Hughes
President of the Senate

Dear Sir:

The following appointment is hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Georgina Y. Stephens, 875 Laurel Ave., St. Paul, Ramsey County, effective May 13, 1992, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1996.

(Referred to the Committee on Education.)

May 13, 1992

The Honorable Jerome Hughes
President of the Senate

Dear Sir:

The following appointments are hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

BOARD OF THE MINNESOTA CENTER FOR ARTS EDUCATION

Terry Anderson, 406 Ave. D, Cloquet, Carlton County, effective May 18, 1992, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1996.

Ellen Doll, 1716 Irving Ave. S., Minneapolis, Hennepin County, effective May 18, 1992, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1996.

Patricia Surrat, Rt. 1, Box 175, Wanamingo, Goodhue County, effective May 18, 1992, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1996.

(Referred to the Committee on Education.)

June 2, 1992

The Honorable Jerome Hughes
President of the Senate

Dear Sir:

The following appointments are hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

MINNESOTA HIGHER EDUCATION FACILITIES AUTHORITY

James R. Miller, 707 Mount Curve Blvd., St. Paul, Ramsey County, effective June 8, 1992, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1996.

Mollie N. Thibodeau, 407 Wallace Ave., Duluth, St. Louis County, effective June 8, 1992, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1996.

(Referred to the Committee on Education.)

August 7, 1992

The Honorable Jerome Hughes
President of the Senate

Dear Sir:

The following appointment is hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD

Nancy Alfton, 2555 Kyle Ave. N., Golden Valley, Hennepin County, effective August 15, 1992, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1996.

(Referred to the Committee on Education.)

January 6, 1993

The Honorable Allan H. Spear
President of the Senate

Dear Sir:

The following appointment is hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES

Nancy Brataas, 839 - 10 1/2 St. S.W., Rochester, Olmsted County, effective January 11, 1993, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1997.

(Referred to the Committee on Education.)

January 6, 1993

The Honorable Allan H. Spear
President of the Senate

Dear Sir:

The following appointments are hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD

Christine Fritsche, Rt. 4, Box 79, Marshall, Lyon County, effective January 11, 1993, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1997.

Rod Searle, R.R. 1, Box 44, Waseca, Waseca County, effective January 11, 1993, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1997.

(Referred to the Committee on Education.)

January 27, 1993

The Honorable Allan H. Spear
President of the Senate

Dear Sir:

The following appointments are hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Thomas Lindquist, 12393 Flag Ave. S., Savage, Scott County, effective January 27, 1993, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1997.

Patsy A. Randell, 3510 Basswood Rd., Minneapolis, Hennepin County, effective January 27, 1993, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1997.

(Referred to the Committee on Education.)

February 24, 1993

The Honorable Allan H. Spear
President of the Senate

Dear Sir:

The following appointment is hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES

Charlotte Nordby, 8915 Glen Edin Ln. N., Brooklyn Park, Hennepin County, effective February 27, 1993, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1997.

(Referred to the Committee on Education.)

March 1, 1993

The Honorable Allan H. Spear
President of the Senate

Dear Sir:

The following appointment is hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

MINNESOTA HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD

Marilyn Bryant, 17819 Maple Hill Rd., Wayzata, Hennepin County, effective February 24, 1993, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1999.

(Referred to the Committee on Education.)

March 1, 1993

The Honorable Allan H. Spear
President of the Senate

Dear Sir:

The following appointment is hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

MINNESOTA HIGHER EDUCATION FACILITIES AUTHORITY

John Hoyt, 4812 Dunberry Ln., Edina, Hennepin County, effective February 26, 1993, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1997.

(Referred to the Committee on Education.)

March 15, 1993

The Honorable Allan H. Spear
President of the Senate

Dear Sir:

The following appointment is hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

BOARD OF THE MINNESOTA CENTER FOR ARTS EDUCATION

John C. Kim, 9350 Collegeview Rd., Bloomington, Hennepin County, effective March 20, 1993, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1997.

(Referred to the Committee on Education.)

