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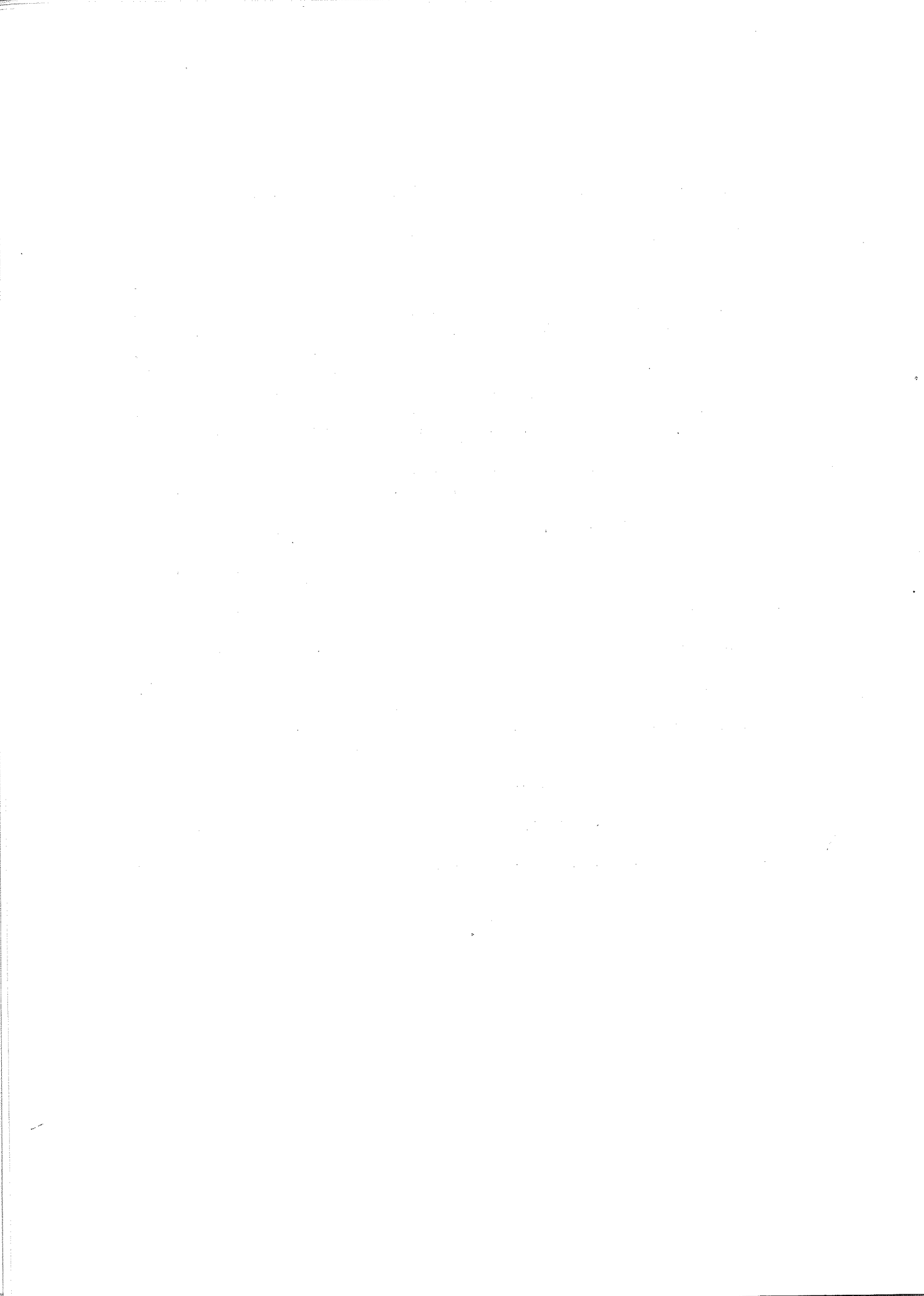
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INTRODUCTION

"Actions of the 1976 Minnesota Legislature" is designed to provide members of the Minnesota Legislature and other interested persons with a reference book of the laws and appropriations enacted in the 1976 Minnesota Legislative Session. All laws enacted during the 1976 Session which are of general interest have been included in this publication. Except for those laws dealing with cities of the first class and counties containing cities of the first class, laws of local interest have not been included.

This reference book is divided into twenty-one general subject areas. Some of these areas are then broken down into more specific categories. All summaries dealing with the general subject area are listed first, followed by summaries dealing with a specific category under that subject area. For example, an Act generally affecting local government will be found under "Local Government", an Act dealing specifically with counties will be found under "Local Government, Counties". Each Act is listed numerically by chapter number of 1976 Laws of Minnesota under the subject area of its primary concern. The summary begins with a brief description of the Act, followed by the chapter number and the Senate or House file number. The Act is then briefly summarized. Unless noted otherwise, the Act's effective date is August 1. Many of the items have been cross-referenced by listing them under more than one subject area (e.g., an Act dealing with health insurance may be listed under both "Health and Welfare, Insurance" and "Insurance").

Three cross-reference indexes have been included in the back of this publication. The first is a numerical list of chapter numbers with the corresponding House file or Senate file number, and the subject area under which a summary of the Act may be found. The second is a numerical listing by House file number, followed by the corresponding chapter number and subject area under which a summary of the Act may be found. The third is a numerical listing by Senate file number, followed by the corresponding chapter number and subject area under which a summary of the Act may be found.

Additional information may be obtained by calling the House Research Department at 296-6753, or the Senate Counsel Office at 296-2511.

Statistical Summary

The Sixty-Ninth Session of the Minnesota Legislature reconvened on January 27, 1976, and adjourned sine die on April 7, 1976. During the session 842 bills were introduced in the House of Representatives and 812 bills were introduced in the Senate. A total of 348 bills were enacted into law. The Governor exercised the regular veto four times.

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

House of Representatives:

Martin O. Sabo - Speaker of the House
Irvin N. Anderson - Majority Leader
Bruce Vento - Assistant Majority Leader
John Lindstrom - Assistant Majority Leader
Henry J. Savelkoul - Minority Leader
Salisbury Adams - Assistant Minority Leader
Rodney Searle - Assistant Minority Leader
Arne Carlson - Assistant Minority Leader
James Ulland - Assistant Minority Leader

Standing Committees in the House:

Agriculture
Appropriations
Commerce and Economic Development
Crime Prevention and Corrections
Education
Environment and Natural Resources
Financial Institutions and Insurance
General Legislation and Veterans Affairs
Governmental Operations
Health and Welfare
Higher Education
Judiciary
Labor-Management Relations
Local and Urban Affairs
Taxes
Transportation



THE SENATE

Senate:

Alec G. Olson - President
Nicholas D. Coleman - Majority Leader
George R. Conzemius - Assistant Majority Leader
Robert O. Ashbach - Minority Leader

Standing Committees in the Senate:

Education
Finance
Governmental Operations
Health, Welfare and Corrections
Judiciary
Labor and Commerce
Metropolitan and Urban Affairs
Natural Resources and Agriculture
Rules and Administration
Taxes and Tax Laws
Transportation and General Legislation

AGRICULTURE

STRAY ANIMALS, Chapter 1, H.F. 1003: Amends M.S. 35.71. Requires establishments having custody of stray animals seized by a public authority to admit members of the public. Requires these establishments to maintain certain records.

NOXIOUS WEEDS, Chapter 21, S.F. 806: Authorizes towns or cities to control natural weed growth on state lands. Provides reimbursement for towns or cities of certain expenses incurred to control weeds on state lands if the responsible agency fails to do so within 14 days.

POTATO INDUSTRY PROMOTION, Chapter 22, S.F. 1439: Amends M.S. 30.464. Divides the state into four regions for purposes of the potato industry promotion act.

TRESPASS, Chapter 23, S.F. 1501: See Environmental Preservation and Natural Resources.

LIENS, Chapter 32, H.F. 719: Amends M.S. 514.03. Provides that liens for improvement of real property may cover 80 acres up from previous law's 40 acres except in the case of agricultural land where the lien is limited to 40 acres as in prior law.

COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES, Chapter 51, H.F. 2105: Authorizes the renewal of the period of corporate existence of certain agricultural societies whose period of duration has expired. Validates certain acts done and contracts made subsequent to the expiration of a corporate existence. Effective 3-20-76.

PESTICIDES, Chapter 53, S.F. 995: Amends existing statutes to conform with the federal insecticide, fungicide, rodenticide act. Various effective dates.

COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATIONS, Chapter 59, S.F. 1901: Amends M.S. 308.09 and 308.11. Provides for changes in the method of electing directors. Effective 3-20-76.

MILK STANDARDS, GRADES AND PRICE DIFFERENTIALS, Chapter 61, S.F. 1975: Amends M.S. 32.401. Changes the present mandatory duty of the commissioner of agriculture in establishing standards, grades, and price differentials for milk and cream to a permissive duty.

INTEREST RATES ON BUSINESS AND AGRICULTURAL LOANS, Chapter 93, S.F. 733: See Financial Institutions.

FLASHING LIGHTS ON SERVICE VEHICLES AND FARM EQUIPMENT, Chapter 104,
H.F. 2463: See Transportation, Traffic Law.

AGRICULTURAL CREDIT CORPORATIONS, Chapter 158, S.F. 2108: Amends
M.S. Ch. 334. Authorizes agricultural credit corporations to charge
up to 10% interest per annum.

FAMILY FARM SECURITY ACT, Chapter 210, H.F. 1984: Amends M.S. 48.24
and 1975 Supp. 290.01. Establishes a family farm security program to
encourage loans for farm real estate. Includes a loan guarantee by the
state of 90% of the real estate loan. Also includes payment adjustment
by the state of 4% of the principal of a farm real estate loan.
Establishes certain capital gains tax penalties for applicants who sell
their land prematurely.

LIVESTOCK SANITATION, Chapter 227, S.F. 2300: Amends M.S. 35.09.
Authorizes indemnity to owners of grade bulls slaughtered because of
certain dangerous diseases. Provides indemnification to owners of
condemned cattle by reason of being nonreactors to the brucellosis test,
or because of being exposed to brucellosis and, therefore, not eligible
for the test.

APPROPRIATIONS

The acts described below originated with the Senate Finance Committee and House Appropriations Committee and include primarily appropriations to pay the cost of state programs begun before the 1976 legislative session. Appropriations for new programs are included in the acts creating the programs, which are grouped according to their subject matter and described in the other sections of this book. A table showing all appropriations for both old and new programs follows these descriptions.

SEMI-STATE ACTIVITIES, Chapter 3, H.F. 1741: Appropriates \$9,745,362 to various organizations for semi-state activities. Effective 2-7-76.

INTERIM CLAIMS, Chapter 101, H.F. 2216: Repeals Laws 1969, Ch. 886, Sec. 3, Subd. 10. Appropriates \$121,659 to various persons in payment of claims against the state. Effective 3-31-76.

RIDER CODIFICATION, Chapter 163, S.F. 2277: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Codifies various provisions of law formerly contained as riders in appropriation acts. Makes no changes in substantive law. Effective 7-1-76.

CLAIMS, Chapter 172, H.F. 2683: Appropriates \$72,365 to various persons in payment of claims against the state. Effective 4-3-76.

DEFICIENCIES AND SUPPLEMENTS, Chapter 331, S.F. 2581: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Appropriates \$13,400,035 to various state agencies for payment of general administrative expenses of state government. Authorizes the commissioner of administration to acquire Mechanic Arts High School and adjacent athletic fields. Authorizes the state planning agency to conduct training activities for local and regional government officials and the public in general. Accepts the provisions of the labor agreement negotiated between the state of Minnesota and the Minnesota conservation officers association relating to wages and economic fringe benefits. Establishes performance criteria for the Univac 1110 instructional time-sharing computer system to meet before the Minnesota educational computing consortium may spend additional money on it. Authorizes the department of education to implement an in-service training program for staff members of the right to read program. Suspends until 3-1-77, the authority of the higher education coordinating board to regulate degree-granting higher education institutions. Provides a new procedure for payment of claims against the state for events occurring after 8-1-76. Imposes limits on the kinds of claims that will be paid. Imposes a limit of \$100,000 on the amount that will be paid to any individual claimant and \$500,000 for any number of claims arising out of a single occurrence. Requires notice of the claim within 180 days after the loss is discovered. Claims of less than \$2,500 may

be paid after settlement by the head of the department or agency concerned. Claims rejected by a department or in excess of \$2,500 may be paid pursuant to the order of the court in a civil action in the courts of this state. Authorizes state agencies to buy liability insurance and provides indemnification for state employees. Abolishes the state claims commission which has been inactive since 1973. Its successor, the joint Senate-House subcommittee on claims, will continue to operate as long as is necessary. Transfers jurisdiction to consider claims of members of the National Guard from the state claims commission to the workers' compensation commission. Requires state agencies to get the approval of the state planning agency prior to entering into certain consultant contracts where the aggregate amount is \$15,000 or more. Requires the state planning agency to consult with the Senate finance committee and House appropriations committee before making its decision on a contract. Allows a person aggrieved by a final determination of the commissioner of labor and industry concerning prevailing wage rates and hours on state construction projects to appeal the decision of the commissioner. Authorizes the chairman and members of the cable communications board to be paid expenses in the same manner and amount as state employees. This provision is effective retroactive to 1-1-76. Creates an open appropriation to the state treasurer of dedicated receipts from the sale of abandoned property in order to pay the cost of administering the sales. Abolishes the state advisory council on fire service education and research effective 7-1-76. Except as otherwise specified, effective 4-20-76.

BUILDING REPAIRS, Chapter 347, H.F. 2677: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Appropriates \$9,868,011 for maintenance and repair of buildings owned by the state and the Minnesota historical society. Authorizes conveyance to the city of Mankato of a perpetual utility easement over certain state land situated in Blue Earth County. Effective 7-1-76.

BUILDING CONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENTS, Chapter 348, H.F. 2678: Amends M.S. 16.16 and 137.02, and repeals Laws 1973, Ch. 778, Sec. 20. Appropriates \$53,923,829 for construction and capital improvement of buildings owned by the state and the University of Minnesota.

APPROPRIATIONS

Recipient <u>Purpose</u>	Laws 1976 <u>Chapter</u>	Available For The Year Ending June 30	
		<u>1976</u> \$	<u>1977</u> \$
Legislative Coordinating Commission			
Advisory Council on Economic			
Status of Women	337	95,000 ¹	
Legislative Commission to Review			
Administrative Rules	331	30,000 ²	
Legislative Auditor			
Audit of St. Paul Schools	20	100,000 ³	
Study of Housing Finance Agency	254	100,000 ²	
Governor-General Contingent			
Community Health Services	9	500,000	
Prevailing Wage Administration	331	25,000	
MECC Consultant	331	100,000	
MECC Back Up Service	331	500,000	
Alternative Energy Systems	333		200,000
		<u>1,125,000</u>	
Treasurer			
Advertising of Unclaimed Property	331	15,000	
Attorney General			
Consolidation of Offices	331	95,000 ²	
Defending Tort Claims	331		200,000
State Planning			
Maps and Data Plan for Census	132	50,000 ³	
Land Use Planning Grants	167		2,500,000
Rail Service Improvement Grants	204	3,000,000 ³	
Administration	204	150,000 ²	
Environmental Permits Coordination	303	140,000 ²	
Training Local Officials	331		75,000
Study of Local Government Fiscal			
Problems	331	50,000 ²	
Copper-Nickel EIS	331		<u>1,400,000</u>
		<u>3,390,000</u>	<u>3,975,000</u>

Administration

Commuter Van Program	233	100,000	
Legal Services Aid	260		165,000
Utility Services	331	310,250	322,250
Statewide Licensing System Development	331	113,000 ²	
National Governor's Conference	331		3,085
Interstate Co-op Commission	331	5,000	
North Capitol Area Improvement	331		800,000 ³
Acquire Mechanic Arts H.S.	331	2,000,000 ³	
Energy Conservation Programs	333	195,400 ²	
Modifications for Handicapped	347		85,000 ³
Fire Marshal Modifications	347		50,000 ³
General Remodeling	347		125,000 ³
Emergency Lighting	347		110,000 ³
Repair Water Leaks	347		100,000 ³
Capitol Square Freight Elevator	347		40,000 ³
Historical Building			
Rain Leaders	347		55,500 ³
Stairway Handrails	347		10,000 ³
Replace Windows	347		70,000 ³
Sprinkler System	347		120,000 ³
Improvements to Veterans Service Bldg.	347		80,000 ³
Improvements to Centennial Bldg.	347		18,500 ³
Hydraulic Lift	347		9,500 ³
Improvements to Highway Bldg.	347		25,000 ³
Remodeling for BCA	348		1,165,000 ⁴
Improvements to 117 University	348		809,000 ⁴
Veterans Home			
Nursing Care Facility	348		1,925,000 ⁴
Fire Protection	348		66,150 ⁴
Fire Protection	348		40,000 ⁴
State University Buildings			
Moorhead Arts Center	348		2,414,000 ⁴
Remodeling of Facilities	348		1,502,470 ⁴
Preliminary Plans - Bemidji	348		120,000 ⁴
Mankato Campus Consolidation	348		3,500,000 ⁴
Mankato Town Campus	348		250,000 ⁴
Community College Buildings			
Construction	348		3,345,570 ⁴

Public Welfare Buildings			
Repairs	347		2,200,000
Furniture	347		1,000,000 ³
Demolition	347		50,000 ³
Construction	348		3,500,000 ⁴
Life Safety	348		5,500,000 ⁴
Renovation	348		3,500,000 ⁴
Air Conditioning	348		800,000 ⁴
Carpeting	348		300,000 ⁴
Corrections Buildings			
Repairs	347		1,300,000 ³
Stillwater Plans	347		800,000 ³
OSHA Compliance	347		300,000 ³
Construction	348		1,700,000 ⁴
Administration of Building Program	348		150,000
State Building Contingent	348		500,000
State Building Assistance	348		50,000 ⁴
Fuel Conversion Plans	348		200,000 ⁴
		2,723,650	39,176,025
Finance			
Tort Claims	331		500,000
Bridge Bond Interest	339		687,500 ⁵
Building Bond Sale Expenses	348		50,000 ⁴
Building Bond Interest	348		412,500 ⁵
			1,650,000
Personnel			
Labor Negotiator	331	13,938	84,476
Revenue			
Circuit-Breaker Administration	331		400,000
Board of Assessors	331	28,865	28,865
			428,865
Retirement Funds			
Supplemental Benefits	326		21,207,456
Indian Affairs			
General Support	314	155,550 ²	
General Support	331	10,000	
		165,550	
Housing Finance			
General Support	254	34,200,000 ³	

Commerce

Comprehensive Health Insurance	296		107,000
Hospital Insurance Regulation	296	43,000 ²	
State Aid to Police and Volunteer Firemen's Relief Associations	315		3,500,000 ⁶
Hearing Costs and Employee Expenses	331	<u>102,000</u>	
		145,000	<u>3,607,000</u>

Labor and Industry

Salaries	331		92,200
Supplies and Expense	331		<u>6,000</u>
			98,200

Agriculture

Family Farm Security Program			
Loan Security	210		10,000,000 ⁷
Interest Subsidies	210		800,000
Administrative Expenses	210		<u>74,300</u>
			10,874,300

Livestock Sanitary Board

Indemnification for Diseased Cattle	227		40,000
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Natural Resources

Drainage and Wetlands Preservation	83	1,040,000 ³	
Bicycle Trails	199	100,000 ²	
Snowmobile and Recreational Trails	319	1,300,000 ²	
Mineland Reclamation	322	147,000 ²	
Employee Relocation	331	43,000	43,000
Real Estate Taxes	331	75,000	150,000
Hydrologic Studies	331	192,000	183,750
Water Resources Management	331		87,000
Forest Management	331	50,000	50,000
Parks and Recreation	331	50,000	50,000
Reserve Mining EIS	331	1,300,000	
Peat Information	331	25,000	75,000
Game and Fish Contingent	331	2,500,000 ¹	
Deer Habitat Improvement	346		<u>300,000</u>
		<u>6,822,000</u>	938,750

Soil and Water Conservation Floodwater Retention

82	250,000 ³
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Energy

Salaries	331	7,911	37,517
Supplies and Expense	331	86,100	119,200
Energy Conservation Program	333	150,000 ²	
Infrared Aerial Photos	333	<u>50,000</u>	
		294,011	<u>156,717</u>

Transportation

Zoo Access Road	80	750,000 ³	
Organize Department	166	75,000 ³	
Study of Methods for Transporting			
Agricultural Commodities	166	75,000 ³	
Bicycle Trails	199	150,000 ²	
Operation and Maintenance of Orr Airport	331		10,000
Trunk Highway Bridges	339	25,000,000 ⁸	
County Bridges	339	13,500,000 ⁸	
City Bridges	339	4,000,000 ⁸	
Town Bridges	339	7,500,000 ⁸	
Eden Prairie Equipment Storage	347		780,000 ³
Enfield Rest Area	347		125,000 ³
		<u>51,050,000</u>	<u>915,000</u>

Veterans Affairs

Veterans Home Maintenance	3	651,946	678,503
Veterans Home Repairs	3	<u>30,000²</u>	
		681,946	

Public Safety

Bicycle Registration	199	243,000 ²	
Alcohol Safety Programs	298		250,000
Crime Victims Reparations	331	100,000	100,000
Fire Services Advisory Council	331	4,500	
Driver License Revocation for DWI	341		159,300
Motor Vehicle Licensing	342	114,014	
Graphic License Plates	343	<u>290,000²</u>	
		751,514	<u>509,300</u>

Education

Educational Cooperative Service Units	8	499,950 ²	
In-Service Training	8	100,000 ²	
Right to Read Program	194		290,000
Career Study Centers for St. Paul	271		90,000
Emergency Aid	271		300,000
Special Education Aid	271	1,000,000	2,925,600
Adult Education	271	117,925	178,500
Southeast Asian Children	271		50,000
Transfer of Deaf, Braille, and			
Sight-Saving Schools	271		30,000
U.F.A.R.S. Implementation	271	250,000	
Gross Earnings Aid	271		191,442
Special Education Program and			
Budget Review	271	150,000	
Board of Teaching	271		30,000
Curriculum Planning, Evaluation and			
Reporting	271	200,000	
Advisory Task Force on Nonpublic Schools	271	25,000	
Teen Corps	271	<u>10,000</u>	
		2,352,875	<u>4,085,542</u>

State University Board			
Repairs	347		1,038,000 ³
Special Assessments	347		126,511 ³
Maintenance Facilities	348		<u>800,000⁴</u>
			1,964,511
Community College Board			
Repairs	347		750,000 ³
Storage Facilities	348		<u>400,000⁴</u>
			1,150,000
University of Minnesota			
Twin City Campus			
St. Paul Library	348		4,897,489 ⁴
Home Economics Bldg.	348		1,435,500 ⁴
Remodeling	348		500,000 ⁴
Upgrade for Handicapped	348		400,000 ⁴
OSHA Compliance	348		500,000 ⁴
Boiler and Baghouse	348		1,996,000 ⁴
Heating Plant Modification	348		1,000,000 ⁴
Special Assessment	348		383,000 ⁴
Primary Electric System	348		521,950 ⁴
Greenhouse and Headhouse	348		350,000 ⁴
Basic Sciences Remodeling	348		4,937,150 ⁴
Pharmacy and Nursing Plans	348		300,000 ⁴
Duluth Campus			
Basic Sciences Bldg.	348		1,422,400 ⁴
Utilities, Water, Roads	348		500,000 ⁴
Morris Campus	348		155,000 ⁴
Technical College - Crookston			
Food Service Building	348		100,000 ⁴
Learning Resources Center	348		1,118,150 ⁴
Technical College - Waseca			
Renovation of School	348		220,000 ⁴
Renovation of Plant Services	348		150,000 ⁴
Grand Rapids			
Greenhouse and Headhouse	348		150,000 ⁴
Waseca			
Office, Laboratory	348		<u>300,000⁴</u>
			21,336,639
Health			
Community Health Services			
Subsidies	9	1,500,000 ²	
Planning Grants	9	400,000 ²	
Migrant Worker Services	9	150,000 ²	
Indian Services	9	150,000 ²	
Program Supervision	9	50,000 ²	
Hospital Regulation	296	125,000 ²	
Nursing Home Complaints	325	67,000 ²	
Preventive and Professional Health Services	331	123,344	126,482

Health Systems Quality Assurance	331	<u>79,006</u>	<u>85,296</u>
		2,644,350	211,778
Dentistry			
General Support	331		37,000
Corrections Ombudsman			
General Support	318		10,000
Public Welfare			
Alcohol and Drug Abuse			
Employee Services	125		1,100,000
Youth Services	125		1,356,000
Indian Services	125		775,000
Affirmative Outreach	125		30,000
Program Evaluation	125		50,000
Detoxification, Half-Way Houses, Nonresidential Programs	125		2,802,000
Pilot Dental Programs for Senior Citizens	305		400,000
Pilot Programs for Community Mental Health Treatment	327	350,000 ³	<u>6,513,000</u>
Minnesota Board on Aging			
Senior Companion Program	323		100,000
Great Lakes Commission	3	27,500	27,500
Minnesota-Wisconsin Boundary Area			
Commission for 1975 6,000	3	41,200	46,000
Uniform Laws Commission	3	9,900 ²	9,900
Southern Minnesota Rivers Basin Board	3	40,000	40,000
County Attorneys Council	3	50,000	50,000
Port Authority of Duluth	3	80,000	80,000
Interstate Port Authority Commission	270	1,600 ²	
Minnesota Bicentennial Commission	331	300,000	
State Horticultural Society	3	22,500	22,500
Junior Livestock Association of Duluth	3	1,400	1,400

Minnesota Livestock Breeders Association	3	14,100	14,200
Northern Sheep Growers Associations	3	1,125	1,125
Southern Sheep Growers Associations	3	500	500
Red River Valley Livestock Associations	3	7,500	7,500
Red River Valley Dairymen's Association	3	1,500	1,500
County and District Agricultural Societies	3	240,000	240,000
County Fair Bicentennial Exhibits and Projects	3	100,000	
Poultry Associations	3	3,500	3,500
Minnesota Historical Society			
Grants and Aids	3	2,325,285	2,466,082
Museum Program	3	200,000 ²	
Historic Sites Improvement	3	150,000 ²	
Construction Archaeology	3	50,000 ²	
Contingent Account	3	30,000 ²	
Historic Sites Program	3	475,000 ²	
Harkin-Massopust Store	3	50,000 ²	
Grand Mound Interpretive Center	3	25,000 ²	
History and Learning Center	3	25,000	25,000
Regional History Centers	3	60,000	60,000
Administration of Split Rock and Birch Coulee Sites	106		75,000
Equipment, Air Conditioning	347		325,000 ³
Oliver H. Kelley Farm Repair	347		75,000 ³
Exhibit Construction	347		100,000 ³
		<u>3,390,285</u>	<u>3,126,082</u>
Sibley House Association	3	15,000	15,000
Minnesota Academy of Science	3	16,200	16,200
Board of the Arts			
General Support	3	500,000	500,000
Public Television Grants	201		<u>120,000</u>
			620,000
Disabled American Veterans	3	10,000	10,000
Veterans of Foreign Wars	3	10,500	10,500
Minnesota Safety Council	3	47,500	47,500
Minnesota Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals	3	15,000	15,000

Various Claimants		
Claims	101	121,659.38
Claims	172	72,365.03

Unemployment Compensation	
For 1975 - 5,586.93	3

Workers Compensation	
For 1975 - 17,209.55	3

TOTALS	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>
	<u>\$28,796.48</u>	<u>\$112,314,533.41</u>	<u>\$124,803,969.00</u>

GRAND TOTAL	<u>\$237,147,298.89</u>
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Summary By Fund

General - Direct	\$151,909,459	
Open	<u>4,600,000</u>	\$156,509,459
Trunk Highway		1,028,060
Highway User		290,000
Game and Fish		385,950
State Airports		10,000
Bonds - General Obligation		53,923,829
Bonds - Transportation		<u>25,000,000</u>
		\$237,147,298

Notes:

- 1 Available until June 30, 1978
- 2 Available until June 30, 1977
- 3 Available until expended
- 4 Bond proceeds for construction, available until expended
- 5 Open appropriation from general fund, estimated amount
- 6 Open appropriation of dedicated receipts, estimated amount of increase
- 7 Open appropriation of balance in dedicated account
- 8 Transportation fund, available until expended

COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

EMINENT DOMAIN, Chapter 10, S.F. 234: See Judiciary.

