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Editors introduction: When the Minnesota Legislature first convened on January 4, 1977, legislative leaders and veteran capitol observers all seemed to agree that the session would not produce as many major pieces of significant legislation as had been done in the past. Both houses, especially the Senate, had large numbers of freshmen and a "go-slow" attitude persisted.

The Governor set a similar tone in his State of the State address, saying that the time had come to judge Governors and Legislatures not simply on the number of bills that were successfully passed, but that more should be done to review and improve existing programs.

Then came the creaking crunch of record cold — cold that embraced not just the Upper Midwest but the entire East Coast as well. The Governor declared an "energy emergency" and voluntary conservation efforts kept Minnesota free of the serious shortages that developed elsewhere. Energy became a special focal point as news cameras and reporters crowded in to hear Energy Agency updates to legislative committees and the Governor's Executive Council. The Legislature and its employees responded too, working ten hour days four days a week to cut down on energy use during the critical period.

When the cold and the crisis lifted, a return to normalcy followed. Back to ban-the-can, the stadium, powerline siting, tax relief, court reform, and Dutch Elm — among others.

As spring suddenly became almost summer, the blood thinned and the pace quickened. Committee agendas were always longer than the time available; evening and weekend sessions began, and almost everyone looked forward with a combination of dread and anticipation to the all night marathon sessions that frequently proved necessary in the past.

But the end was almost anti-climactic. A few late night sessions were necessary to resolve some issues, but none went past 1:30 a.m. or so.

Neither were there serious personal disagreements on major conference committees. Nothing to write news stories about — for conflict and chaos always makes better copy than harmony and order. But another rule of journalism prevailed: what is abnormal is also news. And by almost all accounts, the session came to an abnormally smooth ending with both houses adjourning by mid-afternoon on May 23, 1977.

Over 450 bills were enacted into law and have now been signed by the Governor. As usual, many bills are necessarily limited or local in scope. Others have statewide significance. The bulk of this issue is devoted to explaining what most of the major bills do. In addition, a complete catalogue of all legislation passed is included.

Omnibus Tax Bill

A massive tax package that is designed to protect homeowners and farmers from large property tax increases in the next two years won final approval late in the session.

The measure will also deliver income tax relief to all individuals with taxable income of less than \$25,000 through an increase in the personal credit on the state return. But, to pay for this tax relief, the bill will extract more tax dollars from Minnesotans in higher income tax brackets and cut back on tax breaks now enjoyed by retired public employees and military personnel.

The bill provides a total of about \$165 million to hold down property taxes and another \$49 million in income tax relief, but raises existing taxes by about \$80 million.

The bill reduces the assessment ratios on owner occupied homes and farms thus shifting part of the property tax burden to other classes of property, mainly commercial and renter occupied housing.

In addition to reducing the assessment ratios, the bill helps homeowners, renters and senior citizens by boosting the amount of direct property tax relief provided by the "circuit breaker" system established two years ago. An attempt is also made to reduce pressure on the property tax as a source of revenue by granting an additional \$40 million in state aid to counties and municipalities, providing \$11 million to increase the portion of welfare costs covered by the state, tightening the levy limitations on local governments and reducing the amount of tax effort required of school districts as a part of the state's educational finance system.

As for income tax, the bill grants \$41 million in relief by increasing the personal credit provided for the tax payer and each dependent from \$21 to \$30 beginning in 1978.

It also establishes a new dependent-care credit equal to 50 per cent of the existing federal credit to a maximum of \$150 for one dependent and \$300 for two or more. The credit will mean about \$8 million in additional relief.

The bill finances this relief by increasing the income tax rates on taxable income in excess of \$25,000, imposing a minimum tax on wealthy Minnesotans who now escape taxation, and eliminating the present exemptions on a portion of public employee pensions, the first \$3000 of military pay and earnings from out-of-state investments.

For business, some \$5 million in relief will be provided by increasing the exemption on the state pay roll tax from \$100,000 to \$250,000, thereby eliminating the tax for many small employers.

The bill increases the production tax paid by taconite mining companies from 80 cents to \$1.25, channeling most of the proceeds into environmental and economic protection for the mining region in northeastern Minnesota. It also imposes a new tax, aimed at Reserve Mining Co., of 10 cents a ton on taconite companies that are disposing of their waste in state waters.

Education Aids, Higher Education Funds Approved

The biggest spending bill of the session — a \$1.77 billion education aids measure — was passed in the closing hours of the 1977 legislative session. Education aids legislation was a top priority for Senators and Representatives alike this year because rising costs and declining enrollments have caused teacher lay-offs and program cutbacks all across the state. Hundreds of hours of hearings were held in both House and Senate committee meetings to determine the optimum use of allotted funds. Later, after passage in both Houses, the two different versions of the education aids bill were reconciled by a conference committee headed by Sen. Gene Merriam and Rep. Willis Eken. The education aids package as sent to the Governor includes:

- An increase in basic state aid from \$960 per pupil unit this year to \$1,030 next year and \$1,090 in 1979, providing a total of \$1.25 billion in foundation aid for the next biennium.
- A \$55 million increase in aid to districts with declining enrollment. This will be accomplished by allowing the districts to use either a three year average in figuring pupil units for state aid purposes or a sum amounting to six tenths of the decline in the current year. Minnesota is expected to lose some 46,500 pupils during the next biennium.
- An increase in the share of local school costs picked up by the state. Local school district levies will be reduced from 29 mills to 28 mills next year and to 27 mills in 1979.
- A provision for the review of school construction projects costing more than \$400,000 by the Commissioner of Education.
- Incentives for teachers to take early retirement, part time or other jobs so that younger teachers with less seniority may be retained when cut backs are made.

Teachers who have been employed for 10 years but not more than 20 years and are less than 55 years old may take a leave of absence without pay for up to five years and retain their seniority and other rights. Teachers who have taught for 15 years and are between 55 and 65 years of age may retire early and receive a payment based on their age.

Among the other important education bills passed this session was a \$688.4 million higher education bill. The measure provides funding for the state's three systems of higher education and the state Education Department. The bill calls for instructional expenditures of \$916.1 million over the next two years to be financed by the \$688.4 million appropriation from the general fund and increased tuition.

Tuition at all three higher education systems, the University of Minnesota, the state university system and the community college system, will be increased next fall. While the bill does not actually set the tuition raises, the three governing boards involved will be forced to increase tuition to meet the difference between the budget approved by the legislature and the state funds appropriated. However, more monies will be available for state scholarships, aid to students in private colleges and state grant-in-aid programs.

Other provisions of the measure include:

- A 7.9 percent raise for University of Minnesota faculty the first year and an 8 percent raise the second year of the biennium. The percentage figures include both salary and fringe benefits.
- Increases in salary for community college and state university faculty of 7.91 percent the first year and 8.24 percent the second, again using the same combination of salary and fringes.
- A \$46.7 million appropriation to the Education Department for its programs in the next biennium.
- An appropriation of \$62.8 million for the Higher Education Coordinating Board, primarily for state loans.
- A total of \$378.1 million in state general revenue funds will go to the University of Minnesota. Including tuition and all state funds the University will have a budget of \$524.9 million for the biennium. (Other funds provide additional revenues.)
- State universities will get \$136.1 million for the next two years from the state and will have a total budget of \$194.8 million.
- Community colleges will get \$62.2 million from the state to help support a budget of \$84.7 million.
- The bill also appropriates \$1.2 million for the funding of the Mayo Medical School in Rochester.

Health, Welfare, & Corrections: \$1 billion

A total of about \$1 billion was appropriated to fund Minnesota's programs in health, welfare and corrections. Most of it, about \$860 million, would go to the public welfare department for various assistance programs.

In addition, \$97 million was designated for the corrections department; \$35.6 million for the health department; and \$10.3 million for vocational rehabilitation.

The bill also mandates the closing of Hastings State Hospital by May 1, 1978 and requires the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees to report to the 1978 legislature on the feasibility of converting the Hastings facility to a veterans home or other uses.

Transportation: \$885 million

A total of \$885 million was appropriated to the newly created Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT) for spending on transportation services during the coming biennium. This was the first time transportation spending was all included in a single bill since Mn/DOT was not created until the 1976 session.

Of the \$885 million total, \$213.2 million would go for new road construction in the state's trunk highway system. \$162 million is set aside for county aid and \$50 million for municipal-state aid roads.

A total of \$38 million was appropriated for public transit, including aid for several municipal systems. The Metropolitan Transit Commission (MTC) is required to impose new limits on subsidies of routes by Jan. 1, 1978. At that time the maximum subsidy would be set at \$1.25 per passenger; on Jan. 1, 1979, the maximum subsidy would be reduced to \$1.00 per passenger. The bill also lifts the 50¢ fare limit previously imposed by the 1974 legislature.

The bill also appropriates \$1.2 million for a one year continuation of the subsidy of Amtrak service to Duluth. Other transportation services, such as the division of aeronautics, were also funded under the bill.

An additional \$100 million in bonding authority for bridge repair and replacement was authorized under a separate bill, bringing the Transportation total close to the \$1 billion mark. Under the bonding bill, \$50 million in highway bonds would be devoted to trunk highway bridges. Another \$50 million in general revenue bonds would be available for county, township, and municipal bridges.

State Departments: \$446 million

A total of \$446 million was appropriated to finance state departments during the coming biennium. This represents a 15 percent increase over the last biennium or an annual increase of 7.5 percent.

The bill includes continued funding for the Office of Consumer Services. The Governor had recommended that the department be combined with a consumer office in the Attorney General's Office.

Most department allocations were close to the Governor's recommendations.

Semi-state Departments: \$14.8 million

An additional \$14.8 million was appropriated to finance "semi-state" departments — agencies that work in the general public interest but are not governmental units. Agencies receiving money under this appropriation include the Minnesota Historical Society, the Minnesota Safety Council, the Humane Society, the Arts Board, the Voyageurs National Park Advisory Committee, and others. The largest increases in funding were granted to the State Arts Board and the Historical Society.

Unemployment, Workers' Compensation, Changed

The state's unemployment compensation law was changed early in the session to deny benefits to people who voluntarily quit their jobs. The bill also increased benefits for those who do qualify and increased the amount employers pay into the state unemployment fund. Maximum weekly benefits will be \$120 per week starting July 1 of this year and then will increase to \$129 per week July 1, 1978. The higher taxes on employers are retroactive to Jan. 1 and were reflected in the quarterly billings sent out by the state Employment Service Dept. The measure was a compromise package worked out by labor and management groups in an attempt to put the state Unemployment Fund on a more secure financial base.

A comprehensive measure changing the states laws dealing with workers' compensation was also approved. The bill raises the maximum weekly benefits to 100 per cent of the average weekly wage or two thirds of the worker's wage, whichever is less. The average weekly wage is expected to be \$195 when the bill takes effect Oct. 1. Rate increases for the privately insured workers' compensation program will be limited by a provision saying that firms offering this type of insurance cannot retain more than 22.5 percent of the premium for profit and administration.

Minimum Wage Raised, Tip Credit Lowered

A measure that would raise the minimum wage to \$2.30 per hour was approved by both the Senate and House this year. The increase would make the state minimum wage the same as the current federal minimum wage. The minimum wage for employees under 18 will be increased to \$2.07 per hour from the current 1.89 per hour.

The only item of difference in the Senate and House versions of the bill, the effective date, was quickly resolved in conference committee. The House bill would have

taken effect June 1 of this year and the Senate bill would have taken effect Jan. 1, 1978. The compromise calls for an effective date of Sept. 15, 1977.

A controversial tip credit proposal was also approved. Originally the measure called for abolishing the tip credit all together. However, amendments were added that re-established the tip credit for employers. Under the measure an employer is entitled to a credit in an amount up to 20 per cent of the minimum wage the employee receives if the employee receives at least \$35 a month in tips. Another provision of the bill prohibits mandatory tip pooling.

Floating Usury Rate Approved

One of the most eagerly awaited bills of the session, the floating usury rate, was approved in the final days of the session. The state's floating maximum interest rate on conventional home mortgages was extended for two years until July 31, 1979. Aimed in part at encouraging home construction, the bill sets the maximum rate at 2 per cent above the yield on long term government bonds. In addition the amount of interest that lenders must pay on escrow accounts they require for insurance and property taxes was increased from 3 per cent to 4 per cent.

Another important issue for bank customers was the detached facilities bill. Under the measure an auxiliary bank office will be permitted up to 25 miles from the main bank. Also, a bank now will be able to have two detached offices rather than the one now allowed by law. (Detached facilities offer such basic banking services as deposit and transfer of money, but may not offer other services like closing loans.)

Energy Bill

While a number of important and controversial provisions (including tax credits for additional home insulation and for installation of solar heating) were dropped from the Omnibus Energy bill before it was passed in its final form, a number of other items remained in the bill.

Among the most important — the extension of the state building code to the entire state and the establishment of minimum energy efficiency standards.

Other provisions include:

- A ban on the sale of certain appliances with pilot lights after July 1, 1978;
- Establishment of minimum efficiency standards for air conditioners;
- A ban on construction of new indoor heated parking facilities;
- Extension of the Energy Agency until 1983;

- A requirement that the Energy Agency study outdoor display advertising and establish rules limiting waste;
- A requirement that all state buildings meet certain heating, lighting, and air conditioning standards.

Gun Control Passes

A new gun control measure that requires a seven day waiting period before the purchase of a handgun will become effective July 1, 1977.

During the seven day period, police would check the applicant's background to make certain that the person has no criminal record or a history of drug, alcohol abuse, or mental problems. In addition, minors cannot obtain a permit under the new law.

Any person who has a criminal record or a history of such problems could be denied a permit and would not be allowed to purchase the gun. Anyone without such a background would be allowed to make the purchase and authorities would be required to give the clearance within seven days.

A major change was made in the law on the Senate floor. An amendment was added that makes the purchase permit effective for one year so that persons who wish to buy more than one gun (such as collectors or gun hobbyists) could do so without having to obtain a new permit and undergoing the seven day delay each time. This change won crucial votes needed for passage and the bill was okayed on its second go-around after having first been defeated.

Court Reform

A major court reform measure that requires district and county judges to shift assignments to even out workloads was approved by the Legislature in 1977.

The bill also requires that courts shift to continuous terms, rather than operating for fixed terms and then remaining idle during parts of the year.

The measure is designed to increase judicial efficiency, reduce court costs, and shorten the delays before cases come to trial.

Under the plan a chief judge would be designated for each judicial district. He could reassign county or district court judges within his district to hear cases wherever the need was greatest. He could also assign judges outside the district to hear cases for 15 days without the consent of the judge involved, but assignments longer than 15 days would require the consent of the judge being transferred.

Dutch Elm Disease Control

A total of \$28.5 million was appropriated by the 1977 Legislature to combat the spread of Dutch elm and oak wilt diseases. The funds will be allocated to local communities that have established programs to combat the diseases. The state will absorb 45 percent of the costs of diseased tree removal under the plan.

Also provided are funds for replanting programs and for establishing disposal centers.

Persons interested in assistance should contact local governmental units to determine whether a program has been established in a particular area.

Zoo and Park Appropriations

Zoos and parks came in for their share of the appropriations pie under several measures adopted by the legislature this session.

Como Zoo will receive \$3.7 million for alterations and repairs during the biennium. About a million people from all parts of the state visit the zoo each year and no admission is charged. State zoo officials support the Como program because the zoo has animal exhibits not planned for the new Minnesota Zoological Gardens in Apple Valley.

Gate fees at the new Zoological Gardens were set by the legislature at \$2.50 for those over 17; \$1.25 for those from 6 to 17, and free for youngsters under 6. The new facility is scheduled to open in May, 1978.

A \$61.5 million bond program for park and recreation development and acquisition was also approved. The measure is designed to add more than 82,000 acres to the state park system and will begin to expand trails.

There will be \$24 million spent on state park, wildlife and recreation facilities in the outstate area under the supervision of the Department of Natural Resources. Another \$24 million will be spent for acquisition and development of regional facilities in the Twin Cities area under the supervision of the Metropolitan Council. The governor's trail program gets \$11 million and regional parks outside the metro area get another \$2.5 million.

