

Session Review

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Editor's note: Leaders of both the Minnesota Senate and the House of Representatives called for a short, but productive, 1978 legislative session. The session was short - just 10 weeks, from Jan. 17 to March 24 - and productive with 341 bills passed and signed into law. And although two issues, tax relief and abortion funding, seemed to dominate the headlines, there were a number of other major issues to be heard, debated and decided. The following pages contain summaries of the major bills and a complete catalogue of all the measures passed this year.

Bill will cut over \$102 million in state taxes

A \$102 to \$105 million tax package was approved by the 1978 Legislature that will cut the income taxes of every Minnesotan by at least \$10 and will provide more relief for young families, businesses and the working poor.

Beginning with the 1978 tax year, the personal credit will be increased from \$30 to \$40 for each taxpayer, spouse and dependent. Under the 1977 tax bill, the personal credit was scheduled to increase from the current \$21 to \$30. The 1978 tax bill will boost the credit an additional \$10. The supplementary personal credits for people over 65, the blind, and the deaf will be decreased from \$30 to \$20, but the total package of personal credits for these individuals will be no lower than under current law.

In addition, the bill provides a \$50 "homemaker" credit for families in which one parent forgoes outside employment and remains in the home to care for a child under the age of 13. Families with annual incomes under \$25,000 will be eligible for this credit. The bill will also cut back a scheduled income tax increase for those having a taxable income of more than \$20,000.

Tax relief is provided for every person who pays residential heating bills. The 1978 tax bill immediately repeals the sales tax on fuels used for residential heating — which includes fuel oil, coal, wood, steam, propane gas, and LP gas. Natural gas and electricity will be exempt from the 4% sales tax during the six-month winter period only, because they are used for more than heating purposes. The exemption will be effective for the billing months of November through April.

Tax relief for business is provided by the repeal of the 2 percent excise tax now imposed on payrolls in excess of \$250,000.

The "working poor" and retired persons will also benefit under the new bill. The legislation will raise the eligibility ceiling for the "working poor" tax relief program. The program was originally designed to eliminate the income tax liability for workers at or near the minimum wage level, and the tax credit is increased according to the number of

dependents. Under the new bill, the tax relief schedule will be adjusted for inflation and increases in minimum wage levels. The new ceiling will be \$4,800 for four-member households, and \$8,900 for six-member and larger households.

Retired persons will benefit from a provision of the bill that grants an income tax exemption on the first \$7,200 of income less social security and railroad retirement from both public and private pensions. The exemption would be granted only in cases where total income is less than \$13,000.

Other provisions of the bill will create a \$140 tax credit for members of the Minnesota National Guard; allow a retroactive carryforward of the feedlot credit; increase from 1 to 10 acres the homestead allowance for purposes of "circuit breaker" property tax refunds; revise the distribution of a portion of the taconite production tax; and adjust the funds for payment of the taconite homestead credit.

Bill provides encouragement for small business

Small businesses in Minnesota will be aided by a measure passed this year by the legislature. The bill, S.F. 1450, creates a small business division within the Dept. of Economic Development. In addition, the bill also provides for the creation of a Small Business Advisory Task Force. Under the measure, a comprehensive analysis of methods to coordinate and expand activities of state agencies in the promotion and development of small businesses will be undertaken. The primary duty of the Task Force will be to advise the Commissioner of Economic Development and the legislature on structuring and allocating resources to the new small business division. A sunset provision is incorporated in the bill that sets an expiration date of July 1, 1979 for the Advisory Task Force.

Schools get \$15.7 million in extra aids

The Minnesota legislature appropriated an additional \$15.7 million to the state's public schools for 1978-79. One of the major spending measures of the session, the school aid bill provides \$4.6 million in basic per-pupil aid, \$3.7 million for school districts with declining enrollments, and \$3.1 million for special education programs. The spending increase brings the total state expenditure on primary and secondary education for the biennium to \$1.7 billion.

A key provision of the bill raises the basic aid formula for local school districts from \$1,090 to \$1,095 per pupil unit for the 1978-79 school year. The figure will be increased to \$1,150 and to \$1,220 for the following two years.

In addition to the change in the basic aid formula, state

aid will now be apportioned on the basis of the average enrollment for the past 3 1/4 years instead of the past 2 years. This provision is intended to assist school districts that have experienced rapidly declining enrollments.

The special education portion of the bill increases the amount the state will pay toward salaries for special education teachers from 65 percent to 69 percent, with a maximum of \$12,000 per teacher.

Bill bans state funds for abortions

A bill that restricts use of state funds for abortions for women on medical assistance was among those approved by the 1978 Legislature.

Under the bill state funds could be used to pay for abortions only under these conditions:

- if the life of the woman is in danger;
- if the woman is the victim of rape and it is reported within 48 hours;
- if the pregnancy is the result of an act of incest which has been reported to police.

The bill was one of the most hotly debated items during the 1978 session. Opponents of the measure said that abortions should have been allowed under additional conditions and that the law would discriminate against poor women. Supporters opposed additional "loopholes" and argued that if they were approved the bill would not effectively stop use of state funds.

Family planning gets \$1.3 million

Under a measure passed by the 1978 Legislature, a total of \$1.3 million will be made available to cities, counties, and non-profit organizations for use in pre-pregnancy family planning.

The bill, however, prohibits state funds from being allocated to any agency which also performs abortions. The bill also prohibits family planning counseling for school age minors and requires that parents or guardians of a minor be notified when an abortion or sterilization is recommended.

New buildings to cost \$119 million

Almost \$119 million in appropriations was approved by the 1978 Legislature for construction of new state facilities in the coming biennium.

Among the major items in the bill were:

- \$11.5 million for a new state office building in Duluth;
- \$8.7 million for a new 165 bed state hospital at St. Peter;
- \$2.1 million for a new Dept. of Natural Resources regional headquarters center in Grand Rapids; and
- \$2.9 million to construct a visitor center at Ft. Snelling.

While funding for a \$19 million veterinary medicine facility at the University of Minnesota was eliminated, over \$35 million was appropriated for U of M construction and improvements.

Almost \$4 million was included in the bill to remodel state buildings to improve handicapped access.

To finance the construction the legislation authorizes \$106 million in general revenue bonds. General funds provide an additional \$6 million and proceeds from dedicated receipts would provide about \$7 million more.

Consumers to be represented in rate cases

A bill which provides for representation of consumer interests in utility rate-setting cases was okayed late in the 1978 Legislative session.

The bill appropriates \$300,000 to the Consumer Services Division in the Dept. of Commerce. The funds will be used to hire professional rate analysts to represent consumer interests in complicated rate-setting procedures. The bill also creates a citizens board of nine members to advise the department. The composition of the new board is geographically balanced with at least one member required to be from each congressional district. The bill also states that the board should include at least two farmers and that no more than six of its members should be of the same political party.

Products liability laws revised

Damages awarded in products liability cases will come under new guidelines following passage of new legislation this session.

The new law sets a limit of \$50,000 on the amount of damages that can be stated as sought. Plaintiffs could still sue for additional damages but no specific amount could be stated — only that recovery of "damages in excess of \$50,000" is sought.

The law also reduces the statute of limitations in such cases from six to four years.

Another major feature of the new law is a provision that requires that percentages of fault be attributed to each party. If certain defendants should prove unable to pay any damages, others would be responsible according to their percentage fault. However, any defendant whose percentage fault was less than that of the plaintiff would only be responsible for that portion of the fault attributable directly to him.

Aid to non-public schools passed

Minnesota's non-public schools will receive \$2.6 million in aid under a bill (S.F. 1722) approved by the legislature this year. The measure was designed to bring state law into conformity with recent court decisions regarding the use of public funds for non-public schools. The bill provides \$2.6 million for aid to private schools in the 1978-79 school year. The bulk of the appropriation, \$2.5 million, will be used for text books, standardized tests and health services in non-public schools. The bill also appropriates \$90,000 in additional funding for non-religious private schools with small enrollments. Approximately \$1.5 million would be available for guidance and counseling services in the 1979-80 school year.

Appropriations bill okayed

The omnibus supplemental appropriations bill, commonly referred to as the "garbage bill" because of its many provisions, was approved by a conference committee on the last working day of the session. The bill, with appropriations totaling \$6.5 million, then received final passage by both bodies of the legislature and was sent on to the governor.

The measure (H.F. 2527) appropriates money to various state agencies for the remainder of the biennium. Some of the major provisions include: a \$153,892 appropriation to the Minnesota Historical Society for the maintenance and operation of the James J. Hill House in St. Paul; an increased promotion budget for the Economic Development Dept. amounting to \$633,000; and a decision to use \$1.3 million to help transport handicapped people in the metro area. Under the measure, Project Mobility, which provides non-emergency transportation, will get 80

percent of the money appropriated to the Metropolitan Transit Commission for transporting the handicapped. The remaining 20 percent would be spent on other methods of transportation.

Another major provision provides \$1 million to cover the costs of maintaining highway patrol troopers in west central Minnesota during the powerline dispute.

Campaign finance law amended

Minnesota's 1974 law to provide public financing for campaigns for legislative and state constitutional officers was amended by the 1978 Legislature in an attempt to bring the law into compliance with a recent federal court decision.

Two basic changes were made in the law. The first was a change in the distribution formula for candidates for the legislature. Previously such funds were allocated on a statewide basis according to the indications of party preference on the check-off form. Since many more state residents checked off the Democratic-Farmer-Laborer party, all DFL candidates automatically received more state funds than Independent-Republican candidates. The new distribution formula instead allocates funds on the basis of percentage of check-offs for each party in each district.

The second change involves a new provision in the law that requires that any candidate who receives public funds also agree to accept the spending limits imposed by the law. This provision was expanded to include those candidates whose supporters claim income tax credits, since such funds are an indirect means of public finance. A candidate who does not intend to abide by spending limits is required to notify his or her supporters that they may not claim tax deductions under the new law.

The basic system for public financing of elections remains unchanged. Taxpayers can still designate that \$1 from their income tax return go to support public funding.

Buy American

A bill that directs the state Commissioner of Administration to grant contract preference to American made products gained approval by the legislature this year. Under the bill, all state government agencies must purchase American made products if they are available in sufficient quantities, and if the price is not "unreasonably" higher, or the quality substantially less, than foreign products. The new policy will be effective July 1, 1978.

Urban rehabilitation

A bill that would delay increased taxes on certain rehabilitated housing was passed by the legislature. Under the bill, no increased value would be assessed on improvements made in inner-city rehabilitation projects for five years. To qualify, the building must be more than 25 years old and must contain more than three rental units, the rehabilitation must be completed within one year, and the project costs must exceed 60 per cent of the assessed value of the building. The measure is intended to increase incentives for corporate investment in urban housing rehabilitation.

Tenant rights

In the area of landlord-tenant law, the legislature passed a bill to strengthen the provisions of the Tenant Remedies Act. The measure is intended to make it easier for a tenant

to commence legal action when the landlord does not make necessary repairs. Under the bill, tenants in communities without housing codes will be permitted to use the provisions of the Tenant Remedies Act, which gives tenants the right to bring suit in cases of health and safety code violations as well as in certain other specified situations. In addition, the bill now covers oral as well as written contracts and rental agreements.

Energy bill

In its final form, the Omnibus Energy bill contains several measures directed at residential energy conservation and the promotion of alternative energy systems.

In the area of residential energy conservation, the bill directs the Department of Administration to promulgate minimum energy efficiency standards for existing residential buildings. Beginning October 1, 1979, a disclosure statement will be required at the point of sale on the extent to which a residence complies with these standards. A list of the building's structural and energy use characteristics must also be provided to the buyer.

Rental property that is in use between the months of November and April would also be subject to energy conservation requirements. All such rental property will have to meet minimum standards for caulking and weatherstripping by January 1980, and additional energy efficiency standards by July 1983. Also included in the bill is a consumer protection measure that will establish insulation product and application standards.

In the area of alternative energy, the bill will exempt solar, wind and agriculturally derived methane gas systems from increased property tax assessments. Several provisions to encourage the use and development of solar energy are also included in the bill. They will provide for solar energy zoning and planning ordinances, establish procedures for granting solar easements, and require that the Metropolitan Council consider access to sunlight in its land use plans.