RETALIATORY EVICTIONS, Chapter 17, H.F. 1145: See Judiciary.

EYE PROTECTION REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN INDUSTRIAL COURSES, Chapter 40, H.F. 1995: Amends M.S. 126.20. Changes the standards used for eye protective devices.

UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE, Chapter 135, S.F. 10: See Judiciary.

MORTGAGES, Chapter 148, S.F. 1874: See Judiciary.

REAL ESTATE BROKERS AND SALES PERSONS, Chapter 197, H.F. 447: Amends M.S. 82.20 and 1975 Supp. 82.18 and 82.22. Clarifies definition of real estate broker in a manner which provides that employees of the owner or manager of a residential building who leases residential units in the building need not have a real estate broker's license. Allows the commissioner of securities to establish special licenses for real estate brokers who engage solely in the rental or management of property. Permits an officer of a corporation or a partner in a partnership who is licensed as a limited broker to act on behalf of that corporation or partnership without being subject to licensing requirements.

REAL ESTATE DEVELOPERS, Chapter 230, H.F. 1078: See Judiciary.

CONTRACTS FOR DEED, Chapter 240, H.F. 81: See Judiciary.

CONDOMINIUMS, Chapter 244, H.F. 471: Amends M.S. 515.19 and Ch. 515. Requires the association of apartment owners to be incorporated. Requires the bylaws to provide that a minimum notice be given before meetings, that apartments owned by the association of apartment owners may not vote, and that an annual report be prepared. Imposes time restrictions on the control the creator of a condominium has over a condominium. Requires certain disclosures prior to the original sale of a condominium apartment.

CABLE COMMUNICATIONS, Chapter 249, H.F. 943: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Makes the cable communications commission a permanent part of the department of administration. Authorizes the commissioner to order the interconnection of cable communications systems. Provides that municipal systems shall be subject to the rules of the commission. Extends the period for a renewal certificate from five to ten years and authorizes the issuance of a renewal certificate prior to the expiration of an existing certificate. Permits a county presently operating a translator system singly or jointly with contiguous counties to appropriate an amount necessary to fund the operation of a translator system to receive and transmit broadcasts simultaneously. Effective 4-14-76.

REPOSSESSION OF MOBILE HOMES, Chapter 250, H.F. 955: See Judiciary.

MOTOR VEHICLE DEALERS, Chapter 342, H.F. 2414: Amends M.S. 168.27, 297B.01 and Ch. 297B. Modifies the sales tax on sale of motor vehicles acquired for resale. Amends the law related to licensing of persons who sell motor vehicles. Establishes separate licensing requirements for new motor vehicle dealers, used motor vehicle dealers, motor vehicle lessors, motor vehicle brokers, motor vehicle wholesalers, and motor vehicle auctioneers. Establishes procedures for issuing, suspending or revoking these licenses. Effective 4-21-76.

CRIME PREVENTION AND CORRECTIONS

MARIJUANA, Chapter 42, H.F. 749: Amends M.S. 152.15. Decreases the penalty for possession of a small amount of marijuana from a misdemeanor to a petty misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to \$100 and participation in a drug education program, if appropriate. Subsequent violations within two years are misdemeanors and persons so convicted may be required to participate in chemical dependency evaluation and treatment. Records of convictions are to be kept by the department of public safety solely for use by courts in determining penalties which attach upon subsequent convictions. Willful and intentional failure to comply with the sentence imposed is a misdemeanor. Municipalities are barred from enacting ordinances or regulations imposing civil or criminal penalties or liabilities greater than those provided by state law for the same act, occurrence or event relating to manufacture, sale, gift, barter, delivery, exchange, distribution or possession of marijuana. The state alcohol and drug authority is to include proper evaluation and a drug education program. Effective 4-12-76.

PEACE OFFICER TRAINING COURSES, Chapter 52, S.F. 53: See Judiciary.

MANAGEMENT, Chapter 63, S.F. 2076: Amends M.S. 241.01. Permits the commissioner of corrections to utilize the services of inmates of medium-minimum security facilities, to pay them minimum wages, and to charge them for room, board, and other expenses incidental to their confinement. Inmates pursuing educational and vocational training programs may be paid an educational stipend. He may also grant up to six five-day furloughs in one year to any inmate of a medium-minimum security facility who has not been convicted of a violent crime. Effective 3-20-76.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT, Chapter 68, H.F. 1932: See Governmental Operations.

FURNISHING BOARD AND OTHER SERVICES TO PRISONERS, Chapter 88, S.F. 1996: See Local Government, Counties.

CRIMES; REMOVAL OF MANUFACTURERS' IDENTIFICATION MARK, Chapter 112, S.F. 1825: See Judiciary.

CRIME; ARSON; CRIMINAL SEXUAL CONDUCT, Chapter 124, H.F. 910: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Revises the law of arson. Provides for imprisonment for up to 5 years and for a fine of up to \$5,000 or both for the following offenses: possession, manufacture or transportation of explosive compounds or incendiary devices with the intent either to use the explosive or device to commit a crime or with the knowledge that

another intends to use the explosive or device to commit a crime; and possession, manufacture, transportation or storage of a chemical self-igniting device or Molotov cocktail with the intent to use the same for any unlawful purpose.

First degree arson is to be punished by imprisonment for not more than 20 years or a fine of not more than \$20,000, or both. First degree arson is defined as the unlawful intentional destruction or damaging by fire or explosives of any building used as a dwelling at the time the act is committed whether the inhabitant is present at the time of the act or not, or of any building appurtenant to or connected with the dwelling. The unlawful intentional destruction or damaging by fire or explosives of any other building is punishable as first degree arson if the defendant knows that another person not a participant in the crime is present in the building at the time or if the circumstances are such as to render the presence of a person in the building a reasonable possibility.

Second degree arson is the intentional unlawful destruction or damage by fire or explosive of any building not covered in first degree arson and is punishable by imprisonment of up to 10 years or a fine of \$10,000, or both.

Third degree arson is the intentional unlawful destruction or damage of any personal property belonging to another by means of fire or explosives if the property intended to be damaged was worth \$100 or more or if property of the value of \$100 or more was unintentionally damaged or destroyed but that the damage or destruction could reasonably have been foreseen, or both, if the aggregate value of the property was \$100 or more. The penalty for third degree arson is imprisonment for up to 5 years or a fine of \$5,000 or both. Whoever intentionally sets fire to or burns or causes to be burned any personal property of value belonging to another may be imprisoned for not more than 90 days or may be sentenced to a fine of not more than \$300.

A person culpably negligent in causing a fire to burn or to get out of control causing damage or injury to another and as a result brings about great bodily harm may be sentenced to up to 3 years or to a payment of a fine of not more than \$3,000, or both; if the property of another is injured a person may be sentenced to imprisonment for not more than 90 days or a fine of \$300, or both if the value of the property damaged is less than \$100; if the value is at least \$100 and less than \$2,500 the sentence is 90 days to a year or a fine of \$1,000, or both; if the value of the property is between \$2,500 and less than \$10,000 the person may be imprisoned for more than a year and may be required to pay a fine of \$1,000, or both; if the value of the property damaged is \$10,000 or greater, the person may be sentenced to imprisonment for up to 3 years or to a fine of \$3,000, or both.

A mistake in the law relating to criminal sexual conduct is changed so that criminal sexual conduct in the 4th degree is committed when the complainant is under the age of 13 years and the actor is no more than 36 months older than the complainant. Prior law required that the actor be no less than 36 months older than the complainant.

Damaging any property with the intent to injure or defraud an insurer is punishable by a sentence of up to 3 years or a fine of up to \$3,000, or both, if the value insured is less than \$20,000, or by an imprisonment for up to 5 years or payment of a fine of \$5,000 if the value insured is \$20,000 or greater. Proof of an attempt to recover on a policy of insurance by reason of the fire is not essential to establish the intent to defraud.

STATUTES OF LIMITATION, Chapter 153, S.F. 1973: See Judiciary.

TAMPERING WITH A WITNESS, Chapter 178, S.F. 1105: See Judiciary.

CRIME VICTIM'S REPARATIONS, Chapter 193, S.F. 2251: See Judiciary.

STATE AID TO LEGAL ASSISTANCE CORPORATIONS, Chapter 260, H.F. 1608:
See Judiciary.

PISTOL PERMITS, Chapter 269, H.F. 1955: Amends 1975 Supp. 624.714. Guards at state adult correctional institutions are not required to hold a permit to carry a pistol when on guard duty or otherwise engaged in assigned duty.

ATTORNEYS' FEES, Chapter 277, H.F. 2107: Amends M.S. 352E. No attorneys' fees incurred in an action to obtain the benefits for survivors of peace officers killed in the line of duty are binding unless the amount of the fee charged is determined and approved in writing by the worker's compensation board. Effective for fees charged for services performed by an attorney after 7-31-76.

PRIVACY, Chapter 283, H.F. 2204: See Judiciary.

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS, Chapter 299, S.F. 551: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Relates to the powers of the commissioner of corrections to regulate local correctional facilities and requires the commissioner to inspect all public and private correctional facilities, except to the extent that they are inspected by other state agencies. He shall promulgate rules relating to the operation, management, etc., of the facilities, advised by a nine-member advisory task force. Requires all state agencies which regulate any aspect of a correctional facility to ensure that their minimum standards are essentially the same; permits the commissioner to restrict the use of non-complying facilities to holding persons for less than 72 hours. He may also order compliance with the rules, but a facility

may request an extension of up to a year to comply with his orders. Provides that after license revocation, a facility for the confinement of delinquent children may not be used for detention purposes; raises the threshold expenditure to require notice to the commissioner of a proposed construction or repair of a jail from \$2,000 to \$5,000; prohibits the detention of prisoners in condemned jails; and requires the commissioner's approval for the construction or repair of a lock-up (not a jail) which costs in excess of \$5,000, and prohibits the commissioner from approving a proposal unless it complies with all relevant rules of the commissioner. Effective 7-1-76.

OMBUDSMAN AND JUVENILE DETENTION, Chapter 318, S.F. 175: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Brings community corrections facilities within the jurisdiction of the ombudsman; grants the ombudsman and his staff immunity from subpoena in any court proceeding except any proceeding necessary to enforce his powers and duties; grants him subpoena powers; and permits him to attend parole and parole revocation hearings. Grants the ombudsman immunity from civil suit unless an act or an omission by him is grossly negligent or motivated by malice; prohibits the opening of letters from the ombudsman to inmates; and prohibits retaliation against complainants by an institution or official.

Also, relates to the detention of juveniles, and provides for notification of the responsible adult after a child is detained; increased record-keeping of the justifications for and activities surrounding detention; prompt hearings on detention; standards for continued detention; and for varying levels of detention facilities (for violent or non-violent juveniles).

PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION, Chapter 348, H.F. 2678: Amends M.S. 16.16, 137.02 and repeals Laws 1973, Ch. 778, Sec. 20. Section 8 of Chapter 348 appropriates \$1,700,000 to the commissioner of corrections for the renovation of the state facility at Lino Lakes as a medium-minimum security facility for adult offenders.

EDUCATION

EDUCATIONAL COOPERATIVE SERVICE UNITS, Chapter 8, S.F. 22: Authorizes the establishment of ten educational cooperative service units (ECSU) for the purpose of regional educational planning and the provision of educational programs and services on a regional basis. Designates boundaries, in terms of governor's development regions, of ten educational cooperative service units. Provides for initial organization of an ECSU to occur only on petition to the state board by a majority of the districts in an ECSU. Provides for full ECSU membership for public school districts and non-voting associate membership for non-public school units. Provides for participation to be voluntary, but requires participation in planning by metro area districts. Provides for management of ECSU by a board of 6 to 15 directors who are school board members elected for 3-year terms by school board members of all participating districts. Permits Region 11 ECSU to be governed by a representative assembly. Requires ECSU board to prepare and submit to the state board and participating districts an annual plan for the ECSU. Requires annual plan to identify anticipated programs, services and planning activities. Permits state board to review and comment on plan. Lists examples of permitted programs and services. Permits ECSU board to provide facilities, employ administrative and teaching staff, appoint advisory committees, and enter contracts with districts and other agencies. Requires ECSU board to exercise powers and duties delegated to it by districts in ECSU bylaws. Requires ECSU board to prepare and submit to state board and participating districts an annual evaluation report. Provides for financial support of ECSU programs and services by participating districts and units, supplemented by other funds when available. Permits ECSU board to assess districts and non-public units annually, on the basis of degree of participation, a service fee for administrative, planning, operating or capital expenses. Provides for payment of assessments within levy limits. Permits a district to withdraw from an ECSU on a majority vote of its board under provisions of ECSU organizational agreement. Permits ECSU to apply for and accept private, state and federal funds.

Appropriates \$499,950 for the remainder of the biennium ending 6-30-77, to provide \$45,450 to each ECSU, except for the Region 11 ECSU which will receive \$90,900.

Also appropriates \$100,000 for pilot programs for in-service training of regular classroom teachers in techniques of educating mildly learning disabled and retarded pupils. Effective 2-12-76.

MALICIOUS FALSE FIRE ALARMS, Chapter 15, S.F. 1584: Requires reports to local fire service of all malicious false fire alarms in educational facilities. Provides for state fire marshal to issue permits to deactivate fire alarm systems in educational facilities experiencing repeated malicious false fire alarms.

AID AND LEVY CLARIFICATIONS, Chapter 18, H.F. 1977: Clarifies intention that two years' taconite aid not be deducted from fiscal 1975 foundation aid. Allows districts which transferred funds to their sinking funds, in order to legally reduce post-secondary vocational debt service levies, to re-transfer these funds to the fund of origin. Clarifies qualification of districts for community education aid and grandfathered taconite occupation tax aid. Effective 2-21-76.

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 625 CASH FLOW AND OPERATING DEBT, Chapter 20, H.F. 2331: Authorizes St. Paul School District to issue \$6,400,000 of general obligation bonds for cash flow purposes. Requires legislative auditor to restate the fiscal year 1975 audit and perform a fiscal year 1976 audit of the district in accordance with the state uniform financial accounting and reporting system for school districts. Requires the district to adopt this financial accounting and reporting system before 7-1-76. Defines statutory operating debt for the district and allows the district to make an excess levy of 1.5 EARC mills per year for up to 20 years to reduce this debt. Limits general fund expenditures, and limits and provides for gradual reduction of tax anticipation borrowing by the district. Prohibits borrowing and temporary transfers from debt and construction accounts. Removes tenure rights from certain administrative positions, not including principals' positions. Appropriates \$100,000 to the legislative auditor. Effective 3-2-76.

AREA VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL INSTITUTE STUDENT ASSOCIATIONS, Chapter 25, H.F. 1721: Requires school boards to recognize AVTI student associations as authorized extracurricular activities. Allows associations to collect voluntary fees. States purposes for which fees may be expended.

SCHOOL EXPENSES, Chapter 37, S.F. 570: See Taxation.

ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES OF TEACHER ANNUITY CONTRACTS, Chapter 129, H.F. 1870: See Retirement.

SCHOOLHOUSE CLOSINGS, Chapter 168, H.F. 1057: Amends M.S. 123.36. Requires school boards to hold public hearings before closing schoolhouses.

TRANSPORTATION TO SCHOOL OR SCHOOL ACTIVITIES, Chapter 180, S.F. 1570: See Insurance.

RIGHT TO READ PROGRAM, Chapter 194, S.F. 2375: Appropriates \$290,000 for fiscal year 1977 for the continuation of the right to read program. Effective 4-9-76.

GRANTS FOR INSTRUCTIONAL TELEVISION, Chapter 201, H.F. 1293: Provides for the state arts board to make grants to educational television, to match private, Minnesota based contributions on a dollar-for-dollar basis. Prohibits payments to stations in the metropolitan area. Appropriates \$120,000 for fiscal year 1977.

STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION, Chapter 211, H.F. 1993: Amends M.S. 120.17 and 1975 Supp. 120.17. Requires state board rules to include standards and procedures for the implementation of the act. Requires school district to insure that:

- (a) Handicapped children receive appropriate special education;
- (b) Handicapped children and their parents are guaranteed procedural safeguards and the right to participate in special education decisions;
- (c) Handicapped children are educated in the least restrictive alternative setting;
- (d) Handicapped children are tested using racially and culturally non-discriminatory procedures;
- (e) Surrogate parents are available when necessary.

Requires the following procedures for special education decisions:

- (a) Prior notice of educational assessments and the proposed provision, denial or removal of special education;
- (b) Conciliation conferences if the parents object to a proposal;
- (c) Informal due process hearings before the school board or: (1) its designee, (2) a mutually agreeable person, or (3) a person appointed by the commissioner, at the option of the school board, if the parents still object after conciliation. Decisions under (1), (2) or (3) may be reviewed by the school board;
- (d) Issuance of binding, written, local decisions after hearings or school board review, which must include an assessment of additional district expenditures needed to implement the decision;
- (e) Appeals to the commissioner of local decisions. Requires commissioner's decision to be based on the local decision and the transcript of the local hearing or on a state due process hearing, if requested by parents, in the case of school board decisions requiring special education against parental objections;
- (f) Judicial review of commissioner's decisions;

(g) Participation by child's district of residence, if different from the district where the child actually resides.

Requires the commissioner to report to the legislature on district experiences with the due process procedures by 11-15-78. Removes language providing for parent applications for special education to be made directly to the commissioner. Prohibits state department and local districts from expending state or local funds to implement the administrative requirements of the federal handicapped children law, unless these administrative requirements are also in state law or regulation.

CO-CURRICULAR AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES, Chapter 212, H.F. 1996: Amends M.S. 123.38. Requires school boards to take control of all co-curricular activities. Removes requirement of separate "school auxiliary" fund for extracurricular activities. Permits school boards to take control of all extracurricular activities. Defines co-curricular and extracurricular activities. Prescribes methods of accounting for co-curricular and extracurricular activities.

INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS FOR NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS, Chapter 216, H.F. 2520: For 1975-76, requires public school districts to provide instructional materials to nonpublic school pupils whose applications were submitted after the state board deadline, but before the effective date of the act. Effective 4-9-76.

STATE UNIVERSITY EMPLOYEES, Chapter 229, S.F. 2560: See Governmental Operations.

TEACHERS IN CITIES OF THE FIRST CLASS, Chapter 238, H.F. 2230: See Retirement.

OMNIBUS SCHOOL AIDS BILL, Chapter 271, H.F. 1997: Amends various Minnesota Statutes.

Curriculum planning and evaluation:

Establishes legislative policy that a process of curriculum planning and evaluation is needed to facilitate local decisions regarding education. Requires school boards to adopt written educational policies containing educational goals, processes for achieving goals, and evaluation procedures. Requires an annual evaluation of progress. Requires the state board and educational cooperative service units to provide technical assistance to local districts for planning and evaluation. Permits districts to contract for the department to perform testing and evaluation services. Requires school districts to begin this process during 1978-79 and submit reports to the state board by August 1979. Authorizes the state board to make grants to several local school districts for the development of the planning, evaluation, and reporting process.

Reports to legislature:

Requires state board to report to legislature on nature and number of school board requests for technical assistance with curriculum planning and evaluation.

Establishes an advisory task force on nonpublic school education, to report to the legislature prior to 1-15-77.

Requires commissioner to report to legislative committees prior to 1-15-77 on distribution of aid for education of Southeast Asian refugee children.

Requires commissioner to report to legislative committees on educational alternative programs on or before 1-15-77.

Makes commissioner's report on school district staff characteristics and salary information an annual requirement, and, for 1977, requires the report to include an analysis of staffing characteristics which may be causing special financial problems in high cost districts.

Requires commissioner to report to 1977 legislature on financial problems of districts with small or sparse populations.

Requires commissioner to report to 1998 legislature on districts which still have not eliminated their 1977 statutory operating debt.

Requires commissioner to report in 1977 and 1978 on the amount of statutory operating debt in school districts on the previous June 30, interfund transfers during the previous fiscal year, and increases in statutory operating debt during fiscal 1977.

Requires state board to report on any expenditures of AVTI categorical aid appropriations to pay AVTI foundation aid.

Requires commissioner of welfare to report in 1977 whether any transfers of funds resulting from the transfer of the Braille and Deaf schools from welfare to education will violate federal law.

Special education:

Effective 8-15-77. Defines school age as age 4 to 21 for all handicapped children, for the purpose of mandatory special education.

Requires school districts to provide special education on a shared time basis to nonpublic school pupils after 8-15-77.

Requires all billing for special education tuition to be on uniform forms containing an itemized statement of costs.

Begins payment of special education aid on a current basis. Changes the special education aid formula from 65% of the salaries of essential personnel up to \$10,000 to a percentage between 55% and 75% of the salaries of essential personnel up to \$11,000. Provides for an additional aid equal to 10% of the salaries of essential personnel, the purpose of which is to recognize the additional support costs of special education programs. Provides for a deduction from the special education aid of 25% of the foundation aid formula allowance for children receiving special instruction 50 - 100% of the time school is in session, except that no foundation aid shall be deducted for pre-school handicapped children. Provides for a continuation of the special education aid for supplies and equipment equal to 50% of such expenditures up to \$50 per year for each handicapped child served. Requires the state department of education to approve all district special education programs and budgets. Encourages school districts to consider the size of regular classes and the provision of necessary support services when mainstreaming handicapped children. Establishes four dates for the payment of current special education aids. Provides for the payment of special education summer school aids based on the formula which applies to the preceding school year. Establishes a procedure by which Special School District No. 1 may gradually convert to a current funding basis for special education.

Effective 7-1-77, transfers authority for the Minnesota Braille and Sight-saving School and Minnesota School for the Deaf from the commissioner of welfare to the state board of education. Permits districts of residence to claim foundation aid and establishes tuition billing procedure for children enrolled in these schools. Requires placement of children in these schools to meet due process standards.

Uniform Financial Accounting and Reporting System (UFARS):

Requires state board to adopt uniform financial accounting and report standards for school districts, upon recommendations of a UFARS advisory council. Establishes uniform revenue and expenditure recognition practices for school districts. Requires all school districts to adopt UFARS by 6-30-77. Defines statutory operating debt as the net negative fund balances in all funds other than capital expenditure, building construction, debt service, trust and agency and AVTI, as of June 30 of each year, in accordance with UFARS. Requires school districts to limit their expenditures in each fiscal year to the amount of revenue permitted to be recognized in the same fiscal year in accordance with UFARS. Requires all school districts to convert accounting and reporting to a computer based system by 7-1-80. Requires all reports required of school districts by the state board to be in conformance with UFARS. Mandates a levy of 1.5 EARC mills for all districts which are certified to have a statutory operating debt as of 6-30-77. Requires levy to be made until the cumulative proceeds of the levy equal the certified amount of statutory operating debt, but not for more than 20 years.

Area Vocational-Technical Institutes (AVTI's):

Requires state board approval for any AVTI construction which costs more than \$75 per pupil unit or which changes a perimeter wall. Requires approval by the commissioner for AVTI construction which costs less than \$75 per pupil unit and does not change a perimeter wall. Establishes public hearing procedures for AVTI budget approval and aid allocations. Converts AVTI debt service aid, for the state's share (approximately 70-80%) of AVTI bonds, to a credit against debt service levies. Annually appropriates \$7,500,000 for this credit, beginning in fiscal year 1978, to be reduced by any specific appropriation for this purpose in the same year. Clarifies that veterans who were not Minnesota residents at the time of induction do not qualify for a tuition free AVTI education. Permits the state board to expend post-secondary vocational categorical aid for purposes of paying post-secondary vocational foundation aid in any year in which the appropriation for AVTI foundation aid is insufficient because of an increase in average daily membership. Allows the state board to pay AVTI foundation aid out of any unneeded amounts of the appropriation for AVTI deficit payments.

Aids:

Provides a categorical aid of \$40 per student for the 1976-77 school year for districts which have expenses for programs for Southeast Asian students that have not been compensated by other aids. Appropriates \$50,000 for this purpose.

Clarifies that only kindergarten, elementary and secondary pupil units are to be used to compute shared time and declining enrollment aid. Prohibits the use of shared time pupil units in the computation of any other aid or levy.

Provides that when iron ore assessed valuation has decreased, the recalculation of EARC valuation shall be made taking into account only the decrease in iron ore valuation.

Prohibits foundation aid adjustments which result from omissions in school district reports to be made after December 15 following the applicable year. Requires that school districts which are educating non-resident students notify the district of residence of this fact not later than October 1 following the year in which the education takes place. The district of residence is not liable for the tuition if this notification and the tuition bill are not received by October 1.

Provides for a deduction from a district's state transportation, secondary vocational and special education aids in the order specified, of the amount by which the basic maintenance levy exceeds the district's

foundation aid formula allowance times the number of pupil units. Provides for a phase-in of these deductions as follows: 20% of the specified difference in the 1977-78 school year; 60% of the difference in the 1978-79 school year; and 100% of the difference in the 1979-80 school year and each year thereafter.

Permits the commissioner to adjust the base costs used for transportation aids for changes due to alterations in school district boundaries.

Provides that payments of adult education aid be made 30% in September, December and March with the final 10% paid in August.

Changes the funding of adult vocational education from a reimbursement to a current basis beginning with the 1977-78 school year.

Changes the funding of secondary vocational education from a reimbursement to a current basis beginning with the 1978-79 school year.

Prohibits the use of excess maintenance levies resulting from referendums in the computation of the amount of permitted levies used for purposes of allocating the proceeds of the 20¢ supplementary tax on taconite and iron sulphides.

Repeals gross earnings aid effective 7-1-79.

Levies:

Increases permitted levy for capital expenditures from \$70 to \$75 per pupil unit or for fast growth districts from \$75 to \$80. Eliminates limitation that this levy may not increase more than 2 mills per year. Clarifies that all pupil units except shared time units shall be used to calculate the capital expenditure levy. Permits the use of capital expenditure levy proceeds for computer fees for hardware and certain software. Limits the use of capital expenditure levy proceeds to major repairs and improvements. Permits the use of capital expenditure levy proceeds for the payment of special assessments. Requires the state board to establish rules regarding the use of capital expenditure levy proceeds to acquire, construct and lease buildings.

Establishes a 5% threshold before the underlevy penalty applies. Reduces the penalty from 100% to 50% of the amount of the underlevy.

Authorizes levy for payment of court judgments.

Allows the extra levy for hazardous transportation to include costs of related services approved by the commissioner, such as adult crossing guards.

Removes requirement that the grandfather levy for high cost districts and cities of the first class be reduced by 2-1/2% each year.

Beginning with the 1976 levy, converts the Minneapolis school district's municipal retirement levy to a permitted dollar per pupil unit levy, which must be reduced each year by 10% of the difference between the district's 1971 and 1975 municipal retirement levies.

Limits additional community education levy for municipal recreation.

Requires that reductions in levies because of in-lieu aids shall not reduce the basic maintenance levy to an amount less than the amount raised by 10 EARC mills and shall not apply to referendum or debt service levies.

Requires that taconite aid which is not deducted from aid or levy be deposited in the taconite property tax relief fund by March 15 of the following fiscal year. Phases in this repayment over 3 years.

Provides that if a levy is found to be excessive by the tax court or because of a change in EARC, the amount of the excess shall be reduced from the next year's levy.

Teachers:

Broadens eligibility for eligible teacher aid.

Reduces from 120 to 60 the number of days within which state board must disapprove proposals of board of teacher standards and certification. Reduces from 90 to 45 the number of days within which a disapproved proposal may be resubmitted to the state board.

Prevents teachers placed on unrequested leave who have been hired for the next school year from collecting unemployment compensation.