Water Resources

A major water resources bill was heard and approved this session. The measure creates a Water Planning Board to oversee the use of public waters in Minnesota. The bill also establishes emergency restrictions

on the use of state water for irrigation and for municipalities during shortages and establishes new procedures for processing irrigation permits.

The Water Planning Board will be comprised of the commissioners of the department of natural resources, department of health, department of agriculture, the director of the pollution control agency, the director of the energy agency and the chairman of the state soil and water conservation board. A seventh member, the chairperson, will be appointed by the Governor and will also be a member of the federal-state river basin commissions. The Water Planning Board will replace the Minnesota Water Resources Council.

Radioactive Waste Banned

A bill that prohibits the transportation of radioactive waste into the state for the purposes of storage or disposal was approved by the 1977 legislature.

Sponsors said passage this session was important after federal officials had earlier revealed that Minnesota was one of several possible sites under consideration for the construction of a permanent storage facility for nuclear wastes. The bill does allow temporary storage for a period of up to 12 months, provided federal and state rules and safety regulations are observed.

Plastic Throw-aways Banned

A bill banning manufacture and sale of throw-away plastic milk containers — the first such ban in the country — will become law on July 1, 1978.

According to its author, the bill is aimed at preventing both energy waste and increased solid waste pollution. Supporters cited studies that show that the throw-away paper containers requires significantly less natural gas and petroleum to manufacture — even though the total energy consumed for each type is close to equal. In addition, advocates of the new law argued that the plastic throw-away was rapidly becoming a significant source of solid waste and that it would aggravate disposal problems.

PCA Bonding Increased

Increased bonding authority for 15 percent state share matching grants was approved for the Pollution Control Agency (PCA) by the 1977 Legislature.

Under the bill, PCA bonding authority is increased from its current \$95 million limit to a level of \$135 million. The additional \$40 million could enable state communities to qualify for \$200 million in federal monies for the construction of sewage treatment and pollution control facilities.

The current PCA bonding limit has not yet been reached but officials anticipated that it would be sometime during the next biennium.

Coterminous Appointments

A bill giving the Governor hiring and firing powers over department heads was approved this session, but legislators — worried that the legislation might give a future Governor too much power or lead to abuses — also added an amendment that provides for the automatic termination of those powers after a ten year trial period.

Under the legislation, department heads would be appointed by the Governor (with the advice and consent of the Senate) and would serve at his pleasure until the expiration of his term. Appointment procedures currently vary and department heads frequently are appointed to terms that continue beyond that of the appointing Governor. The bill is intended to give the Governor additional power over state agencies and to improve their accountability to him.

Powerline Siting

Controversy over a major powerline project in west central Minnesota was the impetus for an important powerline siting bill. The measure directs payment by utilities to farmers along a route that could amount to as much as \$300 a mile annually as well as a one time easement payment.

In addition the bill bars the making of rules to give wildlife areas preference over agricultural land as areas to avoid in line routing.

The measure also sets a state policy of choosing power line routes that minimize adverse human and environmental impact. It requires the Environmental Quality Board to evaluate potential alternative routes using highway rights of way and natural divisions of land to minimize interference with agricultural operations.

New Prison, Pharmacy Building Approved

The Legislature agreed on a \$33.8 million construction bonding bill that authorizes borrowing for a new state prison at Stillwater and a new pharmacy-nursing building at the University of Minnesota.

The prison, which will cost an estimated \$20.8 million, will be a maximum security facility and will be located just west of the existing state prison. The 400 bed structure, scheduled to open in 1981, will be built into a ravine thus using the topography for security and to save energy.

The University of Minnesota was authorized to spend \$13 million in state funds to build an 11 story building to house classrooms, offices and laboratories for training nurses and pharmacists. Additional funds will be provided by the federal government.

The measure also includes \$130,302 for closing off a street and creating a park west of the Capitol. Another \$100,000 is allocated for remodeling in the Capitol's east wing and \$25,000 is set aside for a feasibility study of constructing a state office building in Duluth.

The Department of Administration received an appropriation of \$500,000 to remodel state buildings so that they will be barrier free, providing easier access for the handicapped.

Sports Stadium

A new sports stadium located somewhere in the metropolitan area will be a reality within a few years, following legislative approval of the "no-site" stadium bill.

The bill authorized the Governor to appoint a seven member commission to select the site and to decide whether the stadium should be domed or open air. The bill authorizes bonding of up to \$55 million for a domed stadium, \$37.5 for an open air type, and \$25 million for remodeling the current stadium — should the commission chose that option. Funds to meet bond payments will come from operating revenues. However, should stadium income prove to be inadequate to meet the payments, the bill also authorizes the imposition of a two percent metro area on-sale liquor tax.

Housing Bonding Increased

Bonding authority for the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency will increase from its current \$600 million to a new limit of \$900 million under a law approved during the 1977 session.

The increased funds would go to provide mortgages and rehabilitation loans for low and middle income families. The bill also provides grants of up to \$5,000 for handicapped persons to remodel homes to include ramps, lowered counters or other changes.

New Housing Warranties

A bill that requires new homes to be guaranteed against structural defects was passed by the 1977 Legislature and will go into effect January 1, 1978.

Home builders will be required to provide 10-year warranties against major construction defects in the load-bearing parts of new homes, two year warranties on plumbing, heating, cooling and electrical work, and a one year warranty against faulty workmanship or defective materials.

Supporters argued that new home buyers currently have almost no protection, although the Minnesota Builders Association has encouraged a voluntary program. The Association supported the legislation also, saying that it would lower costs of warranty insurance.

American Indian, Bilingual Pilot Programs Established

Two bills establishing pilot programs designed to meet the educational needs of non-English speaking and American Indian children were signed into law this year.

The bilingual education bill sets up three pilot programs for children of limited English speaking ability. It is expected that one program will be in Minneapolis, one in St. Paul, and one in a rural area. The programs will be transitional with a maximum of three years participation allowed. The programs will be of a transitional nature to facilitate the child's entry into the mainstream school system. In addition to the emphasis on language skills, the bill provides for emphasis on intercultural awareness.

The bicultural education bill establishes six pilot programs for American Indian children, three to be in urban areas and three to be on or near reservations. The programs are to be designed to provide positive reinforcement of the self-image of American Indian pupils, to make the curriculum more relevant to the needs, interests and cultural heritage of American Indian children and to develop intercultural awareness. Instruction in American Indian languages, literature, history and culture will be emphasized.

Battered Women, Displaced Homemaker Bills Combined

Pilot programs to aid battered women were also established under a bill sponsored by Sen. Robert Lewis. The bill creates four pilot centers to provide emergency shelter services and various support services such as legal aid, counseling and transportation services. A 24 hour information and referral service will also be included in each program.

Included in the bill was an amendment containing the essence of the displaced homemaker bill. The amendment directs the executive of the Governor's manpower office to contract with existing agencies to provide counseling and training services for displaced homemakers.

Crime Victim Crises Centers Created

Crime victim crises centers will be established under a bill passed this year. The crises centers will assist victims to obtain necessary emergency services and aid. The crime victim crises centers will be set up under the direction of the Department of Corrections. Other services to be provided include education of crime victims about the criminal justice process, coordination of services which are already provided by various agencies and education of the public as to the programs availability.

Health Screening for Preschool Children

Early and periodic health screening for preschool children was authorized by the Legislature this year. The health screening will be done by individual school districts and will be directed at discovering physical, mental, and emotional problems at an early age. In the first year the screening programs will include developmental assessment, hearing and vision checks, dental assessments and a review of health history and immunization status.

The next year the screening programs will also include laboratory tests and nutritional and physical assessments. Emphasis will be placed on utilizing existing volunteer screening programs in implementing the measure.

Age Bias Now Illegal

Discrimination based on age is prohibited under a bill passed this session. Provisions were made to continue apprenticeship programs and to keep existing privileges for senior citizens available.

Aerosols Banned

A bill to ban the sale of aerosol spray cans with chlorofluorocarbon propellants was passed by the Legislature. The ban is effective July 1, 1978. The measure also calls for labeling products using the fluorocarbon propellants to warn consumers that the substance may damage the ozone layer of the earth's atmosphere. The labeling requirement takes effect Oct. 15, 1977. Some medicinal products will be exempt from the new law.

Summer Youth Jobs

A measure appropriating \$6 million for summer youth employment gained approval this year. The bill provides funding for local units of government to hire young people between the ages of 14 and 22 for a maximum of 12 weeks. The measure also provides for an hourly wage of \$2.30, equal to that of the federal minimum wage.

Adoption Record Access

Adopted persons will be allowed, under certain conditions, to learn the identities of their original parents under a bill passed by the legislature this year. Such disclosures will be limited to persons 21 and older. Persons who give up babies for adoption would continue to have a right to remain anonymous if they file legal papers barring access to their names.

Emergency 911

A proposed state wide emergency telephone system will become a reality with the implementation of a bill passed this spring. The measure requires that the system be operational in the seven county metro area by Dec. 15, 1982 and in each remaining county by Dec. 15, 1986. With the new system an individual would simply dial 911 to report an emergency. 911 calls will be received by a communications facility that could either dispatch police, fire or medical assistance directly or relay the call to the appropriate agency. Also, by Dec. of 1986 all pay telephones will be converted to permit dialing 911 without depositing coins.

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Editor's note: The 455 bills enacted by the 1977 Legislature and signed into law by the Governor are listed under 20 categories on the following pages. Under each category, bills are listed in numerical order by chapter with house file and senate file number being indicated by H.F. or S.F. respectively. In cases of house files, the house author is listed first; similarly with senate files, the senate author is listed first.

AGRICULTURE

Chpt. 18 — H.F. 383 Increases assessment to two cents per hundredweight on all potatoes grown or sold or delivered for trade in Minnesota for potato industry promotion. W. KELLY, MOE

Chpt. 20 — S.F. 74 Minnesota grown potatoes sold at retail between July 1 and October 1 are subject to established grades for potatoes. WEGENER, EKEN

Chpt. 28 — H.F. 235 Renaming the Minnesota soybean research and promotion council; prescribing powers of commissioner of agriculture and the council; increasing fees; fee utilization; cooperation with state agencies; requiring council to submit an annual report and estimated budget. KALIS, PURFEERST

Chpt. 103 — H.F. 531 Permitting banks to take second mortgages on farm real estate to secure a loan made to a farmer in a county which is declared a federal disaster area due to weather conditions. ERICKSON, BERNHAGEN

Chpt. 114 — H.F. 439 Regulating the use of the name of "Minnesota Farmstead Cheese" to apply to cheese manufactured on the same farm on which the milk is produced that is used in the manufacture; requiring permits; authorizing fees; prescribing penalties. CLAWSON, ANDERSON

Chpt. 120 — H.F. 1005 Increasing the applications fees for grade A certification of milk, milk products or goat milk; increasing certification fees for laboratories conducting tests the results of which are to be used in the enforcement of requirements for distribution of milk, milk products or goat milk under the grade A label. LEMKE, HANSON

Chpt. 121 — H.F. 1006 Providing for the reimbursement of expenses of the commissioner of agriculture incurred in examining the records and accounts of county agricultural and certain other agriculture related societies or associations; transferring certain functions relating to county agricultural societies from the State Auditor and commissioner of agriculture; certification of payments. KING, STRAND

Chpt. 160 — S.F. 1140 Defining custom processor as a person who slaughters animals or poultry and/or processes non-inspected meat and returns derived products to owner; requiring custom processors to obtain a custom processing permit; inspection authorized by agriculture commissioner; revocation or suspension of permit for violation. SCHROM, SUSS

Chpt. 170 — H.F. 777 Relating to the family farm security program; eliminating first mortgage requirements for seller-sponsored loans; authorizing retention of land by sellers in lieu of payment of loan guarantees; authorizing sharing of excess proceeds from default sale; allowing payment adjustments for certain loans with unequal annual payments; removing consumer representative from council. EKEN, HANSON

Chpt. 234 — H.F. 1172 Providing for potato grading; inspections; certificates; fees; seed potatoes exempt; artificially colored potatoes prohibited. EKEN, WEGENER

Chpt. 249 — S.F. 288 Providing for cooperative agricultural leases of tax-forfeited property within state parks to provide nonconflicting, needed park services through sharecropping. NICHOLS, B. ANDERSON

Chpt. 250 — S.F. 506 Extending the income tax credit for feedlot pollution control equipment and providing a carryover of the credit from one year to another. SETZEPFANDT, G. ANDERSON

Chpt. 269 — H.F. 79 Restricting the purchase of agricultural lands by certain aliens and non-American corporations; exceptions; enforcement by attorney general; time period for certain aliens to divest themselves of the lands; requiring registration of land acquired previously by such individuals and corporations with agriculture commissioner; registration to show description, purchase price and market value, use and date of acquisition to be available to public. B. ANDERSON, MENNING

Chpt. 289 — H.F. 1079 Altering the basis for listing restricted noxious weed seeds on labels; altering certain fees. BRAUN, OLSON

Chpt. 296 — H.F. 1275 Providing for adjustment of fees for grain inspection and weighing. CORBID, SETZEPFANDT

Chpt. 299 — H.F. 1386 Relating to agriculture; eliminating the six month license provision for livestock market agencies and public stockyards; licenses for livestock dealers and agents required for the period beginning July 1 and ending June 30; authorizing the commissioner of agriculture to suspend a license; hearing procedures; bonding requirements; permitting a waiver of the right to a hearing; livestock market agencies included in weighing locations; excluding public stockyards from livestock weighing fees. WENZEL, WEGENER

Chpt. 348 — H.F. 1421 Designating wild rice as the official state grain; preserving a photograph and sample of wild rice in the Secretary of State's Office. SAMUELSON, PETERSON

Chpt. 426 — S.F. 73 Prescribing powers and duties to the commissioner of agriculture for weather modification programs; providing for research licensing, permits and fees; prescribes penalties; exempts state and its officers from liability; financial responsibility of permit holder; creates a weather modification advisory council. NICHOLS, STANTON

Chpt. 439 — S.F. 896 Power plant site and transmission route selection authority in EQB; no corridors; study inventory; alternatives; exemptions; permit revocation; applications fee; hearings; option for acquisition of contiguous property; annual payments; property tax credit for crossed property; research on electrical fields. MERRIAM, H. SIEBEN

COMMERCE

Chpt. 5 — S.F. 200 Authorizing additional investments in certain mortgages by savings banks; regulating amount and interest for a mobile home loan; authorizing trusteeship for certain retirement accounts. DAVIES, CASSERLY

Chpt. 9 — S.F. 183 Regulating franchises; requiring annual reports within 120 days after the end of the fiscal year of the registrant; extending filing period before advertisement of a franchise. DAVIES, ARLANDSON

Chpt. 16 — S.F. 377 Relating to credit union mergers; eligible members of a credit union being absorbed shall have all rights of membership in the successor credit union. LAUFENBURGER, SIMONEAU

Chpt. 27 — S.F. 401 Eliminating certain requirements for buildings for licensed motor vehicle lessors. ASHBACH, ROSE

Chpt. 33 — H.F. 283 Prohibiting the commissioner of securities to institute a suspension or revocation of a broker-dealer's license solely on the basis of a fact known to him when the initial license was issued unless proceeding is instituted within the next 30 days after issuance of the initial license; cease and desist order to give notice of person's rights to request a hearing; schedule for hearing. ARLANDSON, LUTHER

Chpt. 46 — H.F. 720 Extending the time for filing reports of subdivided land with the commissioner of securities of the department of commerce. MURPHY, SIKORSKI

Chpt. 49 — H.F. 1208 Regulating mobile home parks lot payments; prohibiting entrance fees; notice for termination of tenancies. SIMONEAU, SCHAAF

Chpt. 71 — S.F. 716 Authorizes certain contracts between credit unions to furnish services jointly which either could perform; services subject to regulation by the commissioner of banks. BORDEN, SUSS

Chpt. 84 — S.F. 836 Authorizing credit unions to rent safe deposit boxes without license or bond. PENNY, R. KELLY

Chpt. 104 — H.F. 787 Allowing savings banks to establish negotiable order of withdrawal accounts which may or may not bear interest; savings bank may require notice of an intended withdrawal; imposing reserve requirements. SWANSON, BORDEN

