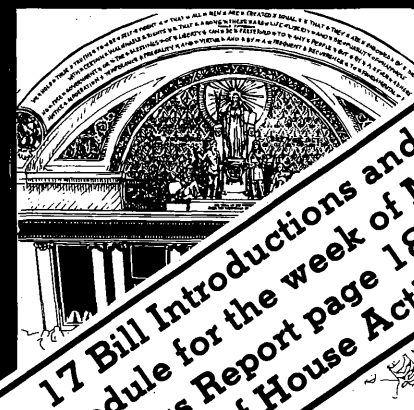
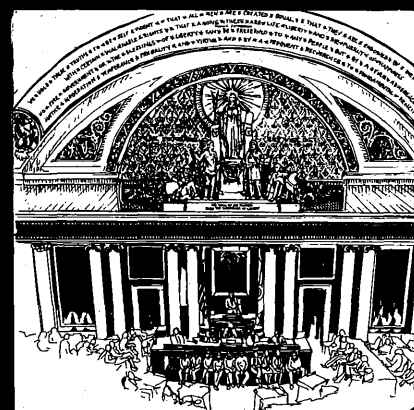
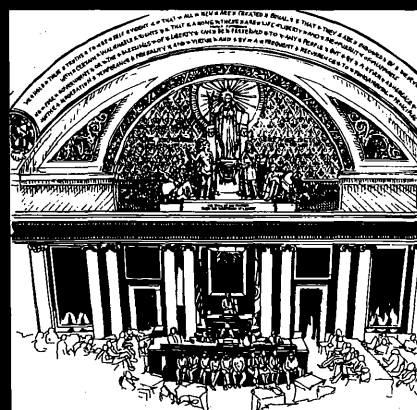
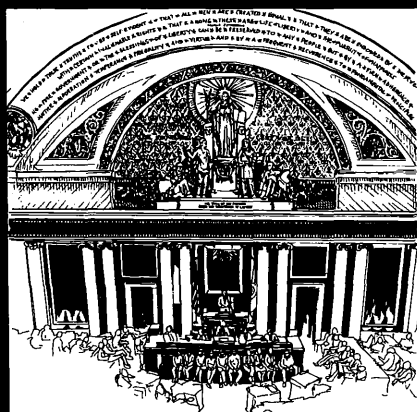
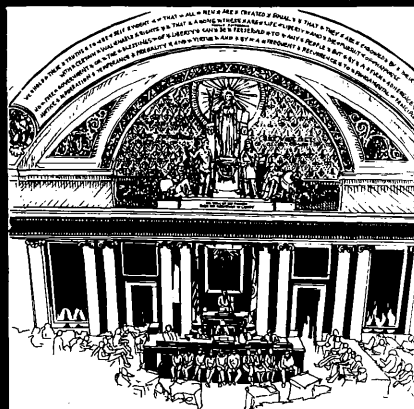
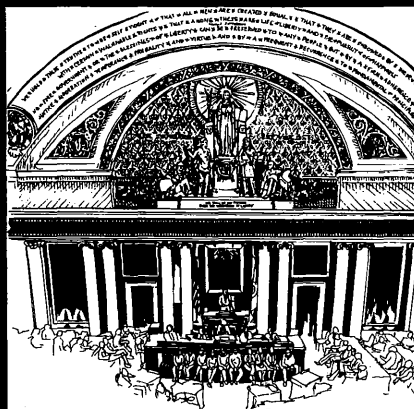




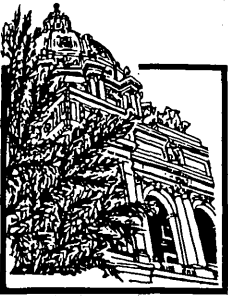
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Bills moved quickly through committees and the full House during the month of April. Session Monthly describes some of the proposals by topic and tells you what happened to them in committees and on the House floor.



Agriculture

Grade B milk quality

The Milk Quality Standards bill is moving through the Legislature and got approval from the Agriculture, Transportation and Semi-State division of the Appropriations committee April 29.

HF481 would have Minnesota's grade B milk producers comply with federal standards which require annual on-farm inspections and separate milkhouses that meet certain sanitary conditions. Bill author Rep. Paul Ogren (DFL-Aitkin) said about 1500 grade B farmers aren't in compliance with the federal standards.

Division members debated a portion of the bill that gives loan guarantees and payment adjustments to help farmers finance the required milkhouses. Ogren said the state should help financially strapped dairy farmers if it mandates the new milkhouses.

The division approved an amendment to the bill that would reduce the lending costs by making the state the lender of last resort. □

Minimum pricing

The Agriculture Exports and Marketing subcommittee met April 25 to look at HF1173 (Anderson, B., DFL-Slayton), a bill which would call for minimums on milk, corn, soybeans, wheat, oats, rye, barley, and other products, to ensure that farmers get a fair price for their goods, continued employment, economic growth, and an adequate food supply.

The Agriculture commissioner would set minimum prices at 80 to 100 percent of parity, when 60 percent of the previous year's U.S. production of a commodity is subject to a minimum price.

According to opponents, minimum price fixing would send buyers to other sellers who could offer lower prices.

Those in favor of the bill say low pricing is not always a bargain. People who work farms should get fair returns, and low prices are now driving people off farms. And according to Jack Nelson, an expert on world hunger, low farm prices can discourage agricultural production in some countries, and invite soil erosion on farm land.

The subcommittee didn't act on the bill but decided to study minimum pricing during the interim. □

Agri-processors' loans

A bill that would set up a state loan-guarantee program which could attract ethanol manufacturers and other agri-processors to Minnesota got a recommendation to pass from the Agriculture Committee on April 20.

The bill, HF639 (Anderson, B., DFL-Slayton), would finance the guaranteed-loan fund through bond sales, guarantee fees, and sales and property taxes new plants would generate.

Charles Hertz, president of Ashland Development Company, a subsidiary of Ashland Oil, told committee members, if the Legislature passes the bill, Ashland would look seriously at locating an ethanol plant in Minnesota. The company already owns and operates a plant in Ohio.

Bill author, Rep. Bruce Anderson, says it's hard to start an ethanol plant without loan guarantees because banks are reluctant to lend venture capital for the projects.

Agriculture Commissioner Jim Nichols assured the committee there'd be a market for the octane booster, ethanol, saying that high-octane-fuel cars are the fastest selling on today's market.

COMMITTEE ACTION: Approved HF639, April 20. Sent to Taxes Committee. □

Grain buyers' trust fund

The grain buyers bill got a working over in Agriculture Committee meetings April 6 and 7 as members debated the proposal which would protect grain producers against buyers who take grain on credit but fail to pay for it.

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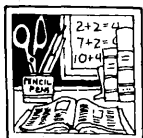
Grain buyers would pay a one-mill assessment on grain sales to form a \$10 million trust fund to protect grain producers against losses from breach of contract. Bill author Rep. Tom Shea (DFL-Owatonna) said the bill wouldn't set up the trust fund until a joint legislative committee traveled the state this summer to find out if farmers want the fund.

If they don't want it, he said, in the 1984 session, he would introduce legislation to repeal the section of the bill that establishes the fund.

But on April 7, members approved an amendment that would give grain producers a chance to vote on the trust fund through a referendum. If they vote yes, the state would set up the fund August 1, 1985.

The bill changes bonding requirements for grain elevators and independent truck grain buyers by tying the amounts to the buyer's gross annual sales; requires grain buyers to keep enough grain to cover extensions of credit; and requires stricter financial reporting from grain buyers.

COMMITTEE ACTION: Approved HF424, April 7. Sent to Appropriations Committee.□



Education

Funding K-12 education

A bill that extends Minnesota's school year from 175 to 180 days and outlines school financing for the next two years got a recommendation to pass from the Education Committee April 8.