March 23, 1993

The Honorable Allan H. Spear
President of the Senate

Dear Sir:

The following appointment is hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

MINNESOTA HIGHER EDUCATION FACILITIES AUTHORITY

Earl Herring, Rt. 1, Box 230C, Detroit Lakes, Otter Tail County, effective March 27, 1993, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1997.

(Referred to the Committee on Education.)

April 21, 1993

The Honorable Allan H. Spear
President of the Senate

Dear Sir:

The following appointment is hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

BOARD OF ANIMAL HEALTH

Joni Scheftel, D.V.M., 15155 County Rd. 32, Mayer, Carver County, effective April 17, 1993, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1997.

(Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development.)

September 30, 1993

The Honorable Allan H. Spear
President of the Senate

Dear Sir:

The following appointment is hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

MINNESOTA RURAL FINANCE AUTHORITY

Christopher J. Skaalen, 235 W. Center St., Harmony, Fillmore County, effective October 4, 1993, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1997.

(Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development.)

January 28, 1994

The Honorable Allan H. Spear
President of the Senate

Dear Sir:

The following appointments are hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

MINNESOTA RURAL FINANCE AUTHORITY

Marlene Malstrom, Rt. 5, Box 344, Detroit Lakes, Becker County, effective February 2, 1994, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1998.

Armin Tesch, Rt. 1, Box 133, Waldorf, Waseca County, effective February 2, 1994, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1998.

(Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development.)

March 11, 1994

The Honorable Allan H. Spear
President of the Senate

Dear Sir:

The following appointment is hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

MINNESOTA RURAL FINANCE AUTHORITY

Patrick A. Thiry, 37767 Rendova St. N.E., Stanchfield, Isanti County, effective March 16, 1994, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1997.

(Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development.)

March 28, 1994

The Honorable Allan H. Spear
President of the Senate

Dear Sir:

The following appointments are hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

STATE BOARD OF TECHNICAL COLLEGES

Sara Carlson, 219 Elmwood Dr., Alexandria, Douglas County, effective April 2, 1994, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1998.

Terance Smith, 673 Schilling Cir. N.W., Forest Lake, Washington County, effective April 2, 1994, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1998.

(Referred to the Committee on Education.)

March 29, 1994

The Honorable Allan H. Spear
President of the Senate

Dear Sir:

The following appointment is hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

BOARD OF ANIMAL HEALTH

Theodore Huisinga, 5770 County Rd. 9 N.E., Willmar, Kandiyohi County, effective April 3, 1994, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1998.

(Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development.)

April 15, 1994

The Honorable Allan H. Spear
President of the Senate

Dear Sir:

The following appointments are hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

BOARD ON JUDICIAL STANDARDS

Robert W. Johnson, 2006 - 1st Ave. N., Ste. 201, Anoka, Anoka County, effective April 20, 1994, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1998.

Verna Kelly, 900 - 13th Ave. S.W., Willmar, Kandiyohi County, effective April 20, 1994, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1998.

(Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.)

April 28, 1994

The Honorable Allan H. Spear
President of the Senate

Dear Sir:

The following appointment is hereby respectfully submitted to the Senate for confirmation as required by law:

MINNESOTA HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD

Brian Steeves, P.O. Box 51, Princeton, Mille Lacs County, effective April 18, 1994, for a term expiring on the first Monday in January, 1996.

(Referred to the Committee on Education.)

Warmest regards,
Arne H. Carlson, Governor

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

Mr. President:

I have the honor to announce the adoption by the House of the following Senate Concurrent Resolution, herewith returned:

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 3: A Senate concurrent resolution relating to adjournment for more than three days.

Edward A. Burdick, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives

Returned January 9, 1995

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Cohen moved that the name of Mr. Knutson be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 4. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Cohen moved that the name of Mr. Knutson be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 5. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Metzen moved that the name of Mr. Novak be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 11. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Bertram moved that the name of Mr. Solon be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 18. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Bertram moved that the names of Messrs. Sams, Stumpf, Larson and Langseth be added as co-authors to S.F. No. 19. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Betzold moved that the name of Mr. Merriam be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 27. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Bertram moved that the name of Ms. Piper be added as a co-author to S.F. No. 33. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Marty moved that the names of Ms. Piper and Mr. Finn be added as co-authors to S.F. No. 36. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Johnson, D.E. introduced--