Chpt. 137 — S.F. 616 Disposition of abandoned or unclaimed property held by banks, financial organizations or business associations after seven years; traveler's checks outstanding after fifteen years; disposition of abandoned property in safe deposit boxes; notice to box holder in default; prohibiting certain agreements to locate property reported to the State Treasurer; property with historic value to Historical Society; destruction of property. S. KEEFE, SUSS

Chpt. 138 — S.F. 667 Authorizes the city of Minneapolis to establish a loan program for rehabilitation and preservation of small and medium sized commercial buildings; limitations; administration; provides for issuance and security of limited general obligation and revenue bonds. SPEAR, CASSERLY

Chpt. 168 — H.F. 621 Altering regulations for licensing of motor vehicle dealers; restricting brokerage sales of new motor vehicles; permitting motor vehicles lessor to sell vehicles without a used motor vehicle dealer license; exempting occasional sales; regulating suspension or revocation; preempting local bonding requirements; dealer plates, bonds for boat and snowmobile dealers. NIESEN, WILLET

Chpt. 173 - S.F. 125 Violation or an unreasonable restraint of trade constituted by certain discriminatory trade practices enforced by a foreign government which take place or affect business in the United States, in Minnesota; provides penalty. S. KEEFE, PETRAFESO

Chpt. 180 — S.F. 147 Restricting deficiency judgments in certain consumer credit transactions; limiting buyer liability for repossessed personal property; buyer liable for damages for wrongfully damaged collateral if seller brings court action and obtains judgment; restricting waiver of garnishment exceptions. DAVIES, CASSERLY

Chpt. 202 — S.F. 767 Provides for appointment of a receiver upon certain mortgage foreclosures when a mortgagor has breached certain covenants of the mortgage relating to tenant security deposits, real estate taxes or special assessments, insurance premiums, lease or license covenants; duties of receiver; purchaser to advance money to receiver; disposition of funds at termination of receivership; mortgagor can assign additional security for certain debts; provisions; right to reinstatement of mortgage debt and redemption of excess cash. SPEAR, GEORGE

Chpt. 215 — H.F. 40 Establishing a 30 hour pre-examination educational requirement for certain real estate license applicants; requiring 45 hours continuing education courses for licensed salespersons; authorizing commissioner of securities to adopt rules defining course standards, instructor approval, rules for proper administration, increase license terms, and make an annual report; real estate advisory council to meet quarterly, restricting certain activities for council members. R. KELLY, SPEAR

Chpt. 217 — H.F. 114 Permitting the sale of commemorative liquor bottles among collectors without a license; federal tax stamp shall be unbroken; exempted from excise tax; defining collector; limits. MOE, MOE

Chpt. 253 — S.F. 603 Confining appeals of the public service commission decisions to the record; except in cases alleging irregularities in procedure; allowing the commission to appeal adverse decisions of the district court to the supreme court. LUTHER

Chpt. 272 — H.F. 257 Designating the commissioner of banks as rule making authority for financial institutions; fees for special investigations; accounts maintained by bank employees; specifying certain minimum capital requirements; surplus, undivided profits; annual audit systems; boards of directors. GEORGE, LAUFENBURGER

Chpt. 303 — S.F. 49 Extending indefinitely the usury exemption for certain business and agricultural loans; authorizing loans by additional lenders. LAUFENBURGER, SUSS

Chpt. 315 — S.F. 572 Permitting commissioner of banks to authorize state chartered credit unions to engage in certain activities allowed federally chartered credit unions. BORDEN, SIMONEAU

Chpt. 328 — S.F. 1070 Regulating franchises and fees; including a franchise and fees for the right to market intoxicating beer; requiring registrant to file annual report within 120 days after end of fiscal year; franchise advertisements published 5 business days after filing copy with securities commissioner. DAVIES, ARLANDSON

Chpt. 350 — H.F. 500 Extending the usury exemption for certain loans; regulates lenders of conventional mortgage loans; providing for rules by the commissioner of banks; developer's commitment fee; regulating interest on escrow accounts, alternatives; publication of interest rate for conventional loans; requiring registration and reports by certain lenders; limiting use of installment loans for primary residences to mobile homes. GEORGE, BORDEN

Chpt. 363 — H.F. 223 Providing that the sales tax on telephone service charges be payable by the person paying for the service; requiring all telephones within a municipality to be listed in the next published directory unless a customer specifically requests it to be unlisted. G. ANDERSON, STRAND

Chpt. 378 — H.F. 451 Defining detached banking facilities to include certain electronic funds transfer systems, automated remote controlled teller facilities and cash dispensing and receiving devices; permitting banks to establish two detached banking facilities; limitations as to locations; expanding the function of detached facilities, providing for facility notice and approval procedures; increasing filing fee. CORBID, KLEINBAUM

Chpt. 420 — H.F. 1283 Requiring approval by the commissioner of securities for issue of industrial development bonds in certain municipal projects; removing approval of economic development commissioner. WHITE, MILTON

CONSUMER

Chpt. 13 — S.F. 76 Delaying the effective date of the law requiring tents and sleeping bags to be flame resistant. S. KEEFE, GEORGE

Chpt. 99 — H.F. 337 Authorizing customer option on electric utility when homestead is located within more than one assigned service area; restrictions. STANTON, NICHOLS

Chpt. 280 — H.F. 829 Establishing the period for which interest is payable on a tenant's damage deposit; compliance with time requirement; landlord liable for damages equal to sum of deposit and interest as a penalty in addition to the amount of such deposit and interest for withholding security deposits; providing additional penalties for bad faith retention; tenant liability. REDING, LUTHER

Chpt. 333 — H.F. 41 Directing the commissioner of administration to amend the state building code to require fire detection devices in all dwellings, lodging houses, apartment houses and hotels; requirements for smoke detectors; specifications for location by commissioner of public safety; maintenance responsibilities; providing penalties. KNICKERBOCKER, SOLON

Chpt. 359 — H.F. 157 Relating to public utilities; extends the period to notify the public service commission of a rate change; refund of overcharges if rates become effective before approval by PSC; procedures for rate change; removing construction in progress from rate bases; prohibits allowance for certain advertising expenses and charitable contributions; hearing procedures; delaying implementation of certain rate schedules; regulating telephone company rates. M. SIEBEN, LUTHER

Chpt. 385 — H.F. 562 Requiring informational labels on new pickup trucks having a gross weight of 9000 pounds or less disclosing information identical to that required on new automobiles; providing penalties. PRAHL

EDUCATION

Chpt. 30 — H.F. 291 Authorizing joint boards between school districts to acquire certain property for data processing; monetary obligations shall not be included in the net debt of any school district. SWANSON, LEWIS

Chpt. 59 — S.F. 600 Exempting certain courses in the arts from private trade school regulation by the commissioner of education. HUGHES, JOHNSON

Chpt. 106 — H.F. 888 Authorizing local school boards to appoint a student to serve as a non-voting member; limits; duties. JENSEN, KNUTSON

Chpt. 163 — S.F. 1234 Authorizing the board of education to create a maximum of ten advisory task forces, of not more than 15 members each; limiting their existence to not more than one year. SCHAAF, M. NELSEN

Chpt. 293 — H.F. 1161 Relating to education; correcting and eliminating certain erroneous and obsolete references and text relating to state universities and community colleges. WENSTROM, STUMPF

Chpt. 306 — S.F. 120 "Bilingual Education Act" establishing transitional bilingual education programs in elementary and secondary schools; pilot programs; voluntary and shared-time enrollment; licensing of teachers, preference to native speakers; parent and community participation; duties of state board of education; establishing advisory task force; permitting non-English instruction and textbooks; requiring separation of classes by primary language; prohibiting isolation of children, segregation; requiring nondiscriminatory testing. MCCUTCHEON, STANTON

Chpt. 312 — S.F. 455 "American Indian Language and Culture Education Act" establishing pilot bilingual and American Indian language and cultural programs; voluntary and shared enrollment; parent and community participation; teacher certification; preferential hiring of native speakers; parent advisory committee; state board of education duties; establishing advisory task force on American Indian language and culture programs; pilot programs grants and procedures; school census. SPEAR, BERGLIN

Chpt. 318 — S.F. 615 Authorizes the higher education coordinating board to contract with schools of optometry in other states for admission of Minnesota residents; selection by individual school; board to establish terms of contracts and explore feasibility of a regional school of optometry. HUGHES, JOHNSON

Chpt. 320 — S.F. 690 Provides a grant-in-aid to Northern Minnesota Public Television, Inc., to construct and equip public educational television facilities at or near Bemidji State University; provisions; state university board to direct use of funds. HANSON, BRAUN

Chpt. 358 — H.F. 129 Directing the higher education coordinating board to monitor and study the transfer of credit between Minnesota post-secondary institutions; board to recommend to post-secondary education systems and the legislature measures to increase transferability of credits; encouraging communications among faculty, staff and students. PEHLER, PENNY

Chpt. 384 — H.F. 559 Relating to HECB scholarships and grants-in-aid; permitting assistance for certain foreign students; limits aids with certain federal grants; eligibility standards for initial scholarships and grants-in-aid; allocation by institutions; applicants; financial data classified as private; exceptions; increases amount of bonds and authority of HECB to request bonds and loans; Indian scholarships; part-time student tuition aid; work-study grants; transfers nursing students grants to HECB. FUGINA, PENNY

Chpt. 404 — H.F. 967 Relating to the council on quality education; extending duties to include performing research for quality education in Minnesota elementary and secondary schools; review literature and information on innovative programs; use of venture funds for research; requiring reports on all research to legislature; solicit proposals from school boards for grants for innovative programs. STANTON, HUGHES

Chpt. 445 — S.F. 1395 Appropriating money to the board of arts for public television; altering calculation of matching funds to exclude foundation and corporation donations and donations for capital expenditures. SOLON, BEAUCHAMP

Chpt. 447 — H.F. 550 Omnibus school aids appropriation; foundation aids; providing for categorical aids including transportation aids special education; community, adult and vocational education; requiring tuition for vocational-technical students; defining shared-term pupils and foundation aids for them; regulating levies; legislative school finance study commission; extended leaves of absence for teachers; part-time teachers; equalization of aid for declining enrollment. EKEN, MERRIAM

Chpt. 449 — H.F. 1510 Omnibus higher education appropriation; providing for the department of education, aids to libraries, the higher education coordinating board, state universities, community colleges, the University of Minnesota and its hospitals; creating a higher education consortium for Southwestern Minnesota. NORTON, MOE

ELECTIONS

Chpt. 32 — H.F. 21 Certificates of election to the legislature shall be delivered by the Auditor or Secretary of State to the Chief Clerk of the House or Secretary of the Senate; free copy upon request to the person elected. JOHNSON, SCHMITZ

Chpt. 88 — S.F. 1208 Requiring polling places to be accessible to the elderly and physically handicapped; standards of accessibility; exceptions to polling place site selection. MILTON, NEISEN

Chpt. 91 — S.F. 51 Number, qualification and reimbursement for instruction of election judges; prohibiting special meetings and school events between certain hours on election day; recounts in House district elections; waiver of recount; electronic voting test regulations adopted by Secretary of State; absentee ballots accompanied by registration; changing residency requirements for absentee ballot requests. MENNING, SHERWOOD

Chpt. 96 — H.F. 300 Removing the provision for special hours during which voter registration locations must be open. OSTHOFF, STUMPF

Chpt. 131 — S.F. 213 Allowing regulation of campaign financing for election to Minneapolis city offices solely by city ordinance; providing minimum requirements to meet the provisions of M.S. 1976, 01.10A including frequency, date for filing reports and information required in reports by candidates and campaign committees; providing penalties. SPEAR, NELSON

Chpt. 133 — S.F. 335 Provides for election judges employed outside of home precinct to vote by mail; permits township boards to appoint election judges and to establish rules. BANG, FORSYTHE

Chpt. 308 — S.F. 266 Authorizing the Secretary of State to train all election judges and other election officials; prescribing certain duties for the Secretary of State; prepare and distribute to each county auditor written instructions on election laws; conduct conferences for county auditors; county auditors to conduct in-service training programs for local election officials. S. KEEFE, LEHTO

Chpt. 395 — H.F. 789 Establishing voter registration in all counties; election day voter registration procedures; tally book to record number of registered voters in precinct at time the polls opened, number who registered that day and those who applied but were not permitted to register; county auditor to supply election judges with precinct maps; duplicate registration file open to public; written voting challenge by auditor for certain persons; forms for voter registration by mail available when changing address on driver's license; penalties. CUMMISKEY, S. KEEFE

EMPLOYMENT-LABOR

Chpt. 4 — S.F. 232 Unemployment compensation; altering wage basis for employer contributions; increasing minimum earnings required for employee "credit week" and minimum amount and credit weeks to obtain benefits; providing for charging of benefits; increasing weekly benefits; disqualification from benefits and waiting week credit until reemployment for certain voluntary quits, misconduct, failure to apply for or accept work; total disqualification for gross misconduct. LAUFENBURGER, ADAMS

Chpt. 47 — H.F. 763 Prohibits employment contracts which permit employer to obtain invention rights for certain employee inventions. FUDRO, OLSHOFF

Chpt. 63 — S.F. 1381 Authorizing the city council of the city of St. Paul to adopt rules permitting employees to authorize payroll deductions for non-profit entities chosen by the employee. STUMPF, A. KEMPE

Chpt. 85 — S.F. 1415 Providing for severance pay benefits for certain employees of the St. Paul school district. STUMPF, FARICY

Chpt. 119 — H.F. 805 Prohibiting units of supervisory or confidential employees to participate in any joint negotiations involving units of employees other than supervisors or confidential employees; permitting a supervisory or confidential employee to affiliate with another employee organization which has non-supervisory and non-confidential employees as members. BYRNE, S. KEEFE

Chpt. 151 — S.F. 930 Providing for the assignment of veterans' employment representatives to each full functioning employment service office; position to be filled by employees of the department of employment services who are veterans. CHMIELEWSKI, JACOBS

Chpt. 165 — S.F. 1382 Providing that the employees of the housing and redevelopment authority of the city of St. Paul may remain employees of the authority or become employees of the city as the governing body of the city may determine; regulating transfer employees; seniority rights; promotional preference; pension plan options. STUMPF, TOMLINSON

Chpt. 177 — S.F. 23 Requires an employer to furnish certain remodeling for permanently disabled employee's residence; setting limits requiring certification by architect; council for the handicapped to advise. CHMIELEWSKI, MURPHY

Chpt. 183 — S.F. 226 Providing a higher minimum wage. MILTON, FARICY

Chpt. 192 — S.F. 557 Prohibiting participation of employee in group health care plan and group life insurance as a condition of employment unless employer assumes total cost; prohibits discharge of and discrimination against employee; violation; remedy. MERRIAM, JACOBS

Chpt. 206 — S.F. 964 Certain employees holding positions in the classified and unclassified state civil service excluded from bargaining units under the public employment labor relations act; including all positions in the bureau of mediation services. Certain personnel employees, managerial positions in the state university and community college systems and those who have access to certain information. TENNESSEN, SIMONEAU

Chpt. 220 — H.F. 212 Providing a three-day withdrawal period during which a job applicant may withdraw acceptance of a position and not pay the employment agency fee if he did not actually start the job; requiring written notification to agency. SKOGLUND, VEGA

Chpt. 227 — H.F. 541 Prohibiting the deduction for certain losses including faulty workmanship, loss, theft or damage by an employer from an employee's wages without voluntary authorization by the employee or a court; authorized deductions not to exceed amount of loss; unauthorized deductions subject to civil action. BYRNE, SPEAR

Chpt. 230 — H.F. 920 Requiring an employer to notify by telegram or certified letter an employee's local union of a work related death or injury within 24 hours. PRAHL, PERPICH

Chpt. 231 — H.F. 922 Authorizing certain payroll deductions to include contributions to local arts councils, science councils or arts and science councils. BRYNE

Chpt. 237 — H.F. 1474 Authorizing the department of employment services to release information to certain state agencies which are required to provide statistical information to the federal bureau of labor statistics. BEAUCHAMP, S. KEEFE