Eleven articles in HF92 (Nelson, K., DFL-Mpls) spell out new ways to fund public education, from basic per-pupil general expenses to libraries and transportation costs.

The Education Finance Division of the committee started forming the bill in January, focusing on improving Minnesota's education system, as well as funding it.

The bill follows the governor's recommendations to fund new technology learning projects for teachers, and provides incentives for schools to share services so they can offer more courses at less cost.

April 12, the Appropriations Committee approved HF92 with amendments that would emphasize technology training for both sexes, clarify the bill's student-teacher ratios for AVTI's, and require the Council on Quality Education to monitor programs on early childhood education.

UPDATE: The full House passed HF92 April 25 on a nearly unanimous vote, and an amendment that would allow school districts to purchase textbooks with capital expenditure funds.□

Commissioner appointment

"The Education Commissioner is the only member of the governor's Cabinet who is not appointed by the governor," Perpich aide Lani Kawamura told the Education Committee April 6, yet education is the cornerstone of the governor's budget and policies.

That would change under a bill the committee approved on April 6, HF360 (McEachern, DFL-St. Michael). The governor is accountable for the actions of state departments, says Rep. McEachern, so he should have the power to appoint all his commissioners.

Opponents of the change said they think it could make for a less stable education administration, because the commissioner would probably change with each governor.

UPDATE: HF360 is waiting floor action on General Orders.□

HIGHER EDUCATION

Tuition aid for American Indians

The Minnesota Indian Scholarship program would get a financial boost in the next two years, under funding the Education division of the Appropriations Committee recommended April 26.

The division altered the governor's tuition-free proposal for the state's American Indian students by targeting all tuition-aid money into the existing Indian Scholarship program, for a biennial appropriation of \$4.2 million. From 1981-82, program funding was \$1.2 million.

Under the proposal, student need would determine tuition aid. Rep. Dick Welch (DFL-Cambridge), a member of the Education division,

said he was reluctant to support free tuition because it doesn't consider need, and the financial condition of most Indian students would qualify them for scholarships.

The demand for scholarships has increased in recent years because of rising college tuition and costs, loss of social security for some students, stricter guidelines on federal Pell grants, and reductions in tribal grants. During 1981-82, 384 eligible Indian students couldn't get funding through the scholarship program because of lack of funds, causing 168 of them to delay their education, according to a Department of Education report.

The division appropriated \$300,000 each year of the biennium for grants to school districts, to support programs for Indian students still in secondary schools.□

Tuition, financial aid

The Education division of the Appropriations Committee recommended approval of the governor's tuition and financial aid plan for the state's post-secondary students April 20. Students would pay a larger share, 33 percent, of instructional costs under the plan.

By 1984-85, average tuition for community college students would rise from the current \$771 to \$1077, from \$849 to \$1368 at state universities, and from \$1448 to \$1864 at the University of Minnesota.

The governor originally proposed that students pay 35 percent of costs, but savings from phasing in new engineering programs over three years, instead of two, enabled the division to reduce the student share. But legislators noted that additions to instructional costs at the three systems will lessen those savings to students.

Rep. John Brandl (DFL-Mpls.), a Humphrey Institute professor, is sponsor of the financial aid plan (part of the omnibus education bill) that would increase state scholarship and grant funds and target more money to students with the most need.

The division approved a rider to the bill to dedicate \$600,000 in grants for part-time students for the 1983-85 biennium, if the state scholarship and grant program doesn't fully consolidate part-time grants.□



Environment & Natural Resources

Omnibus fishing bill

The Omnibus Fishing Bill, HF786 (Sarna, DFL-Mpls), came out of the Environment Committee on April 21 with a recommendation to pass. The bill would add a \$2.50 surcharge on fishing licenses, and a \$2 fee increase on fish houses and darkhouses.

Another provision would limit the maximum pounds of walleye that commercial fishers on Rainy Lake and Lake of the Woods may take in any one season, beginning in 1984. That limit would decrease year by year, putting commercial fishers out of business on those lakes by 1994.

Also, the bill would allow the commissioner of DNR to designate more waters as experimental and hold public meetings in affected areas; post opening dates on whitefish, tulipee, and herring netting seasons; regulate carp; and designate lakes on which fishers may catch 30-to-36-inch muskies.□

Superfund

The superfund bill, HF76, made it through the Minnesota House April 18 on a 97 to 28 vote.

Portions of the bill that would establish a fund to clean up Minnesota's hazardous waste sites, and make the state eligible for federal funds caused little debate.

But liability sections of the bill brought lengthy discussion. If the legislation becomes law, it would hold those who release hazardous waste strictly liable for clean-up costs, and damage to the environment, and strictly liable for economic loss, death, personal injury and disease. Liability would be retroactive.

House author, Rep. Dee Long (DFL-Mpls), says the bill places limitations and exceptions to strict, joint and several liability. For example, liability for past acts wouldn't apply when such liability proves to be unfair. Also, defendants can divide liability costs. And the bill puts a cap on liability amounts.

Opponents to the liability provisions argue that strict, retroactive liability is unfair. They say it changes the rules on those who acted according to the law at a particular time, and creates hardship on some businesses. Their attempts to amend the bill to modify the provisions were unsuccessful, except to change liability amount limits on small businesses.

UPDATE: After the Senate approved HF76, the bill went into a House-Senate Conference Committee to work out differences between House and Senate versions. May 4: A revised version of the superfund bill to clean up hazardous waste got approval May 4 in the House (112-18), and in the Senate (55-11). The bill would impose strict liability for property and personal damages on companies who generated, transported and deposited hazardous waste since 1973, and strict liability back to 1960 in cases involving hazardous waste disposal, but gives companies the additional defense that their activities weren't abnormally dangerous. HF76 would appropriate \$5 million in start-up funds for clean-up costs, impose a tax on hazardous waste generators, and call for a study of a compensation fund for people who have suffered injury from chemical wastes. The bill now goes to the governor.□

Park permit fees

State park permit fees would stay at \$10 if the Legislature passes an April 15 recommendation from the State Departments division of the Appropriations Committee.

The governor proposed a \$5 increase in park permit fees that would raise about \$1 million to support increasing Minnesota state parks' maintenance and improvement costs. General Fund support for the Parks and Recreation program would go down an equal amount under the governor's plan.

Division members rejected the \$5 increase and recommended shifting \$800,000 from the General Fund to the Parks Operations and Maintenance budget. They also recommended increased funding to open Tettegouche State Park, rejected the governor's proposal to cut small parks funding by \$200,000, restored 1982 budget cuts for public health and safety projects, and recommended funding for a new park management information system.

Various camping fees would go up \$1.□

Technology initiatives

The Education division of the Appropriations Committee okayed a \$20 million investment in the state's high technology future April 19. Funds would go for the governor's high-technology initiatives for post-secondary education.

Initiatives include a three-year phase-in of engineering programs at the University of Minnesota-Duluth, St. Cloud, and Mankato State Universities, computer centers for community colleges and AVTI's, and various technical centers on the University's Twin Cities Campus.

The committee also approved \$4 million in start-up money for a Natural Resources Research Center in Duluth. The center would conduct research to develop the state's mineral, water, and biomass resources into economically viable products, according to the governor.

The \$20 million high-tech package includes money to hire faculty and teaching assistants at the University's Institute of Technology, and update its laboratories and equipment.□

CORRECTION

Student discipline

Rep. Carolyn Rodriguez (DFL-Apple Valley) is author of HF159, a bill that would require local school boards to give teachers and other staff more direction on disciplining disruptive students. The bill got final approval in the House on April 11.□

Cross country ski licenses

On your next trip out to the cross country trails, you may have to carry a license to ski, under a proposal now in the Minnesota House of Representatives.