Senate Resolution No. 17: A Senate resolution commending Mayor Richard Hoglund for his many years of dedicated service for the city of Willmar.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Mr. Bertram introduced--

Senate Resolution No. 18: A Senate resolution commending Dr. Allen Horn for over ten years of public service as mayor of Melrose, Minnesota.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Ms. Berglin introduced--

Senate Resolution No. 19: A Senate resolution commemorating the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

WHEREAS, the anniversary of the birth of Dr. Martin Luther King is January 15; and

WHEREAS, his life was devoted to the elimination of segregation and prejudice against his people; and

WHEREAS, achievements in human and civil rights were accomplished through his personal efforts; and

WHEREAS, he sought to fulfill his goals exclusively by nonviolent means; and

WHEREAS, his life was ended by assassination; and

WHEREAS, the actions and efforts of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. have served as an inspiration; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Minnesota that it commemorates the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is directed to prepare an enrolled copy of this resolution, to be authenticated by his signature and that of the Chair of the Senate Rules and Administration Committee, and present it to representatives of an appropriate group organizing public commemorations of the birth of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Ms. Berglin moved the adoption of the foregoing resolution. The motion prevailed. So the resolution was adopted.

Messrs. Moe, R.D. and Johnson, D.E. introduced--

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4: A Senate concurrent resolution relating to adjournment for more than three days.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the State of Minnesota, the House of Representatives concurring:

1. Upon its adjournment on Wednesday, January 18, 1995, the Senate may set its next day of meeting for Monday, January 23, 1995.

2. Upon its adjournment on Wednesday, January 18, 1995, the House of Representatives may set its next day of meeting for Monday, January 23, 1995.

3. Pursuant to the Minnesota Constitution, Article IV, Section 12, the Senate and House of Representatives each consents to the adjournment of the other for more than three days.

Mr. Moe, R.D. moved that Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4 be laid on the table. The motion prevailed.

Messrs. Moe, R.D. and Johnson, D.E. introduced--

Senate Resolution No. 20: A Senate resolution relating to mileage; setting the miles traveled by members of the Senate in going to and returning from the Capitol.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the State of Minnesota:

The miles traveled by members of the Senate for the 79th Legislature in each round trip going to and returning from the Capitol to their places of residence are as follows:

MEMBER	MILEAGE
ANDERSON, Ellen R.	0
BECKMAN, Tracy L.	260
BELANGER, William V., Jr.	46
BERG, Charles A.	370
BERGLIN, Linda	22
BERTRAM, Joe, Sr.	210
BETZOLD, Don	30
CHANDLER, Kevin M.	30
CHMIELEWSKI, Florian	210
COHEN, Richard J.	0
DAY, Dick	140
DILLE, Steve	150
FINN, Harold R. "Skip"	440
FLYNN, Carol	22
FREDERICKSON, Dennis R.	210
HANSON, Paula E.	50
HOTTINGER, John C.	194
JANEZICH, Jerry R.	396
JOHNSON, Dean E.	202
JOHNSON, Douglas J.	440
JOHNSON, Janet B.	99
JOHNSTON, Terry D.	54
KELLY, Randy C.	8
KISCADEN, Sheila M.	160
KLEIS, Dave	145
KNUTSON, David L.	38
KRAMER, Don	38
KRENTZ, Jane	54
KROENING, Carl W.	30
LAIDIG, Gary W.	44
LANGSETH, Keith	472
LARSON, Cal	392
LESEWSKI, Arlene J.	336
LESSARD, Bob	625
MARTY, John	25
MERRIAM, Gene	42
METZEN, James P.	18
MOE, Roger D.	522
MONDALE, Ted A.	25
MORSE, Steven	244
MURPHY, Steve L.	102
NEUVILLE, Thomas M.	94
NOVAK, Steven G.	30
OLIVER, Edward C.	54
OLSON, Gen	70
OURADA, Mark N.	101
PAPPAS, Sandra L.	4
PARISEAU, Pat	64
PIPER, Pat	200
POGEMILLER, Lawrence J.	16