Chpt. 242 — H.F. 313 Providing eligibility for unemployment compensation benefits for certain retired workers who reach mandatory retirement age and are 65 years of age or older. BRAUN, HANSON

Chpt. 254 — S.F. 625 Authorizing and funding the summer employment of youth by the state and local units; specifying duties of employment services commissioner and department. SOLON, CASSERLY

Chpt. 258 — S.F. 928 Entitling an employee to increase withholding allowances based on itemized deductions; formula to determine increased withholding; number of withholding allowances for married individuals to be determined on the basis of combined wages and deductions; treating withholding allowances as withholding exemptions; commissioner of revenue to prescribe tables to determine the number of allowances employees are entitled to. SIELOFF, EVANS

Chpt. 284 — H.F. 921 Providing for a single arbitrator in certain public employment labor disputes; altering expense payments for board. ST. ONGE, PURFEERST

Chpt. 297 — H.F. 1310 Relating to unemployment compensation; providing for conformity with federal requirements; determinations of coverage for agricultural or domestic employees; altering covered employment including certain state and local employees and officials, nonpublic school employees; employers contributions; election by state or political subdivision to be contributing employer; noncharging of certain benefits; qualifying wages as to previously uncovered services; extended benefits; exceptions. ADAMS, LAUFENBURGER

Chpt. 300 — H.F. 1405 Providing investment options for deferred compensation; permitting designation by participant of investments in savings accounts or contracts in the Minnesota supplemental retirement fund; state board of investment to approve all contracts; contract regulation internal revenue service to approve tax-deferred status before payments are made. PATTON, CHENOWETH

Chpt. 335 — H.F. 297 Requiring written notice to employees before certain group health care plans may be terminated. KALEY, BRATAAS

Chpt. 340 — H.F. 902 Commissioner of finance may authorize certain state officials to certify payments to state employees relating to resolution of a grievance through the formal steps of a grievance procedure established by law or collective bargaining agreement. M. SIEBEN, S. KEEFE

Chpt. 342 — H.F. 1004 Relating to workers' compensation; providing coverage for legislators; regulating farm coverage; vesting permanent partial disability benefits; altering coverage for athletes and casual laborers; altering certain compensation schedules survivor benefits; interest on certain unpaid benefits; attorneys fees; adjustment of benefits; appointment of actuary; limiting expenses and profit includable in insurance premiums; workers' compensation study commission; distribution of physicians reports. MOE, S. KEEFE

Chpt. 351 — H.F. 6 Prohibiting employment and education discrimination based on age; limits and exceptions for seniority systems, varying insurance, fringe benefits to employees of differing ages; services or facilities for persons over 59 or under 21; mandatory retirement; no interference with opportunity to acquire pension credits; human rights commissioner to research and study discriminatory practices based on age or refer age discrimination practices to local commission for study and report. ENEBO, SPEAR

Chpt. 369 — H.F. 320 Reducing the employer's tip credit in computing minimum wage; defining gratuities; providing that employee's tips are sole property of the employee; prohibiting mandatory tip pooling; exceptions. REDING, MILTON

Chpt. 383 — H.F. 536 Relating to the state civil service; providing that promotion and place of service are separate considerations; acceptance of promotion is not a proper reason for a transfer to a different place. BEGICH, JOHNSON

Chpt. 391 — H.F. 723 Grants to community development corporations for planning, establishing or assisting a business venture; consideration of employment opportunities profit and outside funding; eligible corporations to receive grants; non-profit corporations; specific geographic community with at least 10% below poverty level; board membership: 60% to have low incomes; remainder from business community or community at large; board to hire low income residents; excluding religious organizations and social service development. BERGLIN, KLEINBAUM

Chpt. 394 — H.F. 772 Authorizes the commissioners of administration and transportation to provide for bid and performance bonds for small businesses and minority small businesses awarded state construction or procurement contracts; commissioners to establish eligibility standards; participation limits; agreements of indemnity entered into pursuant to subdivision 1 not subject to encumbrance requirements. CASSERLY, KNOLL

Chpt. 408 — H.F. 1015 Clarifying definition of sex discrimination; women affected by pregnancy, childbirth or related disabilities to be treated the same as other persons similar in ability or inability to work for all employment related purposes including receipt of fringe benefits; safety considerations for pregnant women; appeals by human rights commissioner. WYNIA, LEWIS

Chpt. 452 — S.F. 1337 Providing for wage and fringe benefits for certain state employees; ratifying collective bargaining agreements; providing emergency rule making authority; increasing salary ranges; salary and cost of living increases for highway and air patrol; increases for certain employees; physicians hired by public bodies; time limit on execution of negotiated agreements. NELSON, PEHLER

ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Chpt. 36 — S.F. 1072 Deficiency appropriations to commissioner of natural resources for emergency forest fire fighting and to the commissioner of corrections for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1977. MOE

Chpt. 90 — S.F. 32 Matching grants-in-aid to municipalities for metro area shade tree sanitation and reforestation; limits; priority to boulevard trees; permits local bond issue or supplementary levy; authorizes municipal subsidies to property owners for tree removal; authorizes experimental sanitation, reforestation and treatment programs in kind and voluntary work as local costs; PCA to consider alternatives to open burning. HUMPHREY, BERG

Chpt. 93 — H.F. 42 Clarifying the requirements for transportation of muzzle loading firearms; requiring a fully unloaded firearm be carried in a closed trunk or rear most location of the vehicle; defining unloaded muzzle loading firearm. JENSEN, SCHMITZ

Chpt. 109 — H.F. 139 Limiting the size of St. Croix Wild River State Park to the boundaries established by law. CLAWSON, ANDERSON

Chpt. 110 — H.F. 188 Increases period of revocation of big game licenses upon conviction of violation of game laws; defines conviction. WIESER, LUTHER

Chpt. 162 — S.F. 1166 Providing for water resources and conservation hearings to be held in accordance with the administrative procedure act; requiring hearing examiners. OLHOFT, WENSTROM

Chpt. 174 — S.F. 760 Establishing a season for taking bear and deer with muzzle loading firearms. KNUTSON, JENSEN

Chpt. 224 — H.F. 445 Authorizing the commissioner of natural resources to acquire, develop and maintain recreational sites including campsites, rest areas, river accesses and portages along designated canoe and boating routes in cooperation with local governmental units; limits to land acquisition. STOA, LUTHER

Chpt. 226 — H.F. 524 Permitting detachable parts on certain noncarbonated metal beverage cans. HAUGERUD, WILLET

Chpt. 229 — H.F. 691 Directing the exchange of certain public shorelands in Lincoln county for certain non-riparian lands; land conveyed to state to be used for wildlife management purposes. STANTON, NICHOLS

Chpt. 233 — H.F. 1038 Authorizing the commissioner of natural resources to convey certain erroneously acquired interests of the state in lands in Houston county in the vicinity of the Richard J. Dorer Memorial Harwood State Forest. WIESER, GUNDERSON

Chpt. 240 — H.F. 140 Imposing limits on the issuance of commercial fishing licenses on Lake Superior; defining eligible license applicants; defining size and total feet of gill net allowed for taking herring and ciscoes on Lake Superior. LEHTO, SOLON

Chpt. 252 — S.F. 558 Authorizing the trapping of the great horned owl using a padded jaw trap by persons licensed to operate private game farms who also possess a federal permit. SIELOFF, JENSEN

Chpt. 285 — H.F. 947 Allowing reduced rates for railroad transportation of waste material for reprocessing. LEHTO, LUTHER

Chpt. 304 — S.F. 90 Adds the commissioner of natural resources as an ex-officio member of the state soil and water conservation board. STUMPF, CLAWSON

Chpt. 310 — S.F. 381 Regulating removal of beaver and destruction of dams; authorizing season for taking beaver, fox, wild turkey and fishes; hours for taking trout; additional fees for the taking of turkeys; lowers Minnesota sportsman license fees; prohibits rewards for taking certain wild animals. PETERSON, REDING

Chpt. 317 — S.F. 597 Requiring an annual migratory waterfowl stamp; proceeds designated for wet lands and waterfowl management lakes; 5% of proceeds to be credited to the Leech Lake Band special license account; permitting stamp to be issued concurrently with small game licenses. MERRIAM, H. SIEBEN

Resolution No. 1 — H.F. 105 A resolution urging the secretary of the interior to return management of the eastern timber wolf to the state of Minnesota. I. ANDERSON, JOHNSON

Chpt. 372 — H.F. 351 Designates portions of Forestville State Park and the Mississippi River Headwaters area of Itasca State Park as historic sites to be administered and controlled by the Minnesota Historical Society; authorizes agreement between DNR and Minnesota Historical Society to assign responsibilities for management. HAUGERUD, MOE

Chpt. 373 — H.F. 398 Prohibiting the sale of pressurized containers using certain chlorofluorocarbon propellants; exceptions; prescribing penalties; requiring warning statements on certain containers. WYNIA, HUMPHREY

Chpt. 377 — H.F. 447 Authorizing the commissioner of natural resources to provide an alternative public road access to General C.C. Andrews State Forest; requiring an agreement by the city of Willow River to permanently maintain the road access. D. CARLSON, CHMIELEWSKI

Chpt. 393 — H.F. 756 Authorizing the sale of state-owned or tax forfeited lands in Lake and St. Louis counties suitable for the disposal of Reserve Mining Company's taconite tailings; executive council may authorize state sale by affirmative vote of four members; meeting to be based only on certain records of permit proceedings. KROENING, MOE

Chpt. 416 — H.F. 1215 Prohibiting the transportation of radioactive wastes into the state for the sole purpose of disposing or storing the wastes; exceptions for temporary storage. HANSON, LUTHER

Chpt. 418 — H.F. 1252 An appropriation providing for matching funds for grants to local units for water pollution control; no municipality to be eligible to use state grants for additional construction of a wastewater treatment facility after meeting state water quality standards; authorizing the sale of additional Minnesota water pollution control bonds. STOA, SETZEPFANDT

Chpt. 421 — H.F. 1300 Authorizing the sale of state bonds; appropriating money for the acquisition and betterment of state parks and recreation areas, state trails, state forests including the Sand Dunes and Memorial Hardwood State Forests, fishing and wildlife management areas, wild, scenic and recreational rivers, metropolitan parks and trails, trail registry; grants for bicycle trails, local park trails and athletic courts; work programs. CASSERLY, ANDERSON

Chpt. 431 — S.F. 274 Adding certain lands to McCarthy Beach State Park in St. Louis county. PERPICH, CLAWSON

Chpt. 446 — H.F. 1236 Requiring new domestic wells to be registered with the local soil and water conservation district; requiring the commissioner of natural resources be notified of water appropriation for domestic use; priorities for water use include agricultural irrigation permits; changing requirements for issuance of groundwater appropriation permits; defining a serious decline of ground water; requiring pumping tests and monitoring on large wells; exceptions; creating a water planning board in the executive branch. BIRNSTIHL, WILLET

ENERGY

Chpt. 1 — S.F. 110 Authorizing the Governor to temporarily alter or adjust state work and compensation practices in order to minimize state government's energy consumption. CHENOWETH, I. ANDERSON

Chpt. 68 — S.F. 530 Requiring any retail seller of motor oil in the state to post notice indicating the nearest location where used oil may be returned for recycling or provide a collection tank for deposit of used motor oil; posting specifications. OLHOFT, SKOGLUND

Chpt. 268 — H.F. 45 Prohibits the retail sale of milk or fluid milk products in nonreturnable, non-refillable plastic containers, exceptions for certain milk products; prescribing penalties. MUNGER, LUTHER

Chpt. 381 — H.F. 522 State wide building code; clarifying state agency rule-making regarding building code subject matter; commissioner of administration to report to legislature; extending expiration date of Minnesota energy agency; energy facility regulation; coal use impact study; regulating outdoor display lighting; requiring promulgation of certain energy conservation standards; energy efficiency standards for air conditioners; prohibiting certain open flame pilot lights; illumination standards for public buildings; energy conservation in residential buildings; heating fuel inventory study. MUNGER, ANDERSON

GENERAL

Chpt. 11 — H.F. 260 Abolishing the naval militia and deleting references to it; correcting other terminology. WALDORF, WEGENER

Chpt. 19 — H.F. 464 Provides for reciprocity in licensing by the state board of health for plumbers licensed in other states. ST. ONGE, OLHOFT

Chpt. 29 — H.F. 262 Changing the residency requirements for the commissioner of the department of veterans affairs and veterans service officers. SWANSON, CHMIELEWSKI

Chpt. 40 — H.F. 301 Establishing a deadline for entering military service and becoming eligible for veteran preference; redefining the word veteran to include any U.S. citizen who has been separated under honorable conditions from any branch of the U.S. armed services after having served 181 consecutive days or by reason of disability incurred while serving on active duty. KOSTOHRZ, LAUFENBURGER

Chpt. 42 — H.F. 489 Requiring publishers of legal newspapers to state that proposed constitutional amendments have been published prior to receiving reimbursement. JAROS, PENNY

Chpt. 43 — H.F. 557 Requiring reimbursement to local fire departments for expenses incurred while protecting state trunk highways. WELCH, WEGENER

Chpt. 56 — S.F. 305 Authorizes uniform expiration date for municipal liquor licenses, other than first class cities. S. KEEFE, BERGLIN

Chpt. 75 — H.F. 146 Cities of the first class; procedures for granting refunds of certain special assessments to property owners; requiring written and public notices for refunds in excess of \$20.00; requiring waiting periods; deadline for notification; unclaimed refunds and those less than \$1.00 deposited in city's permanent improvement or bond redemption fund. SKOGLUND, STOKOWSKI

Chpt. 82 — S.F. 617 Conferring University of Minnesota peace officers with limited powers of arrest; authorizing the regents to make and enforce rules regulating traffic and parking of vehicles upon property owned, leased or occupied by the regents; peace officer defined; requiring university peace officers employed after July 1, 1977 to attend a peace officers training course within 12 months of appointment. SPEAR, KAHN

Chpt. 86 — H.F. 425 Authorizing cities of the second, third or fourth class and statutory cities to appropriate money to collect, preserve, store and exhibit data and material pertaining to the history of the city to commemorate an outstanding event or preserve historical data for future generations. BRINKMAN, SCHROM

Chpt. 132 — S.F. 319 Removing the restrictions for liquor on or near a public dance hall. WEGENER

Chpt. 135 — S.F. 498 Relating to drainage; increasing the authorized interest rates on certain bonds; providing for redetermination of benefits and benefited areas; limiting assessment levies for repairs and maintenance; transfer administration of judicial ditches to county boards; increases interest limit on lien statements and certain penalties; requiring grass on ditch systems. HANSON, CORBID

Chpt. 149 — S.F. 916 Permitting municipalities to include an annexed area in an adjacent precinct within its election precinct; requiring city clerk to notify each voter affected by the change and to post a revised map for public inspection; requiring copies to Secretary of State and State Demographer. S. KEEFE, OSTHOFF

Chpt. 152 — S.F. 963 Including containers used for industrial gases under the same regulations for containers used for liquified petroleum gases; defining industrial gases to include oxygen, acetylene, nitrogen, argon and carbon dioxide and any mixture thereof. OGDahl, DEAN

Chpt. 158 — S.F. 1103 Permitting Hennepin county to appropriate money to the sheriff for patrol on highways and roads. LEWIS, PETRAFESO

Chpt. 205 S.F. 922 Prohibiting nonhandicapped persons from parking in spaces designated for the handicapped; providing for the designation of handicapped parking spaces; providing penalties. BENEDICT, NEISEN

Chpt. 213 — S.F. 1298 Exempting professional engineers registered with the board of architecture, engineering, land surveying and landscape architecture from licensing provisions for water well contractors; authorizing registered engineers to drill test borings and to install piezometer wells for engineering purposes. OLSON, BIRNSTIHL

Chpt. 219 — H.F. 193 Removes cost limitations for the construction of new armories; provides interest rate for issuances of bonds; deletes reference to naval militia. G. ANDERSON, WEGENER

Chpt. 239 — H.F. 90 Authorizing cities to issue additional on-sale liquor licenses by referendum. A. KEMPE, MCCUTCHEON