"It's only fair," Rep. Darby Nelson (DFL—Champlin), author of HF654 told lawmakers on the Environment subcommittee. Until now, money to cover the cost of maintaining public trails has come from snowmobile fees and unfunded gas taxes, and from the general fund. Now the state is asking those who use the public trails to pay for preserving the trail system.

Five dollars would pay for a yearly license for people between ages of 16 and 65, and a one-day permit would cost a skier one dollar, an expense less than the cost of getting caught on a public trail without a license of up to \$100.

UPDATE: Environment subcommittee and full committee approved the bill, and an Appropriations Division also approved the bill.□



Financial Institutions & Insurance

Education for insurance agents

Insurance agents would have to take 20 credit hours of classes and programs to keep their licenses, if HF674 (Skoglund, DFL-Mpls) becomes law. The Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee approved the bill April 13, and the Governmental Operations Committee recommended it to pass April 22.

The bill exempts from the education requirement, people who sell credit insurance and those who sell specific kinds of insurance as a part of their business, such as car dealers who sell collision insurance to protect their interest in the car.

A 13-member advisory committee would review courses and programs and recommend to the commissioner of insurance those that meet the continuing education requirements and outline how to

verify that agents have met the requirements.

An amendment to the bill also increases fees the insurance division charges to regulate companies and agents—increases Insurance Division Commissioner Reynaud Harp says will bring fees more in line with costs.□

Midwife, anesthetist, psychology reimbursement

Nurse midwives and nurse anesthetists say they want insurance companies to recognize the work they do by allowing them to bill directly for their services.

Currently, nurses who perform those services can get reimbursement only if they submit their bills to the insurance company through a physician or hospital.

Under the provisions of HF356 (Wynia, DFL-St. Paul), those nurse specialists could bill directly. Anne Bradford, representing a national organization of nurse midwives, said the bill increases options and availability of services, and won't drive up the cost of health care.

Bradford said physicians often don't even see the patient, yet the midwife must sign on with a physician to get the billing through the insurance company. Those physicians often add a charge for that privilege, she said.

The Minnesota Medical Association opposed the bill, saying when another group of practitioners becomes eligible for reimbursement, more people will use their services, and that adds to cost.

Legislators heard similar arguments on April 20 when they discussed and passed SF591 (HF1181, Skoglund, DFL-Mpls), a bill that would allow licensed consulting psychologists to get direct reimbursement rather than billing through a physician when they provide in-patient services.□

Credit union formation

Twenty-five people who share an interest and want to form a credit union may get help doing that if SF597 (HF269, Simoneau, DFL-Fridley) passes the Legislature. The bill would allow 25 people to apply to the commissioner of banks for approval to start a separate credit union.

If the commissioner finds that such a union has too few potential supporters he can allow the group to join an existing, nearby credit union if the existing union agrees.□



Governmental Operations

Planning department

The Minnesota House Governmental Operations Committee took another step toward dismantling the Department of Energy, Planning, and Development when the committee approved HF948, April 25.

Rep. Fred Norton is sponsor of the bill which would transfer various functions from the Department of Energy, Planning, and Development to a new, independent State Planning Agency and assign its commissioner certain long-range state planning duties.

Other reorganization plans that House committees okayed would transfer energy functions to a new Department of Energy, and business-development activities to the Department of Commerce.

HF948 went on to the Appropriations Committee.□

Jobs partnership

The Minnesota Legislature has responded to hard times in two ways, says Rep. John Brandl (DFL—Mpls).

"We've provided short-term jobs as an immediate response, and we've tried to foster investment in high technology."



Health & Welfare

Jobs Bill

The Health, Welfare, and Corrections Appropriations Division in April moved further toward an all-inclusive bill to send on to the full Appropriations Committee and the House floor.

The jobs bill, HF243 (Norton, DFL-St. Paul), in amended form—trimmed from \$209 to \$71 million—became part of that omnibus bill at an April 28 division meeting. The bill's main components remain: a small business incentive program, a public service jobs program, and grants for people unable to work.

Rep. Karen Clark (DFL-Mpls) amended the bill to require more set-aside funds for day care to give low-income working mothers a chance at jobs the bill would provide. Rep. Randy Staten (DFL-Minneapolis) further amended it to specifically state the program will give top priority to smaller businesses that want to employ workers.

Rep. Mary Forsythe (R-Edina) cautioned against making any further cuts in the jobs bill saying, "I'd rather have people employed than on public welfare. It's much healthier." □

Other Health/Welfare decisions

The division reached other health/welfare decisions the last week of April and included them in the omnibus bill:

- Non-profit government agencies, such as state hospitals, could enter into shared service agreements with other non-profit groups to keep costs down.

- Counties would pay their share of Medical Assistance (MA) on a pre-paid monthly basis and receive payments from the state for programs on a prospective payment system to increase the state's cash flow.

- The state would pre-pay prospective inpatient hospital costs for low-income patients instead of on a fee-for-service basis.

- Asset limits for those eligible for Medical Assistance or GAMC care go up to \$3,000 per person, but

Compact, an organized group of midwest states cooperating in the disposal of low-level radioactive waste.

HF524 would provide state authority to enforce the compact and establish procedures for Minnesota to fulfill its responsibilities as a member.

Participation in a compact would make a disposal facility more cost-effective, according to Rep. Phyllis Kahn (DFL-Mpls), would limit the number of disposal sites in a region, prevent states from outside the compact from bringing in waste, and allow for safer and more effective regional management. □

Judges pay raise

Judges would get a pay increase if HF422 passes the Legislature. House author, Rep. Wayne Simoneau (DFL-Fridley), told Governmental Operations Committee members at an April 7 meeting that Judges haven't had a pay raise for three years, and their salaries are falling behind those of attorneys, forcing some judges to leave the bench and go back to private practice.

Other supporters of HF422 testified that the quality of justice will suffer if judges don't get better compensation.

As the bill was on April 7, Supreme Court justices would get \$70,000, up from the current \$56,000, except for the chief justice who would get \$5000 more. Judges on the new court of appeals would receive \$67,500, and district judges \$62,500.

The bill moved to the Appropriations Committee, where, on April 26, legislators amended it to reduce salary increases, giving all judges a \$6,000 increase on July 1, 1983 and adding a certain percentage over that amount, depending on years of service.

Under the new plan, a district judge salary would go from \$48,000 a year to \$54,000 with added raises dependent on years of experience. Chief Justice of the Supreme Court would get a pay hike from \$59,000 to \$65,000 and more for experience.

The bill would also establish compensation councils which would set increases for judges, the governor, and other constitutional officers, legislators, and state agency heads. Legislators could reject or modify their salary increases through legislation. □

Brandl is author of HF857, the Minnesota Job Skills Partnership, which he says is a third response to the poor economy. April 20, Brandl testified for the bill at a meeting of the House Governmental Operations Committee:

"This bill incorporates the notion that we ought to be investing, not only in machinery and hardware, and high technology, but as well in retraining workers, because that in a way is a kind of investment as well, retraining displaced workers."

HF857 sets up partnerships between secondary education institutions and private firms, to help education coordinate job-training programs with employer needs and to train displaced workers. Two million dollars in appropriations would go to eligible education institutions.

HF857 goes on to the Appropriations Committee. □

Small business set-aside

Minnesota would do more business with small businesses under a proposal the House Governmental Operations Committee recommended April 19.

The state now buys 20 percent of its goods and services from small business through its present set-aside program. The bill, HF955 (Staten, DFL-Mpls), would increase that percentage to 30, and increase the percent of small business set-aside awards to businesses that socially or economically disadvantaged persons own or operate, from 15 percent of the total set-aside to one-third.

HF955 moved on to the Appropriations Committee. □

Radioactive waste disposal

HF524 (Kahn, DFL-Mpls) got a recommendation to pass in the Governmental Operations Committee in April, and in the Environment Committee in March.