Miscellaneous:

Clarifies authorization for charging of fees for transportation to extracurricular activities. Authorizes fees for motorcycle training instruction conducted outside school hours. Prohibits school districts from charging fees for transportation to and from school.

Transfers from the county board to the commissioner of education the authority for determining the division of assets and liabilities in case of school district consolidations.

Puts school district bidding requirements under the uniform municipal contracting law. Eliminates the requirement that negotiations for negotiated transportation contracts must be conducted at a school board meeting.

Modifies the net debt limitation criteria used for purposes of determining district qualification for capital loans by permitting the use of the net debt limit or 30% of the adjusted assessed value, whichever is less.

Appropriates an additional \$5,548,467 for the biennium as aids to education.

Various effective dates.

TRAFFIC AND PARKING REGULATION SCHOOL BOARDS, Chapter 278, H.F. 2147:
Amends M.S. Ch. 123. Permits school boards to adopt and enforce rules governing traffic and parking on school property. Makes violation of rules a petty misdemeanor. Effective 4-14-76.

CONTRACTS FOR EDUCATION BY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICTS NOS. 832, 833 AND 834, Chapter 287, H.F. 2292: Permits Stillwater school district to contract with Mahtomedi and South Washington County school districts for the instruction of its pupils, on terms agreeable to the contracting districts. Requires consultation with a Stillwater pupil's parents or guardian before the pupil participates. Excuses these contracts from complying with M.S. 124.18, subdivision 2, which would require Stillwater to pay the other district's tuition equal to the actual cost of instruction plus \$10 per pupil unit for capital outlay and debt service. Becomes effective as to each district upon approval of its school board.

EXCHANGE OF TERRITORY BETWEEN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 624 AND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 12, Chapter 291, H.F. 2472:
Authorizes the exchange of land between these districts. Effective 7-1-76.

VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION, Chapter 332, H.F. 424: Amends various sections of Ch. 121. Creates a department of vocational rehabilitation. Transfers to this department the powers, duties, personnel and appropriations of the division of vocational rehabilitation in the department of education. Effective 7-1-77.

ELECTIONS

NONPARTISAN BALLOT; UNCONTESTED OFFICES, Chapter 33, H.F. 933: Amends 1975 Supp. 203A.33. Requires uncontested offices on the nonpartisan general election ballot to appear after all contested offices.

TOWNS; SUBMISSION OF OPTIONAL PLANS, Chapter 41, H.F. 2170: See Local Government.

ELECTION RETURNS; PROCEDURES, Chapter 56, S.F. 1590: Amends 1975 Supp. 204A.46 and 204A.51. Requires the secretary of state to prescribe the form and method for the canvassing of election returns by precinct, county and state election officials. Requires precinct summary statements in all precincts, including precincts using electronic or other voting machines. Requires canvass to include a statement of the number of voters registering on and before election day.

CAMPAIGN PRACTICES; USE OF CORPORATE FACILITIES, Chapter 108, S.F. 1273: Amends 1975 Supp. 210A.34. Allows corporations to carry on certain politically related activities without violating the prohibition on corporate contributions for political purposes. Permits corporations to contribute to or conduct public media projects encouraging attendance at precinct caucuses, voter registration or voting, provided that the projects are not controlled by or operated for the advantage of any candidate, party or political committee. Permits corporations to provide meeting facilities on a nondiscriminatory, nonpreferential basis to political committees, parties or candidates. Permits corporations selling products or services to the public to post on their premises messages promoting participation in precinct caucuses, voter registration or elections, provided the messages are not controlled or operated for the advantage of any candidate, party or political committee. Requires amounts spent on media projects or in posting messages on corporate premises which exceed \$100 to be reported to the secretary of state. Effective 4-2-76.

JUDICIAL ELECTIONS, Chapter 114, S.F. 2030: See Judiciary.

ELECTION PRECINCTS; MAPS AND BOUNDARIES, Chapter 132, H.F. 2201: Amends M.S. 100.29 and repeals M.S. 98.52, Subd. 5. Requires the state demographer in the state planning agency to prepare maps of all counties in the state and all municipalities with a population of 10,000 or more according to federal census bureau specifications, with maps of cities showing the boundaries of election precincts. Requires the clerk of a municipality to file maps showing the correct boundaries of election precincts with the state demographer. Requires the governing body of each municipality, after the general election of 1976 and before 1-1-77,

to set election precinct boundaries so that each boundary follows visible, clearly recognizable, physical features wherever possible. Defines "clearly recognizable physical feature" to include a street, road, boulevard, parkway, river, stream, shoreline, drainage ditch, railroad right-of-way, or other line clearly visible from the ground. Provides that the provisions of the act shall apply notwithstanding the provisions of any city charter adopted under M.S. Chapter 410. Appropriates \$50,000 to the state planning agency to carry out the purposes of the act. Effective 4-3-76.

VOTER REGISTRATION LISTS, Chapter 223, S.F. 1998: Amends M.S. 201.091 and repeals M.S. 201.081, Subd. 3. Requires the county auditor to have available 60 days before each primary and 25 days before each general election, a current list by precinct of registered voters in the county. Requires the county auditor to have available a corrected voter registration list 15 days before each primary election. Requires the auditor to have available for examination without cost a paper copy of the latest registered voter list. Allows the original as well as the duplicate registration files to be kept in the office of the person to whom this responsibility has been delegated by the county auditor. Repeals the requirement that the original registration file be maintained alphabetically and that the duplicate file be maintained by precinct (M.S. 201.081, Subd. 3).

PREPARATION OF BALLOTS; ARRANGEMENT OF CANDIDATES' NAMES ON BALLOTS, Chapter 224, S.F. 1999: Amends and repeals various Minnesota Statutes. Provides for inspection of nominating petitions by the secretary of state and county auditors. Requires that the first name printed for each office on the general election ballot shall be the candidate of the political party that received the smallest number of votes at the last preceding general election, to be followed by the name of the candidate of the political party receiving the next highest number of votes. Requires that the order of the names of the candidates for election to office in cities of the first class be the same as that prescribed for the statewide general election. Requires that the names of all candidates of a political party be placed in the same row or column on the statewide general election ballot where voting machines are used. Sets requirements for the arrangement of constitutional amendments or other propositions on the ballot where voting machines are used. Provides for the preparation of ballots for the presidential election by county auditors in the same manner as the preparation of statewide white ballots. Provides for registration and voting by United States citizens residing outside of the United States. Repeals the uniform act for voting by new residents in presidential elections. (New residents will be subject to the same registration requirements as other Minnesota residents.)

ETHICS IN GOVERNMENT; LOBBYISTS; DISCLOSURE OF ECONOMIC INTEREST BY CANDIDATES AND PUBLIC OFFICIALS; CAMPAIGN REPORT FILING DATES; INCOME TAX CHECKOFF FOR STATE ELECTIONS CAMPAIGN FUND, Chapter 307, S.F. 1499:

Amends various sections of Ch. 10A. Amends definition of lobbyist to include individuals who urge others to communicate with public officials. Exempts from the definition of lobbyist a stockholder of a family farm corporation who does not spend over \$250 excluding travel expenses in any year in communicating with public officials. Requires the ethical practices board to make a finding within 30 days of receipt of a written complaint unless a majority of the board agrees to extend that limit. Allows lobbyists to file an abbreviated statement in lieu of a report under certain conditions. Requires reporting of the street address or the section, township, range and approximate acreage of real property included in statements of economic interests required to be filed with the ethical practices board. Limits the dates for filing of campaign reports by political committees or funds to January 31 of each year, ten days before the primary or special primary and ten days before the general or special election. Requires the ethical practices board to provide a copy of all reports or statements filed by the principal campaign committee of legislative candidate with the county auditor of each county in which the legislative district lies. Allows a state or local committee of a political party to expend money for official party sample ballots or telephone conversations naming three or more persons who will appear on the election ballot without allocating that expenditure among the candidates so named. Allows a minor political party to qualify for a checkoff on the state income tax form if a candidate of that party filed for an office in the preceding general election. Provides for redistribution of any money allocated from the state elections campaign fund to any candidate who refuses to accept that money. Increases the percentage of the elections campaign fund allocated to the offices of governor and lieutenant governor, state senators and representatives, and decreases the allocation for attorney general, secretary of state, state auditor and state treasurer (beginning in calendar year 1977). Requires candidates receiving money from the state elections campaign fund to agree that their campaign expenditures will not exceed expenditure limits set forth in the statutes. Effective 4-14-76.

ENVIRONMENTAL PRESERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES

FOREST PEST CONTROL, WATER ACCESS SITES, GAME AND FISH LAW VIOLATIONS, FISH NETTING, AND DECOYS IN BLINDS, Chapter 16, S.F. 1647: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Transfers forest pest control jurisdiction from the commissioner of agriculture to the commissioner of natural resources. Eliminates certain restrictions on acquisition of public accesses. Changes license fees for commercial fishing on Lake Superior. Prohibits decoys and erection of blinds on public lands. Prescribes penalties for certain game and fish law violations. Various effective dates.

TRESPASS, Chapter 23, S.F. 1501: Amends M.S. 100.273. Prohibits the entry on agricultural lands during the small-game or big-game season without the permission of the owner or lessee. Prohibits the destruction or damage of fences, buildings, crops, trees, or domestic livestock.

CANOE AND BOATING ROUTE, Chapter 24, S.F. 2034: Amends M.S. 85.32. Authorizes the marking and designation of canoe and boating routes along the Straight River. Effective 3-3-76.

TAX-FORFEITED LANDS, Chapter 28, S.F. 869: Provides for the disposition of the proceeds from the sale or rental of tax-forfeited lands or the products therefrom in St. Louis County. Effective upon approval of St. Louis County Board of Commissioners.

MOOSE SEASON, Chapter 38, S.F. 1816: Amends 1975 Supp. 100.27. Authorizes the commissioner of natural resources to prescribe the length of a season on moose.

TEMPORARY PERMITS FOR HANDICAPPED HUNTERS, Chapter 49, H.F. 1999: Amends 1975 Supp. 98.48. Provides temporary permits for handicapped hunters. Effective 3-20-76.

PESTICIDES, Chapter 53, S.F. 995: Amends existing statutes to conform with the federal insecticide, fungicide, rodenticide act. Various effective dates.

MINNOWS, Chapter 55, S.F. 1493: Amends various laws concerning minnows. Effective 1-1-77.

CONVEYANCE OF STATE LANDS, Chapter 64, S.F. 2168: Authorizes the conveyance of lands and structures comprising Count Beltrami state monument. Effective 3-20-76.

TAX FORFEITED LANDS, Chapter 65, S.F. 2237: Directs the sale of a certain tax forfeited land in St. Louis County. Effective 3-20-76.

POLLUTION CONTROL ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES, Chapter 76, H.F. 574: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Expands the power of the pollution control agency to issue subpoenas. Authorizes the agency to disseminate information and receive copies of Minnesota Statutes. Repeals certain appeal procedures. Authorizes the agency to assess certain costs in administering grants. Authorizes reimbursement to Indians for costs pertaining to the inventory, collection, storage and transportation of abandoned motor vehicles and scrap metal.

FLOOD PLAIN MANAGEMENT GRANTS, Chapter 82, S.F. 1120: Amends M.S. 104. Authorizes the state grant-in-aid program to local units of government which are within the watersheds of tributaries of the Minnesota River between Ortonville and Mankato.

PUBLIC WATERS, Chapter 83, S.F. 1308: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Clarifies procedures for the acquisition of wildlife lands. Modifies the definition of beneficial public purpose. Establishes a program of inventorying, classifying and designating public waters. Prescribes the powers and duties of the commissioner of natural resources and the counties in connection with public waters classification. Specifies certain restrictions on drainage. Eliminates the duty of the commissioner of natural resources to promulgate certain criteria relating to drainage. Clarifies the criteria which county boards or district courts must consider concerning drainage systems. Establishes a state water bank program for public waters. Effective 3-26-76.

SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION, Chapter 84, S.F. 1456: Amends M.S. 40.03, 40.06 and 1975 Supp. 40.03. Amends the membership and duties of the state soil and water conservation commission. Effective 7-1-76.

EMINENT DOMAIN, Chapter 96, H.F. 1957: Amends M.S. 84.027. Provides the commissioner of natural resources with general condemnation power after obtaining consent of the landowner.

HISTORIC SIGHTS, Chapter 106, S.F. 916: Amends M.S. 138.025 and 138.53 and repeals M.S. 85.012, Subd. 7 and 138.025, Subd. 7 and 8. Provides for the acquisition, administration and control of Split Rock Lighthouse State Park and Birch Coulee Battlefield State Historic Site by the State Historical Society.

KILEN WOODS STATE PARK AND ITASCA STATE PARK, Chapter 110, S.F. 1627: Authorizes the inclusion of additional lands within the boundaries of Kilen Woods State Park and Itasca State Park. Effective 4-2-76.

PUBLIC DRAINAGE SYSTEMS, Chapter 126, H.F. 1372: Amends M.S. 106.241. Authorizes the reconsideration of engineers' and viewers' reports in certain circumstances. Allows the consideration of changed circumstances due to inflation. Effective 4-3-76.

MUZZLE LOADING MUSKETS AND THE SHINING OF WILD ANIMALS, Chapter 128, H.F. 1751: Amends M.S. 100.29. Authorizes the use of muzzle loading muskets to take game during big game seasons. Regulates the shining of wild animals by requiring firearms and bows to be unloaded or unstrung, in case and in the trunk of a vehicle at night.

DEER HUNTERS CLOTHING, Chapter 133, H.F. 2263: Amends M.S. 100.29 and repeals M.S. 98.52, Subd. 5. Requires deer hunters outer garments above the waist, excluding sleeves and gloves, to be red or blaze orange.

TAX FORFEITED LANDS, Chapter 141, S.F. 1262: Amends M.S. 282.04. Authorizes a county auditor to grant easements or permits on tax forfeited lands for the use as recreational trails.

GAME AND FISH LICENSE FEES, Chapter 143, S.F. 1530: Amends and repeals various sections of M.S. 98. Changes the expiration date of all game and fish licenses from December 31 to the last day of February. Authorizes the commissioner of natural resources to provide for the issuance of more than one game or fish license during any licensing year. Provides for the distribution of game and fish licenses on consignment. Establishes an issuing fee for licenses on consignment. Requires some agents to be bonded. Authorizes county auditors to retain 4% commission on license fees. Authorizes the commissioner of natural resources to issue regulations concerning some agencies.

CONVEYANCE OF STATE OWNED LANDS, Chapter 159, S.F. 2130: Authorizes the conveyance of certain parcels of state lands in Hennepin County. Effective 4-4-76.

LAND USE PLANNING, Chapter 167, H.F. 1026: Establishes a land use planning assistance program of grants for local governmental units to be administered by the state planning agency. Effective 7-1-76.

METROPOLITAN SOLID AND HAZARDOUS WASTE AND COUNCIL LEVY, Chapter 179, S.F. 1383: See Metropolitan & Urban Affairs.

LYNX, Chapter 190, S.F. 2011: Amends M.S. 100.27 and 1975 Supp. 100.26 and 100.27. Removes the lynx from the definition of unprotected animals. Authorizes the commissioner of natural resources to establish a season for the taking of lynx.

PUBLIC LANDS, Chapter 228, S.F. 2436: Authorizes the commissioner of natural resources to sell certain state-owned lands located within the site selected for the disposal of Reserve Mining Company's taconite tailings. Authorizes St. Louis and Lake counties to sell tax-forfeited lands located within the site selected for the disposal of Reserve Mining Company's taconite tailings. Effective 4-10-76.

LEG HOLD TRAPS, Chapter 246, H.F. 753: Amends M.S. 100.29. Prohibits the taking of birds by leg hold traps located more than three feet above the ground.

FALCONRY, Chapter 258, H.F. 1435: Amends M.S. 100.27. Authorizes the taking of wild animals by falconry under regulations prescribed by the commissioner of natural resources.

ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITS COORDINATION ACT, Chapter 303, S.F. 919: Authorizes an optional consolidated application and hearing procedure for certain environmental permits. Establishes certain environmental permit information centers. Various effective dates.

HISTORIC SITES, Chapter 316, S.F. 2404: Amends various sections of M.S. 138. Designates the Minnesota historical society as the state agency to administer the federal act concerning preservation of historical and archeological data. Designates additional historical sites.

FREEWAY MORATORIUM; PREPARATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS, Chapter 317, S.F. 2486: See Transportation, Highways.

SNOWMOBILE APPROPRIATION, Chapter 319, S.F. 320: Amends M.S. 296.16 and repeals M.S. 296.421, Subd. 6 and 7. Changes the amount that the legislature will assume is being used as fuel for snowmobiles from 3/8 of 1% to 3/4 of 1% of all gasoline used in the state. Appropriates \$1,300,000 to the commissioner of natural resources for the biennium ending 6-30-77, for snowmobile programs. 30% is for law enforcement, 40% is for snowmobile trails, and 30% is for access to snowmobile trails and the provision of snowmobile areas. Effective 4-20-76.

MINING AND PEAT HARVESTING IN THE BWCA, Chapter 322, S.F. 1615: Prohibits the leasing of state lands and the issuance of state permits for mining or peat harvesting in the boundary waters canoe area, except with the prior approval of the state legislature in cases of national emergency. Appropriates money for mine land reclamation. Effective 4-20-76.

ENERGY CONSERVATION, Chapter 333, H.F. 500: Amends various sections of M.S. 116H. Establishes an energy conservation information center. Prohibits the use of decorative gas lamps after 4-20-77. Requires surveys of certain public buildings. Provides for the monitoring of energy research. Authorizes compensation and expense reimbursement for public members of the energy commission. Requires legislative reports concerning energy conservation in public buildings, energy conservation concerning room air conditioners and energy conservation concerning standing pilot light equipment. Effective 4-20-76.

PESTICIDES, Chapter 336, H.F. 1909: See Health & Welfare.

PCB'S AND ASSESSMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT PREPARATION COST, Chapter 344, H.F. 2492: Amends M.S. 116D. Limits the use, possession, sale, or manufacture of PCB's after 1-1-78, without a certificate of exemption. Requires the manufacturer or seller of any product to which PCB has been added to label the product to disclose the presence of PCB's after 7-1-77. Authorizes a responsible agency to assess costs to a project proposer for projects for which an environmental impact statement preparation notice has been issued after 2-15-77. Establishes a graduated cost of assessment maximum based on the total cost of the proposed project. For example, projects which have a total value of less than a million dollars are exempt from the cost of assessment. Projects with a total value between one million and 10 million dollars cannot be assessed at more than 3/10 of a percent of the total value (not including the first million dollars of value). For projects where the value exceeds ten million dollars but is less than 50 million dollars, an additional charge may be made which will not exceed 2/10 percent of one million dollars of value over ten million dollars. For actions which are greater than 50 million dollars in total value, an additional charge may be made which will not exceed 1 percent of each million dollars over 50 million dollars. Effective 4-20-76.

NATURAL RESOURCES LICENSE FEES AND WATER PERMITS RULES, Chapter 346, H.F. 2657: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Exempts senior citizens from payment of certain camping fees. Reduces by 1/2 the fee for small game licenses for senior citizens. Increases the entrance fee for motor vehicles in state parks. Authorizes the designation of the Zumbro River as a canoe and boating route. Authorizes the issuance of a Minnesota sportsman's license. Increases the fees for certain game, fish and commercial licenses. Requires the promulgation of certain rules concerning water permits. Various effective dates.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

REGULATION OF INSURANCE PREMIUM FINANCE COMPANIES, Chapter 26, H.F. 1829: Amends M.S. 59A.06. Removes the requirement that certain records be kept in this state. Modifies the license fee and requires the filing of an annual report.

MOTOR VEHICLE SALES FINANCE COMPANIES, Chapter 86, S.F. 1763: Amends M.S. 168.67 and 168.74. Increases license fees and requires that an agreement with a retail buyer to extend the schedules due date or defer the schedules payment for a retail installment contract be in writing. Effective 7-1-76.

INTEREST RATES ON BUSINESS AND AGRICULTURAL LOANS, Chapter 93, S.F. 733: Authorizes certain financial institutions to charge up to 5% in excess of the federal discount rate for loans made for business or agricultural purposes. Provides that the penalty for usurious loans which are made pursuant to this act is the same as that which would be incurred by a federally chartered bank. Effective 3-30-76. Expires 7-1-77.

INSURANCE PREMIUM FINANCE AGREEMENTS, Chapter 111, S.F. 1636: Amends M.S. 59A.03. Provides that resident insurance agents who temporarily hold insurance finance agreements need not be licensed to do so.

AGRICULTURAL CREDIT CORPORATIONS, Chapter 158, S.F. 2108: Amends M.S. Ch. 334. Authorizes agricultural credit corporations to charge up to 10% interest per annum.

CREDIT UNIONS, Chapter 176, S.F. 687: Amends M.S. 52.02, 52.07 and 52.18. Allows credit unions to authorize voting by mail for officers and amendments. Permits classification of share accounts according to character, amount and duration, and permits each classification to receive a different dividend rate.

BANKING; TIME DEPOSITS, Chapter 187, S.F. 1932: Amends M.S. Ch. 47. Provides for mailed notice of automatic renewal of time deposits and possible penalties or loss of interest or reduction of interest. Effective 7-1-76.

BANK INSTALLMENT LOANS, Chapter 196, H.F. 404: Amends and repeals various Minnesota Statutes. Modifies the laws relating to bank installment loans. Provides that such loans have a maximum interest rate of 12% per annum on the unpaid balance. Allows prepayment of such loans without penalty. Authorizes banks and savings banks to make loans

pursuant to bank credit card plans. The maximum credit which may be extended through such plans is \$7,500 for banks and \$5,000 for savings banks. The maximum rate for loans made pursuant to a credit card plan is 1% per month plus an annual charge of not more than \$15 payable in advance for the privilege of using a bank credit card. Reduces the reserve requirements for state banks. The provisions of the bill related to installment loans and bank credit cards are effective 4-9-76. The remainder of the act is effective 7-1-76.

INSURANCE FOR ACCOUNTS IN CREDIT UNIONS AND SAVINGS ASSOCIATIONS, Chapter 219, S.F. 1753: Amends M.S. 51A.23 and Ch. 52. Requires credit unions and savings associations to apply for insurance of their deposit accounts by the federal savings and loan corporation or other governmental agency established for the purpose of insuring such accounts. Requires all new credit unions and savings associations to have such insurance. Effective 4-10-76.

INDUSTRIAL LOAN AND THRIFT COMPANIES, Chapter 235, H.F. 1828: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Requires an industrial thrift company to submit its name to the commissioner when filing certificates of incorporation or amendments changing its name. Requires the commissioner to approve the name unless the public may be confused as to the character of the business or the name is otherwise objectionable. Prevents industrial loan and thrift companies from taking instruments in which blanks are left to be filled in after execution. Effective 4-10-76.

MINNEAPOLIS MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES; CREDIT UNIONS, Chapter 279, H.F. 2159: See Retirement.

USURY, Chapter 300, S.F. 556: Amends M.S. 47.20 and 47.21. Raises the usury rate for conventional loans which are eligible for purchase by the federal national mortgage association or the federal home loan mortgage corporation. The maximum rate will float 2% above the monthly index of long-term United States government bond yields. Limits the fee which may be charged on covered loans if the loan is assumed by another person. Prohibits the imposition of discount points on covered loans. Provides that financial institutions which require funds of a mortgagor to be paid into an escrow account must pay not less than 3% per annum on funds in escrow. The provisions related to interest on escrow accounts are effective 6-1-76. The remainder are effective 4-1-76.

CREDIT UNIONS DRAFT WITHDRAWALS, Chapter 308, S.F. 1780: Amends 1975 Supp. 52.04. Allows credit unions to permit draft withdrawals from member accounts.

GENERAL LEGISLATION AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

CEMETERIES AND INDIAN BURIAL GROUNDS, Chapter 48, H.F. 1904: Amends M.S. 307.08. Prohibits certain activities in cemeteries and Indian burial grounds. Requires the posting of Indian burial grounds after authentication and identification.

VENDING STANDS AND MACHINES OPERATED BY THE BLIND, Chapter 54, S.F. 1252: Amends M.S. 248.07. Allows commissioner of public welfare to establish and supervise vending stands and machines for the blind in buildings owned or rented exclusively by governmental subdivisions where the governing body consents to such action.

CENTER FOR STUDY OF MINNESOTA FOLK LIFE; MINNESOTA FOLKLORIST, Chapter 117, S.F. 2173: Establishes the center for the study of Minnesota folk life in the Minnesota historical society. Establishes the position of state folklorist as director of the center. Confers certain powers and duties on the state folklorist. Provides for the collection and dissemination of information about Minnesota folk life. Effective 4-2-76.

PRIVATE CEMETERIES; RECOVERY OF ABANDONED LOTS, Chapter 203, H.F. 1440: Amends M.S. Ch. 307. Allows incorporated private cemetery associations subject to M.S. chapter 307, to utilize the provisions available to public cemeteries under chapter 306 for the recovery of abandoned cemetery lots.

VIETNAM VETERANS BONUS; DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION, Chapter 237, H.F. 2225: Amends 1975 Supp. 197.973 and Laws 1975, Ch. 3. Requires an application for payment of adjusted compensation to Vietnam veterans to be submitted before 12-31-76. Extends the expiration date of appropriation for payment of adjusted compensation from 12-31-76 to 6-30-77. Effective 4-10-76.

REGULATION OF BINGO, Chapter 261, H.F. 1767: Amends M.S. 609.75 and repeals M.S. Ch. 349. Allows a nonprofit organization to conduct gatherings where bingo games are played if the organization has been in existence at least three years, has at least 30 active members, has a license to conduct bingo from the local unit of government and complies with the other requirements of the act. Requires local units of government that permit bingo to establish a system for licensing organizations to conduct bingo games. Permits local units of government to adopt regulations more strict than state regulations, including an ordinance to ban the conduct of bingo. Requires local units of government to allocate money for the regulation of bingo. Places restrictions on the persons who may be paid by an organization to conduct bingo games.

Restricts the number of bingo occasions that may be held each year by any organization. Places certain requirements and restrictions on leases entered into by or with organizations that conduct bingo occasions. Restricts the prizes that may be offered for single bingo games and for bingo occasions. Requires all bingo occasions to be supervised by a bingo manager and requires this manager to meet certain qualifications. Exempts bingo conducted in connection with a county fair, state fair, or official civic celebration or by an organization that conducts less than five bingo occasions in any calendar year from licensing and other requirements of the law. Requires an organization that conducts bingo to file certain reports with the local unit of government. Prohibits expenditure of profits from bingo except for certain authorized legal purposes. Provides penalties for violation of the bingo regulations. Repeals the present state law regulating bingo (M.S. Chapter 349).

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

LIQUOR CONTROL, Chapter 5, S.F. 866: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Abolishes the office of liquor control commissioner and transfers its functions to the commissioner of public safety. Prohibits employees of the department of public safety who are involved in liquor law enforcement from having an interest in the manufacture, transportation or sale of liquor. Transfers from the office of liquor control commissioner to the commissioner of revenue the responsibility for receiving and accounting for liquor tax revenues. Transfers monies and personnel from the office of liquor control commissioner to the departments of public safety or revenue as appropriate. Requires the commissioner of public safety to review the operations of the liquor control division and to make internal reorganizations and statutory amendment proposals no later than 12-31-76. Effective 2-7-76.

DOCUMENTS FILED WITH LEGISLATURE, Chapter 30, H.F. 369: Amends M.S. 3.195 and 3.302. Requires legislative reference library to publish and distribute to legislators a monthly checklist of state documents that have been filed with the legislature. Broadens the description of state documents that must be filed with the legislative reference library.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT, Chapter 68, H.F. 1932: Amends M.S. 15.0418 and 1975 Supp. 15.0411. Exempts rules of the commissioner of corrections relating to internal management of institutions under his control, rules governing inmates' hearings held by the department of corrections involving discipline and transfer of inmates and other hearings relating solely to inmate management from the requirements of the administrative procedures act. Provides that all papers filed in an action under the administrative procedures act be filed with the appropriate agency prior to the assignment of the case to a hearing examiner. After assignment of the case the agency shall certify the official record to the hearing examiner and all papers subsequently filed will be filed with him. The official record will be maintained by the hearing examiner and upon issuance of his report the official record will be recertified to the agency. Effective 3-25-76.