Chpt. 241 — H.F. 261 Permitting the commissioner of veterans affairs to act as guardian for minors or incompetents without posting bond; commissioner may commingle funds of persons under his guardianship; requiring complete accounts showing each transaction that occurs to funds of each person under his guardianship. SWANSON, DAVIES

Chpt. 264 — S.F. 1293 Providing for the appointment by the Governor of members of the board of directors of the state bureau of animal protection; providing for the termination of existing board members. OLSON

Chpt. 267 — S.F. 1362 Exempting certain disabled residents receiving aid under the federal railroad retirement act of 1937 from the requirements of obtaining a fishing license. KLEINBAUM, PEHLER

Chpt. 288 — H.F. 1017 "Invention Services Act", regulating invention development services; providing for cancellation of contracts; specifying contents of contract; disclosures; requiring invention developers to file a bond; providing penalties. ARLANDSON, KNOLL

Chpt. 311 — S.F. 448 Provides for establishment of a local 911 emergency telephone system to include police, fire, emergency medical and ambulance services; multi-jurisdictional, regional back-up phones authorized; pay phones to allow unpaid 911 calls; department of administration to assist planning, implement system and establish standards; counties to submit plans to phone company; Attorney General to enforce laws; co-operative agreements; reports to the legislature. S. KEEFE, HANSON

Chpt. 329 — S.F. 1236 Authorizing the commissioner of veterans affairs to investigate the need for and recommend a location for a veterans residential facility in development region 4; consultations with architects and local planning officers. STRAND, WENSTROM

Chpt. 338 — H.F. 324 Setting fees and mileage allowances for county sheriffs; removing population restrictions for certain fees. CLAWSON, SCHMITZ

Chpt. 352 — H.F. 15 Appropriation to the state planning agency to develop recreational facilities which demonstrate the feasibility of meeting the special needs of handicapped persons at Islands of Peace Park in Fridley; conditions for fund allocation; commissioner of natural resources to approve detailed work program. SIMONEAU, SCHAAF

Chpt. 354 — H.F. 26 Granting public employees paid leaves of absence to prepare for and engage in World, Pan American or Olympic athletic competition; limits length of leave; state to reimburse political subdivision. SIMONEAU, SCHAAF

Chpt. 361 — H.F. 176 Reduces age of eligibility for a nonqualification certificate. SIMONEAU, STOKOWSKI

Chpt. 370 — H.F. 331 Requiring information as to all owners of a motor vehicle including full names, birth dates and addresses on applications for motor vehicle registration or certificate of title. OSTHOFF, MCCUTCHEON

Chpt. 371 — H.F. 343 Prohibiting the promotion or employment of minors as models in sexual performances for purposes of preparing an obscene work. Prohibiting the ownership or operation of a business which disseminates certain obscene works and the dissemination of certain obscene works; prescribing penalties. NELSON, OLHOFT

Chpt. 441 — S.F. 977 Requiring a marriage license application to include information on the names the parties will have before and after marriage. OLSON, CUMMISKEY

Chpt. 450 — H.F. 1630 Appropriating money for certain claims against the state; providing procedures for consideration of claims relating to destruction of livestock and injury or death of patients or inmates; providing for advisory determinations by worker's compensation division. NORTON, MENNING

Chpt. 451 — H.F. 1631 Providing appropriations and bond issue for certain state buildings; providing for a new high security detention facility for adult felons; heating recommendations for the building including solar and body heat; providing for a pharmacy and nursing facility at the University and for additional law school funds; consolidate campuses at Mankato State University; barrier free state facilities; capitol area land acquisition and construction; power plant emission regulations; accessibility survey report to legislature; legislative committees to review building plans. NORTON, MOE

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GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

Chpt. 35 — S.F. 483 Salaries for certain executive branch, constitutional officers, employees, metropolitan agency officers, legislators, judges and judicial branch employees; limiting salaries within agencies; local units; reducing per diem expenses for legislators with salary increase; state to pay certain judicial salaries. GEARTY, H. SIEBEN

Chpt. 39 — H.F. 148 Authorizing the chief of police to select a supervisor of license inspection for the Minneapolis police department; establishing minimum qualifications. BRANDL, SPEAR

Chpt. 44 — H.F. 681 Relating to small business set asides; authorizing "second party bonding" for small businesses, designating as principal and/or guarantor a person or persons in addition to person to whom the contract is proposed for award. CASSERLY, KNOLL

Chpt. 57 — S.F. 345 Provides for per diem compensation and reimbursement of expenses to members of the Minnesota municipal board; retroactive to July, 1976. ANDERSON, PETRAFESO

Chpt. 73 — H.F. 62 Eliminating the requirement that a copy of a town annual audit report be furnished to the State Auditor. NIEHAUS

Chpt. 78 — H.F. 465 Permitting the town clerk or treasurer to be eligible for membership on regional development commissions. CORBID, HANSON

Chpt. 94 — H.F. 54 Providing for the purchase of products and services from sheltered workshops and work activity programs without limitations; commissioner of administration to determine fair market price considering: bid prices in previous years; cost increases for both labor and materials; price ratio not to exceed more than 5% of the cost as estimated by the commissioner of purchasing the same products and services on the open market. FARICY, KNOLL

Chpt. 125 — S.F. 13 Permits state acceptance of jurisdiction over federal property relinquished by federal agencies; cedes jurisdiction to appropriate state authorities and local governmental units. KLEINBAUM, PATTON

Chpt. 136 — S.F. 499 Commissioner of administration to propose methods for improving public access to state services and facilities including extended hours, improved parking, signage, expanded receptionist and information referral services, multifunctional offices; report criteria; alternative methods to improve public access; cost; statutes pertaining to state employees; availability and security costs for state facilities operated outside normal business hours; sharing of facilities and personnel; study of a one-stop licensing center. SCHMITZ, PEHLER

Chpt. 140 — S.F. 737 Providing for leaves of absence without pay for certain governmental officers and employees elected to city or county offices; reinstatement. HUGHES

Chpt. 143 — S.F. 831 Increases the compensation of Port Authority commissioners for attending regular and special meetings; eliminates the annual limitation on such compensation. J. ULLAND, JAROS

Chpt. 146 — S.F. 903 Excludes crime bureau investigators from the requirement of reimbursing the state for the cost of using state owned vehicles. CHENOWETH, KROENING

Chpt. 172 — H.F. 1364 Changing appointment of deputy and assistant attorney general; removing restrictions on the assignment of deputies and assistants in the departments of revenue, public welfare, corrections, retirement associations, natural resources and employment services. H. SIEBEN, BORDEN

Chpt. 182 — S.F. 218 Public bodies; increasing the minimum amount requiring sealed bids to let contracts; outlining procedures to let contracts below the minimum amount. LAUFENBURGER, KALIS

Chpt. 209 — S.F. 1064 Creating an advisory council in the state board of investment; providing for appointment of voting members from the legislature, executive branch and governor's appointees; non-voting members from MSRS, PERA & Teacher's Retirement Assoc.; powers and duties of the council related to investment of state money; requiring annual reports to the legislature; superseding existing agencies. STOKOWSKI, PATTON

Chpt. 222 — H.F. 339 Provides for a program of set asides of small business contracts for construction of transportation improvements; 50% of the set asides to be awarded directly or indirectly to the socially and economically disadvantaged, if possible; sets limits on amounts and number of contracts; powers to commissioner of transportation. CASSERLY, KNOLL

Chpt. 223 — H.F. 384 Appropriating money for the payment of interim claims against the state. FARICY, BORDEN

Chpt. 292 — H.F. 1155 Authorizing the revisor of statutes to assist in all functions relating to the enrollment and engrossment of bills and related documents; Senate bills under supervision of the Secretary of the Senate and House bills under supervision of the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives; prohibiting the disclosure of bill drafting records; contents are not public and not subject to subpoena, search warrant or other disclosure. BEAUCHAMP

Chpt. 305 — S.F. 109 Procedures for appointment by the Governor of commissioners to head certain departments and agencies; coinciding terms; regulating succession, duties of deputies; removes surety bonds; granting Governor authority to appoint the commissioner of health; authority, form, effective and terminating dates for executive and reorganization orders; governor's task forces, councils and committees; board of education to appoint commissioner; restricting activity after leaving state agency. SCHAAF, PETRAFESO

Chpt. 323 — S.F. 783 Requiring the commissioner of administration to distribute free issues of the state register and a copy of the manual of state agency rules to county libraries; exceptions; revisor of statutes to distribute one free copy to each edition of and supplement to Minnesota statutes to county libraries; exceptions. OLSON, MCEACHERN

Chpt. 324 — S.F. 826 Permitting seaway port authorities to employ a certified public accountant to annually audit the books; authorizing the state auditor to accept such audit subject to his review or additional examination. ULLAND, J. BERKELMAN

Chpt. 332 — S.F. 1489 Omnibus appropriation for semi-state activities and agencies; including funds for the Minnesota Historical Society; horticultural society, arts board, humane society, and various commissions and committees; regulating certain arts board activities and reports; animal custody and costs. MOE, NORTON

Chpt. 343 — H.F. 1094 Relating to competitive bids on group insurance contracts for public employees; providing definition of lowest responsible bidder; consideration of cost of changing insurer; regulating frequency of submission of bids. ABELN, LAUFENBURGER

Chpt. 346 — H.F. 1223 Administrative procedures; providing for notice and hearing in various administrative decisions. H. SIEBEN, SCHAAF

Chpt. 364 — H.F. 242 Miscellaneous public service regulations; quasi-judicial functions for commission; duties of public service director; fees for warehouse closings; notice of grain warehouse closing; telephone company investigation, depreciation accounts; bonding and reporting no longer required by division of weights and measures; yearly check of apparatus; fees for meter testing; eliminates certain fines and penalties. NOVAK, DIETERICH

Chpt. 379 — H.F. 456 Providing for the purchase of certain brands and models of motor vehicles for use by investigative and undercover agents of the department of public safety; all other competitive bidding provisions to apply to purchases. REDING

Chpt. 389 — H.F. 613 Establishing an office of volunteer services within the office of the Governor; authorizing the office to coordinate volunteer programs throughout the state; providing for an advisory committee appointed by the Governor not exceeding 21 members from each of the state's economic development districts. CLARK, HUGHES

Chpt. 403 — H.F. 962 Abolishing open appropriations for various purposes; providing direct appropriations for debt service and other purposes previously supported by open appropriations. ARLANDSON, MOE

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Chpt. 410 — H.F. 1040 Relating to finance; deleting obsolete provisions; changing and clarifying cross-references; codifying certain provisions formerly in session laws; Governor to direct expenditure of money for computer services; departments to reimburse fund for cost and commissioner to make appropriate transfer when necessary; commissioner of corrections to set up a diversified labor account to encourage industries beneficial to inmates of the institutions, commissioner of finance to approve billing rates for revolving funds. KING, MOE

Chpt. 411 — H.F. 1052 Altering the Human Services Act; human services boards; citizen members optional; powers to include those of county health, welfare and mental health boards; limiting terms of advisory committee members; notice to affected state agencies; providing for planning and implementation grants; report to legislature; State Auditor to audit books annually; additional powers and duties for state planning officer; support development of human services boards; disburse and monitor grants. DAHL, OLSON

Chpt. 414 — H.F. 1102 Administration of state government; regional service center in economic development region 3; lease, rent or sale of equipment or services to state agencies; rental fees for employee accommodations; printing; electronic data processing; parking; manufacturer's standard color for state vehicles. REDING, SCHAAF

Chpt. 429 — S.F. 181 Providing for the election of nine area trustees to the public employees retirement association board of trustees from the membership employed in specified areas; dividing state into three areas to elect area trustees; defining terms of office according to area; providing for at-large election of police and fire trustees. STOKOWSKI, PATTON

Chpt. 430 — S.F. 202 Creating a department of economic security for matters related to income and employment policies, medical and public assistance responsibility to link policies with veterans programs, workers' compensation, vocational training, federal income insurance programs and economic development; commissioner appointed by Governor to coinciding terms; abolishing departments of vocational rehabilitation and employment services amending and repealing many sections of M.S. 1976. MOE, H. SIEBEN

Chpt. 433 — S.F. 411 Renaming the peace officer training board; altering membership; prohibits employment without pre-service training; providing for training and licensing of peace officers including the highway patrol, state conservation officers, elective peace officers; peace officers not eligible for permanent appointment without licensing; requiring annual renewals; removing certain authority of the Attorney General. MCCUTCHEON, H. SIEBEN

Chpt. 442 — S.F. 1029 Authorizing inclusion of cities in sewer and water districts; extending authority to county boards to acquire, finance and maintain water and sewer systems; providing for payment of damages and appeals; allowing certain special assessments; counties not to pay more than 40% of the principal or interest due in any year or 40% of other costs; authorizing a single fund for multi-county projects. CHMIELEWSKI, G. ANDERSON

Chpt. 443 — S.F. 1172 Administrative procedures; coverage of metropolitan and capitol area agencies under the administrative procedure act; limiting rule-making authority and obligations; permitting agencies to incorporate certain provisions by reference into proposed rules; restrictions; completion of hearing examiner reports within a specified period; hearing transcript preparation; publication of rules; agency may appeal adverse court decisions; providing state register free to certain public libraries; subpoenas and court reporters for hearing examiners. BORDEN, H. SIEBEN

Chpt. 444 — S.F. 1349 Miscellaneous regulations for various state boards including employees suggestion board, state board of education, board of teaching, board of examiners for nursing home administrators, art boards; regional arts development task forces and publicity system; increasing per diem for advisory task forces; part-time executive secretaries; joint rule making between licensing boards; changing the name and composition of the board of human rights. SCHAAF, ADAMS

Chpt. 455 — S.F. 1467 Omnibus state departments appropriations; appropriations for various state departments and agencies providing for complements, budgets and planning; altering certain fees. MOE, NORTON

CORRECTIONS

Chpt. 260 — S.F. 1077 Creating a crime control planning board to supersede the Governor's Commission on Crime Prevention and Control; requiring statewide comprehensive plan for law enforcement and criminal justice administration; empowering board to make grants to governmental agencies; board designated as planning agency for purposes of federal legislation; prohibiting certain direct law enforcement or criminal justice activities; annual report to governor and appropriate committees of the legislature; regional crime control advisory councils; requiring regional plans. BORDEN, BERG

Chpt. 314 — S.F. 514 Providing for the establishment of victim crisis centers by the commissioner of corrections. LEWIS, MOE

Chpt. 356 — H.F. 83 Eliminating the minimum claim amount necessary for crime victim reparations; raising the amount of reparations paid to claimants suffering economic loss; authorizing crime victims reparations board to appoint an executive director and authorize mileage payment for claimants or witnesses board invites to meetings; permitting individual board members to grant emergency reparations up to a certain limit; requiring full-board approval for reparations exceeding limit. A. CARLSON, STAPLES

Chpt. 392 — H.F. 728 Prescribing duties of the commissioner of corrections for parole and probation; authorizing disposition of juvenile offenders; restoration of civil rights by corrections board; confidentiality of records; exceptions; wages of adult offenders to be used for costs of certain personal and financial obligations; probation officers' powers; charges to counties for correctional services not to exceed appropriation; withdrawal by counties. CLARK, LEWIS

HEALTH AND WELFARE

Chpt. 7 — S.F. 21 Authorizes the licensing of Canadian physicians with or without examination. WEGENER, SHERWOOD

Chpt. 10 — S.F. 250 Designating the commissioner of health or his designee as a member of the Gillette Hospital board. KIRCHNER, SWANSON

Chpt. 22 — S.F. 43 Parking privileges for the physically handicapped; physician's certificate to specify permanent or temporary disability; special temporary certificates or insignia authorized. UELAND, WIGLEY

Chpt. 25 — H.F. 418 Exempting licensed hospitals from day care licensing requirements. BERKELMAN, J. ULLAND

Chpt. 37 — H.F. 57 Defining land and air ambulances, emergency and nonemergency ambulance services, types of licenses, base of operation and newly established ambulance service; licensing specifications; licenses not transferable; standards, public hearings for new base of operations; state board of health may refuse to renew license for violations; emergency care certificate for drivers and attendants, class C driver's license for driver; standards for 2-way radio communication, staffing, oxygen, resuscitation and aspiration equipment; state board of health inspection. HEINITZ, WEGENER