PRICE, Leonard R.	14
RANUM, Jane B.	24
REICHGOTT JUNGE, Ember D.	42
RIVENESS, Phil J.	24
ROBERTSON, Martha R.	40
RUNBECK, Linda	44
SAMS, Dallas C.	(air 264) 300
SAMUELSON, Don	270
SCHEEVEL, Kenric	250
SOLON, Sam G.	310
SPEAR, Allan H.	22
STEVENS, Dan	156
STUMPF, LeRoy A.	(air 550) 622
TERWILLIGER, Roy	42
VICKERMAN, Jim	336
WIENER, Deanna	25

Mr. Moe, R.D. moved the adoption of the foregoing resolution. The motion prevailed. So the resolution was adopted.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

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

Messrs. Marty and Merriam introduced--

S.F. No. 38: A bill for an act proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution; providing for a unicameral legislature; changing article IV; article VIII, section 1; article IX, sections 1 and 2; and article XI, section 5; providing by statute for a unicameral legislature to consist of 99 members; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, sections 2.021; and 2.031, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics and Campaign Reform.

Messrs. Knutson, Belanger and Laidig introduced--

S.F. No. 39: A bill for an act relating to crime; controlled substances; limiting the sentencing court's authority to stay adjudication of a controlled substance offender's guilt and to expunge the offender's record upon the successful completion of treatment and probation; providing that this procedure applies only to first-time offenders convicted of a fifth-degree or a nonfelony controlled substance offense; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 152.18, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Crime Prevention.

Messrs. Knutson, Chandler, Stevens and Murphy introduced--

S.F. No. 40: A bill for an act proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article IV, section 12; providing for the legislature to meet only in the odd-numbered year.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics and Campaign Reform.

Mr. Metzen introduced--

S.F. No. 41: A bill for an act relating to taxation; property; reducing the class rates applied to noncommercial seasonal recreational residential property; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 273.13, subdivision 25.

Referred to the Committee on Taxes and Tax Laws.

Messrs. Vickerman, Langseth, Larson, Belanger and Chmielewski introduced--

S.F. No. 42: A bill for an act relating to traffic regulations; repealing sunset provision concerning recreational vehicle combinations; amending Laws 1993, chapter 111, section 3.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Public Transit.

Mr. Pogemiller introduced--

S.F. No. 43: A bill for an act relating to education; repealing the appropriations caps for prekindergarten through grade 12 education funding; repealing Laws 1993, chapter 224, article 15, section 3, as amended.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Messrs. Novak, Lessard, Finn, Ms. Anderson and Mr. Dille introduced--

S.F. No. 44: A bill for an act relating to energy; extending the deadline for the initial report of the legislative electric energy task force; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 216C.051, subdivision 5.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Energy and Community Development.

Messrs. Novak, Murphy and Finn introduced--

S.F. No. 45: A bill for an act relating to the environment; exempting newer motor vehicles from annual air pollution emissions inspections; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 116.61, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Messrs. Metzen, Bertram and Solon introduced--

S.F. No. 46: A bill for an act relating to lawful gambling; increasing the percentage of gross profit that may be expended for allowable expenses; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 349.15, subdivision 1.

Referred to the Committee on Gaming Regulation.

Mr. Samuelson, Ms. Piper, Messrs. Sams and Day introduced--

S.F. No. 47: A bill for an act relating to human services; changing the monthly allowance deduction for children of institutionalized patients on medical assistance; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 256B.0575.

Referred to the Committee on Health Care.

Messrs. Knutson, Kleis, Day, Stevens and Larson introduced--

S.F. No. 48: A bill for an act proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article IV, section 4, article V, sections 2 and 4, and article XIII, by adding a section; placing limits on the terms of office of legislators and executive officers.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics and Campaign Reform.

Mr. Chmielewski introduced--

S.F. No. 49: A bill for an act relating to local government; allowing either the town of Glen or the town of Kimberley in Aitkin county to have an alternate annual meeting day.

Referred to the Committee on Metropolitan and Local Government.

Mr. Ourada, Ms. Hanson, Mr. Pogemiller, Ms. Johnston and Lesewski introduced--

S.F. No. 50: A bill for an act relating to highways; designating a bridge as the Betty Adkins Bridge; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 161.14, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Public Transit.