ANNUAL LEAVE ALLOWANCES FOR CERTAIN STATE EMPLOYEES, Chapter 91, S.F. 2355: Amends 1975 Supp. 43.224. Exempts elected employees of the legislature from the prohibition against elected state employees being paid for unused annual leave allowance upon retirement or termination. Effective 3-26-76.

PURCHASE OF SURPLUS GOVERNMENT PROPERTY BY PUBLIC EMPLOYEES, Chapter 92, H.F. 527: Amends M.S. Ch. 43 and repeals M.S. 15.055. Permits sale of public property not needed for public purposes to an employee of the state or political subdivision at public auction or by sealed bid after reasonable public notice. Prohibits sale to a public employee who is directly involved in the the auction or sealed bid process. Requires at least one week's published or posted notice of sale. Permits the purchase of no more than one motor vehicle from the state by a state employee within a twelve-month period. Imposes a misdemeanor penalty for violation of this act. Provides that this act shall not apply to the sale of property or materials acquired or produced by the state or a subdivision for sale to the general public in the ordinary course of

business. Provides that portions of this act shall not apply to a state or subdivision employee who is selling public property in the normal course of his duties.

HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITIES, Chapter 109, S.F. 1624: Amends M.S. 462.425, 431 and 475 and repeals M.S. 462.501, Subd. 1. Permits city council members to serve on housing and redevelopment authority boards with a term of office coinciding with their city council term. Permits a housing and redevelopment authority employee or commissioner to purchase a principal residence in an HRA project area if the HRA is not the owner of the residence. Conforms eligibility standards for public housing tenants with the federal housing and community development act of 1974. Adds the housing and community development act standards as alternative measurements for public housing eligibility. Repeals an unconstitutional statutory limitation on permitted length of residency in public housing. Effective 4-2-76.

COST ESTIMATES OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULE-MAKING, Chapter 138, S.F. 674: Amends 1975 Supp. 15.0412. Requires a state agency to publish its estimate of the cost of a proposed rule to all political subdivisions in the state if the total estimated cost exceeds \$100,000 in either of the first two years after promulgation. Effective 7-1-76.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, Chapter 166, H.F. 525: See Transportation.

UNCLASSIFIED STATE EMPLOYEES, Chapter 183, S.F. 1821: Amends 1975 Supp. 43.09. Permits a classified state employee whose position is declassified pursuant to M.S. 43.09, subd. 2a, to demand appointment to a comparable classified position in state government. Effective with respect to all classified employees whose positions are declassified after one year prior to 4-9-76.

STATE UNIVERSITY EMPLOYEES, Chapter 229, S.F. 2560: Amends M.S. Ch. 136 and 1975 Supp. 43.12. Ratifies the negotiated collective bargaining agreements between the state university board and the inter faculty organization/ Minnesota education association and the Minnesota state university association of administrative and service faculty. Provides for the suspension of state university board rules which are contrary to the negotiated agreements. Amends statutory provisions relating to payment of accumulated sick leave upon termination of service so as to be consistent with negotiated agreements. Effective 4-10-76.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, Chapter 231, H.F. 1130: Amends various statutes. Transfers from the commissioner of administration and other state officers to the commissioner of finance the following powers and duties: approval of imprest cash funds, reinstatement of certain lapsed appropriations, program budgeting functions, modification of departmental spending plans, approval of applications for non-state funds, and various other finance-related functions. Permits the commissioner of finance to assign an employee of his department to monitor the fiscal activities of another department.

Establishes an indirect cost billing system and designates the commissioner of finance as having overall responsibility for implementation and supervision of the system. Removes from the commissioner of finance the following powers and duties: approval of compensation schedules as submitted by the personnel board, procurement of office space and buildings for use by state departments and agencies, collection of lists of land prepared by county auditors, and various other functions. Prohibits payment of state monies without prior obligation, but permits in limited instances payment amounts to exceed the original obligation amount. Permits the commissioner of finance upon request of agencies in the legislative and judicial branch to prepare payrolls for those agencies. Creates a standing appropriation for payment of the cost of preparing the state payroll. Provides for a temporary reinstatement of a lapsed appropriation. Requires the lapse of all appropriations no later than October 16 of each fiscal year unless an encumbrance is incurred. Defines permissible expenses reimbursable to district court judges. Requires supreme court approval of expense reimbursement. Effective 4-10-76.

VAN POOLS, Chapter 233, H.F. 1382: Amends various statutes. Requires the commissioner of administration to acquire vehicles by purchase or lease and use them for the van pooling of state employees. Permits drivers of the vehicles to use the vehicles for personal use. Requires all parking ramps and parking facilities constructed in the state to reserve an appropriate number of spaces for the parking of pool vehicles having a capacity of seven to sixteen persons. Excludes commuter vans from various aspects of the no-fault insurance laws. Defines pool driver liability and applicability of public carrier laws. Excludes indirect income received by a vehicle pool driver from the driver's gross income for income tax purposes. Appropriates \$100,000 to the commissioner of administration for implementation of the state employee van pool program. The section relating to parking ramps and facilities is effective 1-1-77. The remainder of the act is effective 4-10-76. Provisions relating to state employee van pools shall expire 6-30-79.

STATE EMPLOYEE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS, Chapter 252, H.F. 1069: Amends M.S. 43.323. Provides that the provisions of a collective bargaining agreement entered into pursuant to chapter 179 shall supersede the provisions of any personnel rule or portion thereof which is inconsistent with the collective bargaining agreement.

HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY, Chapter 254, H.F. 1137: Amends various sections of M.S. 462A. Expands the definition of those eligible for housing finance agency assistance. Permits the agency to provide financial assistance for energy conservation related improvement and to permit the recipients of agency assistance to qualify as foster parents. Excludes housing finance agency loans from requirement that conventional loans be able to be purchased by the federal national mortgage association or the federal home loan mortgage corporation. Requires the agency to exercise its powers in a manner so as to encourage counties and municipalities to promote the economical construction of housing units for persons and families of low and moderate income. Establishes a housing program to be developed and administered jointly with Indian tribes in the state. Requires the commissioner of banks to publicize

the availability of housing finance agency financial assistance. Requires the legislative auditor to report to the audit commission and the housing finance agency on the performance, management and operations of the housing finance agency. Appropriates \$34,200,000 to be appropriated as follows: \$21 million for rehabilitation and energy conserving purposes, \$5 million for the Indian housing program, \$5 million for a low-cost basic homes program, \$3 million to create a debt service account, \$150,000 for research and marketing of alternative housing systems for senior citizens, \$50,000 for research into potential housing finance agency support for mobile home development, and \$100,000 to the legislative auditor for use in his study of the housing finance agency. Effective 4-14-76.

LOCAL DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES, Chapter 266, H.F. 1892: Amends various sections of M.S. Ch. 12. Defines "disaster" and "emergency" for purposes of state and local emergency services. Permits the declaration of a local emergency but limits the effectiveness of the declaration to three days unless consented to by the governing board of the affected political subdivision. Permits the invoking of necessary portions of a local disaster or emergency relief plan. Authorizes the governor to seek federal loans and other assistance for local disasters and emergencies. Effective 4-14-76.

ETHICS IN GOVERNMENT; LOBBYISTS; DISCLOSURE OF ECONOMIC INTEREST BY CANDIDATES AND PUBLIC OFFICIALS; CAMPAIGN REPORT FILING DATES; INCOME TAX CHECKOFF FOR STATE ELECTIONS CAMPAIGN FUND, Chapter 307, S.F. 1499: See Elections.

OMBUDSMAN AND JUVENILE DETENTION, Chapter 318, Sections 1-4, S.F. 175: See Crime Prevention and Corrections.

State Agencies and Boards

ADMINISTRATIVE BOARDS, Chapter 134, S.F. 1047: Amends various statutes. Standardizes various provisions relating to the structure of 37 state boards having administrative powers. Provides that members of all boards shall have staggered terms of four years. Provides that members shall be compensated at the rate of \$35 per day when authorized by the board, plus expenses in the same manner and amount as state employees. Permits removal of board members for cause or after missing three consecutive board meetings. Requires advice and consent of the senate for the appointment of all members to the boards. Provides for the filling of vacancies. Provides for exceptions from the standard provisions in cases of elected and ex-officio board members. Establishes transitional procedures so as to invoke the standardized terms of office. Provisions relating specifically to the Gillette hospital authority are effective 7-1-77. Remainder of the act is effective 7-1-76.

MISCELLANEOUS CHANGES IN VARIOUS STATE AGENCIES, Chapter 149, S.F. 1876: Amends various statutes. Abolishes the public relief advisory committee and transfers its powers and duties to the legislative advisory commission. Broadens the nomenclature for state agencies to include all agencies hereafter created by statute or other means. States a policy in favor of the use of short-term advisory task forces to advise state department heads and

agencies. Permits a department head or state agency to create advisory task forces to advise the head or agency on specific programs or topics within the jurisdiction of the department or agency. Limits the task forces to no more than 15 members and restricts payment of expenses to no more than four task forces created pursuant to this act and in existence in an agency at any one time. Raises the compensation of advisory council or committee members from \$25 per day plus expenses to \$35 per day plus expenses. Limits the ability of public employees to receive per diem compensation for their service on advisory councils or committees. Provides that members of advisory committees or councils may be removed at the pleasure of the appointing authority. Changes the name of the Minnesota state employees merit award board to the state employees suggestion board and increases its membership from five to seven members. Changes the names of agricultural commodity advisory boards to research and promotion councils. Abolishes the South Dakota-Minnesota boundary waters commission and transfers its powers to the commissioner of natural resources working in conjunction with the director of the South Dakota game and fish commission. Provides that the chairman of the state environmental education council, rather than the governor, shall appoint members to regional environmental education councils. Requires approval of the state council membership for regional council appointments. Extends the term of regional council members from two to four years. Restructures the metropolitan area regional environmental education council. Establishes minimal qualifications for the executive director of the state environmental education council. Reduces the size of the Minnesota education council from 32 to 16 members. Abolishes the motor vehicle reciprocity commission and transfers its functions to the commissioner of public safety. Abolishes the board of governors of the Big Island veterans camp and transfers its powers and duties to the commissioner of veterans affairs. Creates an advisory council for the mentally retarded and physically handicapped to replace two advisory agencies within the department of public welfare. Changes the name of the tax study commission to the tax study committee and expands its duties. Renames various other agencies and conforms membership terms, compensation, and removal of members to standard provisions contained in chapter 15. Abolishes the following agencies: publications advisory board, insurance adjustor's advisory committee, the Minnesota Indian education committee, the tri-state waters commission, the upper Mississippi and St. Croix river improvement commission, the corrections department health advisory committee and the state teletypewriter communications advisory committee. The Big Island veterans camp changes are effective 5-1-76, and the remainder of the act, 7-1-76.

OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING BOARDS, Chapter 222, S.F. 1906: Amends various statutes. Expresses a state policy in favor of regulation by licensing boards composed primarily of members of the occupation. States a policy against regulating new occupations unless essential to the protection of the citizens of the state. Establishes a priority of modes for the regulation of occupations. States a preference in favor of having licensing boards provided legal services by full-time employees of the attorney general assigned to a department servicing a board. Requires the attorney general to provide investigative services for each board. Encourages the sharing

of staff personnel by occupational licensing boards serviced by the same department. Permits each board to set its own fees by rule so long as the estimated annual fee income will equal anticipated expenditures. Permits each board to establish its own license renewal requirements and procedures. Makes more specific the biennial reporting requirements of the boards relating to receipt and disposition of complaints. Establishes a system for the receipt, processing and disposition of complaints against persons licensed by an occupational licensing board. Requires all complaints to be forwarded to the attorney general providing legal services for the board. Requires an evaluation of the complaint by the attorney general and empowers him to investigate facts alleged in the complaint. Permits attempted resolution of the complaint by conference and conciliation. Permits the attorney general, after consultation with board employees or members to order the holding of a disciplinary hearing. Prohibits more than one member of each board from becoming involved in the review of a particular complaint. Gives each licensing board broad subpoena and discovery powers in connection with their regulatory activities. Gives each licensing board injunctive relief remedy in district court. Permits each licensing board to establish continuing education requirements, but prohibits these requirements from exceeding 50 clock hours per year. Expands the allied health credentialling act to include human services occupations. Prohibits the board of health from licensing, as opposed to registering, human services occupations, but requires it to notify the legislature if licensing is deemed appropriate. Expands the functions of the allied health credentialling committee to include human services occupations. Adopts the term "licensing" rather than "certifying" or "registering" in relation to activities of occupational licensing boards. Changes the name of the teachers standards and certification board to the board of teaching. Requires the board of teaching to have an executive secretary. Insures access to the board of medical examiners for patients of physicians. Tightens grounds for disciplining of physicians. Requires physicians and insurers to provide certain medical malpractice history information to the board of medical examiners. Provides for the review of the practice of a physician who has medical malpractice settlements or awards made against him. Requires a hospital to notify the board of medical examiners if it withdraws practice permission. Combines the board of nursing with the board of licensed practical nursing. Creates an advisory task force on nursing education. Amends other minor provisions of the practice acts of the occupational licensing boards. The complaint review process changes are effective 7-1-77. The remainder of the act is effective 7-1-76. Permits the extension of certain current practices and procedures until amended by rule consistent with this act.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE LICENSING ACT, Chapter 243, H.F. 354: See Health and Welfare, Community Facilities.

INDIAN AFFAIRS INTERTRIBAL BOARD, Chapter 314, S.F. 2288: Amends M.S. 3.922. Changes the name of the Indian affairs commission to the Indian affairs intertribal board. Adds as additional ex-officio members the commissioners of various state departments or their designees. Restructures

the membership of the board so as to include the tribal chairmen or their designees of the 11 federally recognized tribes in the state. Provides for three non-voting members of the board from each house of the legislature. Provides for two additional voting members of the board to be selected by Indian residents of the state who are not members of one of the 11 federally recognized tribes. Redefines the duties of the board. Creates an advisory council on urban Indians to advise the board on the problems and concerns of Minnesota Indians who are residing in urban areas of the state. Appropriates to the board \$155,550 for the remainder of the biennium. Effective 4-14-76. The board expires 6-30-83.

OFFICE OF HEALTH FACILITY COMPLAINTS, Chapter 325, S.F. 1959: See Health and Welfare.

ADVISORY COUNCIL ON THE ECONOMIC STATUS OF WOMEN, Chapter 337, H.F. 1940: Repeals M.S. 363.04, subd. 7 and 8. Creates an 18-member council including ten legislators and eight other persons who are representative of a range of economic interests and vocations. Requires the council to study all matters relating to the economic status of women in Minnesota and the adequacy of programs, services, and facilities relating to families. Requires the council to report to the governor and the legislature not later than 12-15-77, with a supplemental report not later than 6-30-78. Provides that the report shall recommend necessary changes in laws and programs designed to enable women to achieve full participation in the economy and to encourage the development of programs providing services for children, youth and families. Requires the legislative coordinating commission to supply the council with necessary staff, office space and administrative services. Appropriates to the legislative coordinating commission the sum of \$95,000 to pay the expenses incurred by the commission. Repeals the women's advisory committee in the department of human rights. Sections of the act creating the council are effective 5-1-76, and expire 6-30-78. The repealer of the women's advisory committee is effective 7-1-76.

HEALTH AND WELFARE

RED WING PROPERTY TRANSFER, Chapter 69, H.F. 1959: Permits the commissioner of administration to convey to the city of Red Wing a specific portion of the water system of the state training school, for such consideration as the commissioner determines. Permits the commissioner to grant the city a perpetual easement for access to, maintenance of, and use of the specific portion of the water system to be conveyed.

EYE ENUCLEATION, Chapter 90, S.F. 2152: Amends 1975 Supp. 43.224. Permits eye enucleation after pronouncement of death by a physician, rather than after certification of death. Effective 3-26-76.

CONGREGATE CARE FEES, Chapter 107, S.F. 932: Amends 1975 Supp. 256.01. Permits the commissioner of public welfare to establish maximum fees and charges which may be paid by local welfare agencies for congregate living care under the income maintenance programs.

DPW HEARING PROCEDURES, Chapter 131, H.F. 2157: Amends various sections of M.S. 256. Exempts from the Chapter 15 administrative procedures contested cases under any of the welfare programs authorized by law. The commissioner of public welfare may appoint local welfare referees to conduct hearings; in counties in which no local welfare referee is appointed, the state agency will hear the case. Appeals from decisions of local referees are also heard by the state agency. The act sets forth standards for hearings, and permits the commissioner to accept or set aside recommended orders of state welfare referees. The commissioner may also review cases on her own motion. Provisions are made for judicial review, and for the payment of assistance pending appeal. Effective 4-3-76.

CERTIFICATE OF NEED, Chapter 152, S.F. 1944: Amends M.S. 145 and 1975 Supp. 145.811. Permits the state board of health to waive the requirements that a health care facility obtain a certificate of need for a capital expenditure in excess of \$100,000 if

(a) the expenditure is less than 3% of the annual operating budget of the facility and the project is required solely to comply with federal, state or local codes; or

(b) the project is not related to direct patient care. Procedures are set forth for the application for and granting of a waiver.

Effective 4-4-76.

BLOOD DONORS, Chapter 169, H.F. 1075: Amends M.S. 145.41. Lowers the age of consent for blood donors from 18 to 17. Effective 4-3-76.

ABORTION, Chapter 170, H.F. 1615: Provides that a live child born as a result of an abortion shall be considered a human person, and all steps consistent with good medical practice shall be taken to preserve its life. For abortions performed after the twentieth week of pregnancy, a second doctor must be immediately accessible to care for any live product of the procedure.

CHOICE OF VENDOR FOR GENERAL ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS, Chapter 186, S.F. 1872: Amends 1975 Supp. 256D.03, 261.21 and 261.22. Removes the authority of the county to designate the vendor of medical and hospital care under the general assistance program, and provides recipients of benefits under the program with a free choice of vendor.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S POWERS, Chapter 188, S.F. 1957: See Health & Welfare, Nursing Homes.

CHIROPRACTIC COLLEGES, Chapter 200, H.F. 1143: Amends M.S. 145.14 and 525.923. Permits chiropractic colleges to receive, for study, up to 16 unclaimed bodies; and permits chiropractic colleges to be designated as donees of anatomical gifts.

EMERGENCY AMBULANCES, Chapter 202, H.F. 1323: Amends M.S. 144.804. Exempts from the requirement that emergency ambulance services offer 24 hour service 365 days per year any service which offers emergency service only by contract for specific events and meetings. Effective 4-9-76.

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PAYMENT RECOVERY, Chapter 236, H.F. 2117: Amends M.S. 256B.02 and 1975 Supp. 256B.042 and 256B.06. Permits the commissioner of public welfare to recover expenditures made under the medical assistance program if the recipient had automobile accident coverage for the injuries necessitating the medical assistance expenditures.

CORONERS, Chapter 257, H.F. 1333: Amends M.S. 557.11 and 609. Permits counties to set fees for services rendered by coroners, and makes it a gross misdemeanor to interfere with a dead body or the scene of death with the intent to mislead the coroner or conceal evidence.

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FRAUD DETECTION, Chapter 273, H.F. 2038: See Health & Welfare, Nursing Homes.

PATIENTS' BILL OF RIGHTS, Chapter 274, H.F. 2039: See Health & Welfare, Nursing Homes.

HOSPITAL DISTRICTS, Chapter 276, S.F. 1979: Amends M.S. 447. Permits hospital districts to make loans to eligible medical students who agree in writing to practice in the district upon completion of training. Loans over a four-year period may not exceed \$28,000 to any individual. Various provisions are made for the execution of a note and signing of a contract.

STATE HOSPITAL NAME CHANGES, Chapter 289, H.F. 2342: Amends M.S. 252.025, 253A.02 and 254.05. Permits the commissioner of public welfare to designate state hospitals as "regional centers".

HOSPITALIZATION AND COMMITMENT, Chapter 302, S.F. 864: See Judiciary.

CHILD CARE SERVICES, Chapter 306, S.F. 1223: Amends various sections of M.S. 245. Expands the existing definition of child care services to include a broader range of organizations; removes the current restrictions on "interim financing" of child care services. (Currently, such funds are only available to obtain licensure; the act permits funding to maintain licensure.) The act also removes the 18-month time limit on receipt of interim financing; changes the 25-person advisory council to a 35-member body, and requires the commissioner of public welfare to develop a yearly plan for the distribution of child care service funds; and permits the reallocation of funds after the sixth month of each fiscal year (currently, reallocation is possible only after the 18th month of the biennium) and without regard to area or purpose restrictions. Various effective dates.

OFFICE OF HEALTH FACILITY COMPLAINTS, Chapter 325, S.F. 1959: Establishes an office of health facility complaints in the department of health with a director to be appointed by and responsible to the board of health. The director may investigate, upon a complaint or upon his own initiative, any action or failure to act by a health care provider or health facility. Hospitals and outpatient surgery centers are required to implement patient grievance systems designed to quickly settle complaints about billing, treatment, or other factors which may have an effect on medical malpractice claims and suits. The state board of health shall collect and analyze data from the institutions and report to the legislature its recommendations to alleviate the problem. The board shall also study and make recommendations for in-service personnel training programs designed to reduce the incidence of medical malpractice claims and suits against hospitals, outpatient surgery centers, and health maintenance organizations. All insurers of hospitals, health maintenance organizations, state board of health on claims opened and closed during each six month reporting period. Self-insured institutions are also required to report. The board of health shall study the data, and periodically publish information on and recommendations to reduce the incidence and size of malpractice claims and suits against institutions. Effective 1-1-77.

DEPARTMENT OMNIBUS BILL, Chapter 334, H.F. 980: See Taxation.

PESTICIDES, Chapter 336, H.F. 1909: Bans the sale or use of substances containing in excess of 0.1 parts per million of the chemical known as 2, 3, 7, 8-tetrachlorodibenzopara-dioxin (TCDD); and restricts application of any pesticide containing TCDD to licensed commercial applicators for aerial application or for application to an area greater than ten acres. Violation of the act is a misdemeanor.

CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES, Chapter 338, H.F. 2019: Amends M.S. 151.37, 152.02 and 1975 Supp. 151.212. Makes the state controlled substances law consistent with its federal counterpart; permits the state board of pharmacy to require warning labels on non-controlled substances which may impair ability to operate a motor vehicle; and permits detoxification centers to possess legend drugs.

HUMAN SERVICE BOARDS, Chapter 340, H.F. 2233: Amends M.S. 402.01. Permits any three or more contiguous counties to form a human services board without regard to population base; permits Otter Tail county to designate a single county human services board; and permits any two contiguous counties of the counties of Aitkin, Carlton, Itasca, or Koochiching to form a human services board.

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NON-PAYMENT OF ORGANIZATION DUES, Chapter 175, S.F. 499: See Insurance.

SENIOR CITIZENS HARDSHIP DEFERRAL, Chapter 195, H.F. 374: See Taxation.

SENIOR CITIZENS AND DISABLED, Chapter 245, H.F. 617: See Taxation.

LONG TERM CARE POLICY, Chapter 275, H.F. 2041: See Health & Welfare, Nursing Homes.

DENTAL CARE PILOT PROGRAMS, Chapter 305, S.F. 1097: Authorizes the commissioner of public welfare to operate two pilot programs (one rural, one urban) to provide dental care to low income senior citizens. Various provisions are made for the financing and contractual arrangements between DPW and the dental care providers, but each participating senior citizen must have a free choice of vendor. Various reporting requirements and evaluations of the projects are mandated. Effective 7-1-76.

SENIOR COMPANION PROGRAM, Chapter 323, S.F. 1644: Appropriates \$100,000 to the commissioner of public welfare to employ low income senior citizens to provide health, welfare and educational services to other senior citizens and handicapped adults living in their homes or in institutions. Effective 7-1-76.

Alcohol and Drug Abuse

COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES, Chapter 9, H.F. 645: Provides formula grants to local units of government to design and operate delivery systems for a variety of health and health-related services. Incentives are provided for the establishment of multi-county or multi-city boards of health. Each local board of health establishes an annual community health services plan, which is approved by each city and county affected, and by the state

board of health. Funds are then allocated to each local board of health on the basis of a formula relating to various economic and demographic factors. A set amount of local matching funds are required from each local board of health.

Each local board of health must have an advisory committee, and has a variety of powers relating to the employment of staff, the acquisition of real and personal property, the delivery and coordination of services, and the evaluation of programs. The state board of health has general supervisory duties over the local boards, and must establish general guidelines and standards for them, in addition to approving local plans, and administering the funds appropriated under the act.

Special funding is also available for planning grants, and for grants to provide services to migrant workers or to Native Americans who have no established county of residence. Effective 7-1-75 and 7-1-76.

ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE, Chapter 125, H.F. 1199: Amends various sections of MS 254A. Provides funds to be used primarily for the identification and referral of chemically dependent individuals. The funds are appropriated to the commissioner of public welfare, who allocates them to area mental health boards which agree to purchase services to identify chemically dependent employees, women, blacks, youth, the aged, etc. who work or live in the area served by the board. Some treatment money is also provided for youth. The commissioner of public welfare must supervise and evaluate the programs. She must also submit a comprehensive five-year plan to the legislature by 1-2-77. Includes supplementary funding for detoxification centers, halfway houses, and non-residential treatment programs. Effective 7-1-76.

HOUSING FINANCE LOANS, Chapter 218, S.F. 1552: See Health & Welfare, Community Facilities.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE LICENSING ACT, Chapter 243, H.F. 354: See Health & Welfare, Community Facilities.

DETOXIFICATION CENTER FUNDING, Chapter 286, H.F. 2218: Amends M.S. 254A.08. Changes the level of county funding of local detoxification center expenditures from 12.5% of the non-state share to 25% of the non-state share. Effective 1-1-77.

ALCOHOL SAFETY PROGRAM, Chapter 298, S.F. 486: See Judiciary.

COMMITMENT AND DISCHARGE OF INEBRIATES, Chapter 330, S.F. 2313: See Judiciary.

Community Facilities

HOUSING FINANCE LOANS, Chapter 218, S.F. 1552: Amends various sections of M.S. 462A. Directs the Housing Finance Agency to include residential care facilities for the mentally ill, mentally retarded, and chemically dependent as eligible recipients of HFA loans.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE LICENSING ACT, Chapter 243, H.F. 354: Amends M.S. 252.28 and repeals various sections of M.S. 245 and 257. Reorganizes various existing licensing provisions, and provides a unified statutory scheme for the licensing of day care and residential facilities, services and agencies for children and for mentally retarded, mentally ill, physically handicapped, emotionally disturbed or chemically dependent adults.

Unless exempted by statute, no facility or agency may operate without a license. Various procedures are set forth for licensure; for revocation or denial of a license; for inspection of facilities and agencies; and for the issuance of correction orders and imposition of fines to agencies or facilities not in compliance with the law. The commissioner is required to administer the act, and promulgate all necessary rules. Provisions are made for the distribution of facilities evenly in communities, and for the reporting of neglect, physical or sexual abuse of the clients or residents of an agency or facility. Effective 7-1-76.

DAKOTA, WASHINGTON AND RAMSEY COUNTIES, Chapter 327, S.F. 2032: Amends M.S. 245. Appropriates \$350,000 to the commissioner of public welfare to fund and evaluate programs located in any or all of the three named counties and designed to provide community based care to mentally ill persons. Effective 4-21-76.

Handicapped

HANDICAPPED LICENSE PLATES, Chapter 19, S.F. 1949: See Transportation, Motor Vehicles.

TEMPORARY PERMITS FOR HANDICAPPED HUNTERS, Chapter 49, H.F. 1999: Amends 1975 Supp. 98.48. Provides temporary permits for handicapped hunters. Effective 3-20-76.

VENDING STANDS AND MACHINES OPERATED BY THE BLIND, Chapter 54, S.F. 1252: See General Legislation & Veterans Affairs.

STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION, Chapter 211, H.F. 1993: See Education.