Chpt. 38 — H.F. 61 Authorizing the city of Cottage Grove to render emergency service by a physician's trained paramedic; authorizing service charge; granting immunity from civil liability for paramedics and physicians advising paramedics. M. SIEBEN, SIKORSKI

Chpt. 66 — S.F. 651 "Safe Drinking Water Act of 1977"; granting powers to state board of health to insure safe drinking water in public water systems; approve site, design, construction and alteration of water supply; inspect facilities, records, operation and service; conduct sanitary surveys; contract with local boards of health for routine inspections and water testing; develop emergency plan; issue emergency orders; promulgate rules; notification of violation, public notice; prescribing penalties; defining terms. PERPICH, SWANSON

Chpt. 185 — S.F. 296 Placing limits on the types of services covered by medical assistance for needy persons; limiting the frequency with which the same or similar services may be covered by medical assistance for an individual recipient, and the amount paid for each covered service. MILTON, SAMUELSON

Chpt. 193 — S.F. 562 Prescribing academic requirements for licensing chiropractors; examination requirements; authorizing the state board of chiropractic examiners to suspend, condition, limit, restrict or qualify a license to practice chiropractic; grounds for disciplinary action; defining unprofessional conduct; prescribing penalties. WEGENER, WENSTROM

Chpt. 218 — H.F. 166 Altering for licensing purposes the definition of a hospital, sanatorium or other institution for the hospitalization or care of human beings including any institution in which accommodation is maintained for elective outpatient surgery for preexamined, prediagnosed, low-risk patients; emergency medical services in an ambulatory or outpatient facility not part of a licensed hospital, excluding clinics or physicians' offices; allowing for reinstatement of previously adopted rules. PEHLER, SOLON

Chpt. 225 — H.F. 461 Relating to welfare fraud; providing penalties for a person who obtains or applies for welfare assistance or aids another by intentional concealment of a material fact; requiring the county welfare board to establish and administer a food stamp program; providing penalties for misuse of food stamps. WIESER, CHMIELEWSKI

Chpt. 247 — S.F. 223 Provides deaf persons with guide dogs the same rights as blind persons with guide dogs; includes guide dog expenses as medical expenses deduction from income tax; guide dogs for totally or partially deaf person identified by a burnt orange collar or leash. BANG, FORTSYTHE

Chpt. 256 — S.F. 796 Prohibiting the operation of professional nursing businesses without a license; excluding nursing care in certain nursing homes. LAUFENBURGER, L. CARLSON

Chpt. 261 — S.F. 1087 Modifying retained surplus requirements for nonprofit health service plan corporations. KNUTSON, MCCOLLAR

Chpt. 271 — H.F. 206 Increasing the personal allowance for persons receiving medical assistance while residing in a skilled nursing home or care facility including recipients of supplemental security income; payment schedule for certain recipients; prohibiting nursing homes from commingling patient's funds; department of public welfare to conduct field audits without notice; regulating nursing home transfers of patient's personal allowance. KING, S. KEEFE

Chpt. 282 — H.F. 916 Authorizing additional procedure in collection of child support payments; continuing court orders; county court jurisdictions; frequency of payments under garnishment; providing for contracts between welfare agency and county attorney for legal services for paternity and child support enforcement; updating uniform reciprocal enforcement of support act; registration of foreign support orders; court notification to welfare agencies. DAHL, VEGA

Chpt. 283 — H.F. 917 Appropriating money to the commissioner of public welfare to establish the Vinland National Center to serve as a health resource, education and training center; plans to be submitted to the chairmen of the House appropriations and Senate finance committees for review; requiring a certificate of need. SWANSON, MILTON

Chpt. 301 — H.F. 1498 Requiring the governor's manpower office to provide a work equity program for persons who qualify for general assistance to perform community project work which would not otherwise be done and which would supplement but not replace work or regular county employees; requiring assignment of certain eligible recipients to work equity programs; protecting certain benefits; commissioner to contract for recipient services and grant distribution. DAHL, VEGA

Chpt. 309 — S.F. 321 Permitting certain nursing homes to place all of an applicant's assets in a trust account at the time of admission from which only expenses for the cost of care of the applicant may be deducted; requiring retirement homes to permit the applicant or his guardian to examine the records relating to the trust account and receive an audited statement; requiring a written agreement at the time of admission to permit the applicant to withdraw from the home at any time and receive all unexpended funds remaining in the trust account. KIRCHNER, ABELN

Chpt. 326 — S.F. 899 Permitting nursing homes to submit certain revenue and expense statements for licensing renewal; permitting reinspections to be made with next annual inspection or license renewal; requiring periodic audits of certain nursing homes; changing certain provision on investment allowance and reimbursement of expenses for interests on capital indebtedness; providing an annual cost settlement for medical assistance payments. MILTON, SWANSON

Chpt. 331 — S.F. 1334 Providing for payment of care and treatment costs for mentally retarded, epileptic and emotionally handicapped children requiring 24 hour care; requiring reimbursement of certain costs for care and treatment by the parents of the child as determined by the commissioner of public welfare. PERPICH, SAMUELSON

Chpt. 337 — H.F. 319 Renaming daytime activity centers for the retarded and cerebral palsied as developmental achievement centers. M. SIEBEN, LEWIS

Chpt. 360 — H.F. 167 providing for the purchase of liability insurance by the commissioner of public welfare for foster boarding homes licensed by the department of public welfare or established by the juvenile court and certified by the commissioner of corrections. SWANSON, STAPLES

Chpt. 362 — H.F. 180 Appropriating funds to the Mayo Foundation for a program of graduate training in family practice; report to state legislative auditor. HAUGERUD, LAUFENBURGER

Chpt. 380 — H.F. 462 Requiring health record information concerning any diagnosis, treatment and prognosis to be provided to certain persons upon written request; exceptions; requiring the transfer of health records under certain conditions. MCCOLLAR, MILTON

Chpt. 398 — H.F. 823 Permitting plastic well casings; subject to any rules the state board of health deems necessary for the public health. SMOGARD, NICHOLS

Chpt. 400 — H.F. 856 Authorizing the establishment of a centralized disbursement system for AFDC and emergency assistance payments and food stamps; authorizing the department of public welfare to promulgate rules and set guidelines; requiring each county to pay their costs of the program; providing for distribution of federal funds to state and local welfare agencies. CLAWSON, PERPICH

Chpt. 405 — H.F. 971 Relating to financial requirements for nonprofit health service plan corporations; requiring certain corporations with service plans limited to dental or vision care services and having limits for specified and maximum benefits to maintain a certain surplus in addition to all reserves established; minimum financial requirements. BRINKMAN, TENNESSEN

Chpt. 406 — H.F. 980 Authorizing the state board of health to regulate the establishment, operation and maintenance of certain clinical laboratories except hospital laboratories or laboratories owned or operated by five or less licensed practitioners of the healing arts to treat their patients; permitting rules for quality control, equipment, facility environment, personnel, administration, records and fee schedule. SCHEID, VEGA

Chpt. 412 — H.F. 1054 Altering eligibility for AFDC aid; value of personal property not to exceed federal regulations; permitting ownership of certain income earning real or personal property, or real property which is continuously available for sale; persons receiving certain federal supplemental security ineligible; recipient to report income; county of financial responsibility not to change with successive placements; conditions of the home not to affect aid. BRANDL, TENNESSEN

Chpt. 413 — H.F. 1060 Changing requirements for forgiveness of medical education loans: medical or osteopath students who received loans prior to June 1, 1975 are relieved of obligation to repay loan for practice of medicine or osteopathy for three years in an area in need of doctors or osteopaths as defined by the higher education coordinating board; increasing amount of assistance permitted per recipient. KALIS, WEGENER

Chpt. 415 — H.F. 1113 Clarifying the powers of guardianship by the commissioner of public welfare for any mentally retarded person; extending deadline to file comprehensive evaluation; any interested person may nominate the commissioner as conservator or initiate conservatorship proceedings; removing certain powers of the commissioner to admit any mentally retarded or epileptic person to a state hospital. BERKELMAN, DIETERICH

Chpt. 419 — H.F. 1276 Continuing an appropriation for pilot dental health programs for the aged; allowing a portion to be used for administrative purposes; limits; repealing the pilot program expiration date. CLARK, TENNESSEN

Chpt. 427 — S.F. 80 Reimbursement for volunteer ambulance attendants for training school expenses. MENNING, VANASEK

Chpt. 428 — S.F. 124 Director of state planning to establish pilot programs providing emergency shelter and support services to battered women; providing grants for community education programs; establishing advisory task force and project co-ordinator, requiring data collection by hospitals, physicians, public health nurses, and law enforcement agencies. LEWIS, KAHN

Chpt. 435 — S.F. 655 Provides funding for grants-in-aid to continue the operation of specific detached worker programs to assist young people in Austin, Brainerd, and northeastern Hennepin county; requires local matching funds. HUMPHREY, ADAMS

Chpt. 437 — S.F. 743 Establishing a program of voluntary health screening and education for pre-schoolers by schools; providing for periodic monitoring; summary data; reimbursement and assistance through health department. MILTON, BYRNE

Chpt. 448 — H.F. 1051 Altering eligibility criteria for medical assistance, supplemental aid and aids for families with dependent children; permitting the ownership of one automobile, a homestead, certain income earning property and real estate not used as a home which produces a net income applicable to the family's needs or which is continuously for sale; including nursing home expenses within catastrophic health protection; authorizing local agencies to contract with nonprofit organizations for work program services. BERGLIN, S. KEEFE

Chpt. 453 — S.F. 1416 Omnibus welfare-corrections appropriations bill; appropriating money for welfare, corrections, health and other purposes, including appropriations for the department of public welfare, vocational rehabilitation, corrections, corrections ombudsman, health, health related boards and public assistance programs; ceases funding for Hastings State Hospital; nominal medical charge; appropriating money for the Father Miller Memorial Chapel at Stillwater prison. MOE, NORTON

HOUSING

Chpt. 65 — H.F. 38 Providing statutory warranties on the sale of new housing; free from faulty workmanship, defective materials and faulty installation of plumbing, electrical, heating and cooling systems; exclusions: damage not reported in writing within six months of occurrence; waiver and modification limited; procedures for exclusion or modification; civil remedies for breach of warranty; additional warranties; commissioner of administration to approve variations. M. SIEBEN, SIKORSKI

Chpt. 401 — H.F. 875 Allowing the state housing finance agency to make temporary loans to cooperative sponsors; permitting grants to improve accessibility of housing to the handicapped to exceed limits; agency duties; provide technical assistance to encourage applications for multifamily housing projects; enter into agreements with housing and redevelopment authorities to foster multifamily housing rehabilitation; advance reservation of mortgage finance and rent subsidies; schedule for recovery of grants; establish affordable homes housing assistance fund; bond fund limits. KROENING, KNOLL

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INSURANCE

Chpt. 178 — S.F. 96 Permitting certain insurance policies to be cancelled within ten days of purchase; requiring written notice by agent; refund; cancellation of policy for non-compliance. LUTHER, SCHEID

Chpt. 186 — S.F. 368 Prohibiting contracts for accident and health insurance, health service plan subscriber or health maintenance contracts which provide for termination or coverage to the spouse of the insured because of a break in the marital relationship until the entry of a valid decree of dissolution; providing conversion privileges without evidence of insurability if application is made within a certain time after the marriage is dissolved. KNUTSON, KVAM

Chpt. 194 — S.F. 581 Changes certain licensing procedures for insurance agents; fee forfeited for failure to take examination within 6 months; provisions for filing for renewal or an amended license. KLEINBAUM, ELLINGSON

Chpt. 195 — S.F. 586 Relating to legal expense insurance; authorizing the use of closed panel insurance plans. DIETERICH, WYNIA

Chpt. 243 — H.F. 635 Increasing insurance solicitors license fees; authorizing the commissioner of insurance to initiate civil actions, cease and desist orders and injunctions; prescribing penalties. ELLINGSON, SPEAR

Chpt. 244 — H.F. 675 Regulating township mutual fire insurance companies; changing the filing date for annual statements; changing limitations on insurable property; permitting investments to be deposited in federally insured depositories; funds deposited in states adjacent to Minnesota may continue on deposit until certificate of deposit matures at which time it shall be withdrawn and deposited in a Minnesota federally insured depository. WENZEL, SIKORSKI

Chpt. 266 — S.F. 1338 Qualifying certain provisions in the no-fault insurance act. DAVIES, SUSS

Chpt. 273 — H.F. 296 "Minnesota Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act" provides protection for policyowners, insureds and others against failure of the insurer to meet contract obligations through creation of an association of all insurers. CASSERLY, S. KEEFE

Chpt. 276 — H.F. 672 Relating to automobile insurance; providing for determination of the participation ratio; providing for higher limits of liability coverage and additional medical benefits on automobile insurance as recommended by governing committee and approved by commissioner of insurance; insurer to offer optional coverages in addition to compulsory coverages including uninsured motorist coverage to provide total limits of uninsured motorist coverage equal to residual bodily injury liability limits of the policy or small limits. ABELN, LAUFENBURGER

Chpt. 287 — H.F. 972 Prohibiting fire and casualty insurance companies to terminate certain agency contracts without written notice; requiring certain contract renewals at the request of the agent; exceptions for insolvency, revocation of license or misconduct by the agent or for insurance businesses not owned by the agent; providing a civil penalty. ABELN, MERRIAM

Chpt. 316 — S.F. 583 Providing penalties for insurance companies in violation of certain filing requirements; failure to file annual statement, amended bylaws, amended articles of incorporation, or other mandatory filing requirement; penalties for submitting false statements and conducting business with suspended license; extension of filing deadline. SOLON, M. NELSEN

Chpt. 345 — H.F. 1201 "Readability of Insurance Policies Act" requiring insurers to supply cover sheets with insurance policies; requiring approval by the insurance commissioner; establishing requirements for format and readability; requiring insurer to accompany contract or policies with certified readability score for approval; filing requirements; commissioner to make reports to legislature. GEORGE, SIKORSKI

Chpt. 353 — H.F. 16 Providing for interest on unpaid life insurance benefits, individual or group; interest to be paid at current rate of interest or rate charged by the insurer for loans; exceptions to payment requirements; payment procedures; severability of act's provisions; requiring higher rate of interest if interest is unpaid within a certain time after proof of insured's death; notification of interest payment. R. KEMPE, MCCUTCHEON

Chpt. 365 — H.F. 256 Providing for the regulation of aircraft and inland marine insurance. WYNIA, HUMPHREY

Chpt. 366 — H.F. 259 Requiring that the refund of an unearned premium and notice of policy cancellation on certain automobile insurance policies be delivered or sent by certified mail to the insured not later than the effective date of cancellation; defining terms. R. KELLY, SOLON

Chpt. 382 — H.F. 530 Regulating the use of credit life and credit health and accident insurance; eliminating level term credit life insurance; eliminating "pyramiding" of credit life insurance; permitting joint life credit insurance policies and certain classes of credit accident and health insurance. ELLINGSON, LUTHER

Chpt. 409 — H.F. 1030 Relating to health care plans; requiring minimum anticipated loss ratios for certain insurance plans; eliminating certain open enrollment requirements for nonprofit health service plans; revising the Minnesota Comprehensive Insurance Act of 1976; prescribing duties for commissioner of insurance and the commissioner of public welfare. SWANSON, SIKORSKI

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Chpt. 8 — S.F. 107 "Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Act"; establishes rules for determining jurisdiction in child custody actions; notice to contestants for hearing; simultaneous proceedings outside state; in appropriate and inconvenient forums; affidavits submitted under oath; additional parties claiming custody; proceedings for handling decrees of another state; assisting courts in other states; maintaining documents. HANSON, FARICY

Chpt. 14 — S.F. 201 Prohibiting devices intended to be used to avoid payment of long distance telephone services; prescribing penalties. DAVIES, MCCARRON

Chpt. 21 — S.F. 86 Relating to the registration of title to land; registration of appurtenant easement over unregistered land; changes in the person who may register land; applications; period for notice; final decree; filing of judgments on certificates of title only when the judgment debtor has a registered interest; fees. J. KEEFE, BERG