The bill would make Minnesota a member of the Midwest Interstate Low-Level Radioactive Waste

pre-paid funeral costs would be part of the totaled assets, rather than a separate asset.

- The husband or wife with a spouse on health care aid could keep up to \$10,000 in liquid assets before having to pay for the sick spouse's care to keep the healthy spouse from spending resources and going on assistance.

- People on assistance in need of products or care on an emergency basis could use services the state hasn't contracted with through competitive bidding if the service is not otherwise available.

- Certain non-prescription drugs and nutritional supplements may be reimbursable expenses for aid recipients if the products are cost effective.

- The state would limit nursing home construction and provide a new system of resident reimbursement for long-term care facilities but set up a quality assurance board to ensure maintenance of care standards.

- Communities and private parties could set up non-profit approved mental health centers.

- Medical assistance recipients would have to get a second opinion on all elective surgery.

- In an effort to move retarded persons into less restrictive environments, community-based services for the mentally retarded would qualify for Medical Assistance reimbursement. The state could also limit building new institutions for caring for mentally retarded persons.

- Maternal and child health grants would continue to prevent infant mortality and birth defects.□

State hospital management

Governor-recommended incentives for better management in state hospitals were up for discussion at the April 21 meeting of the Health, Welfare, and Corrections division of the Appropriations Committee.

Currently, state hospitals that don't use all their operating funds must return surpluses to the state's general fund and can't use the money in other areas that need more dollars—which doesn't provide incentive for good management.

Under the recommendation, hospitals could reinvest funds they save in some programs, through

good management, in programs that badly need money, according to Anoka State Hospital Chief Executive Officer Jonathan Balk.

The recommendation would have directed hospitals to collect more vigorously for in-patient care and keep additional receipts for operation. But a move by Rep. Ann Wynia (DFL-St. Paul) deleted that directive. Wynia says much of the collection would be from Medical Assistance and General Assistance Medical Care funds and, in the end, would cost the state more.

UPDATE: The division reconsidered collections and voted to set aside 1.25% of state hospitals' funds for a revolving account to finance more collection efforts.□

American Indian Chemical dependency

Chemical dependency among Minnesota's American Indian population is four times that of the average population. On April 21 the House Health/Welfare Committee approved a bill, HF1014, that would target more treatment to that 40 percent of the Indian population.

Due to federal cuts, Indian chemical dependency programs are operating on inadequate, bare-bones funding according to the bill's author, Karen Clark (DFL-Mpls).

The bill calls for a \$2.7 million increase for treatment programs over the last biennium. Chairman of the committee, Rep. James Swanson (DFL-Richfield), says the dollar amount may be too high but sent the bill on to the Appropriations committee for funding consideration.□

Adoption priorities

Rep. Randy Staten (DFL-Mpls) proposed a bill April 21 that the Health/Welfare Committee unanimously recommended to pass and to send on for action by the full House. The bill, SF723 (HF776), would set up priorities for considering families wanting to adopt children.

Says Staten: "The bill would establish a preference order for considering adoption on the basis of race and ethnic origin, and that preference is that when you're considering adoption or placement, you're looking at the relatives of the child, and at a family with the same racial or ethnic background."

The third consideration in adoption placement is a family with knowledge and appreciation of the child's background and/or race, under the bill.

The considerations wouldn't apply for foreign-born children and wouldn't be the main consideration for families who have foster-care children in their homes for a length of time and want to adopt them, according to Staten.□

Health promotion

"A lot of what we're doing in the health department right now is a result of not having a health-prevention program in place in the state. If we had funding available, it would give us the ability to take a serious look at what all of the behavior concerns are that are affecting and impacting on the health of the state," said Sister Mary Ashton, Department of Health commissioner.

Ashton made her comments at an April 18 meeting of the Health, Welfare, and Corrections Division of Appropriations. At that meeting, the division gave health promotion in Minnesota a boost by okaying the Department of Health's money request for a program to promote health and discourage behavior and conditions that cause disease, such as smoking and overweight.

The divisions approval overrode the governor's recommendation to withhold funds for the \$150,000 program.□

Child support laws

"There are two reasons I'm asking for support of this bill to tighten up the child support laws and enforcement" Rep. John Brandl, a DFLer from Minneapolis, told the Health/Welfare Committee April 18.

"One is outrage over large numbers of non-custodial parents, particularly of children on AFDC who don't support their children even though they have the means to do so.

"The second is fiscal concern that in many cases AFDC is paying child support for people who could help support their children themselves."

According to Brandl, only half of employed non-custodial parents with children on AFDC are under court order to pay child support, and of that half, only one-fourth actually make any attempt to pay.

The legislation would allow courts to hear paternity suits up to three years from the time the child goes on AFDC, instead of three years after birth.

Parents liable for child support must name their children as beneficiaries on health insurance and pay past delinquent payments under the bill which would specify minimum support payment guidelines on the basis of the parent's monthly income and number of children.

And supporters say the state's child-support-enforcement workers would have an easier time finding and collecting from parents who leave the state if the bill passes.

UPDATE: Monday, April 18, the Judiciary Committee approved HF762 (Brandl, DFL-Mpls) and sent it on to the Health/Welfare Committee. April 21, that committee unanimously approved the bill. It's awaiting action on the House floor.□

More on child support

Money Minnesota spends on some public welfare programs saves money in the long run, according to Charles Poe of the Minnesota Department of Public Welfare.

Poe testified before the Health, Welfare, and Corrections division of the Appropriations Committee April 22. The committee voted to increase staff and equipment for the Department's Child Support and Enforcement Division.

Bonnie Becker, division director, told members that added staff would increase child support collections and reduce the system's child support costs. The division collected \$34 million in 1982 and hopes to increase that to \$44 million in 1984 and \$48 million in 1985.□

Home care for elderly

In an effort to keep low-income elderly in private homes rather than sending them to costly nursing homes and hospitals, the Health/Welfare Committee on April 7 gave HF33 a unanimous vote of approval. The bill would allow a tax credit to friends and families who care for elderly people at home.

The elderly person would have to qualify for Medical Assistance and be age 65 or older. The bill would also set up a screening system to determine if older persons need nursing or at-home care.

Rep. Sally Olsen (IR-St. Louis Park), is author of the bill to give credits of the lesser of \$600 or 25 percent of costs of food, clothing, transportation, and certain medical expenses. Taxpayers could add the credit to other tax credits, and get the amount due them in a refund if they owed no taxes.

They could apply for the credit until the last legal day for filing 1983 income taxes, including extension time.

The Tax Committee hears the bill next.□



Housing

Rent control ban

Although Minneapolis voters said "No" to rent control in 1981, the threat still remains. And that threat's having a bad effect on the housing market, according to supporters of HF648 (Schoenfeld, DFL-Waseca), a bill that would prevent cities or counties from establishing local rent controls.

Bill author Rep. Jerry Schoenfeld said the control threat discourages investors from building new rental property and landlords from taking good care of existing properties throughout the state.

Schoenfeld says it's important to pass the control ban now, to assure potential investors that Minnesota is still a good place to build rental units.

Opponents to the bill include St. Paul Mayor George Latimer who says he opposes rent control but believes the state shouldn't preclude a city's option to enact controls if they feel it's right for their area.

Susan Carroll, from the Coalition for Affordable Housing, says rent control isn't as bad for landlords as many people think. Although the coalition isn't planning to push to have the issue on the Minneapolis ballot again right away, they would like to have the option for the future, says Carroll.

COMMITTEE ACTION: The Local and Urban Affairs Committee approved the control banning bill on April 25.□

Older mobile home sales

Owners of mobile homes 15 years or older would be able to sell their homes in a mobile park under HF294 (Voss, DFL-Blaine), a bill the Energy Committee approved on April 8.