Determinate sentencing bill approved

A compromise measure designed to set prison sentencing guidelines for trial court judges was given final approval by the 1978 legislature. The bill (S.F. 65) had been approved in widely differing versions by both the House and Senate in 1977 but no compromise was agreed upon.

A conference committee was appointed early this year to work out the differences. The bill, as it emerged from the conference committee, sets up a nine member commission to establish sentencing guidelines by Jan. 1, 1980. The commission will be made up of representatives from courts, public defenders, prosecutors and the public. The sentencing judge could then deviate 15 percent from the sentence recommended by the commission's guidelines. One of the primary aims of the bill is to set more uniform sentencing patterns throughout the state. Another provision contains a "good time" procedure whereby an inmate's sentence could be reduced by one day for every two days of good behavior.

Elections to fill U.S. Senate vacancies

A new law, which requires that a special election for any U.S. Senate vacancy be held in November of the same year (unless the vacancy occurs after August 1st), was approved by the 1978 Legislature. Under the law a new

provision requires special elections in odd-numbered years when vacancies occur.

The change shortens the length of time a person can be appointed to fill a vacancy to a maximum of 15 months' (which could occur if the vacancy was created in August after the deadline had passed for the November election that year.) The minimum time before a special election would be three months — in a case where a vacancy occurred late in July and the election was held the following November.

Previously a person could be appointed by the Governor to serve until the next general election. Vacancies which occurred shortly after one general election would not be filled by election until almost two years later.

Mandatory retirement compromise approved

Legislation was approved this year that would prohibit mandatory retirement before the age of 70 for most occupational categories after June 1, 1980. Prison guards, fire fighters, police officers, teachers, pilots and those earning more than \$27,000 annually are exempted from the new law. The measure also requires that employers notify employees at least 90 days in advance of the employees designated retirement date of their option to continue employment. The employee must then respond to the notice within 30 days or the right to continued employment may be waived.

Electronic funds transfer approved

After a stormy legislative history a bill requiring banks, savings and loan associations and credit unions to share their electronic banking facilities was finally passed. Former governor Wendell Anderson had vetoed similar bills twice during his governorship. Last year legislators in both bodies thought that the measure had passed only to discover, after the end of the session, that the language in the Senate and House versions was not identical.

Other provisions of the measure would allow all financial institutions to establish remote electronic teller facilities. Customers would then be able to deposit and withdraw money in grocery stores, department stores, shopping malls and other retail locations. Although some savings and loan associations already have the electronic banking devices, also known as electronic financial terminals or EFT's, under the measure they would have to share these with banks and credit unions by March 1, 1979. The bill applies only to off-site locations. Consumers would use coded cards and punch private codes into the machines to link the transaction to their home bank.

Family violence problems addressed

Several bills passed by the legislature this session address the problem of family violence. One measure, S.F. 318, provides special procedures for cases involving the beating of a spouse or another member of a household. Under the bill a policeman would be allowed to arrest an individual without a warrant if the officer had probable cause to believe the person had assaulted his or her spouse. It would not give the policeman the option of giving the person a citation to appear in court. In addition, if a person is convicted of assaulting his spouse and the court stays the sentence, the court may condition the stay upon the defendant's participation in a counseling program selected by the court.

Another measure, S.F. 1689, amends last year's Battered Women Law. The bill will allow the funding of more than four emergency shelters, if funds are available, and provides for education grant money to be used by the commissioner to produce educational and promotional materials to encourage the development and use of emergency shelter services. The bill also provides for the evaluation of data on battered women and for evaluating the programs.

The legislature also passed a bill (H.F. 1786) requiring social service agencies receiving a report of child abuse to notify the local police department. The measure provides for the confidentiality of police report records, except to the prosecuting authority.

Agriculture

Chpt. 505 - S.F. 1664 Including the use of water to process agricultural products as a priority in water usage; designation as "public waters" does not grant additional or greater right of access to the public to those waters. MOE, W. KELLY

Chpt. 574 - H.F. 2020 Changing the definition of family farm for the purpose of workmen's compensation. KALIS, PENNY

Chpt. 610 - H.F. 1575 Weighing, sampling and analysis of grain to be subject to the provisions of the U.S. Grain Standards Act of 1976 and USDA rules; grain to be inspected at designated export points within the state unless exempted by the administrator of the federal grain inspection service; providing for redevelopment and service credit for state employees whose jobs at export terminal points are terminated. MUNGER, SOLON

Chpt. 659 - H.F. 2089 Establishing the tort liability of county agricultural societies; authorizing county boards to levy a tax to pay certain judgements or liability insurance premiums. BRINKMAN, CHMIELEWSKI

Chpt. 722 - H.F. 1931 Declaring the desirability of family farms; making certain feedlot operations subject to corporate farm restrictions; agriculture commissioner to review reports of agriculture corporations in determining whether it is actively engaged in farming; excluding certain agricultural land owned or leased by a corporation from agricultural corporation land restrictions. WENSTROM, HANSON

Chpt. 729 - S.F. 1120 Providing for venue in county or judicial district where majority of water is located for certain actions to determine validity of commissioner of natural resources' final decision regarding the classification of state public waters, or drainage of water basin or water-courses. OLSON, ECKSTEIN

Chpt. 731 - S.F. 1643 Requiring employers of corn detasslers to provide transportation upon termination of employment, or injury to, or illness of the employee, and sanitary and easily accessible toilet facilities and a potable water supply. SIKORSKI, M. SIEBEN

Chpt. 757 - H.F. 1819 Providing for workmen's compensation coverage for certain farm and business owners and employees. G. ANDERSON, STRAND

Chpt. 763 - H.F. 1881 Relating to the family farm security program; excluding from taxable income interest earned in a seller-sponsored loan guaranteed by the commissioner of agriculture; effective for loans executed in the years 1978-1981. G. ANDERSON, NICHOLS

Commerce

Chpt. 469 - H.F. 1180 Permitting the establishment and operation of electronic funds transfer facilities; limits; functions; joint use agreements; powers and duties of the Commissioner of Banks in relation to EFTs; transmission facility application; protecting privacy and security of customers; limiting customer losses in unauthorized withdrawals; prescribing penalties; advertising regulations, hearing procedures; prohibiting antitrust practices. HANSON, LAUFENBURGER

Chpt. 473 - H.F. 1882 Repealing the Fair Trade Act which prohibits the sale of certain name brand products for less than the minimum price. HANSON, TENNESSEN

Chpt. 502 - S.F. 1431 Requiring state or local inspection fees for coin-operated food vending machines; exempting certain vending machines dispensing bottled or canned soft drinks or ice from the state inspection fee, but permitting inspection and local inspection or licensing fees. LUTHER, KING

Chpt. 506 - S.F. 1955 Defining the term "small business" in relation to trunk highway construction contracts. KNOLL, CASSERLY

Chpt. 529 - S.F. 1662 Redefines "Banking Day" excluding Saturday, Sunday and holidays. DAVIES, ELLINGSON

Chpt. 537 - S.F. 1830 Providing a fee for filing an instrument extending or renewing a domestic corporate existence. SOLON, JAROS

Chpt. 544 - H.F. 842 Authorizing the commissioner of banks to establish procedures for cease and desist to banks or other institutions for removal of directors, trustees, or officers for threatened or actual unsound practices or violations of law or rule; no orders issued shall be subject to review by the commerce commission; notice; hearing; temporary orders; grounds; application to district court to set injunction aside; temporary directors or trustees. A. KEMPE, LUTHER

Chpt. 549 - H.F. 1442 Including architects, landscape architects, professional engineers and land surveyors within the definition of professional service for the purpose of formation of professional corporations. ADAMS, KNOLL

Chpt. 590 - H.F. 2445 Requiring certain disclosures at foreign currency exchanges operating at airports. ENEBO, DAVIES

Chpt. 607 - H.F. 1424 Permitting licensing and sale of intoxicating liquor on tour boats upon Lake Superior and adjacent bays; restricting sales of liquor while boat is docked or attached, subject to the local governing body jurisdiction, who may require the boat to obtain a license if moored continually for at least 3 months; fees; requiring copies of licenses to be displayed in each boat; annual cost; limiting number of licenses in any one licensing jurisdiction. JAROS, SOLON

Chpt. 621 - H.F. 1806 Allowing counties or municipalities to request certain information from the commissioner of revenue pertaining to state or local tax liability of applicants for liquor licenses; exceptions. CASSERLY, TENNESSEN

Chpt. 642 - H.F. 1998 Modifying reserve fund requirements for credit unions. SIMONEAU, SPEAR

Chpt. 643 - H.F. 2000 Providing interest rates for loans secured against borrowers savings account. PEHLER, KLEINBAUM

Chpt. 663 - H.F. 2147 Relating to credit unions; authorizing the extension of a self-replenishing line of credit by the credit committee. SKOGLUND, PENNY

Chpt. 677 - H.F. 2243 Authorizing issuance of on-sale liquor licenses for the Mayo Civic Auditorium. KALEY, BRATAAS

Chpt. 687 - H.F. 2307 Permitting off-sale liquor sales until 10 PM on Fridays; requiring wholesalers to maintain a warehouse stock; restricting liquor licenses in the City of St. Paul. JAROS, SOLON

Chpt. 694 - H.F. 2461 Requiring telephone companies to pay the costs of investigations; public service department to ascertain costs, render bills and hold hearings in instances of disputes; penalty of 6% interest on late assessment payments. HANSON, JOHNSON

Chpt. 695 - H.F. 2516 Amending provisions of the uniform commercial code governing investment securities and related provisions; definitions of certificated and uncertificated securities; regulations regarding the exchangeability of securities and written statements of uncertificated securities. ELLINGSON, DAVIES

Chpt. 698 - S.F. 437 Requires commercial business with assumed name to file for certificate with secretary of state; terms for filing; amending certificate, notices, renewal, fees, duplication; increases court costs allowed defendant in civil action against business; permits corporations to conduct business under assumed names. TENNESSEN, CASSERLY

Chpt. 701 - S.F. 774 Allowing "exclusive liquor stores" to offer recorded or live entertainment and make available coin-operated amusement devices; permits municipal liquor stores to make available coin-operated amusement devices. OLSON, MCEACHERN

Chpt. 703 - S.F. 823 Relating to mechanics lien; increasing period in which notice must be given to owner of improved real estate; contractor liable for damages if he fails to provide owner's name and address to sub-contractors to notice requirement. DAVIES, SIMONEAU

Chpt. 709 - S.F. 1450 Relating to economic development; creating an operating unit within the department of economic development relating to small businesses; creating an advisory task force. PETERSON, WHITE

Chpt. 712 - S.F. 1611 Requiring domestic corporations to fill an active status report with the secretary of state or lose exclusive rights to corporate name; secretary of state to prescribe form; procedures to reacquire right; use of the names of corporations which have lost exclusive rights. DAVIES, COHEN

Chpt. 742 - H.F. 649 Authorizing the county board of any county containing unorganized area to issue an off-sale liquor license to an exclusive liquor store within the unorganized area; approval of public safety commissioner; license fee to be fixed by board, not to exceed \$500. FUGINA, JOHNSON

Chpt. 747 - H.F. 1227 Authorizing deposits of public funds in thrift institutions and credit unions; authorizing savings banks, savings associations and credit unions to accept and maintain treasury tax and loan accounts to the United States. ADAMS, BORDEN

Chpt. 748 - H.F. 1520 Permitting savings and loan associations to act as trustees or custodians of IRA funds under the employee retirement income security act of 1974, as amended; filing fee; requires individual records for each self-employed individual or other permitted retirement plan and investment fund. GEORGE, TENNESSEN

Chpt. 795 - H.F. 830 Providing for the regulation of cooperative electric associations; association may elect to become subject to rate regulation with approval of board of directors and majority of stock holders; excludes cooperatives from rate regulations of public service commission; commission to regulate complaints concerning service standards and practice; prior approval of commission to acquire property or mergers, eminent domain; commission authority in assessing certain expenses; prohibits certain purchases of stock. WENSTROM, NICHOLS