Chpt. 51 — S.F. 70 "Uniform Enforcement of Foreign Judgments Act" providing for enforcement of foreign judgments in Minnesota district courts; provides for payment of filing fees. DAVIES

Chpt. 53 — S.F. 108 Increasing amount of minimum property damage requiring a report of a car accident to the commissioner of public safety. LEWIS, D. ANDERSON

Chpt. 79 — H.F. 686 Permitting certain judges to resume contribution for survivor benefits after failure to elect to continue; requiring payment of 4% of salary for the period and 6% of sum remitted in lieu of interest. DAHL, DUNN

Chpt. 126 — S.F. 69 Requiring consents for adoption to be executed in writing before witnesses, except when the child's parent is co-petitioner or does not have custody; consents may be executed before a judge of the juvenile court. SIELOFF, FARICY

Chpt. 129 — S.F. 166 Venue for actions to recover rent deposits in county where rental property is located or at tenant's option in the county of landlord's residence; court jurisdiction. DAVIES, CASSERLY

Chpt. 130 — S.F. 188 Correcting references in the laws relating to criminal sexual conduct; repealing certain laws relating to sodomy. DAVIES, BERGLIN

Chpt. 139 — S.F. 721 Removes \$1 fee for filing veterinarians license with the district court clerk. SIELOFF, JUDE

Chpt. 153 — S.F. 967 Authorizes court to settle amount and enter judgement against guardian, conservator or a surety when mismanagement or misconduct has been determined in probate proceedings; resignation of guardian or conservator effective upon approval of final account and acceptance of resignation by court; court to remove guardian or conservator under certain conditions. DAVIES, ELLINGSON

Chpt. 154 — S.F. 969 Authorizing the court to order accounting by and judgment against surety in proceedings to settle estates. DAVIES, ELLINGSON

Chpt. 155 — S.F. 970 Authorizing a probate court upon petition, and the registrar upon application, to appoint successor to personal representatives. DAVIES, ELLINGSON

Chpt. 156 — S.F. 972 Relating to probate; protecting certain good faith purchasers dealing with personal representatives. DAVIES, ELLINGSON

Chpt. 157 — S.F. 973 Providing for probate proceedings to be governed by rules of civil procedure. DAVIES, ELLINGSON

Chpt. 159 — S.F. 1138 Relating to probate; requiring for collection of personal property the inclusion of a death certificate with affidavit showing that 30 days have passed since death. DAVIES, ELLINGSON

Chpt. 175 — S.F. 1014 Requiring the supreme court to prescribe uniform conciliation court forms. OLHOFF, SHERWOOD

Chpt. 179 — S.F. 143 Prohibiting certain acts of vandalism or negligence which result in damage or injury to railroad employees, others, and railroad property; prescribing penalties. TENNESSEN, ARLANDSON

Chpt. 181 — S.F. 191 Authorizing release of birth information to persons at age 21; requiring written notice and waiting period for objections from parents; identity of genetic parent withheld upon parent's request; confidentiality of records. SPEAR, ENEBO

Chpt. 184 — S.F. 254 Jurisdiction of trusts extended to county courts; petition of courts for confirmation of action by a trustee; providing for release of courts jurisdiction. DAVIES, JUDE

Chpt. 187 — S.F. 380 Providing for lapse of causes of action arising outside the state. DAVIES, DAHL

Chpt. 188 — S.F. 388 Requiring subrogated insurers to pay a proportionate share of certain attorney fees and costs in any action brought for the recovery of damages allegedly caused by negligent operation or maintenance of a motor vehicle, or in any counterclaim to such action. SIELOFF, FARICY

Chpt. 190 — S.F. 466 Authorizing the district court to determine whether a petitioner must be present at a post conviction hearing. TENNESSEN, A. KEMPE

Chpt. 196 — S.F. 587 Providing authority to county courts to order examination of a defendant's mental capacity. TENNESSEN

Chpt. 199 — S.F. 719 Repealing the law that requires district court clerks to make costs and disbursements reports to the county attorney in criminal cases. SIELOFF, JUDE

Chpt. 200 — S.F. 720 Repealing the filing fee in juvenile court proceedings relating to adoption when the probate judge is judge of juvenile court. SIELOFF, JUDE

Chpt. 201 — S.F. 722 Provides the petit jurors in probate court be selected in the same manner as petit jurors are selected in district court. SIELOFF, JUDE

Chpt. 207 — S.F. 968 Changing the requirements for the notice of hearing on a petition for a decree of descent. DAVIES, ELLINGSON

Chpt. 208 — S.F. 1051 Providing for multi-county grand juries for inquiries involving more than one county; presiding judge from judicial district which includes one of the counties involved; judge to decide where grand jury sits. BORDEN, NELSON

Chpt. 212 — S.F. 1291 Relating to venue for cases involving maltreatment of minors; criminal action arising out of an incident of alleged child abuse may be prosecuted and punished either in the county where the alleged abuse occurred or the county where the child may be found. STAPLES, NELSON

Chpt. 238 — H.F. 56 Relating to the rights of visitation with minor children after dissolution of marriage. M. SIEBEN, SIKORSKI

Chpt. 255 — S.F. 766 Prohibiting the ownership of short barreled shotguns except by law enforcement officers in the course of their duties or if classified as collector's items, relics, or museum pieces or ornaments; requiring written reports identifying owner, description of weapon and manner in which it is rendered unusable; providing penalties; exempts members of the armed services. DAVIES, BRANDL

Chpt. 263 — S.F. 1175 Permitting recording of probate deed of distribution without tax certificate. DAVIES, ELLINGSON

Chpt. 281 — H.F. 914 Clarifying authority of the juvenile court; court to appoint probation officers for court services and human services board to appoint persons to provide correctional services under human services act; human services regional commission to develop plan for the delivery of human services including corrections services. SUSS, SCHMITZ

Chpt. 286 — H.F. 954 Enacting the "Uniform Juror Selection and Service Act", providing for selection and service of grand and petit jurors; prohibiting discrimination; jury commissioner to manage juror selection under control of district court; county juror selection plan; source list, supplements; excuses; records; juror compensation and travel reimbursement; protection of juror's employment. CUM-MISKEY, DAVIES

Chpt. 307 — S.F. 160 Establishing the tax court as a full time court; removed from revenue department; establishing salaries and terms for judges subject to judicial standards; review by the Supreme Court; prescribes jurisdiction; appointment of officers; use of district courts for hearings; procedures for appeals; rules of civil procedure; requires bonds, providing penalties; prohibiting judges from engaging in a law practice; creating a small claims division. DAVIES, SUSS

Chpt. 330 — S.F. 1290 Prescribing venue for neglect cases in the county where the child is found or in the county where the alleged neglect occurred. STAPLES, NELSON

Chpt. 336 — H.F. 314 Authorizing electronic transcription of trial proceedings in lieu of stenographic recording in Olmsted county; authorizing Supreme Court to establish reporting requirements and length of time to retain court proceedings; authorizing trial court to appoint and compensate individuals other than court reporters to operate devices and transcribe record. ZUBAY, BRATAAS

Chpt. 341 — H.F. 952 Authorizes the sixth judicial district judges to appoint domestic relations referees for St. Louis county; duties and powers to include hearing, reporting and recommending findings relating to marriage dissolution, annulment and separate maintenance; county commissioners to provide space and personnel and assume necessary expenses; ratifying previous actions. LEHTO, SOLON

Chpt. 347 — H.F. 1305 Revisor's bill; providing for the correction of erroneous, ambiguous, omitted and obsolete references and text; re-enacting a law; eliminating certain duplicative and conflicting provisions superseded by or conflicting with other provisions of the law. HOKANSON, DIETERICH

Chpt. 349 — H.F. 800 Regulating the transfer of pistols; requires written report to police chief, waiting period for pistol transfers; police check of transferees; prohibits transfer of pistols to certain persons; no restrictions on number of pistols acquired; records returned to transferees; free transfer forms; exempts certain transfers; appeals, penalties; prohibiting a stay of imposition or execution of sentence when a person convicted of certain crimes had a firearm in his possession or used another dangerous weapon. BERG, MCCUTCHEON

Chpt. 355 — H.F. 82 Raising the amount of pecuniary gain which must be received by a person incident to a violation of law before the violation is categorized as a felony; increasing the maximum penalty for city ordinance violations and the penal fines of misdemeanors; directing a court to prescribe as a condition of a stay of imposition or execution of sentence restitution for property damage or loss of compensation for personal injuries. STANTON, NICHOLS

Chpt. 375 — H.F. 415 "Minnesota Government Data Practices Act" defines confidential, government and private data; all government data to be public unless classified by statute or federal law as not public or private data on individuals; rules for access to government data summary of data classified as not public; limits intergovernmental access to data; emergency classification procedures; protects private individual data; disclosure to subject of data; government data access board to hear appeals, issue subpoenas, order compliance; judicial review, data management and disposal; state archive; penalties. HOKANSON, TENNESSEN

Chpt. 390 — H.F. 676 Relating to the Dram Shop Act; limiting time period for actions and notice; placing civil actions for damages under the rule of comparative negligence; limits the amount of recovery in civil action for all damages resulting from a single instance of the illegal sale, barter or gift of intoxicating liquor. ABELN, MCCUTCHEON

Chpt. 396 — H.F. 801 Specifying certain acts which constitute theft in connection with cable television services and systems. COHEN, STOKOWSKI

Chpt. 424 — H.F. 1582 Authorizing the commissioner of public safety to establish a criminal justice data communications network which will interconnect criminal justice agencies within the state; network is exclusively for state criminal justice agencies to enforce criminal or traffic laws; possible monthly charges; network connected to federal system; public safety commissioner to administer network, approve participating agencies and review all grant requests; assistance of other state offices. NOVAK, SCHAFF

Chpt. 432 — S.F. 311 Providing for court reorganization; duties of chief justice; assignment of judges; judge's salaries and expenses; salaries to be paid by the state; rotation of duties in juvenile courts in Hennepin and Ramsey counties and the family court in Hennepin county; conference of judges; election of a chief judge; continuous terms; creating an office of district administrator and prescribing duties; abolishing justice of the peace and de novo jurisdiction of district courts; appellate panels in district courts. TENNESSEN, VOSS

Chpt. 440 — S.F. 971 Authorizing additional powers and duties for probate court registrars as required by or incidental to informal proceedings; requiring letters, orders and documents issued by the registrar to be certified, authenticated or exemplified in the same manner as those issued by the court. DAVIES, ELLINGSON

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Chpt. 2 — H.F. 12 Providing for transfer of property between independent school district No. 15 (St. Francis) and independent school district No. 911 (Cambridge). CLAWSON, ANDERSON

Chpt. 3 — S.F. 48 Ratifying sales of certain tax forfeited land in Becker county. PETERSON, EVANS

Chpt. 12 — S.F. 11 Authorizes the city of Kenyon to construct, furnish and equip a medical clinic and issue bonds. PURFEERST, WHITE

Chpt. 23 — S.F. 104 Authorizes board of commissioners of Cook county to issue public bonds to construct and equip a building for the county highway department. JOHNSON, BUTTAGLIA

Chpt. 24 — H.F. 168 Authorizing Yellow Medicine county to participate in the mental health services program outside its economic development region. SMOGARD, STRAND

Chpt. 26 — S.F. 22 Authorizes the licensing of Canadian physicians with or without examination. WEGENER, SHERWOOD

Chpt. 48 — H.F. 809 Detaching a certain portion of Lac Qui Parle county and annexing it to Big Stone county. SMOGARD, NICHOLS

Chpt. 50 — S.F. 10 Removing population restrictions for establishment of tourist information centers by cities. JOHNSON, BEGICH

Chpt. 52 — S.F. 72 Authorizing the Governor, upon recommendation of the commissioner of natural resources to convey Battle Point and any state structures to Todd county; lands and structures shall revert to the state if Todd county fails to improve or operate same for the public benefit. WEGENER, NELSEN

Chpt. 54 — S.F. 111 Determining eligibility for Centerville volunteer firemen's service pension by treating years of service with the Centerville volunteer fire department as years of membership in the relief association. MILTON, NEISEN

Chpt. 55 — S.F. 170 Relating to the deposit or expenditure of public funds in an institution or contract in which a public officer has interest; permitting deposit in savings associations; increasing the amount which local governments can contract for goods and services without competitive bids. OLHOFT, BRINKMAN

Chpt. 58 — S.F. 569 Validating the transfer of funds by the Norman county board from the school tax fund to the revenue fund. MOE, EKEN

Chpt. 60 — S.F. 855 Increasing maximum automobile expense allowance for St. Louis county commissioners. JOHNSON, LEHTO

Chpt. 64 — S.F. 1387 Authorizing the conveyance of permanent and temporary easements over certain state lands to Steele county. FREDERICK, BIERSDORF

Chpt. 72 — S.F. 813 Authorizing Carlton county to pay the city of Cloquet on an annual basis for legal services. CHMIELEWSKI, MURPHY

Chpt. 74 — H.F. 107 Authorizing the transfer of sewer mains running from the St. Cloud reformatory to the city of St. Cloud and related real property in Sherburne county to the city of St. Cloud. PATTON, KLEINBAUM

Chpt. 81 — H.F. 979 Authorizes the conveyance by the state of certain lands in St. Louis county; county to sell land and credit proceeds to the St. Louis county historical society. JAROS, SOLON

Chpt. 92 — S.F. 845 Providing for separate election districts within independent school district No. 710, St. Louis county; providing for revolving elections of directors and terms of office; vacancies to be filled by appointment by board members. JOHNSON, FUGINA

Chpt. 95 — H.F. 75 Requiring railroad companies to reimburse local governments and non-profit fire fighting corporations for expenses incurred to extinguish fires caused by a locomotive, rolling stock, or employees working the railroad right of way; reimbursement notification; authorizing civil action for failure to comply, claim forms. M. SIEBEN, SIKORSKI

Chpt. 102 — H.F. 521 Providing for certain land to be detached from independent school district No. 196 (Rosemount) and annexed to independent school district No. 194 (Lakeville); providing taxation policies. JENSEN, KNUTSON

Chpt. 115 — H.F. 525 Providing for the transfer by county boards of certain surplus ditch funds to another governing body or watershed district assuming responsibility for the drainage system. SCHULZ, LAUFENBURGER

Chpt. 116 — H.F. 563 Provides for certain lands to be detached from independent school district No. 721 (New Prague) and annexed to independent school district No. 194 (Lakeville). SUSS, KNUTSON

Chpt. 123 — H.F. 1248 Authorizing the city of Springfield to acquire real and personal property to be leased to independent school districts No. 85 (Springfield), No. 84 (Sleepy Eye) and No. 633 (Lamberton); providing for a bond issue upon agreement of the school districts to pay rentals to the city to meet principal and interest on the bonds. ECKSTEIN, JENSEN

Chpt. 127 — S.F. 78 Regulating the investment of debt service funds by public bodies; purchase agreements. S. KEEFE, MCEACHERN

Chpt. 128 — S.F. 99 Authorizing the sale of Buena Vista Sanitarium to Wabasha county after rejection of bids. LAUFENBURGER, LEMKE

Chpt. 141 — S.F. 769 Providing for the separation of the city of Aurora in St. Louis county from the town of White in St. Louis county. JOHNSON, BEGICH

Chpt. 142 — S.F. 827 Authorizing the city of Duluth to establish and administer a city housing finance program; restricting loans when private financing is available and affordable by the applicant; providing for the issuance of revenue bonds. J. ULLAND, JAROS

Chpt. 145 — S.F. 880 Granting the powers of statutory cities to the towns of Ravenna, Vermillion, Eureka, Hampton, Douglas, Empire, Nininger, Marshan, Castle Rock, Greenvale, Waterford, Sciota and Randolph. ENGLER, WHITE

Chpt. 147 — S.F. 905 Authorizing the city of Mora and its public utility commission to issue and sell electric revenue refunding bonds. BORDEN, M. NELSEN

Chpt. 148 — S.F. 914 Providing for the service of the police and fire chiefs of the city of Mankato; exempted from civil service coverage; prohibiting dismissal or suspension except for just cause. A. UELAND, CUMMISKEY