Under current law, park owners can force residents who want to sell older homes to move them out of the park. But with limited park space, and the high cost of moving, a home loses at least 50 percent of its resale value when buyers know they'll have to move homes they purchase, according to testimony in a housing subcommittee hearing.

Park owners, however, say they should have the right to upgrade their parks by replacing older homes with newer, higher-value homes.

The committee amended the bill to require people selling mobile homes to disclose certain safety information about their homes to prospective buyers.

UPDATE: HF294 awaits action on the House floor.□

Weatherizing rental housing

The Energy Committee recommended passage of HF288 (Staten, DFL-Mpls.) April 19, a bill that aims to speed up weatherization of rental buildings around the state. Landlords of residential buildings seven years or older would have to file a certificate with the state by

Jan. 1, 1985, to prove their buildings meet existing state energy efficiency standards.

The bill would also allow tenants to make claims against non-complying landlords under certain circumstances. In an earlier version of the bill, tenants would have had the right to weatherize their apartments according to state code and deduct the cost from their rent, but the bill the committee approved did not contain that provision.

The committee amended HF288 to exclude public housing, which already comes under certain HUD requirements, and certain rural rental housing.

UPDATE: HF288 awaits action on the House floor.□

Indian housing

Urban Indians in Duluth may get some new housing as a result of HF659 (Gustafson, DFL-Duluth), a bill the Energy Committee recommended to pass April 12. The bill would change current Housing Finance Agency law to allow the Duluth Intertribal Board to use state money it received for low-income, urban Indian housing.

Board representative Michael Himango told an Energy subcommittee in February that they hadn't been able to use money they got in 1978 because of state regulations that require the program to get matching dollars from other public and private sources and from bond sales.

The bill would allow Duluth's Indian housing program to use the interest on their state appropriations without providing matching funds.

UPDATE: The bill awaits action on the House floor.□



Judiciary

Fireworks prohibition

Legislation to prohibit the possession of fireworks moved on to await action by the full House after getting approval in the House Judiciary Committee April 20. Rep. Dominic Eliooff (DFL—Virginia) House author of HF439, said the legislation came to him by way of police officers throughout Minnesota.

"This legislation comes as a result of problems that police officers have had. For the past few years police have made arrests and confiscated fireworks of people who have transported them in by the truckload without permits. But police can't get a prosecution."□

Stealing pharmacy drugs

Drug thefts have been on the upswing in Minnesota over the past few years, and may be a felony offense in the state if a bill the Criminal Justice Division heard April 13 becomes law.

The bill, SF844(HF999), would tie theft penalties to the price the drug would bring on the street drug market.

House author, Rep. Randy Kelly (DFL—St. Paul), says the bill's necessary because: "Pharmacy thefts have increased dramatically over the past few years, and the reason for that, of course, is the unique types of products that pharmacies have in their possession and sell.

"For example, in 1982, there were 126 burglaries or armed robberies of pharmacy-related facilities, and some \$2.6 million worth of drugs were taken. At the least, the street value of those drugs would be about \$2.6 million."

Penalties for stealing such drugs as LSD, angel dust, stimulants, and qualudes which have no medical use, or restricted medical use, and high potential for abuse, would be punishable by up to 10 years imprisonment and/or \$10,000.

Theft of drugs that have medical treatment purposes, and a lower potential for abuse, such as depressants and valium, would carry penalties of up to five years and/or \$5000.

UPDATE: Judiciary Committee approved and sent on to the full House April 20.□

"Gay rights" bill

Legislation that would prohibit discrimination against people because of their affectional or sexual orientation, and provide for protection of their rights under the Human Rights Act, got a hearing in a packed-to-capacity meeting of the House Judiciary Committee April 11.

House author, Rep. Karen Clark (DFL—Mpls), says she's not asking lawmakers to make a moral judgment on gays and lesbians, but to

make a decision granting civil rights to homosexuals that other citizens already have. But opponents don't agree that the issue's civil rights.

The committee approved an amended form of the bill on April 18, which would clarify that it is not unfair employment practice to consider affectional or sexual orientation as a qualification of employment of teachers in Christian schools, or to consider public health hazards.

UPDATE: The bill went onto General Orders to await House action.□

Domestic abuse arrests

Under pressure to meet House committee deadlines, the Judiciary Committee reviewed and approved numerous bills April 8: HF532 to mandate arrests in domestic abuse cases; HF435 to put new and stiffer burglary laws on the books; HF918 to repeal mandatory detox for DWI drivers; and a bill to increase fees for marriage license and marriage dissolution.

HF532 (Coleman, DFL—Spring Lake Park) would mandate arrests in domestic abuse cases, so that a peace officer who observes recent injury to one of the parties in a domestic abuse call must make an arrest.

Arguments in favor of the bill are that the battered person would be in danger of more harm if police don't make an arrest; arresting the individual lets the abuser know that s/he can't abuse another person without suffering the consequences; and mandatory arrests would provide uniformity in the way that police respond to domestic abuse calls.

Opponents of mandatory arrest object to taking away police flexibility and discretion in determining when it's reasonable to make an arrest. Opponents express concern that mandatory arrest sets a precedent for mandating the same on other crimes and may put further pressure on Minnesota's already strained prison system.□

Burglaries, bad checks

HF435 (Clark, K., DFL—Mpls) would put new and stiffer burglary laws on the books, and HF45 (Kelly, DFL—St. Paul), the bad checks bill, would align penalties for writing bad checks with penalties for theft. The committee approved both bills.

According to author, Rep. Randy Kelly, HF45 would help safeguard against worthless checks by: 1) requiring banks to obtain certain information from new checking account applicants, 2) establishing a procedure for those who accept checks to help them recover funds, 3) increasing criminal penalties and civil penalties which would require the check writer to pay the holder of the check double its amount, interest, attorney fees, and a service charge.

UPDATE: In House action April 25, lawmakers amended HF45 into another piece of legislation, which got preliminary approval.□

Marriage fees

The marriage license and marriage dissolution fee-increasing bill would raise marriage license fees from \$30 to \$40, and marriage dissolution fees from \$35 to \$55. The extra dollars would go toward battered women and displaced homemaker programs.□

Mandatory detoxification

Mandatory detox, which 1982 law requires to go into effect for drunk drivers, starting July 1983, would be off the books under new legislation in the Minnesota House Criminal Justice Division this session.

Rep. Kathleen Vellenga (DFL—St. Paul), is author of that proposed legislation, HF918, which would also allow police to cross jurisdictional lines when chasing a drunk driver.

According to Vellenga, at an April 6 meeting of the Criminal Justice Division, last year's DWI law is working and has reduced the number of traffic fatalities. Mandatory detox, she says, may run counter to the intent of that legislation, resulting in fewer arrests.

"There's a transportation problem outstate, and we already have areas where officers are unwilling to make an arrest because it would mean a two or three hour drive to a detox facility and that was not the intention of any of the DWI legislation that was passed," Vellenga said.

"There is already in statutes, the emergency hold provision, so that when an officer finds someone to be a danger to himself or others he may then place that person in a facility. In the metro area the problems aren't transportation, the problem is capacity."□

"Anti-terrorism" bill

A bill that attempts to get at individuals and groups who threaten or commit crimes against minorities and other vulnerable people, suffered a setback on the House floor April 4.

Legislators amended the "anti-terrorism" bill (HF89) which originally established penalties for persons or groups that commit or threaten to commit crimes against people to cause fear in them because of their race, religion, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, age or physical or mental handicap.

The amendment deleted any references to specific groups. Bill author, Rep. Lee Greenfield (DFL—Mpls), said the amendment destroyed the bill's effect and requested the House progress the bill which meant delaying further action until May 5.□

Good Samaritan laws

A bill that would try to encourage people to stop and help at accidents got approval from the Governmental Operations Committee April 4. HF380 (Staten, DFL—Mpls) would protect from liability, any volunteer who gives emergency service in accident cases, unless the person helping is intentionally cruel or reckless when providing care. Current law may hold people liable for damages they do while trying to help.