Consumer

Chpt. 482 - H.F. 1095 Requiring malpractice information from insurers to include the name and address of the doctors involved; granting subpoena powers to the Board of Medical Examiners. L. CARLSON, LUTHER

Chpt. 516 - S.F. 1229 Permitting optometrists to advertise the prices of eyeglasses. LUTHER, M. SIEBEN

Chpt. 598 - H.F. 774 Providing remedies for tenants whose landlords have breached provisions of agreements; allowing tenant to provide remedy and deduct expense from the rent in certain cases; establishing condition; limits and procedures. BERGLIN, LUTHER

Chpt. 710 - S.F. 1468 "Truth in Repairs Act" regulating the repair of motor vehicles, appliances, and dwelling places; requiring notice of charges for service calls and written estimates; requiring posted notice that written estimates are available on request; customer not liable for unauthorized repairs; requiring itemized invoices; providing penalties; exemptions. MERRIAM, SIMONEAU

Chpt. 737 - H.F. 37 Requiring individually marked prices on certain retail merchandise in any store using an electronic or magnetic scanner to read the price of the merchandise at check-out; exceptions; prescribing penalties. JACOBS, SOLON

Chpt. 738 - H.F. 338 Relating to product liability actions; providing statute of limitations; limits ad danmun clauses; limiting punitive damages; courts may award costs and attorney's fees when a party acts in bad faith; rules of comparative fault, contributory and joint liability; useful life of product; notice of possible claim to be given to all persons against whom the claim is made; pesticide application. BERKELMAN, DAVIES

Chpt. 746 - H.F. 1131 Providing for representation of consumer interests in public utility matters by the consumer services section of the department of commerce; prescribing responsibilities; assessing utility companies for the expenses of the representation; creating a board of residential utility consumers, duties, members. M. SIEBEN, CHENOWETH

Education

Chpt. 546 - H.F. 1286 Relating to public libraries; education department to advise an organization, maintenance and administration; assist in establishing and organizing or improving library services; interlibrary sharing; statistics and reports to legislature; regional library establishment and basic system support grants, and distribution formula; special project grants for innovative and experimental library programs, grants for exchange of resources, improvement of services to institutionalized and handicapped. MCEACHERN, STUMPF

Chpt. 550 - H.F. 1447 Requiring school districts to notify athletic coaches, who are licensed by the Board of Teaching, of the proposal to terminate the coaching duties; employee may request, in writing, a hearing before the Board, Board to issue written decision; decisions to terminate shall state the reason and include findings; exceptions. WALDORF, CHENOWETH

Chpt. 561 - H.F. 1833 Requiring that one member of the State Board of Community Colleges be a full-time student at time of appointment or a recent graduate before appointment; setting a two year term; requiring one member of each community college local advisory committee be a full-time student or recent graduate. WENSTROM, DIETERICH

Chpt. 603 - H.F. 1323 Registration of private post-secondary institutions with the higher education coordinating board; including certain vocational schools; commissioner of education to determine by whom a school should be licensed; exempts educational programs offered by organizations or businesses, for members or employees; exempts certain schools associated with a church or religious organization unless vocational programs are not closely related to that particular faith. COHEN, HUGHES

Chpt. 616 - H.F. 1754 Relating to education; eliminating and correcting certain obsolete provisions including truancy; abolishing certain requirements for the state board of education; providing for the removal of members from the educational planning task force. SUSS, NICHOLS

Chpt. 632 - H.F. 1908 Requires school districts to remove false or inaccurate information from teacher's files; providing for grievance procedures. WENSTROM, MERRIAM

Chpt. 706 - S.F. 912 Relating to education; providing for the correction or elimination of erroneous, ambiguous, omitted and obsolete references and text. STUMPF, BYRNE

Chpt. 718 - S.F. 1849 Adopting the Midwestern Education Compact to provide for programs and services in higher, post-secondary or vocational education among member states or by contract; providing for studies of needs, resources and long range effect of the compact; inventory of services and programs, a comprehensive educational guide, consultation and review and comment on proposals; creating the Midwestern Education Board. HUMPHREY, FUGINA

Chpt. 733 - S.F. 1722 Relating to aids for nonpublic school pupils; permitting textbooks, standardized tests and pupil support services; defining terms to include health services, guidance and counseling services for children attending nonpublic schools; providing for transportation from one educational facility to another for students receiving special instruction and attending a nonpublic school on a shared time basis; regulating sites and maximum costs for services. KLEINBAUM, PEHLER

Chpt. 764 - H.F. 1885 Omnibus school aids appropriation; creating a legislative school finance study commission; tax levies and distribution and financial procedures; school district reorganization and consolidation, rights of employees of such districts; pupil units; foundation aid; vocational-technical school aid; handicapped vocational education; leave of absence; teacher early retirement; student teacher program; summer school and special education aid; prohibiting wage reopening clauses in contracts. EKEN, MERRIAM

Chpt. 782 - H.F. 2170 Authorizing the higher education coordinating board to establish a statewide guidance, testing and information program for eleventh grade students; board to establish an advisory task force; specifying membership; University of Minnesota to administer program. KING, HUGHES

Chpt. 789 - H.F. 2372 Including physical therapists and occupational therapists in the definition of "teacher" as used in the public employees labor relations act. MANGAN, GUNDERSON

Elections

Chpt. 456 - H.F. 1500 Providing for special elections to fill U.S. Senate vacancies; providing procedures. RICE, SCHAAF

Chpt. 463 - H.F. 404 Relating to campaign finance and the regulation of political activities; filing and reporting; procedures of the ethical practices board; conflict of interest and statement of economic interest; campaign finance reporting; campaign expenditure and contribution limits; distribution formula for tax check-off funds; write-in candidate; increasing credits against tax due for contributions to candidates; legislature to monitor check-off. GEORGE, S. KEEFE

Chpt. 572 - H.F. 2010 Relating to municipal elections; providing voter hours for metropolitan area towns and other towns; requiring municipal clerks to publish notice of filing dates for candidacy; providing for the printing of election materials and ballots by municipal clerks; requiring sample ballots to be posted in municipal clerks offices and polling places. MCEACHERN, DUNN

Chpt. 581 - H.F. 2204 Changing the requirements for division into special election districts and changing boundaries of special election districts for election of school board members. VOSS, MERRIAM

Chpt. 591 - H.F. 2451 Providing that public facilities be available for precinct caucuses; fixing the charge for their use; providing for the filing of certain nominating petitions. NOVAK, BORDEN

Chpt. 714 - S.F. 1630 Providing certain safeguards against improper voter registration and casting of absentee ballots; prescribing certain duties for the secretary of state; prescribing penalties; eliminating civil service appointment of election judges in first class cities; registrant to show, if owned, drivers license or Minnesota identification card. S. KEEFE, CUMMISKEY

Chpt. 725 - S.F. 744 Regulating elections; providing for the challenge of an absentee voter or ballots of absentee voters before ballots are deposited; voters refusing to state name and address not allowed to vote; renaming tally books as summary statements; procedures for disposition of summary statements; eliminating the reporting of certain information by county canvassing boards in primary and general elections. STOKOWSKI, LEHTO

Employment-Labor

Chpt. 490 - S.F. 1607 Prohibits children under 16 from employment in occupations or places which are potentially dangerous; permitting women to oil or clean moving machinery. DAVIES, BYRNE

Chpt. 586 - H.F. 2291 Relating to caretakers, managers or other employees who receive a place of residence as full or partial compensation; defining "hours worked"; excluding certain periods employee is on premises and available to perform duties of employment from wage computations for purposes of minimum wage. JAROS, LAUFENBURGER

Chpt. 588 - H.F. 2374 Authorizing wage deduction for certain employee purchases from the employer. ENEBO, LAUFENBURGER

Chpt. 612 - H.F. 1599 Making certain development achievement center teachers ineligible for unemployment compensation benefits during certain periods of the school year. ECKSTEIN, PETERSON

Chpt. 618 - H.F. 1773 Relating to unemployment compensation; employees who are terminated after they have given notice of their intention to terminate at a future date are not disqualified from benefits; limiting benefits. SIMONEAU, S. KEEFE

Chpt. 619 - H.F. 1790 Relating to public employment labor relations; employees covered by civil service systems may pursue grievances through grievance procedure or civil service appeals procedure. ENEBO, VEGA

Chpt. 645 - H.F. 2015 Providing for the classifying of certain employees involved in the administration and implementation of CETA programs and paid from CETA funds as state employees and granting them the rights of state employees. CORBID, MOE

Chpt. 649 - H.F. 2041 Prohibiting mandatory retirement for public or private employees; employer to notify employee in writing of the option to continue to work beyond normal retirement date; permitting employer to discharge for failure to meet bonafide requirements; requiring notice of change in accrual of certain benefits or contributions; authorizing civil actions separately or together with suit alleging civil rights violations. ENEBO, SPEAR

Chpt. 688 - H.F. 2327 Excluding services by an individual 16 years of age or under from unemployment compensation coverage for agricultural labor and employment unless the employer meets certain federal specifications. MCEACHERN, DUNN

Chpt. 697 - S.F. 291 Prohibiting employers from terminating an employee's insurance or pensions benefits based on the employee's job performance. MERRIAM

Resolution .003 - H.F. 2177 Providing for time limits for actions and proceedings for worker's compensation claims; exceptions. B. ANDERSON, NICHOLS

Energy

Chpt. 658 - H.F. 2087 Relating to the adoption of rules concerning the process and procedures for designating power plant sites and transmission line route emergency rules; authority of hearing examiner; permitting the revocation suspension of site certificates or construction permits if health standards are not maintained. WENSTROM, LUTHER

Chpt. 786 - H.F. 2261 Powers of the Minnesota Energy Agency; confidentiality of proprietary data furnished to the agency; mandatory certain residential energy efficiency standards; evaluation on request of owner; property conveyance to include commitment for compliance; renter occupied buildings to comply; establishing insulation product and application standards; prescribing penalties. MUNGER, HUMPHREY

Environmental Resources

Chpt. 534 - S.F. 1727 Deleting certain lands from the boundaries of Itasca State Park. MOE

Chpt. 535 - S.F. 1743 Clarifying the procedure for designation of wild, scenic and recreational rivers; natural resources commissioner to make proposed management plan available to the state planning agency director and the Governor for their review and comments; deadlines. WILLET, SHERWOOD

Chpt. 547 - H.F. 1297 Prohibits transfer or borrowing of tags unless expressly authorized; license fees for a nonresident to hunt racoon, in addition to small game license; requires tagging deer or moose, manner prescribed by commissioner of natural resources; nonresidents must tag a racoon; regulations for revocation of game licenses; clarifying the use of lights when taking racoon. REDING, PETERSON

Chpt. 568 - H.F. 1937 Providing for the receipt and appropriation of certain funds by the Pollution Control Agency; regulating the size of vehicles used in transporting sewage sludge and the time period for use. WYNIA

Chpt. 578 - H.F. 2081 Authorizing expansion of the environmental education program to include instruction for residents throughout the state, attendance to be voluntary; allowing trees to be planted for the purpose of environmental education. R. KELLY, STRAND

Chpt. 594 - H.F. 449 Providing regulations for taking, sale and transportation of leeches as for minnows; regulating minnow haulers, altering fees; authorizing noncommercial fishing with two lines in Lake Superior; prohibiting taking fish with certain devices or substances; permitting tip-ups. BEGICH, JOHNSON

Chpt. 605 - H.F. 1394 Authorizes the commissioner of natural resources and the Governor to negotiate an agreement with the state of Wisconsin for the purpose of maximizing the fish potential on the Mississippi River extending from above the mouth of the Ohio River to Red Wing, Minnesota; particular emphasis on protection during spawning season; establish a refuge during March and April. SCHULZ, ENGLER

Chpt. 608 - H.F. 1434 Authorizes the commissioner of natural resources to correct boundary discription errors for certain lands in Ottertail County owned by the state and adjacent land owners. EVANS, PETERSON

Chpt. 720 - S.F. 1851 Increasing registration fees for snowmobiles; designating money generated by increased fees to the department of natural resources for snowmobile trail development and maintenance. CHMIELEWSKI