Chpt. 161 — S.F. 1164 Permitting the Olmsted county board to construct sidewalks and undertake related improvements; permitting financing of project by special assessment. FREDERICK, FRIEDRICH

Chpt. 166 — S.F. 1423 Authorizing the exchange of certain public lake access land in Polk county. MOE, EKEN

Chpt. 176 — S.F. 1017 Authorizing the town board of Bass Brook to exercise certain powers relating to special provisions for towns, statutory cities, local improvements, municipal industrial development, and public indebtedness. LESSARD, PRAHL

Chpt. 189 — S.F. 442 Grants to board of county commissioners the authority to require by ordinance that all title transfers of real property be submitted to administrative officer for approval of compliance with county subdivisions and platting regulations; requiring certificates of noncompliance to be filed with the county recorder. SETZEPFANDT, SCHULZ

Chpt. 197 — S.F. 628 Extending the compliance date for county official controls, policies, standards and maps which control physical development and are the means of translating into ordinances the objectives of the comprehensive plan. SCHMITZ, MCDONALD

Chpt. 204 — S.F. 860 Prescribing the areas where the county court judge of St. Louis county shall reside, serve in and be elected from. J. ULLAND, LEHTO

Chpt. 210 — S.F. 1127 Authorizing local units to assign revenues from the fire department or fire hall or any other available funds to repay farmers home administration loans for fire halls or equipment. WEGENER, BRAUN

Chpt. 221 — H.F. 323 Permitting the Dakota county board to create the office of administrative assistant to the sheriff of Dakota county; position to be unclassified; permitting a sheriff's civil service commissioner to hold other office or employment if it does not conflict or compromise impartiality of commissioner's duties; per diem payment and travel expenses authorized. M. SIEBEN, VEGA

Chpt. 235 — H.F. 1194 Authorizing the city of Marshall to sell and issue general obligation bonds to finance the acquisition and betterment of land and facilities for its municipal airport. STANTON, NICHOLS

Chpt. 245 — H.F. 791 Authorizes the lease of certain state lands in Rice county to the city of Faribault for the purpose of establishing a nonprofit nature interpretive center with emphasis on natural history, the history and heritage of Minnesota citizens; 20 year renewable lease. BIRNSTIHL, PURFEERST

Chpt. 257 — S.F. 828 Authorizes the city of Duluth to acquire, construct and maintain parking facilities including on-street or off-street parking areas and parking or traffic control devices; authorizing bonds issue and levy of general tax or special assessments. SOLON, BERKELMAN

Chpt. 259 — S.F. 1023 Permits municipalities to enter into reverse purchase agreements with certain banks; provides for liability of either party upon failure to redeliver a security or failure to tender the repurchase; limitations; provides penalties for misconduct of municipal officers in the execution of agreements. WEGENER, MCEACHERN

Chpt. 262 — S.F. 1174 Authorizing the Mankato housing and redevelopment authority to make rehabilitation loans and grants; authorizing Mankato to issue bonds for a municipal fire hall and city hall. A. UELAND

Chpt. 278 — H.F. 808 Requires local governing bodies to monthly pay contractor up to 90% of amount already earned under local improvement contracts; failure to pay any amount due within a specified time period shall obligate municipality to pay contractor simple interest on past due amount; exceptions. FUDRO, LAUFENBURGER

Chpt. 290 — H.R. 1107 Authorizing the commissioner of natural resources to sell certain lands in Itasca county. I. ANDERSON

Chpt. 302 — H.F. 1518 Providing for the transfer of territory from independent school district No. 272 (Eden Prairie) to independent school district No. 271 (Bloomington). PLEASANT, BANG

Chpt. 322 — S.F. 742 Relating to the White Bear Lake conservation district; increasing membership to two representatives of each municipality; specifying officers. MILTON, MCCOLLAR

Chpt. 367 — H.F. 293 Authorizing conveyance of the state's interest and title in a dam easement; empowering the town of Hines in Beltrami county to acquire, maintain and operate a public dam on Blackduck Lake. I. ANDERSON, LESSARD

Chpt. 422 — H.F. 1457 Authorizing the commissioner of natural resources to convey certain state lands in Aitkin county conditional on another land transfer. M. NELSEN, BORDEN

Chpt. 438 — S.F. 830 Authorizes the city of Duluth to impose a sales tax up to two percent on certain sales of food and drink. SOLON, JAROS

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Chpt. 69 — S.F. 640 Permits the board of commissioners of Hennepin county to contract for goods and services for up to seven years. STOKOWSKI, BRANDL

Chpt. 70 — S.F. 684 Creating an accrual accounting system for Anoka county; providing procedures for the purchase and payment of goods and services. MERRIAM, MCCARRON

Chpt. 77 — H.F. 218 Providing for representation of the Minneapolis city council and Hennepin county board on the municipal commission; county auditor replaced on commission by county board representative who shall serve as commission secretary; establishing regular meetings. CASSERLY, STOKOWSKI

Chpt. 89 — S.F. 895 Metropolitan sports commission to determine site and design specifications for a multipurpose stadium; ownership and obligations for Bloomington stadium; permitting Metro-Council revenue bond issue; tax anticipation certificates; requires environmental impact statements; long term agreements with teams; liquor license; metro liquor tax; admission tax; prohibits black-out; increases Bloomington levy; small business contracts and an affirmative action plan; solar energy feasibility study; assessment of University of Minnesota athletic needs. S. KEEFE, PATTON

Chpt. 101 — H.F. 502 Authorizing compensation for the Hennepin county park reserve district commissioners and the Hennepin county library board members; limits. SKOGLUND, BANG

Chpt. 191 — S.F. 556 Providing for tenure and benefits to certain employees of the municipal building commission at the Hennepin county Court House; providing procedures for promotions and dismissals; Minneapolis civil service lists for promotion, rules to govern cause for removal; prohibiting removal without written charges, hearings and vote by members of the commission. STOKOWSKI, ENEBO

Chpt. 198 — S.F. 683 Authorizing the county of Anoka to establish scenic areas; permitting the acquisition of fee interest or less in said lands; requiring notice to municipality in which scenic area is located, and information and technical assistance upon request; eminent domain proceedings in name of county. MERRIAM, VOSS

Chpt. 228 — H.F. 542 Creating a public housing agency for the city of St. Paul; membership requirements; appointment procedures; agency powers and duties; transferring rights, duties, titles and obligations from the housing and redevelopment authority to the public housing agency. R. KELLY, CHENOWETH

Chpt. 291 — H.F. 1129 Codifying existing laws relating to the composition, terms, selection and redistricting of the Ramsey county board of commissioners; providing a time for certain board meetings; future redistricting; authorizing rules of procedure and the keeping and publication of a board journal. NOVAK, HUGHES

Chpt. 321 — S.F. 709 Excluding any state governmental unit located in whole or in part in Hennepin county transacting business in Hennepin county municipal court from civil fees; fees previously collected are in accordance with legislative intent; clarification procedures. TENNESSEN, ARLANDSON

Chpt. 325 — S.F. 875 Relating to the duties of the Hennepin county personnel board; providing for referral of ten rather than three persons to department heads to be considered as job applicants when a vacancy occurs. STAPLES, A. CARLSON

Chpt. 344 — H.F. 1193 Authorizing the Bloomington housing and redevelopment authority to make loans and grants for home improvements, rental assistance and financial assistance, authorizing the South St. Paul and Mankato housing and redevelopment authorities to make rehabilitation loans and grants; conditions for loans and grants. ABELN, BENEDICT

Chpt. 368 — H.F. 315 Providing for a non-voting member of the state zoological board to be designated by the Dakota county board. R. KEMPE, VEGA

Chpt. 402 — H.F. 938 Ramsey county to appropriate funds for municipalities outside St. Paul to construct and maintain appropriate traffic control devices and lighting; limits; part of Lexington Avenue in Ramsey county to be eligible for county turnback funds; Ramsey county board to approve reconstruction plan; prohibiting city of St. Paul from using existing park land for reconstruction of Lexington Avenue. HANSON, DIETERICH

Chpt. 417 — H.F. 1226 Increasing per diem compensation to members of the metropolitan airports commission; exceptions; clarifying certain powers and organization; granting emergency authority to expend funds. ADAMS, KNOLL

Chpt. 425 — H.F. 937 Deleting obsolete provisions in the Ramsey county code relating to parks and recreation. COHEN, STUMPF

Chpt. 436 — S.F. 695 Authorizing the Metropolitan Council to issue bonds for the repair, construction, improvement and rehabilitation of Como Park Zoo by the city of St. Paul; requiring plans to be approved by the Metropolitan Council; city retains ownership and management of the zoo. STUMPF, WYNIA

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PENSIONS AND RETIREMENT

Chpt. 61 — S.F. 1039 Relating to Eveleth's firemen's pensions; extending the deadline to increase monthly pension and survivor benefits; transfers the police and firemen's relief associations to the public employees police and fire fund; providing a trust fund; issuance of bonds; authorizing retroactive payments for firemen's pensions in Eveleth and Two Harbors. JOHNSON, BEGICH

Chpt. 62 — S.F. 1331 Authorizing payment of firemen's service pensions for retirement for certain members in the city of Litchfield after 20 years service regardless of age. BERNHAGEN, KVAM

Chpt. 67 — S.F. 362 Providing miscellaneous amendments to the teacher retirement law; includes teachers in state university and community college system but excludes University of Minnesota; fund not subject to assignment for divorce, separate maintenance, and child support; increasing amount of unrefunded accounts to be credited to retirement fund; providing for computation of retirement annuity; executive director; member information. STOKOWSKI, BEAUCHAMP

Chpt. 76 — H.F. 163 Transferring volunteer firemen's years of service to the firemen's relief associations for the purpose of determining eligibility for service pensions in the city of Albertville. MCEACHERN, DUNN

Chpt. 83 — S.F. 713 Providing that new police officers in the city of Fridley be members of the PERA; computation of Fridley police pension fund contributions and certain benefits tied to first grade patrolmen's salary; requiring additional city contributions to fund; pension to become trust fund until all obligations are paid. SCHAAF

Chpt. 97 — H.F. 307 Correcting outdated references in teachers retirement law. PATTON, STOKOWSKI

Chpt. 98 — H.F. 308 Excluding certain tradesmen employed by the metropolitan waste control commission with trade union pension plan coverage pursuant to a collective bargaining agreement from coverage in the Minnesota State Retirement System; procedures for exclusion and refund of contributions. PATTON, STOKOWSKI

Chpt. 100 — H.F. 414 Requiring membership in the PERA police and fire funds for new members of the Fairmont city police; specifying obligation of the city of Fairmont to the police relief association; regulating procedures, contributions and benefits. PETERSON, OLSON

Chpt. 164 — S.F. 1369 Relating to firemen's survivor benefits for the cities of Duluth, Minneapolis and St. Paul; reducing the length of marriage requirement for a surviving spouse to be eligible for benefits. CHENOWETH, MOE

Chpt. 169 — H.F. 685 Authorizing the Hibbing firemen's relief association to increase service pension benefits of certain retired firemen. SPANISH, PERPICH

Chpt. 171 — H.F. 1099 Providing for proportionate service pensions for members of the Excelsior firemen's relief association; establishing financing requirements. SEARLES, PILLSBURY

Chpt. 270 — H.F. 106 Increases St. Cloud firemen's widows benefits. PATTON, KLEINBAUM

Chpt. 274 — H.F. 460 Relating to retirement; adjustment in annuity payments through the adjustable fixed benefit fund; providing a formula for the annuity stabilization reserve; participating pension funds to recalculate the amount of its mortality gain or loss for each fiscal year. PATTON, STRAND

Chpt. 275 — H.F. 491 Service pensions for certain members of the Crookston police relief association. W. KELLY, MOE

Chpt. 294 — H.F. 1184 Authorizes an increase in firemen's service pensions for the city of Lakeville. WHITE, ENGLER

Chpt. 295 — H.F. 1259 Authorizing the payment of service pensions to certain members of the Savage firemen's relief association. SUSS, SCHMITZ

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Chpt. 122 — H.F. 1130 Requiring insurance of bond before the issuance of certificate or permit to a carrier; providing for suspension or revocation: fees and exemptions. HANSON, SCHAAF

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Chpt. 211 — S.F. 1196 Providing joint interstate airports which are located outside Minnesota equal treatment for the purpose of receiving state or federal funds. SILLERS

Chpt. 214 — H.F. 33 Defining motorized bicycles: bicycle with fully operable pedals which may be propelled by human power or motor or both; motor capacity; horse-power; taxation; providing for the registration of motorized bicycles and licensing of their operators; traffic regulations; all provisions relating to the operation of bicycles on roadways; exceptions. KAHN, KIRCHNER

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Chpt. 232 — H.F. 930 Directing Hennepin and Scott counties to design and construct a temporary replacement of the Bloomington ferry bridge. SUSS, KIRCHNER

Chpt. 236 — H.F. 1471 Requiring boards of adjustment to grant or deny applications for airport zoning within 6 months; authorizing the commissioner of transportation to use state airports fund to develop an air transportation system. WINSTROM, PURFEERST

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Chpt. 251 — S.F. 541 Authorizes value analysis of certain department of transportation building construction projects to eliminate unnecessary construction costs; requires contracts to include authorization for value analysis; change proposals to commissioner of transportation for approval and implementation of change orders. KNUTSON, DEAN

Chpt. 277 — H.F. 733 Authorizing the issuance of additional transportation bonds upon request of the commissioner of transportation for the design, construction and reconstruction of bridges and bridge approaches on the trunk highway systems, including interstate routes and county highway systems, municipal street systems and township road systems. LEMKE, LAUFENBURGER

Chpt. 279 — H.F. 817 Relating to highway traffic regulations; providing that increases in weight limits shall be statewide during certain periods for haulers of raw and unfinished forest products. BIRNSTIHL

Chpt. 327 — S.F. 932 Increases the filing fee for application for motor vehicle registration from \$1.00 to \$1.50 beginning August 1, 1977 and to \$1.75 on January 1, 1979. MENNING, OSTHOFF

Chpt. 334 — H.F. 231 Permitting advertising on bus shelters and trash receptacle units if authorized by license or permit. JUDE, LEWIS

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Chpt. 397 — H.F. 818 Prohibits driving or towing self-propelled implements of husbandry at a speed in excess of 30 miles per hour; providing a penalty. LEMKE, PURFEERST

Chpt. 454 — H.F. 1610 Omnibus transportation appropriation; including provisions for activities relating to highways, aviation and airports, transit and rail service; requiring reports on transit subsidies; altering certain standing appropriations; commissioner of transportation to implement sound abatement programs within or along perimeter of any trunk highway within the metro area or in any municipality; St. Paul downtown people mover; fare policy and reimbursement. NORTON, MOE

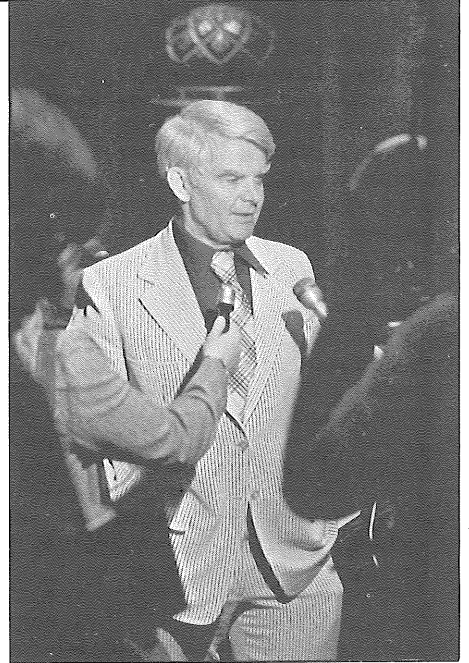
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After Majority Leader Nicholas Coleman (DFL-St. Paul) had indicated that there was no additional business before the body, Senate President Edward Gearty (DFL-Mpls.) pounded his gavel (above) and the Senate stood in recess until January 17, 1978. Afterward, reporters sought out both Coleman (top) and Minority Leader Robert Ashbach (I-R, Arden Hills) to solicit their comments on the results of the session. Senate committees are expected to have a busy interim period, with meetings scheduled on important legislation that will be considered in 1978.

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