Mr. Solon introduced--

S.F. No. 51: A bill for an act relating to health; modifying the membership of the health care commission by adding another member to represent consumers with physical disabilities; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 62J.05, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Health Care.

Mr. Stevens, Ms. Runbeck, Mrs. Pariseau, Messrs. Scheevel and Kleis introduced--

S.F. No. 52: A resolution memorializing members of the Minnesota congressional delegation to meet periodically with the Legislature regarding unfunded federal mandates.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Ms. Johnston, Messrs. Ourada, Kleis, Kramer and Scheevel introduced--

S.F. No. 53: A bill for an act proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article XIV; dedicating net proceeds of motor vehicle excise tax to highway user tax distribution fund and a transit assistance fund.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Public Transit.

Messrs. Finn; Moe, R.D. and Stumpf introduced--

S.F. No. 54: A bill for an act relating to juvenile corrections facilities; authorizing local government financing of the nonstate share of the cost of the northwestern Minnesota juvenile training center; amending Laws 1994, chapter 643, section 79, subdivision 7.

Referred to the Committee on Metropolitan and Local Government.

Mr. Bertram introduced--

S.F. No. 55: A bill for an act relating to the military; establishing a program providing compensation to national guard members for honor guard services at funerals of veterans; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 192.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans.

Messrs. Finn; Moe, R.D. and Johnson, D.J. introduced--

S.F. No. 56: A bill for an act relating to taxation; providing that certain information is reclassified as public information; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 270B.02, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Messrs. Marty and Merriam introduced--

S.F. No. 57: A bill for an act relating to human rights; prohibiting employers from asking employees to furnish information regarding unlawful discrimination complaints or charges they

have made; lengthening the statute of limitations for certain human rights act violations; limiting the discovery and admission of certain evidence in sexual harassment cases; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, sections 363.03, subdivision 1; 363.06, subdivision 3; and 363.116; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 363.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Solon introduced--

S.F. No. 58: A bill for an act relating to insurance; extending eligibility for certain elective individual paid insurance and benefits; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 43A.27, subdivision 2.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Mr. Merriam introduced--

S.F. No. 59: A bill for an act relating to traffic regulations; restricting the issuance of limited licenses for the operation of commercial motor vehicles for certain offenses committed with a private vehicle; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 171.30.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Public Transit.

Mr. Merriam introduced--

S.F. No. 60: A bill for an act relating to public employees; prohibiting reemployment of certain early retirees; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 356.70, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations and Veterans.

Mr. Moe, R.D. introduced--

S.F. No. 61: A resolution memorializing Congress of ratification of a proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America relating to balancing the budget of the United States.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Merriam introduced--

S.F. No. 62: A bill for an act relating to housing; exempting the publicly owned transitional housing program from certain sale restrictions placed upon projects financed by state general obligation bond proceeds; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 462A.202, by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Energy and Community Development. Mr. Merriam questioned the reference thereon and, under Rule 35, the bill was referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

Messrs. Finn, Betzold, Chandler and Merriam introduced--

S.F. No. 63: A bill for an act relating to game and fish; removing restrictions on the importation of fish from Ontario; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 97A.531, subdivision 6.

Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Mr. Betzold introduced--

S.F. No. 64: A bill for an act relating to corrections; requiring that the commissioner of corrections notify affected local governments before licensing foster care facilities for delinquent

children; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 241.021, subdivision 2, and by adding a subdivision.

Referred to the Committee on Crime Prevention.

Messrs. Kelly, Novak and Metzen introduced--

S.F. No. 65: A bill for an act relating to utilities; abolishing sunset provision related to area development rate plans; amending Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 216B.161; and Laws 1990, chapter 370, section 7; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 216B.161, subdivision 4.

Referred to the Committee on Jobs, Energy and Community Development.

Messrs. Moe, R.D. and Johnson, D.E. introduced--

S.F. No. 66: A resolution memorializing Congress to continue its progress at reducing the federal deficit and provide to the state information on the impact that a balanced federal budget will have on the state of Minnesota.

Mr. Moe, R.D. moved that S.F. No. 66 be laid on the table. The motion prevailed.