Chpt. 726 - S.F. 793 Authorizing the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency to establish a lake restoration and protection program; PCA to evaluate and maintain data, recommend research programs, provide financial assistance; requiring letter of intent by applicant; review of feasibility study by PCA; applicant to pay at least 10% of cost; exceptions; transfers; lake improvement districts; PCA authority, creation and termination, annual meetings, local enforcement. STUMPF, WALDORF

Chpt. 735 - S.F. 1943 Regulating the maintenance of fires in forest areas; requiring written permission of the commissioner of natural resources, forest officer or township fire warden for open fires or backfires; fires without permits to be contained within campfire containers or approved incinerators; allowing revocation or postponement of fire permits during high fire danger periods; unlawful setting or no effort to contain a fire to be prima facie evidence of guilt. LUTHER

Chpt. 744 - H.F. 1091 Permitting the establishment of water user districts for the conservation, storage and distribution of water; exempting specific counties; providing for directors; organization subject to approval of DNR; requiring a petition signed by 50% of the landowners in the proposed district; providing for protests; district has power to acquire property, water rights, eminent domain and to enter into contracts and agreements; payments of obligations; majority vote for dissolution. STANTON, NICHOLS

Chpt. 768 - H.F. 1940 Transferring the environmental education board to the department of natural resources and under supervision of the commissioner. REDING, PETERSON

Chpt. 773 - H.F. 2044 Relating to shade tree disease control; clarifying utilization of appropriations; authorizing extension of temporary rules. WYNIA, LUTHER

Chpt. 779 - H.F. 2137 Revising certain provisions concerning dams, reservoirs, control structures and waterway obstructions; prescribing certain fees to finance safety examinations relating to such projects; granting DNR access for safety examination; appropriating money for the examination; appropriating money for the examination of dams, reservoirs, control structures and waterway obstructions. LEHTO, MOE

Chpt. 794 - H.F. 669 Requiring permission of the owner prior to entering private land to take wild animals, fish or plants under specific conditions; certain landowners may post no trespass signs; enforcement powers of conservation officers; misdemeanor clarifying liability for injury incurred, on land of another; providing for publication of trespass laws within hunting laws. CLAWSON, PURFEERST

General

Chpt. 457 - S.F. 686 Relates to disposition of unclaimed animals and their destruction rather than use for research. MERRIAM, R. KELLY

Chpt. 478 - S.F. 1787 Altering provisions for selection and appointment of officers from Minnesota National Guard; officers to have powers and duties of U.S. officers; service in armed forces of U.S. to be considered as continuous service in National Guard; altering prohibition and penalties for discrimination against military members. PENNY, WALDORF

Chpt. 485 - H.F. 1834 Fixing fees for boiler inspection and for engineer's licenses. ENEBO, S. KEEFE

Chpt. 507 - H.F. 405 Permitting operation of certain gambling devices known as paddle wheels or tip boards or apparatus for raffles by licensed organizations, providing for regulation. REDING, NELSON

Chpt. 512 - S.F. 194 Prohibiting trespassing on public or private cemeteries after the hours the cemetery is normally open to the public; providing penalties. A. UELAND, WIGLEY

Chpt. 514 - S.F. 403 Authorizing the board of architecture, engineering, land surveying and landscape architects to reissue licenses after revocation. LUTHER, SCHEID

Chpt. 522 - S.F. 1510 Authorizing certain units to levy a tax for long term sheltered workshops and work activity programs; authorizing use of gifts or grants. VEGA

Chpt. 528 - S.F. 1656 Authorizing the use of appropriated money for the acquisition of recreation facilities for the handicapped at Islands of Peace Park in Fridley. SCHAAF, SIMONEAU

Chpt. 532 - S.F. 1693 Increases the pay of enlisted persons on active duty; camp day dependent upon federal law requirements; active duty pay at federal level or \$35 whichever is more. SCHMITZ, HOKANSON

Chpt. 552 - H.F. 1612 Relating to military justice; providing for military judges; modifying the composition of the court; punishment authority; making changes consistent with federal military law. H. SIEBEN, KLEINBAUM

Chpt. 573 - H.F. 2014 Authorizing the lease of the portion of Fort Snelling State Park consisting of officers row and the golf course for restoration, preservation and development; waiving park admission fees; authorizing an on-sale liquor license on the leased property. SWANSON, KIRCHNER

Chpt. 576 - H.F. 2068 Eliminating restriction in the location of a television tower to be used by Northern Minnesota Public Television, Inc. near Bemidji State University. BRAUN, HANSON

Chpt. 577 - H.F. 2075 Requiring the services of a licensed architect, engineer, surveyor or landscape architect for the supervision, erection or alteration of buildings and structures whose price exceeds \$100,000; requiring compliance with applicable building codes and ordinances; board of architecture, engineering, land surveying and landscape architecture to make rules for those classes of buildings and persons who are exempt. CORBID, JOHNSON

Chpt. 579 - H.F. 2155 Providing for reporting of certain unclaimed intangible property held by any government, political subdivision or agency; time period for reporting; requiring an interest payment on unclaimed property after written demand by the state treasurer. SUSS, NELSON

Chpt. 596 - H.F. 523 Requiring fencing of open pit mines having ceased operation for six consecutive months; certain specification standards to be met for such fencing; duties of inspector of mining; exemptions for fencing already in place which is similar to standards. BEGICH, JOHNSON

Chpt. 601 - H.F. 1246 Relating to charitable trusts; "charitable purpose" include cultural, artistic, and public interest purposes; limitations on charitable expenditures; transfers registration and filing from secretary of state to the securities division of the department of commerce; public inspection of records; investigatory powers of Attorney General; exempts certain religious societies and private foundations from registration and annual report requirements; cease and desist orders; injunctions and receivers for persons violating provisions. REDING, VEGA

Chpt. 625 - H.F. 1857 Requiring all counties, except Clay County, to appoint a veterans service officer; authorizing Clay County to appoint a veterans service officer and assistant veterans service officers. SUSS, SCHMITZ

Chpt. 635 - H.F. 1945 Redesignates veterans service officer as responsible authority for records in his custody; data on individuals classified as private data. BIRNSTIHL, LESSARD

Chpt. 640 - H.F. 1981 Removing requirement for a certain affidavit in informal sales of state timber. I. ANDERSON, JOHNSON

Chpt. 680 - H.F. 2267 Relating to the emergency 911 telephone system; reimbursing telephone companies for the costs of modifying central office equipment and annual, recurring maintenance costs for minimum 911 service, commissioner of administration and public service commission to certify costs; regular or special budget message to the legislature. HANSON, S. KEEFE

Chpt. 682 - H.F. 2273 Providing for appeals from the commissioner of veterans affairs to the supreme court; enforcement of commissioner's decisions by filing petition with clerk of Ramsey County district to order party to comply. MCCARRON, OLSON

Chpt. 751 - H.F. 1736 Requiring non-state owned buildings, which are rented or leased for state operations to meet state building code requirements for the physically handicapped; state meetings or conferences are to be held in locations accessible for the handicapped. BERKELMAN, BENEDICT

Chpt. 771 - H.F. 2017 Authorizing a cable communication system to extend its service outside the boundaries of its lawful franchise area under certain conditions; a municipality may require an extension permit from the cable communication system providing service within the municipality; permit to be issued at a special or regular meeting of the governing body, notice and hearings; permit to include specific information. COHEN, HUMPHREY

Chpt. 777 - H.F. 2104 Uniform fire code applicable throughout the state; state fire marshal and local fire chief may grant variances; hospitals, nursing homes, schools lodging houses and hotels to comply; written notice of code violations; investigation training for fire fighters and peace officers; annual inspection. NOVAK, WILLET

Chpt. 783 - H.F. 2188 Providing for automatic reinstatement of driving privilege for a nonresident in certain cases; limited protection for a resident whose driving privilege has been suspended or revoked in another state. BEAUCHAMP, SILLERS

Governmental Operations

Chpt. 480 - H.F. 1103 Administration commissioner to manage and review all state contracts for content, purpose, propriety and budget ramifications; exceptions; guidelines for approval of contract for consultant services or professional and technical services; permitting delegation of review functions; rulemaking authority of commissioner; contracts not valid until approved and executed by commissioner of administration and by finance commissioner; requires commissioner of transportation to list all approved contracts involved in trunk highway construction for the legislature. REDING, SIKORSKI

Chpt. 487 - H.F. 2283 Increasing the salary of a corporal in the highway patrol. REDING, NELSON

Chpt. 499 - S.F. 1116 Authorizing plats to be prepared by photographic process in counties having microfilm capabilities; requirements for reproduction of the registered land survey. SCHMITZ

Chpt. 500 - S.F. 1194 Removing the specific charge for copies of instrument relating to real estate and filed with the registrar. OLSON, LEMKE

Chpt. 510 - S.F. 336 Creating a state board on affairs of Spanish-speaking people; requiring a report to the Governor and the legislature; providing for review and recommendations on certain federal grant applications and state agency rules which would have a primary effect on Spanish-speaking people. MCCUTCHEON, A. KEMPE

Chpt. 513 - H.F. 838 Relating to watershed districts; allowing a schedule or position bond for managers of watershed districts or a single corporate surety fidelity schedule or position bond covering managers and employees; expanding sources for borrowing funds; increasing costs for repairs paid by assessment; per diem of appraisers; establishing a survey and data acquisition fund; eminent domain limits, fees for permit and field inspection applications; applicant bond; penalties; enforcement. JENSEN, HANSON

Chpt. 530 - S.F. 1684 Relating to federal aid to state government, requiring the Governor to consult with the legislature advisory commission prior to the expenditure of anti-recession financial assistance money; recommendation is advisory only. MOE, CORBID

Chpt. 540 - S.F. 2183 Relating to the state public defender; providing for compensation of assistant public defenders. STRAND, JUDE

Chpt. 541 - S.F. 2316 Prohibiting local units to deny or abridge the right of public employees to engage in political activities, except when such activity is lawfully denied or abridged for classified state employees in similar positions. SETZEPFANDT, PEHLER

Chpt. 548 - H.F. 1416 Requiring any commission or joint commission wholly or principally composed of legislators to submit budgets and complement requests to the legislative coordinating commission for approval prior to submission to the senate finance committee or the house of representatives appropriations committee. I. ANDERSON

Chpt. 566 - H.F. 1909 Providing that the organization of the legislature at the regular session continue during a special session; officers elected, rules adopted and committees established by the legislature during preceding regular session; will be in effect during any special session except as a legislator or a house provides otherwise. I. ANDERSON, TENNESSEN

Chpt. 583 - H.F. 2233 Directing the commissioner of administration to give preference to American made products in granting contracts, exceptions. I. ANDERSON, JOHNSON

Chpt. 592 - H.F. 85 Establishing an open appointment process; requiring compilation of certain data from statewide agencies with appointed members; publication of agencies data; notice of vacancies; nominations for vacancies; appointment procedures and reports from appointing authorities commissioner of administration to report to the Governor and legislature concerning vacancies. WENSTROM, LUTHER

Chpt. 600 - H.F. 1009 Authorizing the executive council to accept and make loans to private enterprise for redevelopment projects, subject to the same conditions and procedures as loans to local redevelopment agencies; requires local government support; providing for technical assistance grants and loans from the development revolving fund; providing for repayment. M. NELSEN, JOHNSON

Chpt. 604 - H.F. 1329 Requiring licenses of master plumbers by the board of health and licensing of contracting steamfitters by the dept. of labor and industry; requiring bonds and liability insurance, including products liability insurance; exemptions; alternative compliances; license fees. CASSERLY, KLEINBAUM

Chpt. 611 - H.F. 1598 Providing for the application of certain general trust statutes to trusts established in connection with industrial revenue bonds; excluding trusts established in connection with industrial revenue bonds from inventory filing and annual accounting requirements. NEISEN, KNUTSON

Chpt. 614 - H.F. 1661 Providing for publication in the state register of certain behind schedule and substandard waste water treatment projects; guidelines. BATTAGLIA, JOHNSON

Chpt. 623 - H.F. 1822 Requiring that prepayment penalties for property taken by eminent domain and used as security for a loan or advance of credit be treated as a separate item of damage; buyer to inquire whether property is a security. R. KEMPE, MERRIAM