SENIOR CITIZENS AND DISABLED, Chapter 245, H.F. 617: See Taxation.

Health Insurance

HEALTH CARE INSURANCE, Chapter 45, S.F. 830: See Insurance.

CONTINUATION OF GROUP HEALTH COVERAGE, Chapter 142, S.F. 1296: See Insurance.

HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OF OPTOMETRIC SERVICES, Chapter 192, S.F. 2232: Amends M.S. 62A.15. Requires insurance policies and nonprofit health service plans to include coverage for optometric treatment and services of an optometrist to the extent that such work would be covered if done by a physician.

HEALTH CARE INSURANCE, Chapter 207, H.F. 1929: Amends M.S. 62A.043. Requires health insurance policies and nonprofit health service plan contracts to provide coverage for the services provided by a podiatrist to the extent that such work would be covered if done by a physician.

HEALTH CARE INSURANCE, Chapter 262, H.F. 1827: Amends M.S. 62A.149. Requires health insurance policies and health care plans to provide coverage for the treatment of alcoholism, chemical dependency or drug addiction in non-residential treatment programs approved or licensed by the state. Effective 9-30-76.

CATASTROPHIC HEALTH INSURANCE, Chapter 296, S.F. 60: Amends M.S. 62A.02, 62C.15 and 62D.12. Requires employers of ten or more Minnesota residents who provide health insurance to their employees to offer qualified plans; defines qualified plans; creates a state sponsored pool to sell qualified plans to individuals or groups unable to obtain health insurance through normal channels. Provides for review of hospital financial data and rate increases by the state board of health. Creates a state funded pool to provide payment for 90% of the qualified medical expenses of individuals who have catastrophic medical expenses; sets eligibility standards for such payments. Effective 7-1-77.

Medical Malpractice

OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING BOARDS, Chapter 222, S.F. 1906: See Governmental Operations, State Agencies & Boards.

JOINT UNDERWRITING ASSOCIATION, Chapter 242, H.F. 348: Amends M.S. 62A.15. Authorizes the commissioner of insurance, upon his determination that malpractice insurance is not available for health care providers, to create a temporary joint underwriting association, composed of all casualty insurance carriers in the state, to provide the insurance. Various provisions are set forth for the creation and operation of the JUA, which will cease to exist no later than 9-1-78.

OFFICE OF HEALTH FACILITY COMPLAINTS, Chapter 325, S.F. 1959: See Health & Welfare.

Nursing Homes

REVISION OF LICENSURE STATUTES, Chapter 173, S.F. 1956: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Establishes a new chapter 144A in Minnesota Statutes devoted to nursing homes which recodifies nursing home laws. Makes several changes in existing laws relating to regulation and inspection of nursing homes; defines "controlling persons" and makes them responsible for the operation of the home; requires an annual unannounced inspection of each nursing home; requires initiation of license suspension or revocation proceedings for homes with two or more health related uncorrected violations or ten or more other uncorrected violations in a two-year period; provides for voluntary receivership at the request of the owners and for an involuntary receivership, after a court hearing, at the request of the state board of health; establishes a nursing home advisory committee for the state board of health; requires notification to the board of ownership changes; and provides for fines of up to \$250 per day for uncorrected violations. Effective 1-1-77.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S POWERS, Chapter 188, S.F. 1957: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Provides that any vendor of medical services may be declared ineligible for further payments if found guilty of medical assistance fraud or theft. Makes the filing of false cost reports or false claims for reimbursement a theft. All cost reports must be sworn statements by an officer or authorized representative of the vendor. A vendor who willfully files a false cost report is liable for treble damages in a civil action. The commissioner of welfare is allowed access to all medical records for purposes of determining whether reimbursed care is provided and is medically necessary. Fraud and attempted fraud are defined as specific crimes. Effective 4-9-76.

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FRAUD DETECTION, Chapter 273, H.F. 2038: Amends M.S. 256B.04. Requires that the commissioner of public welfare identify and investigate possible cases of medical assistance fraud, theft, false claims, or false statement by any vendor of medical care. Effective 4-14-76.

PATIENTS' BILL OF RIGHTS, Chapter 274, H.F. 2039: Amends various sections of M.S. 144. Amends the patients' bill of rights, by expanding the number of rights specifically afforded residents of health care facilities. Among the new rights are: increased financial information; increased input in planning his care, protection from arbitrary transfer or discharge; freedom from physical abuse, mental abuse, and chemical and physical restraints; confidentiality of records; and increased conjugal rights.

LONG TERM CARE POLICY, Chapter 275, H.F. 2041: Amends M.S. 256.975. Directs the Minnesota board on aging (formerly the Governor's Citizens Council on Aging) to recommend to the legislature by 1-1-77, a proposed state policy for citizens dependent on long term care and services. Effective 4-14-76.

NURSING HOME REIMBURSEMENT, Chapter 282, H.F. 2203: Establishes limitations on the department of public welfare and Rule 49 for nursing home rate setting for the care of medical assistance recipients. Limits mortgage and other property expense reimbursement; gives profit-making (proprietary) facilities a 9% investment allowance, and allows periodic property reappraisal to incorporate inflation into the rate base. Non-proprietary and governmental facilities are given a 2% investment allowance plus the interest on loans up to the full value of the facility. Effective 7-1-78, no nursing home shall be eligible for medical assistance reimbursement if its private pay rate differs from its medical assistance rate for similar services. Until 7-1-78, the private rate may be up to 10% higher than the medical assistance rate. Nursing homes must agree to provide audited financial statements to DPW. Effective for cost reports filed after 12-31-76.

NURSING ASSISTANT TRAINING, Chapter 310, S.F. 2025: Requires nursing assistants (aides and orderlies) hired to work in a nursing home on or after 7-1-77 to complete a training program approved by the board of nursing. Tuition and reasonable expenses will be reimbursable expenses under the medical assistance program. Effective 4-14-76.

NURSING HOME ALTERNATIVES, Chapter 312, S.F. 2175: Amends M.S. 256B and 1975 Supp. 256B.02. Authorizes the commissioner of public welfare to establish an experimental program of home care for the elderly and physically disabled who are eligible for placement in a nursing home. Effective 7-1-77.

OFFICE OF HEALTH FACILITY COMPLAINTS, Chapter 325, S.F. 1959: See Health & Welfare.

Occupational Licensing

DENTAL ASSISTANTS, Chapter 263, H.F. 1847: Amends various sections of M.S. 150A. Provides for the registration, discipline, and continuing education of dental assistants, and for the promulgation of rules by the state board of health defining the scope of practice of registered dental assistants. The membership of the board of dentistry is increased by two positions, to be filled by one registered dental assistant and one resident dental hygienist.

VETERINARIANS, Chapter 285, H.F. 2217: Amends various sections of M.S. 156. Amends the veterinary practice act to modernize the statutory scheme, and make various technical changes in the law to reflect increased specialization by veterinarians, increased license fees, and increased use of veterinary technicians.

HIGHER EDUCATION

OPTOMETRIC AND OSTEOPATHIC EDUCATION, Chapter 31, H.F. 717: Requires higher education coordinating board to evaluate the shortage of optometrists and osteopaths in the state, recommend action to increase their numbers, and advise the legislature as to the feasibility of establishing a school of optometry in the state and contracting for seats at existing colleges of optometry or osteopathy. Requires report to the legislature by 1-15-77.

HIGHER EDUCATION RECIPROCITY AGREEMENTS, Chapter 34, H.F. 951: Amends M.S. 136.111. Allows state university board to enter into reciprocity contracts with institutions in any other state and in foreign countries. Requires contracts to provide that non-residents be admitted only on a space available basis.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA BOARD OF REGENTS, Chapter 120, S.F. 357: Amends M.S. Ch. 137. Beginning in 1977, requires legislature to elect members of the University board of regents so that there is always one member who is a student or recent graduate. Requires at least one member of the board of regents to reside in each congressional district.

CHIROPRACTIC COLLEGES, Chapter 200, H.F. 1143: Amends M.S. 145.14 and 525.923. Permits chiropractic colleges to receive, for study, up to 16 unclaimed bodies; and permits chiropractic colleges to be designated as donees of anatomical gifts.

ANNUAL HIGHER EDUCATION MEETING, Chapter 217, S.F. 360: Amends M.S. Ch. 136A. Requires higher education coordinating board to sponsor an annual meeting for its members and members of the higher education facilities authority and the governing boards of the four public post-secondary systems. Requires board to transmit a summary of the discussion and any recommendations to the legislature.

INSURANCE

REGULATION OF INSURANCE PREMIUM FINANCE COMPANIES, Chapter 26,
H.F. 1829: Amends M.S. 59A.06. Removes the requirement that certain records be kept in this state. Modifies the license fee and requires the filing of an annual report.

HEALTH CARE INSURANCE, Chapter 45, S.F. 830: Requires that nonprofit health service plans and health insurance policies contain a provision providing coverage for health care treatment rendered by a free standing ambulatory surgical center.

SUBROGATION UNDER NO-FAULT AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE, Chapter 79, S.F. 345:
Amends M.S. 65B.53 and repeals M.S. 65B.62. Modifies the conditions under which subrogation will be allowed under no-fault automobile insurance. Effective 3-26-76.

RETIRED JUDGES HEALTH INSURANCE, Chapter 98, H.F. 1966: Amends M.S. 43.491. Permits retired supreme court and district court judges to participate at their own expense in hospital and medical insurance coverage provided for state employees. Permits the judges to also pay for dependent coverage. Effective 4-1-76.

INSURANCE PREMIUM FINANCE AGREEMENTS, Chapter 111, S.F. 1636: Amends M.S. 59A.03. Provides that resident insurance agents who temporarily hold insurance finance agreements need not be licensed to do so.

SEX DISCRIMINATION, Chapter 121, H.F. 290: Removes various sexual distinctions contained in laws regulating insurance.

CONTINUATION OF GROUP HEALTH COVERAGE, Chapter 142, S.F. 1296: Amends M.S. 62A.16, 62A.17 and 1975 Supp. 62A.17. Extends the period of time within which an employer must notify former employees of their right to continue group health insurance coverage and indicates the form of notice required. Requires the insurer to make available to individuals whose post termination coverage has expired similar insurance without further evidence of insurability.

POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS, ADDING REQUIREMENTS FOR GROUP INSURANCE CONTRACTS, Chapter 155, S.F. 2033: See Local Government.

NON-PAYMENT OF ORGANIZATION DUES, Chapter 175, S.F. 499: Amends M.S. 65B.17. Authorizes an insurer to refuse to renew an automobile insurance policy in the case of non-payment of dues to an organization where payment of dues is a prerequisite to obtaining or continuing the insurance. Does not apply, however, to persons who are retired at age 62 or older or who are disabled.

TRANSPORTATION TO SCHOOL OR SCHOOL ACTIVITIES, Chapter 180, S.F. 1570:
Amends M.S. 65B.47. Provides that vehicles being used to transport children to school or school activities will not be treated as being used in the business of transporting persons or property for purposes of Minnesota no-fault insurance statutes.

SURETY BONDS, Chapter 185, S.F. 1848: Includes surety bonds within the scope of the Minnesota insurance guaranty association act.

HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE OF OPTOMETRIC SERVICES, Chapter 192, S.F. 2232:
Amends M.S. 62A.15. Requires insurance policies and nonprofit health service plans to include coverage for optometric treatment and services of an optometrist to the extent that such work would be covered if done by a physician.

HEALTH CARE INSURANCE, Chapter 207, H.F. 1929: Amends M.S. 62A.043. Requires health insurance policies and nonprofit health service plan contracts to provide coverage for the services provided by a podiatrist to the extent that such work would be covered if done by a physician.

FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR INSURANCE COMPANIES, Chapter 213, H.F. 2335:
Amends M.S. 60A.07. Raises the financial requirements for insurance companies doing business in this state. Effective 4-9-76.

INSURANCE FOR ACCOUNTS IN CREDIT UNIONS AND SAVINGS ASSOCIATIONS, Chapter 219, S.F. 1753: See Financial Institutions.

INSURANCE AGENTS, Chapter 221, S.F. 1865: Amends M.S. 60A.17. A reciprocity statute which requires non-resident agents to split their fee with a Minnesota agent if the state in which that agent is licensed requires similar fee splitting from Minnesota agents when doing business in their state.

VAN POOLS, Chapter 233, H.F. 1382: See Governmental Operations.

AIRCRAFT INSURANCE, Chapter 241, H.F. 101: Amends M.S. 60A.081, 360 and 360.59. Makes it a misdemeanor for the owner of an aircraft to operate or permit to be operated an aircraft registered or based within the state of Minnesota without liability insurance protecting passengers and third persons for both property injury and property damage. The insurance must provide coverage of not less than \$25,000 per passenger seat liability both for bodily injury or death and for property damages to passengers and not less than \$25,000 for bodily injury or death to each non-passenger in any one accident and not less than \$50,000 per occurrence for bodily injury or death to non-passengers in any one accident. This does not cover aircraft being used in air commerce. When an aircraft is operated over Minnesota or on the surface or waters of Minnesota by a person other than the owner

with the owner's expressed or implied consent, the operator is deemed to be the agent of the owner. Proof of sufficient coverage is a prerequisite to registration of the aircraft. Persons engaged in commercial operations who cause or authorize the operation of aircraft are responsible for determining that at least the minimum insurance coverages are in force and must disclose to any authorized pilot using or operating the aircraft the limits and extent of any applicable liability insurance coverages. Failure to make the disclosure is a misdemeanor. Effective 7-1-76.

JOINT UNDERWRITING ASSOCIATION, Chapter 242, H.F. 348: See Health & Welfare, Medical Malpractice.

HEALTH CARE INSURANCE, Chapter 262, H.F. 1827: Amends M.S. 62A.149. Requires health insurance policies and health care plans to provide coverage for the treatment of alcoholism, chemical dependency or drug addiction in non-residential treatment programs approved or licensed by the state. Effective 9-30-76.

CATASTROPHIC HEALTH INSURANCE, Chapter 296, S.F. 60: See Health & Welfare, Health Insurance.

JUDICIARY

Revisor's Bills: Chapter 2, H.F. 1555; Chapter 239, H.F. 2441; Chapter 215, H.F. 2442.

EMINENT DOMAIN, Chapter 10, S.F. 234: Amends M.S. 117. Provides that owner occupants of property and owners of rental property may voluntarily waive any relocation assistance services, payments and benefits for which they would otherwise be eligible in a case of eminent domain proceedings. The owner of rental property may waive only his right to those benefits and not the rights of non-owner occupants of the property being acquired. Does not apply to acquisition of properties situated wholly or in part within certain development districts.

INDIAN MARRIAGES, Chapter 11, S.F. 370: Amends M.S. 517.18. Permits solemnization of marriage among Native Americans according to the form and usage of their own religion by Indian holy men chosen by the parties. Effective 2-21-76.

RETALIATORY EVICTIONS, Chapter 17, H.F. 1145: Amends M.S. 566.03. Expands the defenses available to tenants in action for recovery of premises following alleged terminations of tenancy to include proof that the termination was intended in part as a penalty for good faith attempts to secure and force rights or to report violations of codes or ordinances. Expands the tenant's defense and actions for recovery of premises upon the ground of non-payment of rent to include the increase in rent or decrease in services as a penalty in part for any lawful act of the tenant as provided above.

LIENS, Chapter 32, H.F. 719: Amends M.S. 514.03. Provides that liens for improvement of real property may cover 80 acres up from previous law's 40 acres except in the case of agricultural land where the lien is limited to 40 acres as in prior law.

PEACE OFFICER TRAINING COURSES, Chapter 52, S.F. 53: Amends M.S. 626.851. Decreases from 1,500 to 1,000 the number of hours of law enforcement instruction in a post secondary educational law enforcement program which a student must complete to be eligible to receive the minimum basic police training offered by the bureau of criminal apprehension. Compliance with the requirements prescribed by the rules of the attorney general for the Minnesota peace officer training board is also required.

CONCILIATION COURTS, Chapter 57, S.F. 1794: Amends various sections of M.S. 488A. Increases the jurisdictional limit in conciliation courts in Hennepin and Ramsey counties from \$500 to \$1,000. Effective 3-20-76.

INTOXICATING AND NON-INTOXICATING LIQUOR, Chapter 66, S.F. 1135: Amends various sections of M.S. 340. Raises the minimum age for licensing, sale, purchase, consumption, possession and furnishing of intoxicating and non-intoxicating liquor from 18 to 19 years. Effective 9-1-76. Persons 18 years of age on 8-31-76 are deemed to be 19 years old until they attain the age of 20.

EMINENT DOMAIN, Chapter 72, H.F. 2298: Amends 1975 Supp. 117.042. Provides that money paid to the clerk of court to secure a "quick-take" shall be deposited in an interest-bearing account and that the interest shall be paid to the ultimate recipient of the amount deposited.

NOTARIZATION, Chapter 73, S.F. 1862: Amends 1975 Supp. 168.10. Removes the requirement of notarization for registration and taxation of motor vehicles by new owners.

TRUSTS, Chapter 74, S.F. 1967: Amends M.S. 501.11. Permits every city in the state, not just cities of the second class, to receive property for public and charitable purposes pursuant to express trusts.

TITLE REGISTRATION, Chapter 77, H.F. 2022: Amends M.S. 508.44 and 508.82. Permits the registrar of titles to issue a duplicate certificate to replace a lost duplicate certificate of title when directed to do so by the examiner of titles. This procedure is an alternative to obtaining a court directive. The duplicate may be issued upon posted notice and upon written statement by all persons in interest memorialized on the certificate of title. The fee for this procedure will be \$35 in counties in which the compensation of the examiner of titles is paid in the same manner as the compensation of other county employees, and \$3 in counties in which the compensation of the examiner is not paid by the county or pursuant to an order of court. Effective 3-26-76.

RETIRED JUDGES HEALTH INSURANCE, Chapter 98, H.F. 1966: Amends M.S. 43.491. Permits retired supreme court and district court judges to participate at their own expense in hospital and medical insurance coverage provided for state employees. Permits the judges to also pay for dependent coverage. Effective 4-1-76.

CRIMES; REMOVAL OF MANUFACTURERS' IDENTIFICATION MARK, Chapter 112, S.F. 1825: Amends 1975 Supp. 609.52 and repeals M.S. 609.655. Removal of manufacturers' identification numbers on personal property or the possession, sale or purchase of personal property with the knowledge that the identification numbers have been removed, with the intent to prevent the identification of the property so as to deprive the rightful owner of possession of the property is to be punished as theft rather than as a misdemeanor. In other words, the severity of the penalty will depend upon the value of the personal property involved.

JUDICIAL ELECTIONS, Chapter 114, S.F. 2030: Amends 1975 Supp. Ch. 5, Sec. 12, Subd. 1. Deletes the requirement on the affidavit of candidacy that a candidate for probate judge, county court judge, or municipal judge be learned in the law and replaces it with the requirement that the candidates for those offices show that they are qualified as prescribed by law. Effective 4-2-76.

FORCIBLE ENTRY AND UNLAWFUL DETAINER, Chapter 123, H.F. 718: Amends M.S. 566.06 and 566.09. Permits the summons for an action for restitution of premises to be served on the defendant by an agent or attorney of any named party to the action. Deletes the requirement of published notice in these actions. Deletes the requirement that upon the failure of the defendant to appear in court on the return day the trial must be continued for one week. Requires the court to immediately enter judgment that the plaintiff have restitution upon a finding at trial that he is so entitled, and provides for the immediate issuance of the writ of restitution. Stays of the writ may be granted only upon a showing by the defendant that restitution would work a substantial hardship upon him. Upon that showing the writ may be stayed for a reasonable period not to exceed 7 days, and no stay of the writ may extend later than 3 days prior to the date the rent is next due.

UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE, Chapter 135, S.F. 10: Amends various sections of M.S. 336 and repeals M.S. 336.9-408. Rewrites the entire section of the commercial code relating to perfection of security interests and multiple state transactions. Establishes uniform rules regarding place of perfection and effective perfection or non-perfection based on the nature of the collateral. The controlling law is the law of the jurisdiction where the collateral is when the last event occurs on which is based the assertion that the security interest is perfected or unperfected. Other special rules are provided in certain cases for intangibles which have no situs. Consignors are now under a duty to give the same notice to an inventory secured party of the debtor that he would have to give if his transaction with the consignee was in the form of a security transaction instead of a consignment. Eliminates the \$2,500 and under exemption from UCC filing requirements for purchase money security interest for farm equipment. Establishes a pure "race rule" of first to file for all cases not covered by a specific rule. Requires all fixture filings to be recorded in the real estate records if the holder of a security interest in fixtures desires to be protected from real estate interests. Allows a real estate mortgage to serve as a financing statement if it contains the required information and provides that a financing statement need only be signed by the debtor to be effective. Establishes a uniform 5-year duration period for all financing statements except mortgages used as financing statements and financing statements filed against transmitting utilities.

TITLE REGISTRATION, Chapter 145, S.F. 1792: Amends M.S. 508.75 and 508.82. Imposes a fee of 50¢ for the entry of each memorial upon certificates of title, to be paid to the registrar of deeds and then paid over to the county treasurer and credited to the assurance fund, which is intended to compensate any person who without negligence on his part sustains loss, damage, or is wrongfully deprived of any land or interest by reason of a mistake, omission, or misdescription by the registrar or his deputy or by any examiner or clerk of court or his deputy.

MORTGAGES, Chapter 148, S.F. 1874: Legalizes certain mortgage foreclosure sales retroactively as against a number of technical objections in the form of the power of attorney, in the form of the notice of sale, in terms of various filings, in the description of the mortgage, and other technical defects. Various effective dates.

JUVENILE COURTS, Chapter 150, S.F. 1920: Amends M.S. 260.185 and 260.191. Upon a finding by the court that a child is delinquent, neglected, or dependent, any order for disposition must contain written findings of fact to support the disposition and also a written statement as to why the best interests of the child are served by the disposition and listing the alternative dispositions considered and the reasons why those dispositions were judged inappropriate in the particular case.

STATUTES OF LIMITATIONS, Chapter 153, S.F. 1973: Amends M.S. 541.13. Clarifies the law relating to the tolling of the statute of limitation for criminal prosecution of people who are out of the state. The statute of limitations will be tolled only if the person who is out of the state is not subject to process under the laws of Minnesota or if he cannot be found for the purpose of personal service when personal service is required.

PROBATE, Chapter 161, S.F. 2373: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Corrects and clarifies various provisions of the comprehensive probate reform act passed during the 1974-75 legislative sessions. Provides that the attorney general need not be notified of outright gifts to charity by a testator. Reconciles the registered land law regarding issuance of new certificates upon the death of the owner with the uniform probate code terminology. Allows verification of probate documents by either unsworn statement or by affidavit and provides perjury penalty for false material statements. Allows the court to waive tax liens and supervise proceedings. Provides that disputed claims are not entitled to bear interest until they are allowed. Makes the \$5,000 limit applicable to the summary probate proceeding providing for the collection of personal property by affidavit exclusive of non-probate assets. Clarifies that an assignee or successor of an interested person may petition for a dissent decree. Eliminates de novo appeals from probate court and provides for jury trials in probate court. Cures title standard problems which center on the fact that claims and interests in property are personal to the decedent and interested persons. Effective 4-4-76.

BLOOD DONORS, Chapter 169, H.F. 1075: Amends M.S. 145.41. Lowers the age of consent for blood donors from 18 to 17. Effective 4-3-76.

TERMS OF COURT, 9TH DISTRICT, Chapter 174, S.F. 4: Amends M.S. 484.17. Changes the general terms of district court for the eastern area of the 9th judicial district.

TAMPERING WITH A WITNESS, Chapter 178, S.F. 1105: Amends M.S. 609.42. Removes inducing a witness to withhold his testimony or to absent himself from a proceeding from the bribery statute and creates a new statute relating to tampering with a witness. A person who intentionally prevents or dissuades or intentionally attempts to prevent or dissuade by force or threats of injury a person who is or may become a witness from attending or testifying at a legal proceeding is guilty of tampering with a witness in the first degree and may be sentenced for up to 5 years or to payment of a fine of up to \$5,000. A person who intentionally prevents or dissuades or intentionally attempts to prevent or dissuade a witness or a potential witness by means of the exposure of a secret, or of information calculated to bring disgrace or ridicule upon the witness, by the threat of criminal charges, whether true or false, or by the unlawful injury of a trade, business or profession is guilty of second degree tampering with a witness and may be sentenced for up to one year or to payment of a fine of up to \$1,000.

STATUTES OF LIMITATION, BRIBES TO PUBLIC OFFICIALS OR EMPLOYEES, Chapter 184, S.F. 1838: Amends M.S. 628.26. Increases from 3 to 6 years the statute of limitations covering the offering of bribes to or the acceptance of bribes by public officers or employees. Effective for offenses committed after 4-15-76.

CRIME VICTIM'S REPARATIONS, Chapter 193, S.F. 2251: Amends M.S. 299B.03. Expands the one-year statute of limitations on crime victim's reparations to include claims which could not have been made within one year of the injury or death but which have been made within one year of the time when a claim could have been made.

VISITATION RIGHTS TO MINOR CHILDREN, Chapter 198, H.F. 790: Upon the death of a parent or upon the dissolution of the marriage of the parents, the court is permitted to grant to the parents or grandparents of the deceased parent or of the parent who is not a custodial party the right to visit unmarried minor children. Visitation rights may be granted upon a finding that it would be in the best interest of the child and would not interfere with the parent-child relationship. This does not apply if the child has been adopted by a person other than the step-parent or grandparent, and any visitation rights granted prior to the adoption of the child are automatically terminated upon adoption.

REAL ESTATE DEVELOPERS, Chapter 230, H.F. 1078: Amends 1975 Supp. 82.18. Requires small scale real estate developers (those who construct buildings for the purpose of resale and who sell 25 or less during any 12-month period) to comply with the trust account requirements of the real estate brokers' law even though they are not licensed as brokers. This means that all trust funds, payments received on contracts on mortgages, contracts for deeds or other conveyancing instruments along with reserve funds for taxes or insurance must be deposited in separate accounts in a Minnesota bank or trust company or a foreign bank which permits examination of its records by the commissioner of securities.

CONTRACTS FOR DEED, Chapter 240, H.F. 81: Amends M.S. 559.21. Extends the time during which the purchaser under a contract may cure default in accordance with the percentage of the contract price he has paid at the time of the default. If the purchaser has paid less than 30% of the purchase price the contract will terminate 30 days after the service of the notice by the vendor that the contract is in default. If the purchaser has paid 30% or more, but less than 50% of the purchase price, the termination will take place in 45 days after the service. If the purchaser has paid 50% or more, the termination will take place 60 days after service of notice. The purchaser in addition to curing the amount in default may be required to pay attorney's fees actually expended of \$75 when the amount of default is less than \$750 and of \$200 when the amount in default is \$750 or more. This is an increase from \$50 attorney's fees when the amount in default is less than \$500 and \$100 attorney's fees when the amount in default is \$500 or more. Effective for contracts executed after 8-1-76.

REPOSSESSION OF MOBILE HOMES, Chapter 250, H.F. 955: Amends M.S. 336.9-104. Sets out the method by which a secured party can commence an action to repossess a mobile home used as a person's principal residence when a default occurs under the terms of the security agreement. The action may be commenced by personal service upon the occupant of a mobile home or by sending a registered or certified letter to the last known address of the debtor under the security agreement, giving notice of the circumstances constituting the default and stating that the secured party will after 30 days of the receipt of the notice seek a court order removing the occupant from the mobile home and repossessing it unless the occupant acting in behalf of the debtor or the debtor himself cures the default prior to that time. If notice is by mail the secured party must set forth by affidavit the circumstances which caused him to believe that the debtor could be reached at the address to which the notice was mailed and must also state that the secured party has no reason to believe that the debtor might receive mailed notice at another address. The debtor or the occupant of a mobile home acting on behalf of the debtor may cure a default within the 30-day period by tendering full payment of the sums in arrears and by paying reasonable costs, up to \$15, incurred by the secured party to enforce the agreement. Notwithstanding a cure of the default the

court may order repossession if the default is due to damage or other waste of the collateral committed or allowed by the debtor. If there is no cure, upon expiration of the 30-day period the secured party may apply for an order directing the debtor to peacefully return full possession of the mobile home to the secured party. If the occupant does not comply with the court order the sheriff after 5 days may remove the occupant and his possessions from the mobile home. To perfect title to the mobile home, the secured party must record a certified copy of the court order returning possession to him.