In April 25 floor debate, Rep. Paul Ogren (DFL—Aitkin) amended the bill to require citizens to assist another person who is in grave physical danger if s/he can do so without danger to self.

Efforts to send the amendment, and then Staten's bill with the amendment, back to committee failed, and HF380 as amended got full House approval on April 27.□

Foreclosure changes

"With the bottom falling out on farm commodity prices, and 200,000 out of work, Minnesotans are asking for help," said Rep. Don Bergstrom (DFL—Big Lake) April 4, in support of HF102, a bill to give district courts the power to postpone foreclosure on homes and farms, extend the redemption period, or provide a reasonable sale price in case of foreclosure.

In an April 28 floor session, Bergstrom said a new version of the bill to delay foreclosures on homes and farms is one that will still meet the needs of the people, and one that financial institutions are better able to live with.

"In the bill, we have a 60-day reinstatement period. We have an eight week period for the published notice; then we reach the point of the sale. Prior to that, the individual that is being foreclosed on has the option to petition the courts.

"The only thing the court can do is determine if the individual is eligible according to provisions in the bill. If they, indeed, rule that the individual is eligible, the court can postpone the sale.

"What the court would do is move the sale into what was formerly called the redemption period, allowing more time for people to reinstate. In other words, you don't have to redeem the loan entirely. We could push it out to six months for homes and out to 12 months for farms."

Opponents argued that the bill gives false hope to those facing foreclosure because, they say, the bill wouldn't apply to those most in need of help. The bill requires the court to consider foreclosure delay only when there is a good chance the petitioner will be able to reinstate the mortgage or contract for deed, and when the petitioner is a farmer who most likely will get additional short-term financing.

The bill got preliminary House approval April 28, and final approval May 2.□

Sentencing guidelines

A division of the Appropriations Committee voted April 15 to keep the Sentencing Guidelines Commission alive.

Due to expire in June, the 10-member commission makes guidelines for sentencing convicted felons and makes recommendations to the state Legislature on how to improve the criminal justice system.

Some legislators questioned continued funding of the commission, a cost of about \$311,000 in the next two years. Some felt it was the Legislature's original intent to fold the commission's duties into a state agency.

But division chairman Rep. Ann Wynia, (DFL-St. Paul) said she thinks the commission's necessary because of changes the Legislature is making in sentencing for different types of crimes, and concerns about prison population increases.

The commission plans to study the impact of guidelines in 1983 and to evaluate plea negotiation practices.□



Labor-Management Relations

Workers' compensation

Workers' compensation reform continued as a topic at the Capitol throughout April. The Labor Committee approved a bill April 8, but it was not the major reform bill that labor, industry, and legislators have been trying to come to an agreement on all session long.

The bill, HF1088 (Simoneau, DFL-Fridley) contained a proposal to create a state competitive fund to offer workers' compensation insurance. Since the bill called for state money, it went to the Appropriations Committee.

There, on April 28, the State Departments Division recommended a major reform bill that had yet to get approval from labor and business.

Major changes in most of the workers' comp proposals include a state compensation fund, benefit incentives to encourage employers to offer jobs to injured workers and

for workers to accept bona fide job offers, and clarification of laws to cut down on costly excessive litigation.

UPDATE: On May 4, the House added a workers' compensation reform package that Rep. Tom Shea (DFL—Owatonna) offered, onto HF575, and passed the bill. The package, which now goes to the Senate for approval, does not include the competitive state workers' comp fund.□

Part-time college faculty: PELRA

Temporary and part-time faculty at Minnesota's community colleges and state universities would automatically come under the Public Employees Labor Relations Act under HF537 (Simoneau, DFL-Fridley), a bill the full House recommended for passage April 27.

The bill includes teachers who work 30 days or more, but excludes faculty at Metropolitan State University.

The House deleted a section of the bill that prohibited teacher contracts of less than two years. Rep. Maurice Zaffke (IR-Backus) said one-year contracts "allow local governments and local bargaining units the latitude to manage their own affairs."

Bill author Wayne Simoneau, on the other hand, says, "I see it as an opportunity to impose some fiscal stability in our local units of government by saying, 'You must budget coterminously with the state budget, which is two years.'"

UPDATE: The House passed HF537 April 28 on a vote of 82-47.□

Emergency job programs

The Commerce and Economic Development Committee April 25 okayed SF541(HF661), a bill that would allow Minnesota counties with chronic high unemployment to begin emergency job programs this summer.

Sam Sivanich, a Hennepin County commissioner who says he has up to 40 percent unemployment in some parts of his district, told the committee a jobs program, in some cases, would "provide employment as an alternative to crime."

House author Rep. John Sarna (DFL—Mpls) says the public works programs will try to get to people who were cut off from general assistance benefits when stricter eligibility standards went into effect.

SF541 appropriates no state money but authorizes counties to use their own funds to finance programs.□

Plant closure—successor bill

The Labor-Management Relations Committee April 7 recommended two bills to pass: HF111 (Rice, DFL-Mpls), the "Successor Bill" and HF124 (Elioff, DFL-Virginia), the "Plant Closure Bill."

HF111 would hold most new owners of a business to the labor contract in existence at the time of purchase if the contract contains a successor clause. Successor clauses require that current employee contracts continue to exist when a business changes hands.

Under the successor bill, the labor contract would be enforceable up to three years. After that, the new owners could negotiate a new contract with the workers.

HF124 would require companies with over 100 employees to give their workers at least 270 days notice before they plan to shut down, relocate or make substantial layoffs, in most instances.

The bill also creates a state board to assist communities that plant closings affect, and gives the board and a designated "local action committee" a chance to try to work out a solution that would make a plant closing or relocation unnecessary.

Opponents say the bill will keep businesses out of Minnesota and force some already here to stay open when that's not an economically viable choice.

Supporters say HF124 will help prevent unnecessary plant closings and relocations and save Minnesota jobs.□



Miscellaneous

Precinct caucus dates

Precinct caucus dates may change if HF254 (Osthoff, DFL-St. Paul) becomes law. The bill, HF254, would change the date of precinct caucuses from the fourth Tuesday in February to the third Tuesday in March. Caucuses would meet at 7 p.m. rather than 8 p.m. to give folks more daylight hours to vote, according to Osthoff.

No state agency or universities, including the University of Minnesota, could hold meetings in conflict with the precinct caucus times, and if they held meetings the same day, they would have to end them one hour before caucus starting time, under the bill.

UPDATE: The full house gave preliminary approval to HF254 April 25.□

Civil defense plans

Plans to evacuate or relocate survivors of a nuclear war have no value say the sponsors of HF474 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls). The bill would have prohibited Minnesota communities from spending state or federal money to make nuclear war evacuation or relocation plans.

But an amendment the House approved on April 21 deletes that prohibition. The bill would require the governor to form a comprehensive state civil defense plan, and submit it to the Legislature, but forbids that plan from referring to evacuation or relocation in case of nuclear war.

The bill's author, Rep. Lee Greenfield said relocation plans deceive people into thinking that a

nuclear war is survivable, and that belief makes the horrible possibility of nuclear war more likely.

Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker (IR-Hopkins) sponsored the amendment, and said he expressed the concerns of many legislators that by refusing to plan for possible nuclear war, the state would risk losing federal funds for other types of disaster plans, and could cause greater disaster to Minnesotans.

UPDATE: The House approved the Knickerbocker amendment, but did not recommend passage of the bill when it first came up on General Orders. Rep. Greenfield progressed the bill so that he can bring it up for another vote if he chooses.□

Pet care rules

Persons concerned about welfare of pets and companion animals testified in the General Legislation Committee April 21 in support of a bill that spells out proper care of family pets.