Chpt. 628 - H.F. 1878 Authorizing the commissioner of public safety to appoint an agent to assist the clerk of Washington County district court in accepting applications for driver's licenses under certain circumstances. M. SIEBEN, SIKORSKI

Chpt. 630 - H.F. 1898 Relating to the civil service; commissioner to establish procedures for employment of handicapped; procedures to include on-the-job trial work experience; persons demonstrating work ability and successfully completing the 700 hour appointment may be appointed to classified service. PETRAFESO, KNOLL

Chpt. 650 - H.F. 2043 Prohibiting discrimination against members of the legislature, upon return to their former place of employment, for political acts, statements or beliefs while a member of the legislature. BEGICH, JOHNSON

Chpt. 661 - H.F. 2139 Authorizing the divisions of emergency services to enter into an agreement with the federal disaster assistance administration for the maintenance of the Minnesota Natural Disaster Assistance Plan; federal disaster assistance administration to provide \$25,000. JENSEN, JOHNSON

Chpt. 664 - H.F. 2151 Providing for reporting of certain unclaimed intangible property held by any government, political subdivision or agency; time period for reporting; requiring an interest payment of unclaimed property after written demand by the state treasurer. SUSS, S. KEEFE

Chpt. 668 - H.F. 2196 Appropriating money for the payment of claims against the state. MCCARRON, MENNING

Chpt. 669 - H.F. 2197 Setting limits on the payment of claims arising from the issuance of securities by the state; clarifying the state's indemnification of employees against tort claims. ARLANDSON, KNOLL

Chpt. 708 - S.F. 1364 Authorizing the commissioner of personnel to establish an affirmative action program for the state work force to assure equal employment opportunity for all qualified persons without regard to race, sex or ethnic minorities; commissioner of personnel may provide certification of additional applicants for open positions and promotions from affected groups in certain circumstances; commissioner to promulgate rules. LEWIS, NELSON

Chpt. 715 - S.F. 1765 Relating to the Gillette Hospital Board; increasing membership of board; designating voting members; requiring board to employ an administrator; authorizing designee of commissioner of economic security to administer federally-recognized vocational-rehabilitation programs; requires annual report by the board to the legislature. CHENOWETH, SWANSON

Chpt. 717 - S.F. 1842 Historical society director to be state liaison with the national heritage administration; society to administer provisions of federal act providing for a state humanities program; authority of records disposition panel over items given to Minnesota historical society; removing restriction on appointment of a professional archeologist by the society director. MOE, FUGINA

Chpt. 734 - S.F. 1864 Relating to state employees; improving testing procedures; providing for monthly testing for certain positions; tightening provisions relating to provisional appointments; providing for a pilot reliability-based band width certification program; altering job announcements; providing toll free telephones for applicants. CHENOWETH, BERGLIN

Chpt. 776 - H.F. 2102 Clarifying the definition of public employer in the public employees labor relations act to mean the governing person or board of a created agency, the governing official or body of cooperating governmental units, or the board of regents of the University of Minnesota. ST. ONGE, NELSON

Chpt. 791 - H.F. 2493 Authorizing alteration, repair, rehabilitation, equipping and replacement of certain public buildings; altering capital budget deadline; purchase and sale of certain lands and buildings; disposition of Gillette Hospital; reserve public parking spaces near capitol complex; report to legislature on location of sex offender program; moratorium and study of accoustical barriers. NORTON, MOE

Chpt. 792 - H.F. 2494 Authorizing the acquisition and capital improvements for specific public lands and buildings; authorizing issuance of state building bonds; buildings and funding for vocational-technical schools; providing for a Duluth government center, St. Peter Security Hospital. NORTON, MOE

Chpt. 793 - H.F. 2527 Deficiency appropriation; claims; clarifying campaign funds; salary limits; legislative appropriations; judge's insurance coverage; handicapped pupils; Lino Lakes correctional facility; commissioner of public safety to provide training programs for highway patrol; Hastings State Hospital; use of excess fuel and utility funds for energy related projects; extending existence of advisory council on economic status for women; authorizing additional project mobility assistance to handicapped persons; unfair cigarette sales. NORTON, MOE

Health, Welfare and Corrections

Chpt. 508 - S.F. 2236 Declaring a state policy on abortion and childbirth; regulating funding of abortion under medical assistance; defining medical necessity to require: written opinion of physician that it is necessary to prevent the death of the mother, performance in a hospital, written request of patient and parent or guardian of minor, prior authorization prohibiting funding by state or local unit except for medical necessity. OLHOFT, R. KEMPE

Chpt. 520 - S.F. 1446 Authorizing the state council for the handicapped to appeal state building code decisions; granting authority to promulgate rules for the display of the international symbol of accessibility; council may initiate or intervene in proceedings affecting the handicapped. KNOLL, BRANDL

Chpt. 523 - S.F. 1602 Shortening the period during which a newly organized non-profit adoption service is ineligible for expense reimbursement. SIKORSKI, BERG

Chpt. 536 - S.F. 1752 Authorizing sharing of administrators between certain hospitals and nursing homes. STRAND, G. ANDERSON

Chpt. 554 - H.F. 1713 Transfers control of the state hospital facilities at Hastings to the commissioner of veterans affairs; commissioner to establish a veterans home on the facilities; home to be operated in same manners as the veterans home in Minneapolis. H. SIEBEN, VEGA

Chpt. 560 - H.F. 1826 Miscellaneous public welfare bill; payments to patients or residents of state institutions for work performed; authorizing voluntary services; payment for boarding care of mentally retarded persons; ward institutional placement for respite care up to 90 days; payments for child care to be transferred from one county to another upon movement of child. WELCH, DIETERICH

Chpt. 564 - H.F. 1870 Authorizing the board of nursing to issue a license to a person licensed as practical nurse in another state, having passed licensing examination acceptable to the board and having 24 months experience in the five years prior to applying for a license; not requiring any additional educational requirements to be met. L. CARLSON, HUMPHREY

Chpt. 602 - H.F. 1317 Defining and providing procedures for the termination of parental rights and responsibilities in relation to neglected children in foster homes; case plan to be a written report stating reasons for placing child in foster home, requiring actions to be taken by natural parents to correct the problem, financial obligations and visitation rights of natural parents; six month and annual review of child placement; definition of child neglected and in foster care; factors for courts to consider. BRANDL, KNOLL

Chpt. 637 - H.F. 1973 Providing for detention of certain juveniles; provisions for detention in a shelter care facility for certain status offenses and parole violations; approval of commissioner of corrections for detention of juveniles, in a facility used to confine adults; costs of juvenile detention. NELSON, VEGA

Chpt. 657 - H.F. 2080 Relating to the disposition of delinquent children; prohibiting transfer to a county home school or commitment to corrections commissioner for certain status offenses; applies only to children truant from school or uncontrollable and resulting in being wayward or habitually disobedient. BYRNE, DAVIES

Chpt. 693 - H.F. 2432 Authorizing the Washington county board of commissioners to appoint probation officers to meet the needs of the county court, fix their salary and employ backup staff; board may delegate powers to the corrections advisory board or any other administrative body to administer and deliver correctional services. M. SIEBEN, SIKORSKI

Chpt. 699 - S.F. 645 "Vital Statistics Act" creating an office of vital statistics by the state board of health; requiring recordkeeping; establishes registration districts in each county and the cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul; prescribing duties of local registrars and licensed morticians; requiring records relating to births, fetal death, foreign adoptions, deaths, marriages and dissolutions or annulments; records to be public; limitations; authorizing fees in certain instances; providing penalties. NELSON, SCHEID

Chpt. 704 - S.F. 861 Allocating fees collected by community mental health programs; retention until the total of the fees collected and the state grant to the program equals 70% of the program budget approved by the commissioner of public welfare. S. KEEFE, SAMUELSON

Chpt. 707 - S.F. 1073 Authorizing commissioner of corrections to establish a psychiatric unit for the care and treatment of inmates of correctional institutions who become mentally ill; providing for examinations; commitment and treatment; providing for the transfer of chronically ill, senile, or inmates whose terms have expired but require continued treatment to a state hospital; discharge from psychiatric unit by chief medical officer before return to correctional institution. LEWIS, CORBID

Chpt. 716 - S.F. 1779 Requiring owner identification marks on removable dental prostheses; suspension or revocation of dental license within 2 years of violation; department of health to provide technical assistance to licensed dentists or dental laboratories. SETZEPFANDT, DEN OUDEN

Chpt. 732 - S.F. 1689 Programs to aid battered women; commissioner of corrections to evaluate data, mandatory data collection by social service and community health agencies; immunity from civil or criminal liability for persons collecting and transmitting such data. LEWIS, KAHN

Chpt. 755 - H.F. 1786 Requiring welfare agencies receiving a report of child abuse or neglect to notify the local police or county sheriff immediately; sexual abuse to include prostitution; defining neglect; immunity from liability; failure to report, misdemeanor; copies of written report to be forwarded; mandatory reporting to medical examiner or coroner; confidentiality of police report records except to prosecuting authority. HOKANSON, STAPLES

Chpt. 758 - H.F. 1823 Requiring immunizations for diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, polio and mumps for newly enrolled students or a physician's or clinic's statement that immunizations have commenced; exceptions, statements of parents who object to child's immunization because of certain beliefs to be forwarded to commissioner of health; commissioner may suspend requirements. L. CARLSON, LEWIS

Chpt. 759 - H.F. 1825 Commissioner of health to establish a health manpower information system to collect, analyze and report summary data on individuals licensed or registered by the commissioner or health related licensing boards; commissioner to promulgate rules for information collected at time of license or registration renewal but shall not cause boards to incur additional costs or delays. SWANSON, SCHAAF

Chpt. 760 - H.F. 1831 Extending the pilot dental health program for senior citizens and a dental health study of long term care residents. CLARK, TENNESSEN

Chpt. 762 - H.F. 1869 Commissioner of health may contract for provision of statutorily prescribed public health services; child nutrition supplements to age six; increasing the commissioner's rule-making authority regarding children's camps; expanding scope of functions that may be performed by local health agencies; providing injunctive relief for the commissioner of health. WALDORF, VEGA

Chpt. 770 - H.F. 1950 Relating to dentistry; authorizing the board of dentistry to conduct examinations for the licensure and registration of dentists, dental hygienists, and registered dental assistants; filing fees; allowing reciprocity on a dentist licensed or practicing in Canada to practice in Minnesota; board may refuse, limit, or modify licenses to practice dentistry upon certain grounds; late fees; board may require eye exams. BERKELMAN, STRAND

Chpt. 775 - H.F. 2098 Authorizing the commissioner of health to make special grants to cities and counties to provide pre-pregnancy family planning services; special grant to nonprofit corporations that do not provide or otherwise fund or directly refer persons to other facilities for abortion services; emergency rules; appropriations; parental notice. BERGLIN, STAPLES

Chpt. 778 - H.F. 2124 Commissioner of corrections to license correctional facilities including group homes; commissioner may revoke licenses of facilities which do not comply with set standards, facility, except court jail or lock up, may be closed until license renewed; defines correctional facility; changes procedures for solitary confinement; defines contraband; prohibiting introduction of certain articles into jail or correctional facilities. JAROS, LEWIS

Housing

Chpt. 483 - H.F. 1728 Requiring architects, engineers and landscape architects to demonstrate a knowledge of barrier free design and codes to acquire a license. BERKELMAN, GUNDERSON

Chpt. 670 - H.F. 2201 Providing housing finance agency funds for programs to be developed in consultation with the Advisory Council on Urban Indians; authorizing construction and rehabilitation; authorizing grants or revolving loan funds. KROENING, KNOLL

Insurance

Chpt. 461 - S.F. 417 Requiring the driver involved in a traffic accident to make available the name and address of the insurer providing auto liability coverage, and the local claims agent for the insurer; such information shall be made available within 72 hours of an accident, providing penalty. SOLON, BERKELMAN

Chpt. 465 - S.F. 698 Miscellaneous amendments to insurance regulations; clarifying the payment of liability policies and workers compensation policies; foreign insurer may not conduct business which is not authorized in its own state; establishing basis for financial requirements; increasing certain fees; increasing certain capitalization and reserve requirements, authorizing mutual companies to insure against expenses incurred through attorney services; domestic companies may hold up to 51% of the capital stock in complementary or supplementary businesses. SPEAR, BRINKMAN