OCCUPYING OR ENTERING BUILDINGS, Chapter 251, H.F. 1056: Amends M.S. 609.605. Makes it a misdemeanor to occupy or enter the dwelling of another without claim or right or consent of the owner or of one who has the right to give the consent, except in an emergency situation. Dwellings are defined as places of residence used on either a full-time or a part-time basis and may be apartments as well as single family structures.

WIRETAPS, Chapter 253, H.F. 1087: Amends M.S. 626A.05. Permits the attorney general and county attorneys to designate an assistant who is authorized to make application for interception of wire or oral communications by law enforcement officers. Expands the investigations in which a warrant authorizing a wiretap can be sought to include those involving felony offenses relating to escape from custody. Effective 4-14-76.

POLYGRAPH AND VOICE STRESS ANALYSIS TESTS, Chapter 256, H.F. 1330:
See Labor-Management Relations.

STATE AID TO LEGAL ASSISTANCE CORPORATIONS, Chapter 260, H.F. 1608: Appropriates \$165,000 from the general fund to the commissioner of administration to assist in providing criminal and juvenile defense to indigent individuals. The money is to be distributed by the commissioner of administration in consultation with the attorney general to one non-profit criminal and juvenile defense corporation in each of the five following localities and in the following amounts: Duluth, \$10,000; St. Paul, \$50,000; Minneapolis, \$25,000; Leech Lake, \$40,000; White Earth, \$40,000; prior approval of the reservation business committee is necessary for the disbursal of funds to a corporation in the Leech Lake reservation area and the White Earth reservation area. If the commissioner of administration has reasonable grounds to believe the funds are being improperly used or that criminal and juvenile defense of the proper quality is not being supplied, he may give notice and then after 30 days conduct a hearing on the question. The funds shall cease from the date of the notice until such time as the commissioner determines that the funds will be properly handled or that the commissioner determines that the defense of proper quality will be provided. It is a gross misdemeanor for any recipient of the funds to discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, religion and national origin. Effective 7-1-76.

TORT LIABILITY; INCREASE IN LIABILITY LIMITS, Chapter 264, H.F. 1866:
See Local Government.

PRIVACY, Chapter 283, H.F. 2204: Amends M.S. 15 and 1975 Supp. 15.162 and 15.163. Clarifies the relationship of arrest records to the privacy law by providing that neither confidential data on individuals nor private data on individuals includes arrest information that is reasonably contemporaneous with an arrest or incarceration. Data collected by a civil or criminal investigative agency as part of an active investigation undertaken for the purpose of the commencement of legal action will remain confidential information only until the time of the granting or refusal to grant of an emergency classification as provided in this act or until 6-30-77, whichever occurs first. The responsible authority of the state agency, political subdivision or statewide system may apply to the commissioner of administration for permission to classify data or types of data for its own use and also for the use of other similarly situated agencies on an emergency basis until a proposed statute can be acted upon by the legislature. The applicant has the burden of clearly establishing that no statute currently exists which either allows or forbids classification; that the data has been treated as either private or confidential by custom of long standing as recognized by other similar agencies, if any, and by the public; and that a compelling need exists for immediate emergency classification which if not granted could affect the public interest or the health, safety, well-being or reputation of the data subject. The attorney general is to review any granting of emergency classification as to form and legality and must within 20 days either approve or disapprove the classification. All emergency classifications expire on 6-30-77, and none may be granted thereafter. The reports to the legislature by responsible authorities are simplified to cover only categories of records, files and processes relating to private and confidential data and a submission of the forms used to collect the data. The commissioner of administration may request additional information relevant to data collection practices, policies and procedures. The emergency classification procedure is effective 4-14-76. The remainder of the act is effective 6-1-76.

LAW LIBRARY FEES, Chapter 290, H.F. 2440: Amends various sections of M.S. 140. A law library fee will be collected from each plaintiff and person commencing a civil action in municipal court in Ramsey County. The amount of the library fee is to be set by the law library trustees with the approval of the Ramsey County board of commissioners. Also increases certain law library fees for the counties of Beltrami and Clearwater.

DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED, Chapter 297, S.F. 354: Amends M.S. 171. Provides that a person whose driver's privilege or license is cancelled, suspended or revoked because of the operation of a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or narcotic drug or while the person's

blood had an alcohol content above the prescribed level or because of an open bottle violation or because of a refusal to take the test to determine alcoholic content of his blood prescribed level is guilty of a gross misdemeanor upon another violation of any of those laws while his driver's license or privilege is cancelled, suspended or revoked.

ALCOHOL SAFETY PROGRAM, Chapter 298, S.F. 486: Amends various sections of M.S. 169. Directs counties with a population of over 10,000 and permits counties with a population of less than 10,000 to establish alcohol safety programs to provide presentence investigations and evaluations of persons convicted of driving under the influence of alcohol. Presentence investigation is to be conducted under the direction of the court by qualified persons as the court may direct. The commissioner of public safety is to provide the court with information and assistance in establishing the presentence investigation programs and is to consult with alcohol and drug abuse sections in the department of public welfare and with local community mental health boards in providing the information and assistance to the courts. The cost of the presentence investigation is to be borne by the county but the commissioner of public safety is to reimburse the county up to 50% of the cost of each presentence investigation not to exceed \$25 in each case. An amount not to exceed \$250,000 is appropriated for this purpose and the commissioner of public safety is directed to seek funding for the program under LEAA provisions and under the national traffic and highway safety act. To the extent that this quest is successful the appropriation is to be decreased. The court may stay imposition or execution of a sentence on the condition that the convicted person submit to treatment by a facility providing rehabilitation for chemical dependency licensed by the department of public welfare, among others. Stay of imposition or execution of the sentence is to be reported to the commissioner of public safety. Presentence investigations must be conducted in counties of more than 10,000 population and the report submitted to the court by the agency administering the counseling program upon a conviction of a person for driving under the influence of alcohol, or upon the arrest of a person for that violation but the failure to convict, if the person is convicted of another offense arising out of the circumstances surrounding the arrest. The report is to contain an evaluation of the defendant's prior traffic record, his history of alcohol problems and his amenability to rehabilitation. The report is to include a recommendation as to the disposition of the case and is classified as private data. The court is to give due consideration to the report. A conviction of a person on a second or subsequent offense does not necessitate an additional presentence investigation if it would not substantially aid the court in sentencing. This does not apply to persons who are not residents of the state of Minnesota. County boards may enter into joint agreements to establish regional presentence investigation alcohol safety programs and may contract with other counties and agencies for those services.

HUMAN RIGHTS, Chapter 301, S.F. 840: Amends various sections of M.S. 363 and repeals M.S. 363.06, Subd. 7. Requires the commissioner of the human rights department to periodically inform the charging party of the status of his charge of a violation of the human rights act. Requires the commissioner to make immediate inquiry into a charge when it is necessary to prevent a charging party from suffering irreparable loss. Upon notification to a charging party that the commissioner has determined that no probable cause exists to credit the allegations of an unfair discriminatory practice, the charging party within 10 days after the notice may request that the commissioner reconsider his determination. The request must contain reasons for the request and any new evidence in support of the request. The commissioner then has 20 days to reaffirm or reverse his determination. No appeal of the determination of no probable cause to the district is permitted. Complaints issued by the commissioner of human rights are to be heard as contested cases before a hearing examiner and the report of the hearing examiner is binding on all parties to the proceeding. Parties may request the hearing examiner to issue subpoenas requiring the presence of witnesses or the production of books or papers not privileged. An aggrieved person may bring civil action based on an unfair discriminatory practice within 90 days after the commissioner has determined there is no probable cause to credit allegations contained in the charge filed with him or within 90 days after the reaffirmation of that determination or after 90 days but within one year after the filing of the charge if no hearing has been held by the commission. If a civil action is begun the commissioner will terminate all proceedings by his department relating to the charge and no charge may be filed or reinstituted with the commissioner after the civil action relating to the same unfair discriminatory practice has been brought unless the action is dismissed without prejudice.

HOSPITALIZATION AND COMMITMENT, Chapter 302, S.F. 864: Amends M.S. 253A.15. Requires that notice be given to the spouse, the adult child, or the next of kin of a dangerous or psychopathic patient of hearings on a petition to discharge or provisionally discharge the patient. Similar notice is to be given for petitions for rehearing and reconsideration before the supreme court. Prior to the discharge or provisional discharge of any mentally ill, mentally deficient, or inebriate patient, the head of the hospital is to notify the patient's spouse, adult child, or next of kin of the proposed discharge date. The notice is to include the proposed date of discharge and the time and place of the meeting of the staff treating the patient to discuss the discharge; the notice must state that the patient will be present at the meeting and the next of kin may attend and present any information relevant to the discharge. The notice must be sent to the next of kin at least one week prior to the discharge date.

ATTORNEY REGULATION, Chapter 304, S.F. 1051: Amends various sections of M.S. 481. Authorizes a person to change his attorney in a civil action at any time without the approval of the court and without the payment of his attorney fee. Abolishes the lien of an attorney upon money and papers of his client in that attorney's possession. Establishes a procedure for the court to determine the amount of a fee owed to the attorney and to order the remainder of the client's money returned to him. Requires the administrative director of the state board of professional responsibility to notify the attorney general of each complaint made to him directly or reported to him by a district ethics committee. Authorizes the attorney general to investigate accusations of dishonesty, fraud, or professional misconduct made against attorneys and to petition the state board of professional responsibility for disciplinary action.

COMMITMENT AND DISCHARGE OF INEBRIATES, Chapter 330, S.F. 2313: Amends M.S. 253A.07 and 1975 Supp. 253A.07 and 253A.15. Restricts judicial commitments for inpatient treatment for inebriates to 45 days maximum for the first commitment and limits the total commitment and provisional discharge period to 18 months.

GARNISHMENT, Chapter 335, H.F. 1326: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Voids assignment of wages after service of a garnishment exemption notice and assignments made within 10 days prior to the receipt of a garnishment or execution on a debt. Permits judgment creditors to execute small money judgments by mail. Provides that all public employees and officers are subject to execution. Makes identical the amount of wages exempt from execution and garnishment. Makes all public assistant funds and wages of people on public assistance continuously exempt from creditor's claims and exempt for 60 days from a bank's contractual right of set-off. Requires that a debtor knowingly and voluntarily waive the statutory exemptions from attachment garnishment for sale on final court process on certain property. Provides that certain exempt funds deposited in a bank are to be exempt from creditor's claims and provides for a first-in, first-out tracing rule. Prejudgment garnishment is to be permitted where the creditor has been unable to serve a summons and complaint because of residence in a building where access was restricted. Prejudgment garnishment is permitted 40 days after service of summons and complaint where the judgment by default could have been entered under provisions of the rules of civil procedure. Prohibits prejudgment garnishment where the creditor claims he cannot locate the debtor and also allows prejudgment garnishment only after obtaining a court order. To obtain prejudgment garnishment the creditor must establish that he has a bona fide claim and the debtor has an opportunity to be heard. Requires a judgment creditor to give the debtor at least 10 days advance notice of his intent to garnish wages. This requirement does not apply to garnishment of bank accounts or other non-wage assets. Bad faith assertion of exemptions and bad faith disregard of asserted exemptions may both be

penalized. Exemptions must be claimed under penalties of perjury. The garnishee summons must be personally served and must be accompanied by a garnishment disclosure spelling out the garnishee's obligations and potential liabilities. Requires the garnishee to furnish the judgment creditor with a written disclosure under oath identifying the debtor's property in his possession as well as monies owed the debtor within 20 days from the service of summons. Disclosure is only required for property equal to 110% of the unpaid judgment. The formula for calculating the amount of earnings exempt from garnishment is almost identical to the federal formula. Discharge of employees because of garnishment or execution is prohibited. The three year period of the garnishee summons as effective to attached property is reduced to 270 days in the case of a prejudgment garnishment and 180 days for garnishment after judgment.

DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED, Chapter 341, H.F. 2374: Amends various sections of M.S. 169. Requires peace officers to report results of chemical tests of breath other than preliminary screening tests which result in a blood alcohol content of .10% or more by weight of alcohol, or blood or urine tests with a similar result to the commissioner of public safety. The commissioner of public safety upon receipt of that record is to revoke for 90 days the driver's license permit or non-resident operating privileges of the person. The commissioner must notify the driver by registered mail of his intent to revoke and allow a 20-day period during which the driver may request a hearing. If the request for hearing is timely filed no revocation is to be made until final determination. The hearing is held before a municipal or county judge without a jury within 30 days of the receipt of the request. The scope of the hearing is limited to the questions of whether the peace officer had reasonable and probable grounds to believe that the person was driving or operating a motor vehicle under the influence of an alcoholic beverage, whether the person was lawfully arrested, whether the person took the test, whether he was advised of his rights to have an additional test made by a person of his own choosing, the validity and reliability of the testing method used and the accuracy of the evaluation of the test results. A person whose license has been revoked may within 30 days of receipt of the revocation notice file a petition for hearing in district court in the county where the municipal or county court hearing was held. In any case of revocation the commissioner may issue a limited license with conditions and limitations as are necessary in the interest of public safety and welfare. After 60 days of the revocation period has elapsed the commissioner may upon notice of the driver's attendance at a driver's improvement clinic, attendance at counseling sessions or participation in treatment for an alcohol program, reinstate the driver's license for the remainder of the revocation period. The commissioner may not reinstate a license to a driver who has had a prior license revocation within a 3-year period for another incident. Courts must report to the commissioner of public safety any

stays of imposition as well as stays of execution granted in the case of a conviction for an offense for drunk driving. \$159,300.00 is appropriated for the purposes of the act. Effective 4-21-76.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION, Chapter 43, H.F. 945: Amends 1975 Supp. 268.04. Excludes from coverage of unemployment compensation officers of a family farm corporation. Effective retroactive to 1-1-76.

EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES, Chapter 60, S.F. 1924: Amends M.S. 184.21. Removes from the coverage of laws regarding employment agencies those employment agencies which deal exclusively in teacher or nurse placement.

FAIR SHARE FEES FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES, Chapter 102, H.F. 2244: Amends various sections of M.S. Ch. 179. Broadens the services for which fair share fees may be required and sets a limit on the fair share fee of 85% of the legal membership dues. Grants the director of mediation services jurisdiction to hear and decide all issues in a fair share fee challenge. Effective 4-1-76.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION, Chapter 154, S.F. 1976: Amends M.S. 176.061. Accommodates the statutes to Carlson v. Smogard (298 Minn. 362, 1974) which declared unconstitutional the prohibition on a third party, liable to another's employee for an on-the-job injury, seeking contributions from the employer (M.S. 176.061, subd. 10). This provision is repealed and a new similar prohibition on employer contribution to a third party is made applicable only if both the employer and the third party are covered by WC insurance (or self-insured) and engaged in a common enterprise or performing related work on the same premises. Also reduces the subrogation rights of employers in third party actions by requiring that he share in paying the attorney's fee charged to an employee who has successfully sued a third party and received an award, from which the employer received reimbursement for WC benefits paid to the employee. Effective 4-4-76.

MINIMUM WAGE, Chapter 165, H.F. 429: Amends various sections of M.S. Ch. 177. Increases the minimum wage to \$2.10 an hour for those 18 years or older and to \$1.89 an hour for those under the age of 18. Effective 10-1-76.

STATE EMPLOYEE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS, Chapter 252, H.F. 1069: Amends M.S. 43.323. Provides that the provisions of a collective bargaining agreement entered into pursuant to chapter 179 shall supersede the provisions of any personnel rule or portion thereof which is inconsistent with the collective bargaining agreement.

POLYGRAPH AND VOICE STRESS ANALYSIS TESTS, Chapter 256, H.F. 1330: Amends M.S. 181.75 and repeals M.S. 181.77. Rephrases the law forbidding employers or their agents from requesting, by direct or indirect coercion, their employees to take a polygraph test. Prohibits employers or their agents from directly or indirectly soliciting or requiring a polygraph or voice stress analysis test purporting to test the honesty of employees or prospective employees. Also prohibits the sale or interpretation of a test for an

employer or his agent if the person selling or interpreting the test knows that the test has been solicited or required by an employer or his agent to test the honesty of an employee or prospective employee. Any person knowingly selling, administering, or interpreting these tests is guilty of a misdemeanor. If an employee requests a polygraph test his employer or the agent administering the test must inform him that the test is voluntary. The department of labor and industry is to investigate suspected violations and refer evidence to the appropriate county attorney who may institute appropriate criminal proceedings. The attorney general is authorized to seek injunctive relief against any violation. In addition any person injured by a violation may bring a civil action to recover costs and damages and to obtain equitable relief. Effective 4-14-76.

ATTORNEYS' FEES, Chapter 277, H.F. 2107: See Crime Prevention and Corrections.

LIQUOR

LIQUOR CONTROL, Chapter 5, S.F. 866: See Governmental Operations.

INTOXICATING AND NON-INTOXICATING LIQUOR, Chapter 66, S.F. 1135:
See Judiciary.

LIQUOR LICENSES FOR THE CITY OF DULUTH ARENA AUDITORIUM COMPLEX,
Chapter 75, S.F. 2057: Amends Laws 1967, Ch. 406. Expands coverage
of special legislation which authorized liquor licenses for the Duluth
arena auditorium to include the entire complex and permits the sale of
intoxicating liquor at certain athletic events. Effective on approval
by city of Duluth.

INVESTIGATION OF LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICANTS, Chapter 105, S.F. 749:
Amends M.S. 340.13. Requires the city or county issuing on-sale
licenses for intoxicating liquor to conduct a preliminary background
and financial investigation of the applicant. Limits the investigation
fee to \$500 if the investigation is to be conducted within the state
and \$10,000 if investigation is required outside the state.

FERMENTED MALT BEVERAGES, Chapter 118, S.F. 2174: Amends M.S. 340.601.
Permits the importation of up to 10 quarts of fermented malt beverages
without payment of the Minnesota excise tax. Effective 6-1-76.

BOTTLE CLUB LICENSE, Chapter 137, S.F. 454: Amends M.S. 340.119.
Requires approval of the governing body of the county or city before
a license for a bottle club may be issued. Effective 7-1-76.

MILITARY BASES OR INSTALLATIONS, Chapter 160, S.F. 2147: Authorizes
the liquor control commissioner to issue permits for the sale of
intoxicating liquor at on-sale establishments within the boundaries of
military bases or installations. Effective 4-4-76.

BREWERS' CREDIT, Chapter 189, S.F. 1997: See Taxation.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

TOWNS; FILING OF FINANCIAL REPORTS, Chapter 4, S.F. 816: Amends M.S. Ch. 366.22. Requires towns to file copies of their annual financial reports with the state auditor.

TOWNS; SUBMISSION OF OPTIONAL PLANS, Chapter 41, H.F. 2170: Amends various sections of 1975 Supp. 367. Permits town board to submit more than one option to the electors at any annual meeting. Also makes clear that options B and D are exceptions to statutory requirements that each town elect a clerk and a treasurer. Effective 3-9-76.

TOWNS; SPECIAL CENSUS, Chapter 47, H.F. 59: Amends M.S. Ch. 365. Authorizes towns to request the taking of a special census by the secretary of state in the years 1976, 1985 and every tenth year thereafter. Population of town as determined by special census becomes the population of the town for all purposes until the next federal census.

TITLE REGISTRATION, Chapter 77, H.F. 2022: See Judiciary.

DIRECT LOANS TO CITIES, COUNTIES AND TOWNS, Chapter 140, S.F. 1156: Amends M.S. 465. Authorizes cities, counties and towns to borrow up to \$100,000 from the farmers home administration for the purposes of constructing or acquiring fire halls or fire equipment; permits the local units to execute a note secured by a mortgage on the property as security for the loan; provides that the amount of the loan is to be included when computing net debt and requires an election to authorize the loan unless the agency's remedy for default is limited to recovery of the property. Effective 4-4-76.

POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS, ADDING REQUIREMENTS FOR GROUP INSURANCE CONTRACTS, Chapter 155, S.F. 2033: Amends M.S. 471.616, 1975 Supp. 471.561 and Laws 1976, Ch. 44. Modifies the law requiring political subdivisions to advertise for bids before purchasing group insurance by requiring rebidding every 48 months (formerly 60) unless there is a 50% (formerly 20%) or greater change in premium in which case the contract must be resubmitted for bids; removing the requirement for rebidding when there is a change in benefits or protection involving a 10% to 20% change in premium; requiring an insurer to include with any proposal calling for a rate increase an aggregate claims record for the period which explains the proposed increase; and requiring inclusion of an aggregate claims record with the specifications for any contract which is resubmitted for bids. Also amended an existing statute relating to investment of municipal funds in securities accompanied by simultaneous repurchase agreements; however, the section amended was repealed in a later enactment (Chapter 324). Effective 4-4-76.

LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS, PAYMENT ON CONTRACT IN ADVANCE OF COMPLETION, Chapter 156, S.F. 2051: Amends M.S. 429.041. Authorizes municipalities (which for the purposes of this act include, subject to certain limitations, cities, counties and towns) upon recommendation of their engineer, to release portions of the retained price when a project is 90% or more completed.

LAND USE PLANNING, Chapter 167, H.F. 1026: See Environmental Preservation and Natural Resources.

SENIOR CITIZENS HARDSHIP DEFERRAL, Chapter 195, H.F. 374: See Taxation.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS; TAX FORFEITED LAND, Chapter 259, H.F. 1971: Amends M.S. 282.02 and 429.071. Permits local governments to make a reassessment or new assessment as to parcels of tax forfeited land when the parcel is returned to private ownership, or alternatively, the local unit may impose fees or other charges for the use or availability of the improvement or for connection to the improvement. The amount of the reassessment, new assessment or the fee or charge may not exceed the amount remaining unpaid on the original assessment which was cancelled when the land was sold. Effective 4-14-76.

TORT LIABILITY; INCREASE IN LIABILITY LIMITS, Chapter 264, H.F. 1866: Amends M.S. 466.04 and 466.05. Increases the liability limits of political subdivisions as follows: for wrongful death \$100,000 (formerly \$25,000) and for any one claimant \$100,000 (formerly \$50,000); also applies the monetary limits to the liability of officers and employees of municipalities for torts arising out of alleged acts or omissions occurring in the performance of their duties (except for certain professional employees); and establishes a two-year statute of limitations for actions where no notice of claim is required.

LOCAL DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES, Chapter 266, H.F. 1892: See Governmental Operations.

PUBLIC INDEBTEDNESS; SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS, Chapter 324, S.F. 1675: Amends various statutes. Makes many amendments to laws relating to issuance of bonds and the levy of special assessments, most of which are purely technical in nature, but including provisions:

- (a) authorizing investment of debt service fund surpluses in obligations of the United States and in federal agency securities involving agreement by the sellers to repurchase securities at a future date for a specified price; repurchase agreements may be made only with certain banks and large security dealers;
- (b) permitting private sale of all obligations sold in an amount not exceeding \$100,000 in any three month period;
- (c) authorizing deferment of special assessments against unimproved property; and
- (d) authorizing issuance of improvement bonds after one or more improvements have been ordered but before advertising for bids or awarding a contract. Effective 4-21-76.

City Government

CITY CODE; REVISION AND RECLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN LAWS, Chapter 44, S.F. 375: Amends various laws relating to cities for the purpose of determining which laws formerly applicable to all cities or all cities of a particular class should be applicable to statutory cities; makes certain laws (including election laws) uniform for both home rule charter cities and statutory cities; eliminates conflicting and inconsistent provisions in the various laws applicable to cities; eliminates superfluous and obsolete language in various statutes; repeals numerous laws which are for the most part obsolete or which have been superseded by later enactments. Establishes as a legislative policy that beginning with the 1977 session a general law will be deemed to apply to home rule charter cities only if the law expressly so provides. Effective 3-13-76.

TRUSTS, Chapter 74, S.F. 1967: Amends M.S. 501.11. Permits every city in the state, not just cities of the second class, to receive property for public and charitable purposes pursuant to express trusts.

TEACHERS IN CITIES OF THE FIRST CLASS, Chapter 238, H.F. 2230: See Retirement.

MUNICIPAL POWER AGENCIES, Chapter 313, S.F. 2195: Authorizes cities through their utility rate-making authorities (which may be the council in certain cities) to enter into joint agreements to establish municipal power agencies having broad authority, including general governmental powers (agencies are declared to be political subdivisions of the state) and specifically the following: construct generation and transmission facilities or contract with others to do so; acquire property (other than property owned by a public utility) by eminent domain; issue bonds and notes, including authority to mortgage property. The power agency agreements are subject to ratification by the city council. Effective 4-14-76.

Cities of the First Class

STATE AID TO LEGAL ASSISTANCE CORPORATIONS, Chapter 260, H.F. 1608: See Judiciary.

Duluth

LIQUOR LICENSES FOR THE CITY OF DULUTH ARENA AUDITORIUM COMPLEX, Chapter 75, S.F. 2057: See Liquor.

DULUTH FIREMAN'S SURVIVOR BENEFITS, Chapter 78, H.F. 2009: Amends 1975 Supp. Ch. 127, Sec. 2. Provides that a survivor's pension being received by a widow of a fireman shall cease upon her remarriage, but that it shall resume upon the termination of the remarriage. Effective upon approval of Duluth City Council and compliance with M.S. 645.021.

DULUTH POLICEMAN'S SURVIVOR BENEFITS, Chapter 99, H.F. 2010: Amends 1975 Supp. Ch. 408, Sec. 4. Provides that a survivor pension being received by a widow of a policeman shall cease upon her remarriage, but that it shall resume upon the termination of the remarriage. Effective upon approval of Duluth City Council and compliance with M.S. 645.21.

FOREIGN TRADE ZONES, DULUTH-SUPERIOR MERGER STUDY, Chapter 270, H.F. 1988: Amends M.S. 458.192. Allows port authorities to apply to the U.S. Department of Commerce to have certain areas designated foreign aid zones, in which no duty is required to be paid on imported parts until final assembly and sale. Creates an interstate port authority commission to develop a plan for the merger of the port authorities at Duluth and Superior. Describes the duties of the commission and its composition, and appropriates \$1600. The commission reports to the legislature in January 1977. Effective 4-13-76. The study commission provisions expire 6-30-77.

REHABILITATION LOANS, Chapter 311, S.F. 2056: Authorizes the housing and development authority of Duluth to make loans and grants to property owners for the purpose of rehabilitating residential property and to reduce interest rate on rehabilitation loans made by third parties.

Minneapolis

REZONING, Chapter 46, S.F. 43: Amends M.S. 462.364 and repeals Laws 1963, Ch. 405. Repeals a special law for the city which applied to certain rezonings, but which is no longer applicable. Effective upon approval of governing body of Minneapolis and compliance with M.S. 645.021.

MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES, Chapter 130, H.F. 2155: See Retirement.

MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES, CREDIT UNIONS, Chapter 279, H.F. 2159: See Retirement.

St. Paul

PLAT COMMISSION; OFFICE OF COUNTY SURVEYOR, Chapter 7, S.F. 1507: Amends M.S. Ch. 435 and repeals M.S. Ch. 435, Sec. 3.15. Abolishes the plat commission and reestablishes the office of county surveyor. Effective upon the approval of both the Ramsey county commissioners and the St. Paul city council.

BONDING, Chapter 234, H.F. 1519: Amends and repeals various statutes. Allows the council of the city of St. Paul to issue \$6.5 million worth of general obligation bonds each year for a four-year period beginning with 1976 for the capital improvement budget. Prevents expenditure of CIB funds on the Lowry Medical Arts Annex. Requires consent of the city council prior to issue of revenue bonds by the port authority of the city of St. Paul. Authorizes the transfer of port authority employees to other departments of the city. Establishes the city council as the commissioners for the St. Paul housing and redevelopment authority beginning 1-1-77. Allows transfer of HRA employees. Protects existing obligations and employee rights. Requires a citizens

advisory committee on housing and redevelopment. Allows the city of St. Paul to expend monies in the St. Paul capital approach improvement fund for capital improvements contained in the city's capital improvement budget. Repeals a provision which applied to capital improvement bonding in 1975. Effective upon approval of the governing body of the City of St. Paul and compliance with M.S. 645.021.