Mr. Moe, R.D. moved that S.F. No. 66 be taken from the table. The motion prevailed.

S.F. No. 66: A resolution memorializing Congress to continue its progress at reducing the federal deficit and provide to the state information on the impact that a balanced federal budget will have on the state of Minnesota.

WHEREAS, the 50 States, including the State of Minnesota, have long been required by their state constitutions to balance their state operating budgets; and

WHEREAS, the States have long done so by making difficult choices each budget session to insure that their expenditures do not exceed their revenues; and

WHEREAS, without a federal balanced budget, the deficit will continue to grow within the next ten years from \$150 billion gross domestic product (GDP) per year to \$400 billion GDP per year, continuing the serious negative impact on interest rates, available credit for consumers, and taxpayer obligations; and

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States, in the last two years, has begun to reduce the annual federal deficit by making substantial reductions in federal spending; and

WHEREAS, achieving a balanced budget by the year 2002 will require continued reductions in the annual deficit, averaging almost 15 percent per year over the next seven years; and

WHEREAS, it now appears that the Congress is willing to impose on itself the same discipline that the States have long had to follow, by passing a balanced-budget amendment to the United States Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the Congress, in working to balance the federal budget, may impose on the States unfunded mandates that shift to the States responsibility for carrying out programs that the Congress can no longer afford; and

WHEREAS, the States will better be able to revise their own budgets if the Congress gives them fair warning of the revisions Congress will be making in the federal budget; and

WHEREAS, if the federal budget is to be brought into balance by the year 2002, major reductions in the annual deficit must continue without a break; and

WHEREAS, these major reductions will be more acceptable to the people if they are shown to be part of a realistic, long-term plan to balance the budget; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota that it urges the Congress of the United States to continue its progress at reducing the annual federal deficit and, when the Congress proposes to the States a balanced-budget amendment, to accompany it with specific financial data outlining the consequences to the state for major program reductions, and its impact on the budget of the State of Minnesota for budget planning purposes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of State of Minnesota shall transmit copies of this memorial to the Speaker and Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, the President and Secretary of the United States Senate, the presiding officers of both houses of the legislature of each of the other States in the Union, and to Minnesota's Senators and Representatives in Congress.

SUSPENSION OF RULES

Mr. Moe, R.D. moved that an urgency be declared within the meaning of Article IV, Section 19, of the Constitution of Minnesota, with respect to S.F. No. 66 and that the rules of the Senate be so far suspended as to give S.F. No. 66 its second and third reading and place it on its final passage. The motion prevailed.

S.F. No. 66 was read the second time.

Mr. Johnson, D.E. moved to amend S.F. No. 66 as follows:

Page 2, line 20, delete "specific" and delete "data outlining the"

Page 2, delete line 21 and insert "information on its"

The motion prevailed. So the amendment was adopted.

S.F. No. 66 was read the third time, as amended, and placed on its final passage.

The question was taken on the passage of the resolution, as amended.

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

Those who voted in the affirmative were:

Anderson	Flynn	Kramer	Morse	Robertson
Beckman	Frederickson	Krentz	Murphy	Sams
Belanger	Hanson	Kroening	Neuville	Samuelson
Berg	Hottinger	Laidig	Novak	Scheevel
Berglin	Janezich	Langseth	Olson	Solon
Bertram	Johnson, D.E.	Larson	Ourada	Spear
Betzold	Johnson, D.J.	Lesewski	Pappas	Stevens
Chandler	Johnson, J.B.	Lessard	Pariseau	Stumpf
Chmielewski	Johnston	Marty	Pogemiller	Terwilliger
Cohen	Kelly	Merriam	Price	Vickerman
Day	Kiscaden	Metzen	Ranum	Wiener
Dille	Kleis	Moe, R.D.	Reichgott Junge	
Finn	Knutson	Mondale	Riveness	

So the resolution, as amended, was passed and its title was agreed to.

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Mses. Piper, Runbeck and Mr. Oliver were excused from the Session of today.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Moe, R.D. moved that the Senate do now adjourn until 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, January 17, 1995. The motion prevailed.

Patrick E. Flahaven, Secretary of the Senate