Chpt. 470 - H.F. 356 Setting fees and expenses for persons engaged in the examination, visitation or appraisal of certain insurance companies; providing for preparation and publication of the certified abstract of a company's annual statement by the commissioner or the insurer on forms furnished by the commissioner; additional fees other than examination fees to be deposited in the general fund. WYNIA, LAUFENBURGER

Chpt. 501 - S.F. 1206 Requiring aircraft liability insurance coverage during periods of contemplated aircraft operation, information required by transportation commission for aircraft registration or transfer of ownership to include period of contemplated operation; revocation of registration certificate for failure of aircraft owner to provide information; registration procedure for pioneer aircraft; prescribing fees. ASHBACH, FJOSLIEN

Chpt. 524 - S.F. 1612 Permitting a trustee to invest trust assets in certain life insurance contracts. DAVIES, ELLINGSON

Chpt. 571 - H.F. 2005 Relating to medical malpractice insurance; extending the temporary joint underwriting association for an additional two year period. L. CARLSON, LUTHER

Chpt. 582 - H.F. 2214 Providing for the conversion of mutual insurance companies into stock companies; protecting the rights of guaranty fund certificate holders. SUSS, SOLON

Chpt. 595 - H.F. 499 Authorizing contracts for lower group insurance benefits for certain public employees if a majority of employees covered vote for lower benefits or if the employer and the exclusive representative of the employees, of an appropriate bargaining unit, agree to a reduction. B. NELSEN, BRATAAS

Chpt. 597 - H.F. 526 Procurement of insurance and regulation surplus line insurers and agents; affidavit filing procedures; insurance contracts, cover notes or certificates of insurance procured as a surplus line coverage to have certain information stamped or imprinted on it; licensing of surplus line agents upon examination and payment of fees; annual renewal; revocation under certain conditions; exemptions from examination; requirements for surplus line insurers; semi-annual reports; premium receipts tax; restrictions on types of insurance. BRINKMAN, LAUFENBURGER

Chpt. 641 - H.F. 1995 Requires creditor to provide written notice to debtor of his right to cancel policy of credit life or accident and health insurance and receive refund upon prepayment of debt. BRINKMAN, JOHNSON

Chpt. 644 - H.F. 2003 Requiring information on court and attorney's fees to be included in annual report of product liability claims to the insurance commissioner; providing penalties for failure to comply; various clarifications and technical changes. ABELN, SOLON

Chpt. 662 - H.F. 2146 Altering standard nonforfeiture law for life insurance and establishing "standard nonforfeiture law for individual deferred annuities" specifying rates of interest on certain premiums; regulating minimum nonforfeiture benefits and reserves of insurance policies and annuity contracts. ABELN, DAVIES

Chpt. 671 - H.F. 2216 Insurance companies which provide liability coverage for injuries caused by intoxication to file a report with the commissioner of insurance including information on the total number of claims, amounts paid in settlement and in litigation related expenses; defining "category of claims". R. KELLY, STUMPF

Chpt. 711 - S.F. 1606 Increasing medical expense threshold to \$3,000 for recovery of damages for non-economic detriment. DAVIES, VANASEK

Chpt. 769 - H.F. 1943 Permitting cancellation of fire and related insurance policies only under certain circumstances, including nonpayment of premium, misrepresentation or fraud; requiring notice of reason for cancellation or non-renewal; requiring policies to state the specific coverage. NELSON, S. KEEFE

Chpt. 797 - H.F. 2236 Removing the limit on the expense factor in setting worker's compensation insurance premiums; referring rates for expenses to the worker's compensation study commission. MOE, TENNESSEN

Judicial

Chpt. 475 - S.F. 1613 Repealing the procedures for compulsory retirement of district court judges due to physical or mental incapacity; removing the provision for confidentiality of the proceedings of the board on judicial standards as regulated by the supreme court. DAVIES, JUDE

Chpt. 491 - S.F. 1617 Relating to evidence; eliminating the presumption of care in negligence actions. DAVIES, COHEN

Chpt. 496 - S.F. 1951 Providing that the clerk of county court may solemnize marriages. MERRIAM, H. SIEBEN

Chpt. 515 - S.F. 997 Abolishing civil causes of action for breach of promise to marry, alienation of affections, criminal conversation and seduction. TENNESSEN, CASSERLY

Chpt. 519 - S.F. 1425 Relating to the competency of witnesses; exempting a registered nurse from testifying against a client. HANSON, BRANDL

Chpt. 525 - S.F. 1616 "Uniform International Wills Act" outlines requirements for an international will; form; certification; secretary of state to establish a registry system. DAVIES, ELLINGSON

Chpt. 526 - S.F. 1635 Provides that cost of collection of a judgment shall not be assessed a recipient of an award for restitution or reimbursement. JOHNSON, BEGICH

Chpt. 542 - H.F. 267 Limiting liability of good samaritans in cases of negligent behavior at the scene of an emergency or during transit to a health care facility. BRINKMAN, OLSON

Chpt. 553 - H.F. 1665 Relating to law libraries raising the law library fee in district, municipal and probate court cases from \$3 to \$5; providing for fee for office probate proceedings. KALEY, BRATAAS

Chpt. 589 - H.F. 2419 Providing for the publication of reports of Minnesota supreme court decisions and their sale and distribution by the commissioner of administration. BEAUCHAMP, DAVIES

Chpt. 593 - H.F. 316 Relating to actions for wrongful death; authorizing commencement of an action within three years from date of death provided that the action must be commenced within six years after the act of omission. H. SIEBEN, BORDEN

Chpt. 639 - H.F. 1977 Retroactively reducing past convictions involving a small amount of marijuana to a petty misdemeanor; providing for order to expunge record. CLARK, DIETERICH

Chpt. 647 - H.F. 2024 Providing for disqualification of a presiding judge without a showing of prejudice. JUDE, STRAND

Chpt. 674 - H.F. 2221 Revisor's bill; correcting erroneous, ambiguous, omitted and obsolete references and text; eliminating duplicate, redundant, conflicting and superseded provisions. HOKANSON, DIETERICH

Chpt. 681 - H.F. 2270 Requiring training and licensing for all peace officers and constables; establishing the position of deputy constable; limiting power of deputy constable to carry firearm in making arrests; authorizing licensing of certain permanently appointed peace officers as if they met licensing requirements. LEHTO, WILLET

Chpt. 696 - H.F. 2518 Providing for sealing the records of judicial commitment proceedings. WYNIA, DIETERICH

Chpt. 702 - S.F. 798 Provides that any person commanded or requested to assist a law enforcement officer in arresting or retaking a person who has escaped custody or in executing any legal process may be eligible for worker's compensation benefits. DUNN, WELCH

Chpt. 713 - S.F. 1614 Employment or appointment of an executive secretary for the board on judicial standards by the board, not the Governor. DAVIES, JUDE

Chpt. 723 - S.F. 65 Determinate sentencing bill, fixed sentences for felonies; establishes mutual agreement programs, appeal to ombudsman, good time, conditional release, post release programs, furloughs; abolishing Minnesota corrections board; duties to corrections commissioner; provides for aggravating and mitigating circumstances, consecutive and extended sentences, appeals; stay of execution or imposition of sentence prohibited for certain crimes; abolishes life imprisonment. MCCUTCHEON, FARICY

Chpt. 724 - S.F. 318 Authorizing a peace officer to arrest a person if the officer has probable cause to believe that the person has assaulted his spouse or other person with whom he resides; requiring detention and review of bail for persons charged with domestic assault; permitting the judge to stay execution and imposition of sentence conditioned upon the defendant seeking appropriate counseling. MCCUTCHEON, COHEN

Chpt. 727 - S.F. 804 Relating to DWI violations; blood alcohol at 0.10% constitutes under the influence of alcohol by law; refusal to provide chemical samples is admissible evidence for prosecution; preliminary screening test before arrest; provides for immediate notice of revocation of driver's license or permit, temporary permits; notice of right to refuse blood test, right to consult attorney; urine test; unofficial tests; peace officer as agent for public safety commissioner; county court jurisdiction over prosecution of aggravated violations. DAVIES, ARLANDSON

Chpt. 730 - S.F. 1548 Changing fees collected by court clerks for certain actions and services. MERRIAM, CUMMISKEY

Chpt. 736 - S.F. 2361 Defining deadly force; intentional discharge of firearm at person or vehicle constitutes deadly force; clarifying situations in which use of deadly force by peace officers is authorized. MCCUTCHEON, MOE

Chpt. 750 - H.F. 1734 Permitting referees and judicial officers in county, municipal or district courts; prohibits additional appointments; requiring the supreme court to review, consider alternatives, and submit recommendations regarding referee and judicial officer positions. NORTON, TENNESSEN

Chpt. 772 - H.F. 2027 Relating to marriage and divorce; marriage of minors; prohibitions; license; blood test; legitimate children or prohibited marriage; annulment; putative spouses; dissolution and legal separation; custody; right of custodial parent to determine upbringing; property; maintenance in lieu of alimony. BERGLIN, DAVIES

Chpt. 780 - H.F. 2159 Relating to courts; permitting personal jurisdiction over non-residents for causes of action relating to acts causing injury or property damage; exceptions; revising the provision to accord with federal constitutional requirements; increases maximum salary for district court reporter to \$25,000 per year. FUDRO, HANSON

Chpt. 785 - H.F. 2225 "Nonprofit legal service plan act" authorizing creation of nonprofit, prepaid legal service plan corporations; free choice of providers; no interference with attorney-client relationship; formation and regulation; limits name; articles of incorporation; secretary of state to issue certificate of incorporation; notice in newspaper; certificate of authority by insurance commissioner; annual financial statements; duties of insurance commissioner; authorized contracts and agreements; subscribers contracts; license for solicitor or agent; penalties. FARICY, DAVIES

Chpt. 790 - H.F. 2466 Emergency classification of data; determinations; extending date of expiration, period for consideration. BEAUCHAMP, TENNESSEN

Local

Chpt. 458 - H.F. 1792 Relating to rural water systems of Lincoln, Pipestone, and Rock county; assessment for cost charged against benefited property owned by a petitioner or actual users; property owners not assessed may use the system on terms approved by governing commission. STANTON, NICHOLS

Chpt. 459 - H.F. 1761 Authorizing the sale of certain state land only to the city of Owatonna, for purposes which the city deems compatible with adjacent lands. BIERSDORF, FREDERICK

Chpt. 460 - H.F. 145 Requiring a hearing by a county board prior to the adoption of a resolution revoking a county highway that would revert to a town; 30 day notice of hearing to township board of supervisors. NIEHAUS, CHMIELEWSKI

Chpt. 462 - S.F. 975 Authorizing the appointment of county administrators and executive secretaries without referendum; exempts St. Louis county. WEGENER, MCEACHERN

Chpt. 464 - S.F. 682 Creating a housing and redevelopment authority for Anoka county without jurisdiction where municipal authority is established; local approval of projects. MERRIAM, SIMONEAU

Chpt. 467 - S.F. 1178 Authorizing the town of McDavitt to issue general obligation bonds for the acquisition and betterment of a town hall; bonds not to be included in any debt limit or levy limitation on the town; bonds may be issued without an election if the board publishes the amount, purpose and security for the bonds and the voters do not request an election. PERPICH, FUGINA

Chpt. 468 - H.F. 1065 Increases the fees for tax search certificates in St. Louis county. FUGINA, SOLON

Chpt. 476 - S.F. 1637 Authorizing cities, counties or towns to borrow money from the FHA to acquire town halls; authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds for a fire and community hall in the city of Tower. JOHNSON, BEGICH

Chpt. 477 - S.F. 1698 Authorizing the disposition of unused armories to counties in addition to municipalities. CHMIELEWSKI, JACOBS

Chpt. 486 - H.F. 1936 Providing for the transfer of property from Independent School District Number 272 (Eden Prairie) to Independent School District Number 273 (Edina). PLEASANT, BANG