Care of horses, dogs, cats, birds, and rodents would come under HF929 (Osthoff, DFL-St. Paul). The bill specifies transportation requirements; cage, stall, and kennel size; and general feeding and care provisions.

The committee gave approval to the animal bill and another, SF808, that describes Minnesota's state seal in detail. According to Rep. Tim Sherman (IR-Winona) the bill's necessary because false interpretations of the state seal's design have changed it over the years and often inaccurately reflect the state's heritage.

The full House approved the bill describing the state seal April 28.□

Campaign check-off

The committee approved a bill, HF449 (Carlson, L., DFL-Crystal) April 21 that would extend the \$2 tax check-off for political campaigns to include U.S. Congressional and Senate candidates.

Under current law, persons filing state tax returns, or homeowner or renter credits, can designate on tax forms if they want \$2 from the state general fund to go into the state election campaign fund, without directly increasing their taxes or decreasing refunds. The

money helps finance campaigns for candidates running for state legislative and constitutional offices.

The proposed bill would provide for another \$2 check-off box on tax forms for Minnesota candidates running for U. S. Congress and Senate.

State law limits campaign spending if candidates accept state money. HF449 would put similar limits on federal campaigns.

The full House would act on the bill next.□

Veterans assistance, Agent Orange

The State Departments Division of the Appropriations Committee, April 21, approved tightening of eligibility requirements for the state veterans' temporary financial and medical assistance program. State funds would continue, but assistance would go only to vets that are ineligible for other benefit programs.

In February, lack of funds shut down the medical assistance program. Chairman Phyllis Kahn, (DFL-Mpls.) said she hopes to save some state money by changing eligibility standards. But to avoid another shutdown, the division approved Kahn's motion for a 1983-85 \$200,000 dollar contingency fund.

The division also approved the governor's request for an additional \$40,000 for the Agent Orange Outreach Program. The money would pay for direct mailing to Minnesota's Vietnam Veterans on potential health hazards of Agent Orange and other herbicides used during the war.

Funding for the financial assistance and Agent Orange programs are part of the division's comprehensive State Departments Omnibus Appropriations bill.□

Artists, dealer guidelines

Artists, art dealers, and fine prints were on the agenda of the Commerce committee April 7 and 8. Members heard two bills that Rep. Mary Murphy (DFL-Hermantown) sponsors: HF584, a bill that would define an artist's rights under art consignment, and HF585, a bill regulating the sale of fine prints.

Under HF584, unless an art dealer buys artwork directly from the artist, delivery of the work is a consignment. If the work is a con-

signment, the dealer holds the artwork in trust, and is not subject to claims of the dealer's creditors. The way the law stands now, says Murphy, when an art gallery goes bankrupt, the artwork still goes to the gallery's creditors.

The bill also makes dealers responsible for loss or damage to artwork.

HF585 is a consumer protection bill, said Murphy, that would require fine art print sellers and advertisers to disclose certain information to consumers so they can judge the degree of uniqueness or scarcity of the print. The bill requires sellers to disclose such facts as the artist's name, year of the print, total size of the edition, and whether they've destroyed the plate or negative.

UPDATE: The House passed HF584 April 15. HF585 awaits House action.□



Regulated Industries

Liquor samples, election day sales

Liquor sales on election day might become legal in Minnesota under an amended bill the Regulated Industries Committee approved April 21.

Originally the bill, HF910, would have allowed only wine and cordial sampling in liquor stores, but Rep. Joel Jacobs (DFL-Coon Rapids), the bill's author, added an amendment to authorize liquor sales on statewide election days.

Opponents say Minnesota could lose its good-government reputation and that the current law limiting election-day liquor sales shows the nation Minnesotans take elections seriously.

The committee also plans to look at shorter bar hours on Christmas eve. Rep. Tony Bennett (IR-Shoreview), a police officer, says too many people stop at bars instead of going home the night before the big holiday, increasing domestic problems and the workload of law-enforcement agencies.

The full House hears HF910 next.□

Co-op bill of rights

The House debated the proposed "Co-op Bill of Rights" April 11 and gave it preliminary approval in a form its author opposes.

HF91 (Minne, DFL-Hibbing) gives the state's electrical co-op members the chance to opt into a "bill of rights", which guarantees access to co-op records and membership lists, open meetings with published notices beforehand, and the consideration of members' petitions for bylaw changes at annual meetings.

Rep. Minne's original proposal would have automatically put co-ops under the bill of rights. Co-ops that wanted to opt out, could, by petition and election. The House reversed that procedure March 7, and instead gave the co-ops the right to opt in.

Minne and other House members tried to amend the bill back to original form April 11, but failed. Minne said petitioning for the bill of rights would be difficult for members because some co-ops deny access to necessary membership lists.

Under the bill, five percent of the co-op members must sign a petition for a general election on the bill of rights. But House members didn't agree on whether the bill language required a majority of the co-op members, or a majority of members voting on the question for it to pass.

Proponents of the opt-in procedure say the state should let the co-op members decide about the bill of rights. But opponents maintain they are basic rights that all co-op members should have.

UPDATE: The bill passed the House on April 21.□

Emergency phone calls

People who won't give up a public pay phone when someone needs to make an emergency call could be guilty of a misdemeanor under HF592, a bill the House approved April 11.

The bill's author, Rep. John Clawson (DFL-Center City), says the bill's necessary because people tie up lines at public phones and won't give them up even when someone has to call police or ambulances.

Telephone directories would carry printed notice of the law, and people who falsify an emergency just to get to use the phone would also be guilty of a misdemeanor if the bill becomes law.□

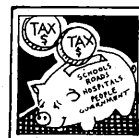
Cable TV; liquor sales at sports facilities

In a late-night meeting, April 6, Regulated Industries Committee recommended to pass:

- HF722 (Jacobs, DFL-Coon Rapids), a bill requiring cable TV franchises to make cable TV available to people living in apartments, condos, and mobile home parks.

- HF1006 (Riveness, DFL-Bloomington) a bill to allow sale of liquor at metropolitan sports facilities.

UPDATE: The full House approved liquor at metropolitan sports facilities April 21. The cable TV bill awaits House action.□



Taxes

Omnibus tax bill

The Taxes Committee has discussed pieces of a major tax bill all during the session, but on April 25, members got their first look at the bill that combines changes to all major segments of the tax system, and a number of tax changes that aim to stimulate business in the state.

Committee chairman, Rep. John Tomlinson (DFL-St. Paul), is author of HF1259, which would make the 6 percent sales tax permanent, and extend the 10 percent income tax surcharge for another two years to bring in \$771 million. Major changes in property tax relief, corporate taxes, and income tax procedures would also occur if the bill becomes law.

Most of the proposals in the bill had separate hearings during April as legislators who authored bills on each topic presented them to the committee.□

Unemployment compensation

In an April 27 discussion of the omnibus bill, the committee adopted an amendment by Rep. Jim Evans (IR-Detroit Lakes) to tax part of the unemployment compensation that goes to people with income over \$20,000 (single) and \$30,000 (couple filing jointly).

People now pay federal tax on part of unemployment compensation if other income was over \$12,000 or \$18,000. On state taxes, they can subtract the federally taxed comp money. Evans' amendment removes that subtraction for people with federal adjusted gross income over \$20,000 or \$30,000. They'd have to pay state tax on the amount they pay federal tax on.

The committee turned down amendments to HF1259 that would have: sunset the 6 percent sales tax and 10 percent income surtax which the bill makes permanent; removed the 1 percent motor vehicle excise tax increase (from five percent to six percent); repealed the unitary method of taxing multi-state corporations; and allowed businesses to keep deductions for capital gains and for taxes they pay other states.□

Local aid, property tax relief

One-fourth of Minnesota's budget, or about \$2 billion, goes back to individuals for property tax relief and to local governments for help in paying for necessary services.