Counties

REGISTER OF DEEDS; INCREASE IN FEES FOR FILING PLATS AND SURVEYS, Chapter 6, S.F. 906: Amends M.S. 505.08. Increases the fees for filing plats from 25¢ per lot to 50¢ per lot and the minimum fee for any one plat from \$5 to \$15.

FURNISHING BOARD AND OTHER SERVICES TO PRISONERS, Chapter 88, S.F. 1996: Amends 1975 Supp. 387.20. Modifies a 1975 amendment to the law to make clear that county boards may provide for the furnishing of board, laundry and other services to prisoners in the county jail, and that when the sheriff furnishes the services, he will be reimbursed only for reasonable and necessary expenses. Effective 3-26-76.

FILING OF SURVEYS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES, Chapter 113, S.F. 1868: Amends 1975 Supp. 389.08. Requires filing of surveys with county surveyor in counties in which the county surveyor maintains an office on a full-time basis in a county building; surveyor need not be a full-time position.

APPROVAL OF PLATS AND SURVEYS BY COUNTY SURVEYOR, Chapter 139, S.F. 1039: Amends M.S. Ch. 389. Permits counties in which the county surveyor maintains an office on a full-time basis in a county building to require that all subdivision plats and registered land surveys be approved by the county surveyor before recording and to impose a fee for the surveyor's services.

TAX FORFEITED LANDS, Chapter 141, S.F. 1262: Amends M.S. 282.04. Authorizes a county auditor to grant easements or permits on tax forfeited lands for the use as recreational trails.

EXPENDITURES OF COUNTY AND FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING FUNDS, Chapter 144, S.F. 1575: Permits counties other than the seven metropolitan counties to use county funds or federal revenue sharing funds for the purpose of making grants to cities and towns within the county for fire protection purposes or other community projects. Effective 4-4-76.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR ROADS IN UNORGANIZED TERRITORY, Chapter 147, S.F. 1873: Amends M.S. 429.011. Clarifies provisions in Chapter 429 relating to authority of counties to levy special assessments for county highway construction or improvement so as to include any roads under county jurisdiction. Effective 4-4-76.

NOTICE REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN PLANNING AND ZONING ACTIVITIES, Chapter 177, S.F. 975: Amends M.S. 394.26. Modifies mailed notice requirements regarding hearings on application of official controls in unincorporated areas as follows:

- (a) In the case of variances, to owners of record within 500 feet of the affected property or to the ten properties nearest to the affected property, whichever would provide notice to the greatest number of owners;
- (b) In the case of conditional uses, to owners of record within one-quarter mile of the affected property or to the ten properties nearest to the affected property, whichever would provide notice to the greatest number of owners;
- (c) In the case of all other official controls, including but not limited to zoning regulations and subdivision regulations, to owners of record within one-half mile of the affected property.

REGISTER OF DEEDS TO BE KNOWN AS COUNTY RECORDER, Chapter 181, S.F. 1635: Changes the name of the register of deeds and the office of register of deeds to county recorder and office of county recorder.

COUNTY PERSONNEL DEPARTMENTS, Chapter 182, S.F. 1740: Authorizes county boards to establish a county personnel administration system for all county employees, including at the option of the county board any or all employees presently included in the statewide merit systems. Certain positions would be excluded such as elected positions, court appointed employees, department heads and their chief deputies or principal assistants and their personal secretaries. Establishes minimum requirements and procedures which must be followed if the county elects to establish a personnel system, including creation of a personnel department; appointment or designation of a personnel director; development of personnel rules and regulations, including provision for open competitive examinations and procedures for suspension, termination or other disciplinary action; and establishment of a personnel board of appeals.

Also contains a provision clarifying county authority to carry out comprehensive manpower services under the emergency employment act of 1971 and the comprehensive employment and training act of 1973. Effective 4-9-76.

HUMAN SERVICES BOARDS, Chapter 340, H.F. 2233: See Health and Welfare.

Counties Containing Cities of the First Class

Hennepin

CONCILIATION COURTS, Chapter 57, S.F. 1794: Amends various sections of M.S. Ch. 488A. Increases the jurisdictional limit in conciliation courts in Hennepin and Ramsey counties from \$500 to \$1,000. Effective 3-20-76.

INDIGENT AND MEDICAL SERVICE PATIENTS, Chapter 67, H.F. 1099: Amends Laws 1963, Ch. 738, Sec. 3 and repeals Laws 1963, Ch. 738, Sec. 7. Eliminates a provision under which the residence of each indigent hospital and medical service patient had been recorded and taxes levied in Hennepin county in three categories: within the city of Minneapolis for Minneapolis patients; outside the city of Minneapolis for other county patients; and a county-wide levy for patients for a residence outside the county.

CONVEYANCE OF STATE OWNED LANDS, Chapter 159, S.F. 2130: Authorizes the conveyance of certain parcels of state lands in Hennepin County. Effective 4-4-76.

Ramsey

PLAT COMMISSION; OFFICE OF COUNTY SURVEYOR, Chapter 7, S.F. 1507: Amends M.S. Ch. 435 and repeals M.S. 74, Ch. 435, Sec. 3.15. Abolishes the plat commission and reestablishes the office of county surveyor. Effective upon the approval of both the Ramsey county commissioners and the St. Paul city council.

COUNTY SHERIFF, Chapter 13, S.F. 1510: Amends M.S. Ch. 435, Sec. 3.10. Allows the county board to set fees for the Ramsey county sheriff and eliminates specific fees in the statute. Effective upon approval of the Ramsey county board of commissioners.

COUNTY WELFARE BUDGET, Chapter 14, S.F. 1521: Makes the specific date and procedure provided in the general law (393.08) for submission of the county welfare budget by the welfare board to the county commissioners and the levy of the taxes inapplicable to Ramsey county.

CONCILIATION COURTS, Chapter 57, S.F. 1794: Amends various sections of M.S. Ch. 488A. Increases the jurisdictional limit in conciliation courts in Hennepin and Ramsey counties from \$500 to \$1,000. Effective 3-20-76.

LAW LIBRARY FEES, Chapter 290, H.F. 2440: See Judiciary.

DAKOTA, WASHINGTON AND RAMSEY COUNTIES, Chapter 327, S.F. 2032: Amends M.S. Ch. 245. Appropriates \$350,000 to the commissioner of public welfare to fund and evaluate programs located in any or all of the three named counties and designed to provide community based care to mentally ill persons. Effective 4-21-76.

St. Louis

TAX-FORFEITED LANDS, Chapter 28, S.F. 869: Provides for the disposition of the proceeds from the sale or rental of tax-forfeited lands or the products therefrom in St. Louis County. Effective upon approval of the St. Louis county board of commissioners.

TAX FORFEITED LANDS, Chapter 65, S.F. 2237: Directs the sale of a certain tax forfeited land in St. Louis County. Effective 3-20-76.

PUBLIC LANDS, Chapter 228, S.F. 2436: See Environmental Preservation and Natural Resources.

METROPOLITAN AND URBAN AFFAIRS

METROPOLITAN LAND USE PLANNING, Chapter 127, H.F. 1530: Amends M.S. 462.355 and 1975 Supp. 473.121 - 473.175. Requires cities counties and towns in the metropolitan area to adopt and put into effect comprehensive plans by 1980 and school districts in the metropolitan area to adopt capital improvement programs by 1980. Certain provisions establish a planning sequence and procedures intended to coordinate the plans and programs required of local units and to protect plans and capital facilities for regional sewers, transportation, airports, and parks. Included are such provisions as the following: a requirement that the Council establish an advisory committee; a requirement that the Council furnish local units, by 7-1-77, with statements describing regional capital facilities plans and demographic projections; procedures for communication and cooperation among local units; detailed descriptions of the required plans and programs; authorization for the Council to review and comment on the local plans and programs and to require modifications in city, county, and town plans if necessary to protect the regional capital facilities; procedures for appeal by local units from Council statements and decisions; requirements for the consistent implementation of local comprehensive plans; provisions for the ongoing amendment of regional and local plans. Other provisions are intended to facilitate local planning: a planning loan and grant program administered by the Council; authority for municipal interim planning ordinances; certain exemptions from levy limits. Several other provisions relate to housing development, including a requirement that local plans have a housing element and a requirement that the Council conduct a study of means to promote modest-cost private housing construction. Effective 4-3-76.

METROPOLITAN SOLID AND HAZARDOUS WASTE AND COUNCIL LEVY, Chapter 179, S.F. 1383: Amends the provisions of Chapter 473 relating to metropolitan solid and hazardous waste. The definitions are amended to distinguish between solid and hazardous waste and to define and distinguish between collection and processing of waste. The planning and regulatory structure provided for in existing law--a hierarchical arrangement of responsibility shared by the Pollution Control Agency, The Council, and the counties and cities--is retained in its basic outlines, but several important changes are made. The Council's responsibility and authority are broadened, particularly with respect to the review and approval of permits for resource recovery facilities and the review and approval of county plans and reports. Local responsibility also is enlarged: county planning and reporting requirements are broadened, intensified, and consolidated; county and municipal regulatory responsibilities are mandated and clarified; and local units are authorized to negotiate long-term solid waste contracts. Provisions are made for the disclosure by operators of information necessary to public planning and regulation. With respect to the control of hazardous waste, the authority of the PCA and the Waste Control Commission is expanded. The PCA is directed to adopt regulations by 4-1-77, and PCA approval is required of Council plans as well as county plans and regulatory activities. The authority to own and operate hazardous waste facilities is granted to the Waste Control Commission and taken from

local units of government. Several provisions emphasize the importance of efficient and economic waste collection procedures, the careful consideration of resource recovery proposals, the encouragement of private ownership and operation of solid waste facilities, and the careful review of the economic self-sufficiency of proposals for publicly owned or operated facilities. Increases the Council's authorized levy by 1/30 of a mill, to 8/30. Effective 4-9-76.

METROPOLITAN AIRPORTS COMMISSION; NOISE CONTROL, Chapter 265, H.F. 1885:
Amends 1975 Supp. 473.608. Requires the metropolitan airports commission to install noise suppressing equipment at the ground runup sites at the main airport, subject to passage of the federal Airport and Airways Development Act Amendments. The equipment must be installed according to specifications and deadlines established by the Pollution Control Agency.

METROPOLITAN SIGNIFICANCE AND GOVERNMENTAL STRUCTURES, Chapter 321, S.F. 855:
Amends the metropolitan significance section of 1975 Supp. Sec. 473.173, in many particulars and directs the Metropolitan Council to put metropolitan significance regulations into effect by 9-1-76, without prior legislative approval. Amendments relate to council review powers and procedures, standards for council review, the application of the state administrative procedures act, an advisory committee, and the evaluation and amendment of the regulations. Other provisions allow the Council to charge the various metropolitan commissions for costs incurred by the Council in the discharge of its duties relating to the commissions and establishes a joint committee of the legislature, consisting of members of two committees from the House and Senate respectively, to study governmental structure in the metropolitan area. Effective 4-21-76.

RETIREMENT*

UNCLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES, Chapter 81, S.F. 612: Amends 1975 Supp. 352D.05. Permits a former unclassified employee of the state who retired prior to 7-1-73, and who had at least 42 months of state service to receive the full value of the shares held in his name in the unclassified employees retirement program. Effective 3-26-76.

FIREMEN'S RELIEF ASSOCIATIONS, Chapter 95, H.F. 595: Amends M.S. 424.31. Permits the president of a volunteer firemen's relief association to be given a salary along with the association's secretary and treasurer. Effective 4-1-76.

RETIRED JUDGES HEALTH INSURANCE, Chapter 98, H.F. 1966: Amends M.S. 43.491. Permits retired supreme court and district court judges to participate at their own expense in hospital and medical insurance coverage provided for state employees. Permits the judges to also pay for dependent coverage. Effective 4-1-76.

ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES OF TEACHER ANNUITY CONTRACTS, Chapter 129, H.F. 1870: Repeals Laws 1975, Ch. 433, Sec. 12. Repeals 1975 law requiring a deduction for administrative costs of 2% of a teacher's contribution to a tax-sheltered annuity plan. Provides for the refundment of amounts paid pursuant to the 1975 law. Effective 4-3-76.

MINNEAPOLIS MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES, Chapter 130, H.F. 2155: Amends M.S. 422A.09, 422A.13 and 1975 Supp. 356.32. Permits members of the Minneapolis municipal employees retirement fund to be eligible for a proportionate retirement annuity under chapter 356. Transfers from the exempt class to the contributing class of the Minneapolis municipal employees retirement fund persons who are not citizens of the United States and certain persons over the age of 56. Effective retroactively to 1-1-76.

CONSTRUCTION WORKERS' BENEFIT FUND, Chapter 232, H.F. 1271: Amends M.S. 179.254. Requires that pension benefits paid into a retirement fund by a construction worker be transferred to that worker's home benefit fund.

TEACHERS IN CITIES OF THE FIRST CLASS, Chapter 238, H.F. 2230: Amends M.S. Ch. 355 and 1975 Supp. 354A.12. Prohibits changes in bylaws or articles of incorporation affecting benefits without prior legislative approval. Permits participation by Minneapolis teachers in the federal

*Detailed research and information on retirement law may be obtained from the staff of the Legislative Retirement Study Commission (296-6806).

social security program. Establishes a coordinated retirement program within the Minneapolis teachers retirement fund association for those teachers who elect social security coverage. Requires Minneapolis teachers hired after 7-1-77, to be covered by social security. Requires all teachers retirement fund associations in cities of the first class to be governed by substantive provisions of chapter 317 relating to non-profit corporations. Approves certain benefit increases for members of the Minneapolis teachers retirement fund association. Makes miscellaneous amendments to the bylaws and articles of incorporation of the Minneapolis, St. Paul and Duluth teachers retirement fund associations. Amendments to the Minneapolis teachers' articles and bylaws are effective 7-1-76. The remainder is effective 4-10-76.

MINNEAPOLIS MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES; CREDIT UNIONS, Chapter 279, H.F. 2159: Amends M.S. 422A.23 and repeals M.S. 422A.23, Subd. 4. Specifies that survivor benefits are available on an equal basis to both widows and widowers of a deceased member of the Minneapolis municipal employees retirement fund. Permits a credit union, upon approval of the commissioner of banks, to act as a trustee or custodian within the meaning of the federal self-employed individuals tax retirement act of 1962 and the federal employee retirement income security act of 1974. Restricts the permissible types of investments of money so deposited.

POLICE AND FIRE PENSIONS, Chapter 315, S.F. 2309: Amends M.S. 69.011, 69.021, 69.031 and 69.06. Increases the amount of state aid to police from 1% to 2% of the premiums reported to the commissioner of insurance by insurers on the Minnesota aid to police premium report. Requires apportionment of state aid to police on the basis of the number of active police officers who are members of the public employees police and fire fund or a local retirement association. Extends state aid for police to counties based upon the number of sheriffs and deputies who are members of the public employees police and fire fund and eliminates the direct distribution to the fund. Requires each political subdivision receiving state aid to police to credit the amounts received to a police relief association or public employees police and fire fund as appropriate. Doubles the maximum permitted benefits payable to a member of a volunteer firemen's relief association. Increase in maximum benefits is effective 7-1-76. Certain reporting requirements in connection with state aid to police are effective 12-31-76. The remainder of the act is effective 7-1-77.

PRE-1973 RETIREE BENEFIT INCREASES, Chapter 326, S.F. 2014: Increases benefits payable to certain plan participants who retired before 1973 as members of the following covered retirement funds: highway patrolmen's retirement fund, public employees police and fire fund, the public employees retirement fund, state employees retirement fund, teachers retirement fund, Minneapolis municipal employees retirement fund, legislators' retirement plan, and the St. Paul and Duluth teachers

retirement funds. Appropriates \$21,207,456 among the various covered funds to pay the increased benefits. Effective 7-1-76.

MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS TO VARIOUS RETIREMENT PROGRAMS, Chapter 329, S.F. 2177: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Delays the effective date of early mandatory retirement for corrections department employees to 7-1-80. Modifies the definition of excluded employees in MSRS as applied to temporary employees of various state departments. Redefines eligible constitutional officer, surviving spouse and dependent children for retirement benefit purposes. Increases the retirement contribution of constitutional officers from 7% to 8% of their total salary. Expands coverage of the unclassified program of MSRS to include persons whose positions were declassified pursuant to M.S. 43.09, subd. 2a, and up to 11 positions in each of the metropolitan waste control commissions and the metropolitan council. Limits exemptions from coverage under PERA. Requires payment of interest for amounts paid to increase allowable service credits in PERA as a result of authorized leave of absence or temporary layoff. Permits employees of the Minnesota municipal utilities association to become members of PERA and to purchase allowable service credit for prior service. Adds a member of the police and fire fund as a member of the PERA board of trustees. Extends the membership terms of current PERA board members to the year 1977 in which year a new board election shall be held. Protects monies or benefits in PERA funds from attachment or garnishment in actions for divorce, separate maintenance and child support. Extends retroactive payment eligibility for annuity benefits from one month to three months prior to the date of application for benefits. Provides that the commissioner of health shall be the medical advisor to the PERA board. Makes miscellaneous changes in the PERA law relating to optional annuities and refundment or repayment of benefits. Provides for purchase of allowable service credit for maternity leave under the teachers retirement act. Permits employment of retired teachers as substitute teachers for a limited period of time. Prohibits the portion of a salary which is used in determining retirement benefit levels for the following funds from exceeding the salary paid in the preceding year by more than 15%: state employees retirement fund, correctional employees retirement program, highway patrolmen's retirement fund, public employees retirement fund, public employees police and fire fund, and teachers retirement fund. Permits retroactive selection of a combined service annuity for members who retired between 5-1-75, and 1-1-76. Extends additional benefits to a limited number of retired public employees. Provides for refundment of employee contributions to persons in MSRS who will be excluded from coverage by virtue of this act. Effective 4-21-76.

TAXATION

EDUCATIONAL COOPERATIVE SERVICE UNITS, Chapter 8, S.F. 22: See Education.

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 625 CASH FLOW AND OPERATING DEBT, Chapter 20, H.F. 2331: See Education.

SCHOOL EXPENSES, Chapter 37, S.F. 570: Amends M.S. 290.09. Increases the deduction an individual taxpayer may take for tuition, textbooks and transportation of his dependents in elementary or secondary schools from \$200 per dependent up to \$500 per dependent in grades K-6, and \$700 per dependent in grades 7-12. The school must be situated in Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa or Wisconsin and meet Minnesota standards. Effective for taxable years beginning after 12-31-74.

FERMENTED MALT BEVERAGES, Chapter 118, S.F. 2174: Amends M.S. 340.601. Permits the importation of up to 10 quarts of fermented malt beverages without payment of the Minnesota excise tax. Effective 6-1-76.

LEVY LIMITS, MAPLEWOOD, Chapter 151, S.F. 1928: Permits the city of Maplewood to exceed its levy limit for taxes payable in 1976 by \$189,000 for the purpose of financing a paramedic program. Effective upon voter approval, in which case the increase will be a permanent increase in its levy limit base for levy year 1976 and subsequent years.

BREWERS' CREDIT, Chapter 189, S.F. 1997: Amends M.S. 340.47. Changes the credits against taxes payable on fermented malt beverages by brewers. Taxes levied on fermented malt beverages are \$2 a barrel for 3.2 beer and \$4 a barrel for strong beer. Prior law gave a credit to the brewers of 50% of the tax on the first 40,000 barrels of 3.2 beer and a 50% credit on the first 40,000 barrels of strong beer. This act changes that credit to a \$2 per barrel credit on the first 75,000 barrels, regardless of alcohol content. Effective 7-1-76.

FISCAL DISPARITIES, Chapter 191, S.F. 2078: Amends and repeals various sections of M.S. 473F. Changes the settlement dates and method of computing taxable valuation of governmental units for metropolitan revenue distribution. This gives local officials the necessary data so they can get tax statements out in January. Clarifies certain duties relating to administration of the law as belonging to the commissioner of revenue. Changes certain reporting dates. Provides for a reduction in assessed valuation determined under the act to reflect court decisions, court-related stipulation agreements or abatements for prior years where the decreases, if originally reflected in the determination of prior years valuation, would have resulted in a smaller contribution from a municipality in that year. No adjustment will be made if the municipality has not made a contribution in a prior year based on the higher valuation. Clarifies the manner in which the county auditor is to apportion the levy of each governmental unit in his county. Effective for taxes levied in 1976 payable 1977.

SENIOR CITIZENS HARDSHIP DEFERRAL, Chapter 195, H.F. 374: Amends various sections of M.S. 429 and 435. Provides that notices of proposed special assessments must inform property owners of the senior citizens hardship tax deferral provisions of the law and of the existence of deferment procedures which may have been established pursuant to that law in the municipality. Requires municipalities which elect to defer special assessments to adopt an ordinance or resolution establishing standards and guidelines for determining the existence of a hardship. Effective 4-9-76, but not to affect any improvement or assessment proceeding commenced prior to that date.

FAMILY FARM SECURITY ACT, Chapter 210, H.F. 1984: See Agriculture.

VAN POOLS, Chapter 233, H.F. 1382: See Governmental Operations.

SENIOR CITIZENS AND DISABLED, Chapter 245, H.F. 617: Amends 1975 Supp. 273.13, 290A.03 and 290A.04. Adds to the list of people eligible for reduced homestead assessment those people who receive aid under the federal railroad retirement act of 1937. Provides that senior citizens and disabled people may obtain benefits of the circuit breaker law even though they reside in dwellings on which ad valorem taxes were not payable. Further provides that the credit for which a claimant is eligible will not be less than the amount provided by the circuit breaker or the amount which would have been provided under the previous senior citizens credit up to \$675. People benefited by this act who filed a claim for circuit breaker benefits will receive a check from the commissioner of revenue on the basis of his recomputation; no further application will be necessary. The homestead credit percentage used in its calculation will be the average throughout the state for taxes payable in 1975. The railroad retirement portion of the act is effective for taxes assessed in 1976 and payable in 1977 and thereafter; the remainder of the act is effective for taxable years beginning after 12-31-74.

FEES, Chapter 248, H.F. 814: Amends various sections of M.S. 272. Raises fee payable to the county auditor for a search of the records to ascertain the existence of tax liens and tax sales on real property from \$.50 to \$1.00. Raises fee for the county treasurer to furnish a certificate of the current taxes on any lot or parcel of land from \$.50 to \$1.00. The language specifically permitting each of these officials to retain the fee is stricken. Raises fee for a search of records to ascertain whether notice of federal tax liens or certificates or notices affecting lien exist from \$.50 to \$1.00.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS; TAX FORFEITED LAND, Chapter 259, H.F. 1971: See Local Government.

NON-PROFIT HOUSING, Chapter 268, H.F. 1947: Amends M.S. 273.133 and 1975 Supp. 290A.03. Provides for homestead treatment similar to that provided for cooperatives and charitable corporations in the case of persons having membership agreements with non-profit corporations under which they are entitled to life occupancy in a unit in the corporation's building. Also provides that persons having these life tenancy membership rights may obtain circuit-breaker benefits in the same manner as if they owned the dwelling units as their homestead. Effective for taxes levied 1976 and thereafter and payable in 1977 and thereafter.

LEVY LIMITS, Chapter 280, H.F. 2175: Amends 1975 Supp. 275.52. Provides that governmental subdivisions which have been required to provide new or expanded services because of annexations, consolidations, mergers or new incorporations during 1971 may have their levy limit bases increased by an amount up to that required to finance the operating costs involved in those services.

SNOWMOBILE APPROPRIATION, Chapter 319, S.F. 320: See Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources.

INHERITANCE TAX, Chapter 320, S.F. 633: Amends various sections of M.S. 291 and 1975 Supp. 291. Raises the tax exemption for widows from \$30,000 to \$60,000. Raises tax exemption for widowers from \$6,000 to \$60,000. Surviving husbands receive the benefits at the same tax rates as do widows. Raises the tax exemption for minor or dependent children from \$15,000 to \$30,000. Raises the homestead exemption for surviving spouses or minor or dependent children from \$30,000 to \$45,000. Raises the maximum amount of land considered to be farm homestead for inheritance tax purposes from 80 to 120 acres. An exemption of \$10,000 in lieu of a homestead exemption is granted to a surviving spouse or minor dependent child where the decedent did not have an interest in property constituting a homestead at the time of his death. Increases the maximum amount which may be deducted for maintenance of the family during the settlement of the estate from \$5,000 to \$9,000. The taxpayer is granted the option of paying the inheritance tax in five equal installments over a five-year period at 8% interest as opposed to paying the entire inheritance tax within twelve months of death as the law currently requires. A two-year deferment for paying inheritance taxes may be granted by the commissioner of revenue in cases of undue hardship. An alternative method of determining the surviving spouse's inheritance tax is provided where the surviving spouse can take a marital exemption of 50% of the Minnesota gross estate up to a maximum of \$250,000 for the property going to the spouse. If the marital exemption tax is less than the inheritance tax computed under the exemption provisions of inheritance tax law, then the marital exemption tax shall be imposed in lieu of the tax computed under the other provisions. Various effective dates.

TACONITE MUNICIPAL AID, Chapter 328, S.F. 2082: Amends M.S. 298.282. Provides for payments to be made by the commissioner of revenue from the taconite municipal aid fund to cities and towns which lost money as a result of last year's omnibus tax bill. These municipalities will receive an amount equal to that which they were entitled to receive for 1975 under the old law.

DEPARTMENT OMNIBUS BILL, Chapter 334, H.F. 980: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Makes a change in the circuit breaker law passed last year in an attempt to create a situation where the federal government will join in the cost of providing circuit breaker benefits to recipients of aid to families with dependent children. By financing their portion of the circuit breaker through the welfare department under the label of an annual supplemental housing allowance, it is hoped that the federal government will consider this to be a supplemental housing allowance, which the federal government will pay for, in part, rather than property tax relief, which it will not subsidize. Expands the definition of air commerce and imposes a personal property tax on flight property owned by commercial air transportation companies or flight property leased or rented from an air transportation company for the purpose of conducting charter or regularly scheduled flights within the state. Current law taxes only air flight property used in regularly scheduled flights within the state. Changes the reporting date of the state board of equalization to November 30th or 30 days after filing the abstract. Requires a reassessment where 1/4 of the parcels of property are not reappraised in a given year. Provides for a state-paid agricultural credit instead of a state paid agricultural mill rate differential; repeals the agricultural mill rate differential; provides for a conversion of the agricultural mill rate differential to the state-paid agricultural credit and provides that the qualified property tax for circuit breaker purposes is the tax after deducting the state paid agricultural credit. Authorizes the commissioner of revenue to extend the county board of equalization sessions for 15 days. Requires that mobile home tax statements contain the same information as real estate homesteads. Permits the county treasurer an option in issuing tax receipts except where the taxpayer requests a receipt or the tax is paid in cash. Changes from mandatory to optional the requirement of showing on the tax statement the mill rates imposed by each governmental unit. Incorporates the circuit breaker definition of income for the purpose of calculating working poor benefits. Consolidates filing dates by changing the June 30th filing date for the freeze credit to August 31st, the same due date as the circuit breaker. Rephrases the definition of dividends which qualify for the dividend received credit. Further consolidates dates by providing that the mobile home owners filing for the circuit breaker can be filed by August 31 instead of October 31. Eliminates the requirement of showing the amount of delinquent taxes on the property tax statement and requires only that a showing be made of whether or not there are delinquent taxes. Changes the effective date of Laws 1975, Chapter 349 to provide that no refund shall be issued on any delinquent return filed more than 3-1/2 years after the due date. Various effective dates.

MOTOR VEHICLE DEALERS, Chapter 342, H.F. 2414: See Commerce & Economic Development.