Chpt. 488 - H.F. 2312 Providing for the transfer of certain territory from Independent School District Number 272 (Eden Prairie) to Independent School District Number 271 (Bloomington). PLEASANT, BANG

Chpt. 492 - S.F. 1699 Allowing the towns of Little Falls and Belle Prairie to contract for the lighting of town roads; requiring a petition of at least 60% of the property owners in a designated area; allowing reimbursement for electrical service costs from benefited property owners. WEGENER, WENZEL

Chpt. 497 - S.F. 1959 Transferring the control of a town's legal actions from the electors at the town meeting to the town board of supervisors. SETZEPFANDT

Chpt. 503 - S.F. 1547 Providing for the exchange of territory between Independent School District 624 (White Bear Lake) and Independent School District 12 (Centennial). KNAAK, NEISEN

Chpt. 504 - S.F. 1603 Authorizes Washington county, the city of Stillwater and the town of Stillwater to jointly exercise planning and land use control powers. SIKORSKI, LAIDIG

Chpt. 509 - S.F. 2342 Authorizing the Olmsted county board to finance an addition to and renovation of Olmsted County Hospital. BRATAAS, ZUBAY

Chpt. 517 - S.F. 1282 Authorizing school superintendents appointed to county nursing committees to designate substitutes to serve; requiring substitutes to be employed in the same district as the superintendent. LAUFENBURGER, STOA

Chpt. 518 - S.F. 1285 Requiring city councils, town boards and county boards undertaking local improvements to contract or order work within one year of adoption of resolution ordering the improvement. ANDERSON, CLAWSON

Chpt. 521 - S.F. 1495 Altering advance payment provisions of certain obligations by municipalities; payment of principal amount at maturity or, if prepayable, at the earlier redemption date; authorizing the use of escrow account securities for redemption of refund obligations, conditions governing the refunding of general obligations. WEGENER, NEISEN

Chpt. 527 - S.F. 1636 Allowing Independent School District 710 (St. Louis County) to transfer a surplus amount from its debt service fund to its capital expenditure fund. SOLON, FUGINA

Chpt. 551 - H.F. 1604 County board of commissioners is to act as the town board in an unorganized territory, providing cartways to access a public road. FUGINA

Chpt. 555 - H.F. 1766 Authorizing the conveyance of certain lands in Beltrami county by quit claim deed to clear the title. ST. ONGE, WILLET

Chpt. 557 - H.F. 1797 Authorizing the city of Zumbrota to sell certain public land. SCHULZ, ENGLER

Chpt. 558 - H.F. 1799 Authorizing the annexation of certain land located outside the Albert Lea city limits. SAVELKOUL, NELSON

Chpt. 565 - H.F. 1873 Validating the acquisition of certain real estate by Anoka county; authorizes the payment of annuity. MCCARRON, MERRIAM

Chpt. 575 - H.F. 2048 Altering name and defining purpose of the range association of municipalities and towns; purpose is to provide an area-wide approach to those areas of Northeast Minnesota affected by the operations of iron ore taconite and concentrate to promote general welfare and economic development of the area. BEGICH, JOHNSON

Chpt. 584 - H.F. 2242 Authorizing the expenditure of money by the county board to restore Yellow Medicine county ditch 9. SMOGARD, NICHOLS

Chpt. 585 - H.F. 2248 Requiring that members of the joint police and fire commission and the firemen's civil service commission be appointed by the city council; prohibits commission to prescribe residency requirements as a condition for employment. VOSS, MERRIAM

Chpt. 609 - H.F. 1416 Authorizing municipalities to include the refinancing of existing indebtedness incurred to finance the construction of existing facilities in the costs of a project for a hospital or nursing home facility; municipalities may issue revenue bonds to pay indebtedness. SKOGLUND, CHENOWETH

Chpt. 624 - H.F. 1851 Authorizing county library boards to have at least 5 but not more than eleven members. MANN, OLSON

Chpt. 633 - H.F. 1910 Authorizing the exchange of certain tax-forfeited shoreland in Itasca county for certain privately owned land. PRAHL, LESSARD

Chpt. 634 - H.F. 1921 A majority of landowners in a town with certain municipal powers may petition for improvements without the approval of the town electors at a town meeting. NIEHAUS, WEGENER

Chpt. 651 - H.F. 2049 Removing certain restrictions on contracts entered into by public officers, concerning their financial interests; deleting requirement that commodities and services are otherwise unavailable locally. BRINKMAN, SCHROM

Chpt. 666 - H.F. 2175 Permits the city of South St. Paul to issue an "on-sale" liquor license for Wakota Arena; provisions for whom the license may be issued to; limiting circumstances for liquor sales. METZEN, VEGA

Chpt. 678 - H.F. 2246 Regulating the deposit and investment of county funds; interest and profits accrued from such investment to be credited to general revenue fund of the county; providing for business days and hours for county offices and emergency closings. MCEACHERN, WEGENER

Chpt. 691 - H.F. 2377 Relating to the town of White, St. Louis County; authorizing the board of supervisors to set the compensation of the town assessor. BEGICH, JOHNSON

Chpt. 692 - H.F. 2429 Prohibiting regulation of rates or routes of the Mankato and North Mankato public transit commission by the public service commission. CUMMISKEY, A. UELAND

Chpt. 705 - S.F. 910 Clarifying powers and duties of the Minnesota municipal board; providing for an executive director; requiring corporate boundary and plat maps; altering methods of incorporation, annexation, consolidation, detachment and boundary adjustments of certain local governmental units; board to consider public interest including population, natural terrain, land use, environment, planning, local services, taxation and payment of debts. WEGENER

Chpt. 728 - S.F. 1106 Authorizing counties to prohibit transportation of solid waste to other counties for disposal and to designate disposal sites within the county. OLSON, ECKSTEIN

Chpt. 761 - H.F. 1838 Relating to the St. Cloud Metropolitan Transit Commission; authorizes the commission to operate paratransit services and acquire property if necessary allowing public transit service outside the transit area by contractual agreement; changing commissioners, secretary and treasurer per diem expenses. PEHLER, KLEINBAUM

Chpt. 765 - H.F. 1914 Authorizing the board of county commissioners of Koochiching and Pennington counties to establish a judicial fee system for the county law libraries; fee charges imposed on civil and certain criminal cases; requiring a report to the legislature by the judges of the ninth judicial district. I. ANDERSON, LESSARD

Chpt. 787 - H.F. 2292 Requiring the fiscal year for municipalities to be a calendar year; setting requirements for financial statements, reports and audits; time limit for submission of reports to the state auditor; enforcement. BERG, WEGENER

Metro-Urban

Chpt. 466 - S.F. 1004 Regulating the investment of metropolitan airports commission funds. LEWIS, PATTON

Chpt. 481 - H.F. 935 Authorizing the board of commissioners of Ramsey county to set, by resolution, expense allowances for members of certain boards and agencies. TOMLINSON

Chpt. 484 - H.F. 1793 Authorizing Ramsey county to issue general obligation bonds for the costs of construction of county nursing home; providing for a negative referendum. KOSTOHRYZ, HUGHES

Chpt. 489 - S.F. 478 Prohibiting reclassification of a first class city unless its population decreases by 25% from the census figures which last qualified the city for inclusion in the class. J. ULLAND, JAROS

Chpt. 493 - S.F. 1713 Providing for the assignment of Minneapolis city, park board and housing and redevelopment authority employees to the riverfront development coordination board without restrictions as to period of service. SPEAR, KAHN

Chpt. 511 - H.F. 2047 Relating to the Minneapolis classified service; providing for the rule of three to fill certain vacancies; civil service commission to verify the first three persons from the appropriate list of the eligible register for promotions. BERGLIN, SPEAR

Chpt. 531 - S.F. 1690 Relating to the Metropolitan Airports Commission, raising the limit on the amount of money to be authorized for borrowing; specifying the amount of money in the debt service fund; authorizes the commission to issue general obligation revenue refunding bonds to meet certain needs. LEWIS, H. SIEBEN

Chpt. 533 - S.F. 1704 Authorized the city of Minneapolis and its housing and redevelopment authority to establish and administer a program of small business set-asides for contracts for goods and services, including construction; limitation of award based on estimated cost; preference to socially or economically disadvantaged; requiring a determination of ability to perform prior to approval of set-aside award. KNOLL, CASSERLY

Chpt. 543 - H.F. 807 Removing the city of New Prague from the definitions of metropolitan areas and metropolitan transit areas; removal from metropolitan council jurisdiction, tax levy, and metropolitan revenue distribution; placing New Prague in region 9. VANASEK, PURFEERST

Chpt. 545 - H.F. 1225 Renaming the Ramsey County Hospital, sanitarium and commission as St. Paul-Ramsey Medical Center and Commission; granting the commissioner power to appoint and remove the chief executive officer and certain staff, authorizing the commission to utilize the services of a nonprofit cooperative hospital service organization; removing obsolete provisions. R. KELLY, STUMPF

Chpt. 559 - H.F. 1808 Establishing four year terms of office for school board members for School District 1 (Minneapolis). ENEBO, SPEAR

Chpt. 562 - H.F. 2050 Authorizing the Minneapolis city council to provide for up to ten unclassified positions for aides to aldermen. RICE, S. KEEFE

Chpt. 580 - H.F. 2176 Authorizing the Minneapolis chief of police to appoint a supervisor of the internal affairs unit. CASSERLY, S. KEEFE

Chpt. 653 - H.F. 2051 Increasing per diem compensation for members of the Minneapolis board of park commissioners for each regular and committee meeting of the board attended; compensation not to exceed payment for a total of three meetings per month. RICE, S. KEEFE

Chpt. 743 - H.F. 933 Amending the Ramsey county code relating to welfare; deleting certain obsolete provisions. MCCOLLAR

Chpt. 745 - H.F. 1119 Providing for additional membership on the Ramsey county civil service commission; clarifying duties; eliminating per diem for library board members. WYNIA, DIETERICH

Chpt. 784 - H.F. 2223 Authorizing Hennepin county to establish municipal courts in Minneapolis, Bloomington and at other northern and western suburban locations disbursed throughout the county. JUDE, LUTHER

Chpt. 788 - H.F. 2341 Authorizing the city of St. Paul to issue general obligation bonds for capital improvement budget purposes; providing certain transferred employees rights to certain benefits. R. KELLY, STUMPF

Pensions-Retirement

Chpt. 471 - H.F. 1860 Relating to PERA, provides for adjusted accrual dates for payment of annuities, survivor benefits and disability benefits, and clarifying membership requirements for elected officials. REDING, STOKOWSKI

Chpt. 538 - S.F. 1985 Terminating the metropolitan transit commission-transit operating division employees retirement fund; transfer of benefit and pension coverage, assets, records to the Minnesota state retirement fund; providing an additional member to the MSRS board of directors elected by transit operating division employees; automatic increase in benefits; MSRS successor in interest; valuation of assets; requiring MTC to make annual contribution to MSRS and provide disability and survivorship insurance coverage; mandatory retirement age and option to extend employment. STOKOWSKI, MOE

Chpt. 556 - H.F. 1770 Relating to retirement; excluding persons who work for a school or institution on a part-time basis and who have established and are contributing to an individual retirement account from the definition of "teacher". CUMMISKEY, A. UELAND

Chpt. 562 - H.F. 1858 Clarifying ambiguous retirement provisions in police, fire, highway patrol and other retirement associations; removing various obsolete gender references. PATTON, STRAND

Chpt. 563 - H.F. 1864 Relating to retirement; providing for biennial local police and paid fire fund actuarial valuations; amending statutes regarding police and firemen's relief associations in Moorhead, Rochester, Bloomington, Brooklyn Center, Richfield, St. Louis Park, Chisholm, Anoka, Columbia Heights. BEAUCHAMP, STRAND

Chpt. 599 - H.F. 908 Increases the amount of monthly service pension benefits a volunteer fireman can receive through the White Bear Lake firemen's relief association. MCCOLLAR, KNAAK

Chpt. 606 - H.F. 1403 Providing for the payment of service pensions by the Spring Lake Park firefighters; relief association. VOSS, MERRIAM