ASSESSMENT LIMITATIONS, Chapter 345, H.F. 2546: Amends 1975 Supp. 273.11 and 273.17 and repeals M.S. 273.11, Subd. 4. Homestead property and all agricultural and temporary and seasonal recreational property which was not subject to the 5% limitation in valuation increase for the 1973 or 1974 assessment will have its value changed for the purposes of levying the 1976 taxes payable 1977 by setting the average percent of market value used for the respective class of property in the 1976 tax levies in its assessment district if the market value exceeds by more than 10% the limited market value established for that class of property. Newly assessed property is to be valued initially at a level not exceeding the average percent of market value used in tax levies for its respective class of property in its assessment district if that market value as determined by the assessor exceed by more than 10% the limited market value established for that class of property.

TRANSPORTATION

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, Chapter 166, H.F. 525: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Creates a department of transportation and establishes the position of commissioner of transportation. Transfers the powers, duties and functions of the highway and aeronautics departments to the department of transportation. Transfers the supplemental public transit aid program from the state planning agency to the department of transportation. Transfers transportation-related administrative, investigative and enforcement functions from the public service department to department of transportation (major transportation rate regulating and franchise granting authority remains with the public service commission). Abolishes the highway and aeronautics departments. Prescribes the duties of the commissioner of transportation, including: organization of the department, appearances before transportation regulatory agencies, cooperation with the Great Lakes Seaway Commission, port authorities and the metro airports commission; construction and maintenance of transportation facilities authorized by law; provision of technical assistance to regional planning bodies for transportation planning; study of rural railroad freight transportation as part of statewide rail transportation plan. Requires the commissioner to develop and promulgate a statewide transportation plan, priorities and schedule of capital expenditures. Requires commissioner to review applications by political subdivisions for state or federal financial assistance for transportation related projects. Requires projects that substantially affect the statewide transportation plan and priorities to be consistent with the plan and priorities developed by the commissioner. Prohibits the commissioner from acting in a manner inconsistent with the plan or priorities. Appropriates \$75,000 for organization of the department and \$75,000 for initiation of the rural railroad study. The commissioner may be appointed 7-1-76, and the remaining provisions of the act are effective upon that appointment.

TRANSPORTATION TO SCHOOL OR SCHOOL ACTIVITIES, Chapter 180, S.F. 1570:
See Insurance.

BICYCLES; STATE REGISTRATION; SAFETY EDUCATION; TRAILS AND LANES, Chapter 199, H.F. 920: Authorizes state registration of bicycles beginning 3-1-77. Prohibits political subdivisions from licensing or registering bicycles after 3-1-77. Permits any political subdivision which had the power to license or register bicycles prior to 3-1-77, to require bicycles to be registered through the state system (no political subdivision would be required to make use of the state system). Provides a state registration fee of \$3 for three years. Requires a report to the commissioner of public safety of any sale or transfer of ownership of a state registered bicycle. Authorizes issuance of license plates for state registered bicycles. Provides penalties for destruction or mutilation of license plates or bicycle registration numbers. Requires

reports to the commissioner of public safety by local law enforcement agencies concerning stolen bicycles. Authorizes entry of such reports in the Minnesota crime information center of the department of public safety. Authorizes appointment of deputy registrars of bicycles in local communities. Grants to political subdivisions the power to designate and establish bicycle lanes and ways upon roadways and sidewalks under their jurisdiction and to designate safe speed on any road on which it has established a bicycle lane (the speed shall not be lower than 25 miles per hour). Requires reconstruction of certain bicycle and pedestrian facilities which are destroyed by construction work on federal, state or local highways. Requires the commissioner of public safety to study problems relating to the safe operation of bicycles on public roads and ways, including review of appropriate provisions of the Minnesota motor vehicle code. Requires the commissioner of public safety to report to the legislature his recommendations for mandatory registration of all bicycles operated in the state. Establishes a bicycle trail program in the department of natural resources to plan a statewide system of bicycle trails and to provide technical assistance to local units of government in planning bicycle trail systems. Appropriates \$100,000 to the commissioner of natural resources for the bicycle trail program. Appropriates \$243,000 to the commissioner of public safety to administer statewide bicycle registration and carry out studies mandated by the act. Appropriates \$150,000 to the commissioner of highways to be used exclusively to match federal money for construction of bicycle lanes or ways adjacent to public highways and local streets. Requires local political subdivisions to provide two-thirds of the share of construction costs of bicycle lanes and ways constructed by the commissioner of highways. The state registration system is effective 3-1-77. The remainder of the act is effective 4-9-76.

MINNESOTA RAIL SERVICE IMPROVEMENT ACT; RAIL LINE REHABILITATION AND PLANNING, Chapter 204, H.F. 1876: Establishes a rail service improvement account and appropriates \$3,000,000 to the state planning agency exclusively for the rehabilitation of rail lines (defined as "railroad roadbeds, track, track-structure and other appurtenances of railroad right-of-way"). Requires rehabilitation to be carried out through contracts between the state, shippers and railroad companies. Allows local political subdivisions to participate with approval by the state planning agency. Provides for inclusion in contracts of provisions for repayment by the railroad of state and shippers' contributions and for operating standards on rehabilitated lines. Establishes a rail service improvement program, which includes rail line rehabilitation, and is designed to make Minnesota eligible for subsidies for rail service continuation under the federal Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976. Requires development of a statewide rail transportation plan as part of the overall transportation planning process of the state, evaluation of deteriorated rail lines and setting of priorities for state assistance. Requires study of state regulatory and tax policies related to railroads. Appropriates \$150,000 to the state planning agency for administration of the program. Effective 4-9-76.

TRAFFIC AND PARKING REGULATION SCHOOL BOARDS, Chapter 278, H.F. 2147: Amends M.S. Ch. 123. Permits school boards to adopt and enforce rules governing traffic and parking on school property. Makes violation of rules a petty misdemeanor. Effective 4-14-76.

BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION, Chapter 339, H.F. 2144: Establishes Minnesota transportation fund to be used for construction and reconstruction of bridges and bridge approaches on state trunk highways and for bridges on county, township and municipal roads. Provides money for the fund through a \$25 million authorization for general obligation bonds and a \$25 million appropriation from the general fund. Appropriates money from the fund to the department of transportation for distribution in the following manner: \$25 million for bridges on the state trunk highway system; \$13.5 million for county systems; \$4 million for municipal systems; and \$7.5 million for township bridges. Requires all bridge projects to be reviewed for consistency with the applicable regional development commission or metropolitan council plan or guide, and local bridges to be further evaluated and assigned financing priorities by the commissioner of transportation. Effective 7-1-76, however, implementation depends on appointment of a commissioner of transportation (who can be appointed not earlier than 7-1-76).

Aeronautics

AIRCRAFT INSURANCE, Chapter 241, H.F. 101: See Insurance.

ZONING OF AIRPORT HAZARD AREAS, Chapter 255, H.F. 1284: Amends various sections of M.S. 360 and repeals M.S. 360.063, Subd. 2 and 5. Grants certain powers to municipalities owning or controlling airports with regard to the zoning of airport hazard areas located in other counties or municipalities. Allows the owning or controlling municipality to request other municipalities or counties to adopt and enforce airport zoning regulations for airport hazard areas which conform to standards prescribed by the aeronautics commissioner, or to join in creating a joint airport zoning board. Allows a joint zoning board created by some but not all of the requested counties or municipalities to zone all airport hazard areas in question. Allows joint airport operating boards and the metropolitan airports commission to be considered an owning or controlling municipality for the purpose of requesting creation of a joint airport zoning board. Allows the metropolitan airports commission to request creation of one joint airport zoning board for each airport in its system or one board for its entire system. Prohibits unilateral zoning of airport hazard areas located within counties or municipalities which do not own or control the airport. Extends the power to set height restrictions in areas not under approach zones from one mile to one and one-half miles from the airport boundary. Allows the metropolitan airports commission to appoint a permit issuing committee to administer and enforce airport zoning regulation and to appoint a board of adjustment to consider airport zoning appeals.

CONSTRUCTION OF HANGARS, Chapter 284, H.F. 2215: Appropriates \$500,000 from the state airports fund to the hangar construction revolving account for construction of airplane hangars in the state. Effective 4-14-76.

Highways

VIKING TRAIL ROUTE, Chapter 29, S.F. 1551: Amends M.S. 161.14. Designates certain highways as the route of the viking trail and authorizes erection of signs carrying the viking trail emblem which must be approved by the commissioner of highways.

ROUTE OF CONSTITUTIONAL TRUNK HIGHWAY #118, Chapter 62, S.F. 2070: Provides that constitutional trunk highway route #118 terminates at Interstate 35W in Roseville, avoiding duplication of constitutional routes for the highway marked T.H. 36.

ACCESS TO MINNESOTA ZOOLOGICAL GARDEN, Chapter 80, S.F. 429: Appropriates \$750,000 to the highway department for widening, upgrading and reconstructing a road giving access to the zoological garden. Requires the cities of Apple Valley and Eagan to acquire necessary right-of-way and to sign an agreement to reimburse the state for 50% of the project cost through withholding of their apportionments from the municipal state aid street fund. Places the completed road under the authority of Apple Valley and Eagan (will not be a state trunk highway). Effective 3-26-76.

MAINTENANCE OF ACOUSTICAL BARRIERS, Chapter 164, S.F. 2318: Amends 1975 Supp. 161.125. Requires the highway commissioner to maintain as well as construct adequate and effective acoustical barriers on interstate highways within incorporated areas in the metropolitan area.

GLACIAL RIDGE TRAIL, Chapter 292, H.F. 2490: Amends M.S. 161.14. Adds additional portions to the route designated as the glacial ridge trail. Describes the emblem to be used in marking the glacial ridge trail route. Requires the highway department to produce sufficient emblems to mark the trail. Requires state and local road authorities to set out and maintain the emblems.

FREEWAY MORATORIUM; PREPARATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS, Chapter 317, S.F. 2486: Amends 1975 Supp. 161.123. Requires the commissioner of highways to prepare environmental impact statements and other elements of the planning process for interstate highway routes on which construction has been prohibited or restricted. Requires consideration by the commissioner of alternate routes, design modifications and the recommendations contained in the report of the metropolitan council submitted to the legislature in March, 1976. Effective 4-14-76.

Motor Vehicles

HANDICAPPED LICENSE PLATES, Chapter 19, S.F. 1949: Amends 1975 Supp. 168.021. Limits application of special license plates for handicapped persons to passenger automobiles and station wagons, removes the border surrounding the handicapped emblem on the plate and changes the credit allowed on the registration fee. Effective 3-2-76.

REGISTRATION; EXEMPTION; FEES; DISPLAY OF PLATES; PENALTIES; RECREATIONAL VEHICLE FEE REFUND, Chapter 39, H.F. 1527: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Allows vehicles registered on monthly series system (passenger automobiles, station wagons, etc.) to be exempt from registration when not operated on highways. Raises minimum registration fees for trucks, trailers and vehicle combinations, effective for the registration year 1977. Decreases minimum fees for recreational vehicles and taxes towed recreational vehicles separately at 30% of base rates (effective 5-1-76). Allows "urban trucks" to operate within one mile of cities of first and second class. Changes the registration year for most trucks, trailers and combinations from the calendar year to the twelve-month period from March 1 to the last day of February (starting in 1979). Exempts vehicles registered under monthly series system from late registration penalties. Provides registration tax refund to owners of towed recreational vehicles of 1,500 pounds or less registered for 1976 (refunds will be paid to the owner of record as of 7-1-76).

NOTARIZATION, Chapter 73, S.F. 1862: Amends 1975 Supp. 168.10. Removes the requirement of notarization for registration and taxation of motor vehicles by new owners.

TEMPORARY VEHICLE PERMITS, Chapter 94, S.F. 2344: Amends M.S. 168.091 and 168.092. Allows registrar of motor vehicles to issue a temporary permit for a used as well as a new motor vehicle to allow nonresident purchasers to remove the vehicle from the state without registering it or to allow residents a reasonable time to register it.

REGISTRATION EXEMPTION FOR LIQUID FERTILIZER TRAILERS; EXEMPTION FROM LATE REGISTRATION PENALTY, Chapter 225, S.F. 2151: Amends M.S. 168.31 and 1975 Supp. 168.012. Exempts all trailers used exclusively to carry liquid fertilizer from motor vehicle registration fees (formerly only liquid fertilizer trailers owned by farmers qualified for this exemption). Provides a waiver of penalty for late registration of motor vehicles where the vehicle has not been operated on the public highways prior to the time of registration (does not apply to vehicles registered under the monthly series system of registration; that is, passenger automobiles, station wagons, etc.). The exemption for liquid fertilizer trailers is effective for the vehicle registration year 1977. Waiver of penalty provision effective 4-10-76.

DEPUTY MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRARS; USE OF STATE OWNED VEHICLES; AIRCRAFT OPERATED BY THE HIGHWAY PATROL, Chapter 281, H.F. 2188: Amends various Minnesota Statutes. Allows the state registrar of motor vehicles to appoint a deputy registrar for any city without regard to whether the county auditor has been appointed or discontinued as the deputy registrar for the county or whether the county has a county license bureau (this appointment power may be exercised beginning 4-14-76, until 8-1-76). Allows the state registrar after 8-1-76, to appoint a deputy registrar for a city only if the county auditor has not been appointed a deputy registrar or if the county has no county license bureau. Allows the state registrar to discontinue a county auditor as a deputy registrar only for cause. Eliminates the requirement that deputy registrars give a bond for performance of duties except for deputy registrars not officers or employees of a county or city. Establishes the county auditor as the director of the county license bureau and grants to the auditor, instead of the county board, authority to select some other person as director of the county license bureau if the auditor chooses not to serve in the position. Increases the filing fee for registration application at the state registrar's office from 50 cents to one dollar (filing fee for a mailed application remains at 50 cents). Permits any member of the state patrol and the commissioner and deputy commissioner of public safety to use state owned vehicles for travel to and from their places of residence without reimbursement to the state for the use of the vehicles. Authorizes the public safety commissioner to retain, acquire and operate helicopters and fixed-wing aircraft for the purpose of highway patrol and to employ highway patrol officer pilots as required. Effective 4-14-76.

SPECIAL PERMITS FOR REFUSE COMPACTOR VEHICLES: REDEFINITION OF "FARM TRUCK"; GRAPHIC DESIGN LICENSE PLATES, Chapter 343, H.F. 2489: Amends Laws 1971, 168.011 and M.S. 168.12, 169.86 and repeals M.S. 169.831. Authorizes annual permits for refuse compactor vehicles carrying weights of up to 22,000 pounds on a single rear axle and 38,000 pounds on a tandem rear axle at an annual fee of \$50. Redefines "farm truck" to allow a truck licensed as a farm truck by a logger who harvests and hauls forest products to also transport equipment and appurtenances incidental to timber harvesting, including gravel and other road building materials for timber haul roads, to and from timber harvesting areas. Appropriates \$290,000 from the highway user tax distribution fund to the commissioner of public safety for manufacture of graphic design license plates. Permits the commissioner to impose a fee of up to 25¢, but not to exceed the actual cost of manufacture and distribution of the license plates, upon issuance of the new plates. Authorizes graphic design plates to be issued only for passenger automobiles and recreational vehicles. Effective 4-21-76.

Traffic Law

TIRE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS, Chapter 35, H.F. 1104: Prohibits use or sale of vehicles with passenger automobile type tires where tread fails to meet minimum safety requirements; provides for warning tickets and penalties for violation.

JUVENILE DRIVING RESTRICTIONS, Chapter 103, H.F. 2326: Repeals M.S. 169.131. Removes the statutory prohibition on persons under 17 years of age driving between 12 midnight and 5:00 A.M. Effective 6-1-76.

FLASHING LIGHTS ON SERVICE VEHICLES AND FARM EQUIPMENT, Chapter 104, H.F. 2463: Amends M.S. 169.01 and 169.64. Defines "service vehicle" (a vehicle owned and operated by a person engaged in a business which includes the repair or servicing of vehicles or a vehicle used in snow removal or road maintenance which is not operated by or under contract to the state or a governmental subdivision). Permits service vehicles and self-propelled farm equipment except farm tractors to be equipped with a flashing amber lamp. Permits farm equipment to display the lamp at any time. Prohibits service vehicles from displaying the lamp at any time except at the scene of a disabled vehicle or while engaged in snow removal or road maintenance.

MUD FLAPS ON TRUCKS AND TRAILERS, Chapter 136, S.F. 161: Amends M.S. 169.733. Includes pole trailers and rear-end dump trucks (except rear-end farm dump trucks) in the category of trucks required to have mud flaps behind the rearmost wheels. Modifies mud flap requirements for certain trucks having conveyor belts or chains which move the cargo to the rear of the vehicle. Effective 1-1-77.

BRAKES ON TOWED MOTOR VEHICLES, Chapter 205, H.F. 1895: Amends M.S. 169.67. Exempts towed motor vehicles from the requirement that they be equipped with brakes designed to be applied by the driver of the towing motor vehicle provided that the towing vehicle is equipped with brakes capable of stopping both vehicles within the performance requirements of the present law (M.S. 169.67, Subd. 3).

MOTOR VEHICLE WIDTH; VEHICLES HAULING SEWAGE SLUDGE, Chapter 294, H.F. 2560: Amends M.S. 169.80. Permits operation on the public highways of vehicles up to twelve feet wide which are used exclusively for the purpose of hauling sewage sludge from sewage treatment facilities to farm fields. Restricts operation of such vehicles to a fifteen mile radius of the supply facilities. Prohibits operation between sunset and sunrise or any other time when vehicles are not clearly visible on the highway at a distance of 500 feet.

MOTORCYCLE INSTRUCTION PERMITS, Chapter 295, H.F. 2600: Amends 1975 Supp. 169.974. Requires a person to be enrolled in an approved two-wheel vehicle drivers safety course in order to be issued a two-wheeled vehicle instruction permit.

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943	249	Commerce & Economic Development
945	43	Labor-Management Relations
951	34	Higher Education
955	250	Judiciary
980	334	Taxation
1003	1	Agriculture
1026	167	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
1056	251	Judiciary
1057	168	Education
1069	252	Governmental Operations
1075	169	Health & Welfare
1078	230	Judiciary
1087	253	Judiciary
1099	67	Local Government, Counties Containing Cities of the First Class, Hennepin
1104	35	Transportation, Traffic Law
1130	231	Governmental Operations
1137	254	Governmental Operations
1143	200	Health & Welfare
1145	17	Judiciary
1191	36	Local Bill, Not Summarized
1199	125	Health & Welfare, Alcohol & Drug Abuse
1271	232	Retirement
1284	255	Transportation, Aeronautics
1293	201	Education
1323	202	Health & Welfare
1326	335	Judiciary
1330	256	Labor-Management Relations
1333	257	Health & Welfare
1372	126	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
1382	233	Governmental Operations
1435	258	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
1440	203	General Legislation & Veterans Affairs
1519	234	Local Government, Cities of the First Class, St. Paul

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1527	39	Transportation, Motor Vehicles
1530	127	Metropolitan & Urban Affairs
1555	2	Revisor's Bill, Not Summarized
1608	260	Judiciary
1615	170	Health & Welfare
1721	25	Education
1741	3	Appropriations
1751	128	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
1767	261	General Legislation & Veterans Affairs
1827	262	Insurance
1828	235	Financial Institutions
1829	26	Insurance
1847	263	Health & Welfare, Occupational Licensing
1866	264	Local Government
1870	129	Retirement
1876	204	Transportation
1880	27	Local Bill, Not Summarized
1885	265	Metropolitan & Urban Affairs
1892	266	Governmental Operations
1895	205	Transportation, Traffic Law
1904	48	General Legislation & Veterans Affairs
1909	336	Health & Welfare
1913	206	Local Bill, Not Summarized
1918	267	Local Bill, Not Summarized
1929	207	Insurance
1932	68	Governmental Operations
1940	337	Governmental Operations, State Agencies & Boards
1947	268	Taxation
1955	269	Crime Prevention & Corrections
1957	96	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
1959	69	Health & Welfare
1960	70	Local Bill, Not Summarized
1961	71	Local Bill, Not Summarized
1962	208	Local Bill, Not Summarized
1963	97	Local Bill, Not Summarized

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1966	98	Retirement
1967	209	Local Bill, Not Summarized
1971	259	Local Government
1977	18	Education
1984	210	Agriculture
1988	270	Local Government, Cities of the First Class, Duluth
1993	211	Education
1995	40	Commerce & Economic Development
1996	212	Education
1997	271	Education
1999	49	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
2007	272	Local Bill, Not Summarized
2009	78	Local Government, Cities of the First Class, Duluth
2010	99	Local Government, Cities of the First Class, Duluth
2011	50	Local Bill, Not Summarized
2019	338	Health & Welfare
2022	77	Judiciary
2038	273	Health & Welfare, Nursing Homes
2039	274	Health & Welfare, Nursing Homes
2041	275	Health & Welfare, Nursing Homes
2090	100	Local Bill, Not Summarized
2105	51	Agriculture
2107	277	Crime Prevention & Corrections
2117	236	Health & Welfare
2144	339	Transportation
2147	278	Education
2155	130	Retirement
2157	131	Health & Welfare
2159	279	Retirement
2170	41	Local Government
2175	280	Taxation
2188	281	Transportation, Motor Vehicles
2201	132	Elections
2203	282	Health & Welfare, Nursing Homes

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2204	283	Judiciary
2215	284	Transportation, Aeronautics
2216	101	Appropriations
2217	285	Health & Welfare, Occupational Licensing
2218	286	Health & Welfare, Alcohol & Drug Abuse
2225	237	General Legislation & Veterans Affairs
2230	238	Retirement
2233	340	Health & Welfare
2244	102	Labor-Management Relations
2263	133	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
2292	287	Education
2298	72	Judiciary
2321	288	Local Bill, Not Summarized
2326	103	Transportation, Traffic Law
2331	20	Education
2335	213	Insurance
2338	214	Local Bill, Not Summarized
2342	289	Health & Welfare
2374	341	Judiciary
2414	342	Commerce & Economic Development
2440	290	Judiciary
2441	239	Revisor's Bill, Not Summarized
2442	215	Revisor's Bill, Not Summarized
2463	104	Transportation, Traffic Law
2472	291	Education
2489	343	Transportation, Motor Vehicles
2490	292	Transportation, Highways
2492	344	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
2518	171	Local Bill, Not Summarized
2520	216	Education
2534	293	Local Bill, Not Summarized
2546	345	Taxation
2560	294	Transportation, Traffic Law
2600	295	Transportation, Traffic Law
2657	346	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
2677	347	Appropriations

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2683	172	Appropriations

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43	46	Local Government, Cities of the First Class, Minneapolis
53	52	Judiciary
60	296	Health & Welfare, Health Insurance
161	136	Transportation, Traffic Law
175	318	Crime Prevention & Corrections
234	10	Judiciary
320	319	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
345	79	Insurance
357	120	Higher Education
354	297	Judiciary
360	217	Higher Education
370	11	Judiciary
375	44	Local Government, City Government
429	80	Transportation, Highways
454	137	Liquor
486	298	Judiciary
499	175	Insurance
551	299	Crime Prevention & Corrections
556	300	Financial Institutions
570	37	Taxation
612	81	Retirement
633	320	Taxation
674	138	Governmental Operations
687	176	Financial Institutions
733	93	Financial Institutions
749	105	Liquor
806	21	Agriculture
816	4	Local Government
830	45	Insurance

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840	301	Judiciary
855	321	Metropolitan & Urban Affairs
864	302	Judiciary
866	5	Governmental Operations
869	28	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
906	6	Local Government, Counties
916	106	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
919	303	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
932	107	Health & Welfare
975	177	Local Government, Counties
995	53	Agriculture
1039	139	Local Government, Counties
1047	134	Governmental Operations, State Agencies & Boards
1051	304	Judiciary
1097	305	Health & Welfare, Aged
1105	178	Judiciary
1120	82	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
1135	66	Judiciary
1156	140	Local Government
1223	306	Health & Welfare
1252	54	General Legislation & Veterans Affairs
1262	141	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
1273	108	Elections
1296	142	Insurance
1308	83	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
1383	179	Metropolitan & Urban Affairs
1405	12	Local Bill, Not Summarized
1439	22	Agriculture
1456	84	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
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1499	307	Elections
1501	23	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
1507	7	Local Government, Counties Containing Cities of the First Class, Ramsey
1510	13	Local Government, Counties Containing Cities of the First Class, Ramsey
1530	143	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
1541	14	Local Government, Counties Containing Cities of the First Class, Ramsey
1550	218	Health & Welfare, Community Facilities
1551	29	Transportation, Highways
1570	180	Insurance
1575	144	Local Government, Counties
1576	85	Local Bill, Not Summarized
1584	15	Education
1590	56	Elections
1615	322	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
1624	109	Governmental Operations
1627	110	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
1635	181	Local Government, Counties
1636	111	Insurance
1644	323	Health & Welfare, Aged
1647	16	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
1675	324	Local Government
1740	182	Local Government, Counties
1753	219	Financial Institutions
1763	86	Financial Institutions
1780	308	Financial Institutions
1792	145	Judiciary
1794	57	Judiciary
1812	220	Local Bill, Not Summarized
1813	146	Local Bill, Not Summarized
1816	38	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources

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1820	309	Local Bill, Not Summarized
1821	183	Governmental Operations
1825	112	Judiciary
1838	184	Judiciary
1848	185	Insurance
1852	58	Local Bill, Not Summarized
1862	73	Judiciary
1865	221	Insurance
1866	87	Local Bill, Not Summarized
1868	113	Local Government, Counties
1872	186	Health & Welfare
1873	147	Local Government, Counties
1874	148	Judiciary
1876	149	Governmental Operations, State Agencies & Boards
1901	59	Agriculture
1906	222	Governmental Operations, State Agencies & Boards
1920	150	Judiciary
1924	60	Labor-Management Relations
1928	151	Taxation
1932	187	Financial Institutions
1944	152	Health & Welfare
1949	19	Transportation, Motor Vehicles
1956	173	Health & Welfare, Nursing Homes
1957	188	Health & Welfare, Nursing Homes
1959	325	Health & Welfare
1967	74	Judiciary
1973	153	Judiciary
1975	61	Agriculture
1976	154	Labor-Management Relations
1979	276	Health & Welfare
1996	88	Local Government, Counties
1997	189	Taxation
1998	223	Elections
1999	224	Elections
2011	190	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
2014	326	Retirement

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2025	310	Health & Welfare, Nursing Homes
2030	114	Judiciary
2032	327	Health & Welfare, Community Facilities
2033	155	Local Government
2034	24	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
2051	156	Local Government
2056	311	Local Government, Cities of the First Class, Duluth
2057	75	Liquor
2068	89	Local Bill, Not Summarized
2070	62	Transportation, Highways
2076	63	Crime Prevention & Corrections
2077	157	Local Bill, Not Summarized
2078	191	Taxation
2082	328	Taxation
2108	158	Financial Institutions
2130	159	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
2147	160	Liquor
2151	225	Transportation, Motor Vehicles
2152	90	Health & Welfare
2155	115	Local Bill, Not Summarized
2161	116	Local Bill, Not Summarized
2168	64	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
2173	117	General Legislation & Veterans Affairs
2174	118	Liquor
2175	312	Health & Welfare, Nursing Homes
2177	329	Retirement
2195	313	Local Government, City Government
2210	162	Local Bill, Not Summarized
2223	226	Local Bill, Not Summarized
2232	192	Insurance
2237	65	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
2251	193	Judiciary
2277	163	Appropriations
2284	119	Local Bill, Not Summarized

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2288	314	Governmental Operations, State Agencies & Boards
2300	227	Agriculture
2309	315	Retirement
2313	330	Judiciary
2318	164	Transportation, Highways
2344	94	Transportation, Motor Vehicles
2355	91	Governmental Operations
2373	161	Judiciary
2375	194	Education
2404	316	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
2436	228	Environmental Preservation & Natural Resources
2486	317	Transportation, Highways
2560	229	Governmental Operations
2581	331	Appropriations