Chpt. 615 - H.F. 1663 Authorizing repayment and election for a combined service annuity for certain members of public retirement funds who retired between 5-1-75 and 1-1-77; authorizing purchase of MSRS prior service credit by certain University of Minnesota tradesmen or retirees. BRANDL, KNOLL

Chpt. 617 - H.F. 1767 Authorizing an increase in the amount of a lump sum service pension and benefits for members of Anoka firemen's relief association. MANGAN, ANDERSON

Chpt. 622 - H.F. 1821 Increasing Brainerd's fire department service pension to an amount not to exceed \$800 per year of service. SAMUELSON, BORDEN

Chpt. 626 - H.F. 1865 Relating to retirement; defining fractional year of service as served by judges or a referee in probate court; providing a formula for refunds due those judges who do not qualify for a retirement annuity but who have contributed to the judges' retirement fund. PATTON, OGDahl

Chpt. 627 - H.F. 1866 Computation of years of service for Karlstad volunteer firefighters. BRAUN, HANSON

Chpt. 631 - H.F. 1900 Increasing the monthly annuity for retired Mound firefighters; payments retroactive to Jan. 1, 1978. JUDE, PILLSBURY

Chpt. 646 - H.F. 2023 Providing for adjustments in the payments of highway patrolmen's retirement fund survivor benefits. PATTON, PETERSON

Chpt. 648 - H.F. 2025 Remaining balances in the Chisholm police and firemen's relief association special fund, upon payment of all obligations, shall be transferred to city treasurer; relief associations to require \$100,000 bond for each treasurer or disbursements to be cosigned by the city clerk treasurer. SPANISH, PERPICH

Chpt. 665 - H.F. 2163 Relating to retirement; providing adjustment of benefits of disabilitants and survivors under public pension funds participating in the Minnesota adjustable fixed benefit fund. CLAWSON, STOKOWSKI

Chpt. 673 - H.F. 2219 Increasing the maximum volunteer firefighter's service pensions in the city of Eagan. R. KEMPE, KNUTSON

Chpt. 675 - H.F. 2224 Increasing police relief pension and survivor benefits for the city of Nashwauk. PRAHL, LESSARD

Chpt. 676 - H.F. 2228 Authorizing an annuity for the surviving spouse of a certain deceased former member of the public employees retirement association. M. NELSON, BORDEN

Chpt. 683 - H.F. 2278 Changing certain benefits, terminology and provisions of the bylaws for the Brooklyn Center firemen's relief association. ELLINGSON, LUTHER

Chpt. 684 - H.F. 2279 Ceases operation of the Brooklyn Center policeman's pension fund as of March 26, 1978; active police officers and deferred annuitants to become members of the public employees police and fire fund; transfer funds from Brooklyn Center policeman's pensions fund to Brooklyn Center employees retirement fund to pay out of such fund amount determined by actuary to public employees police and fire fund. ELLINGSON, LUTHER

Chpt. 685 - H.F. 2282 Providing for Plymouth firefighters' relief association benefits. HEINITZ, STAPLES

Chpt. 689 - H.F. 2330 Providing for consolidation of the Thief River Falls police relief association into the public employees police and fire fund. CORBID, HANSON

Chpt. 690 - H.F. 2332 Specifying allowable administrative expenses for local police and salaried or volunteer firefighters relief associations; providing for payment for medical insurance by a St. Cloud firemen's relief association and for the purchase of prior service credit by a certain St. Cloud firefighter. PATTON, STRAND

Chpt. 753 - H.F. 1760 Increasing benefits payable by the firemen's relief association in the city of Crystal; authorizing lump sum service benefit in lieu of service pension; requiring service awards to commence within 100 days from the date of a physical or mental disability and to be payable for life; clarifying the definition of "disabled". L. ADAMS, HUMPHREY

Chpt. 754 - H.F. 1781 Authorizing the payment of lump sum service pensions, not to exceed \$600 per year of service, by the Maplewood firefighters relief association. KOSTOHRYZ, HUGHES

Chpt. 774 - H.F. 2093 Terminating the University of Minnesota police retirement plan and fund; providing for transfer of coverage to the PERA police and fire fund. MOE, STOKOWSKI

Chpt. 781 - H.F. 2160 Relating to various retirement funds; placing a general limitation on public retirement annuities; requiring a study and report; defining a term for purposes of the correctional employee plan; providing a proportionate annuity in certain instances; repealing a limit on the average salary used for computing annuities; prospective discontinuation of the variable annuity program; modification in early retirement ages and reduction factors; increase in certain employee contributions. BEAUCHAMP, STOKOWSKI

Chpt. 796 - H.F. 1861 Public employee retirement; miscellaneous amendments clarifying employees excluded; temporary lay-off; allowable service; dependent spouse and children; adjustment of annuity in case of early retirement; payment to a minor; employee contributions. REDING, STOKOWSKI

Taxes

Chpt. 567 - H.F. 1923 Requiring the filing of certificates of value on transfers of real estate made after 1977; prohibiting certain tax credits on such property without a certificate of value. EKEN, MCCUTCHEON

Chpt. 620 - H.F. 1803 Delays an increase in valuation of certain property undergoing rehabilitation; prior appraisal by the assessor; permits increase based on general rise in value; assessor to maintain records on buildings affected by delayed assessment program; affected municipalities to review and evaluate program. BERGLIN, S. KEEFE

Chpt. 672 - H.F. 2218 Providing for an administrator of the tax court; clerk of district court to be responsible for filing fees and library fees of the tax court; procedures for appeals of tax court decisions; petitions for determinations; payment of taxes while appeals and petitions are in process. SUSS, DAVIES

Chpt. 719 - S.F. 1891 Exempting cities containing major electric generating facilities from per capita levy limitations. DUNN, MCEACHERN

Chpt. 721 - H.F. 2250 Increasing credits available to certain taxpayers; income tax credit for homemakers meeting certain child qualifications; home heating credit for persons with income under \$11,000 for property tax purposes, filing time limit, time for payment; removing sales tax on residential heating fuels; providing computations and taxable net income. W. KELLY, MCCUTCHEON

Chpt. 741 - H.F. 551 Relating to inheritance taxation; providing for transfer of jointly held property to heirs of a joint tenant; clarifying marital exemptions; deduction of certain taxes from estates of nonresidents; periods for filing, extensions; abatement of penalties in cases of reasonable cause for delay; correcting references to probate code provisions; requiring filing of affidavits and copies of documents. VANASEK, OLFHOFT

Chpt. 749 - H.F. 1726 Clarifying the procedures used to contest general ad valorem taxes and special assessments; extending the time period for appealing a special assessment. A. KEMPE

Chpt. 756 - H.F. 1805 Clarifying the tax status of certain leased U.S. property limiting the assessment and taxation of leased property which is within a federal reservation, has been conveyed by the federal government to the State of Minnesota, or occupied or used by a branch of the armed forces of the U.S.; clarifying status of certain taconite taxes. W. KELLY, PETERSON

Chpt. 766 - H.F. 1915 Miscellaneous tax amendments; deduction for tuition and transportation expense in computing income tax; copy of assessor's appraisal to homeowners; deductions for contributions; excise tax on intoxicating liquor; inheritance tax homestead exemption; gift tax; altering method of computing metropolitan council tax levies; repealing deduction for alimony. VANASEK, SETZEPFANDT

Chpt. 767 - H.F. 1916 Miscellaneous tax amendments; imposing the motor vehicle excise tax on future sales of certain motor vehicles; defining use of sales ratio studies; requiring social security numbers; uniform appeal and demand procedure; clarifying classification of certain homesteads; recodifying classification of resort property; special levy for commuter van program; adjusts levy limit base; defining resident estate and resident trust; carry back period for out-of-state losses; authorizing revenue commissioner to release information to assessors; low-income; preference item. PEHLER, MCCUTCHEON

Transportation

Chpt. 472 - H.F. 1879 Discontinuing routes 127, 153, 285 and 312 from the trunk highway system and substituting a route near Grasston for 134. LEMKE, LAUFENBURGER

Chpt. 474 - S.F. 265 Providing that towns be reimbursed for repairing and restoring town roads damaged while utilized as a haul road in transporting road building materials used in the construction, reconstruction or maintenance of public highways or city streets; requiring the contractor to assume liability in contracts with political subdivisions. SCHROM, EKEN

Chpt. 479 - S.F. 1802 Providing that a class C driver's license is valid for operation of the rear portion of a midmount aerial ladder truck by firemen. LAUFENBURGER, STOA

Chpt. 494 - S.F. 1754 Authorizing certain vehicles as emergency vehicles; approval of specifications and equipment test fees for lighting and vehicle safety equipment; repealing vehicle modification standards; warning devices. PURFEERST, LEMKE

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Resolution .002 - H.F. 1930 A resolution urging the President, congress and secretary of transportation to provide necessary grants and loans to the Milwaukee railroad to continue operation. OSTHOFF, PURFEERST

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Chpt. 569 - H.F. 1965 Directing the department of transportation to utilize the existing Highway 12 corridor in Washington county for the construction of Highway I-94. HANSON, MCCUTCHEON

Chpt. 570 - H.F. 1966 Extending protection provided by motor vehicle surety bonds to the transfer and seller as well as purchaser of a motor vehicle; excluding certain vehicles used for personal or family use from the definition of a bus. NEISEN, WILLET

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Chpt. 638 - H.F. 1976 Prohibiting personal possession of certain traffic control signals; granting immunity from prosecution to persons who voluntarily notify police and return them. LEMKE, PURFEERST

Chpt. 654 - H.F. 2052 Modifying airport zoning regulations to protect existing residential neighborhoods; prohibits the elimination, removal or reclassification as nonconforming use of existing low density land used, unless inconsistent with reasonable standards of safety; requiring transportation commissioner to amend rules regarding airport hazard areas and categories of use within a specified period. SCHEID, LUTHER

Chpt. 655 - H.F. 2066 Requiring motor vehicle certificates of title to be sent by registered or certified mail to owners. ABELN, BENEDICT

Chpt. 656 - H.F. 2067 Authorizes the commissioner of transportation to grant permits for the construction of agriculture fences on trunk highway right-of-way; commissioner to take no action which would result in loss of federal aid; permit may be revoked at any time; requiring evidence of insurance against potential damage claims; permit to specify location, type of construction and dimensions of fence; fees collected to be credited to highway trunk fund. SCHULZ, ENGLER

Chpt. 660 - H.F. 2111 Providing for reimbursement of municipalities to the department of transportation for technical and engineering services relating to airport planning or operation; allowing municipalities to acquire or relocate air navigation facilities, structures and other property from an airport owned or formerly owned by the municipality; municipalities may move such property to another public airport; procedures for acquisition; transportation commissioner may reimburse municipality for part of acquisition and moving costs; changing references of "secondary system of airports" to "intermediate system of airports". ECKSTEIN, WILLET

Chpt. 667 - H.F. 2192 Establishing a rail user loan guarantee program which will provide state money in guarantee of loans; commissioner of transportation authorized to insure loans to be used solely for rail line rehabilitation. STANTON, PENNY

Chpt. 679 - H.F. 2256 Making accident reports available to Minnesota department of transportation federal, county and municipal government agencies; reports to be confidential, except that they may be used for accident prevention purposes; identity of involved persons not to be revealed. LEMKE, LAUFENBURGER

Chpt. 686 - H.F. 2299 Transportation commissioner may authorize counties to use current and accumulated municipal account funds on county state aid highways if certain provisions are met; requiring written request; hearings, certain cities must notify commissioner if they object to use of funds; authorization by commissioner to apply only to the county's accumulated and current year allocation. FUDRO, SCHMITZ

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Chpt. 740 - H.F. 544 Removing the construction moratorium on interstate 35E in St. Paul; authorization for a parkway on that right of way; removing Route 382 from the trunk highway system in St. Paul. A. KEMPE, VEGA

Chpt. 752 - H.F. 1744 Requiring installation and use of wheelchair securement devices in vehicles used for transporting wheelchair users; additional safety requirements, including seatbelts; providing for initial inspection of wheelchair securing devices and annual inspection thereafter; public safety commissioner to furnish certificate of inspection; authorizing certain evidence for use in litigation; provides penalties. BERKELMAN, GUNDERSON

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