On April 21, the Tax Laws division approved for inclusion in the omnibus bill, a proposal to change the method for distributing that money.

The bill, HF937 (Osthoff, DFL-St. Paul), would cut the percent of a homeowner's property tax bill the state pays through homestead credit in areas with low mill rates,

and would pay credit for only the first \$60,000 of value. Property owners with incomes above \$40,000 wouldn't qualify for tax relief in the circuit breaker refund.

The proposal also would repeal rent capitalization, a method that legislators once thought would be a more realistic way to value farm land for property tax purposes. Rent cap bases value on average rents instead of average sale prices for farm land. Problems with getting enough information for a true reading of value convinced legislators to repeal rent cap.

Another change that affects farmers would repeal the school agricultural mill rate credit for a house and surrounding one acre of land, but compensates for the change by raising the rate from 18 to 20 mills.□

The bill sends \$250 million directly to cities, towns, and counties through a complicated formula on the basis of population growth and past spending, and what local governments can raise locally through a standardized mill rate—11 mills for cities and towns; 20 mills for counties.

With some exceptions, the state would pay the difference between need and capacity (ability to raise needed funds). The local government aid is not new, but the bill changes the distribution formula.

Other features which affect local government aids and spending, and, therefore, could affect property tax levels, include: repeal of attached machinery aid and reduced assessment aids and continuation and adjustment of levy limits, which caps the levy increases local governments can enact.

Overall, the bill, which the full Taxes Committee added to the omnibus bill, HF1259, saves the state about \$92 million, according to its author Rep. Tom Osthoff.□

Corporate tax rates

Corporate income tax rates could go down under a proposal that got approval in a tax division on April 19, and goes into the omnibus tax bill.

Rep. Randy Kelly (DFL—St. Paul) is author of HF660, a bill to reduce the corporate tax rate from 12 percent to 11 percent.

But total tax burden for some companies would go up because the proposal eliminates deductions for taxes corporations pay other

states and the capital gains tax credit. Kelly says businesses that do all their business in Minnesota would get the most help. Those that operate in many states, not as much.

Although the \$29 million tax reduction, less the \$20 million gain from the capital gains and taxes-paid-to-other-states provision, would cost the state about \$9 million a year, tax division members agreed the bill would encourage businesses to stay in Minnesota.□

New jobs tax credit

The division also approved HF1137, a bill Rep. Todd Otis (DFL-Minneapolis) authored to give tax credits as incentives to businesses to create new jobs.

The bill would give employers a tax credit equal to 20 percent of the wages they pay on a newly created job but wouldn't allow the credit until the job had existed for two years. Representative Otis says that provision will assure rewards for creation of long-term jobs, not those businesses might create only to get the tax benefit.□

Tax breaks for business investments

Several proposals to make Minnesota more attractive to business got the okay of a Taxes division on April 15 and are now in the omnibus tax bill.

The division combined HF696 (Kelly, DFL—St. Paul), a bill to combine tax incentives for people and corporations that invest in small business development, with a proposal to strengthen 1982 enterprise zone legislation.

Under HF696, the state would give tax breaks to companies that contribute money to a small business assistance office or that give technology to a small business. Tax breaks would also go to individuals and companies who make equity investments in small businesses.

The enterprise zone segment of the bill changes 1982 legislation that allowed economically distressed cities to give tax breaks to businesses that locate there.

The changes, which the committee took from HF191 (Eken, DFL-Twin Valley), would reduce the number of zones the commissioner of Energy, Planning, and Development could designate for local tax breaks and would make cities go through a competitive process to get designation.

Adding state tax breaks to the pot would strengthen benefits to border cities that have tougher competition with lower across-the-border costs. They wouldn't have to compete as other cities would, and they could give tax breaks to existing businesses and to new businesses. Tax breaks for non-border cities would apply only to new or expanding businesses. □

Cash flow: property tax speed-up

Homeowners could help Minnesota over a financial hump and reduce the state's need to borrow \$850 million to pay its bills, by paying property taxes 15 days early.

The House Taxes Committee on April 12 began hearing a proposal to move payment dates up in May and October. The payment change goes along with a change in spending schedules, whereby the state would send smaller state aid payments to school districts in months when districts have more aid from other sources, such as the property tax.

Together, the two parts of HF771 would reduce state borrowing needs by about \$150 million a year, by smoothing out the state's cash flow, says Rep. John Tomlinson, author of the proposal.

"The May change is important to school districts because a previous shift means that they receive a great portion of their revenues from the May property tax right at the end of their school year. So the two-week speed up helps them.

"The October 31st payment date is very important to everybody, because it's right at the state cash flow low point and it's generally a problem for school districts. If you can get the property tax money in earlier, the state has less need to pay aid to school districts, and it helps the state's borrowing at its low point," says Tomlinson. □

Federal tax deduction

The Taxes Committee looked at a proposal April 8 to disallow deduction of federal taxes from state taxable income but didn't include it in the omnibus tax bill that came out later in April.

Other provisions in HF1174, according to its author, Rep. Bob Vanasek (DFL—New Prague) would make state returns simpler and taxes more progressive; would eliminate two forms; reduce modifications to gross income; lower

the top tax rate from 16 percent to 12 percent; and stabilize tax collections, because federal rate changes won't affect Minnesota taxes.

Seventy-three percent of people with incomes below \$50,000 would pay less or the same as under the current system, says Vanasek. And, unlike a similar Senate proposal, the House idea wouldn't bring in any more revenue than the present system.

Opponents object because the bill builds the 10 percent surcharge into tax tables. They say more than three-fourths of people with incomes above \$50,000 would pay more which would drive businesses out of Minnesota and discourage new businesses from coming in. □



Transportation

Railroad bonding

April 28, the House passed HF657 (Anderson, G., DFL-Bellingham) a bill that would set in motion the railroad rebuilding bonds that state voters approved in a constitutional amendment last November.

If the bill becomes law, Minnesota could spend \$13 million in state bond money on railroads. Under the bill, regional rail authority boards would oversee the work at local levels.

HF657 would also set the base price for taxing aircraft at the manufacturers' list price. Aircraft taxing became part of the bill in a March 30 meeting of the Transportation Committee along with an amendment setting stricter regulations governing airport zones. □

MTC bus fares

Bus fares could go up as much as 15 cents next year and 10 cents a year later under a motion the Semi-States division of the Appropriations Committee approved April 13.

The division recommended \$20.3 million for the Metropolitan Transit Commission for the next two years. With that funding, MTC officials figure they'll need a 15-cent base fare increase starting January 1984 and a 10-cent increase in 1985.

But fare increases won't solve the whole problem, says MTC chairman Peter Stumpf. Stumpf says ridership automatically goes down when fares go up. That means less farebox revenue, a deficit MTC has to make up through other revenue sources—property taxes and federal funds.

Property taxes will pay 40 percent of MTC's cost this year, and Rep. Kathleen Vellenga (DFL-St Paul) noted that the percentage of funding from property taxes has been on the rise in recent years.

The division voted to establish a legislative study committee to examine MTC's funding sources and internal structure. And legislators adopted a motion from Vellenga that would prohibit the commission from contracting with a private firm for top management, as it presently does, after December 1984. Vellenga says MTC administrators should be part of the agency as in other state departments. □

Vehicle bumper heights

Raised bumpers and suspension systems on four-wheel drive trucks and other vehicles are safety hazards, says Rep. Charles Hoffman (DFL-Stillwater).

Hoffman sponsors HF814, a bill the Transportation Committee recommended to pass April 6 that would put limits on raised auto bumpers and truck bumper heights.

Hoffman told the committee vehicles with raised bumpers and suspension systems, especially popular 4-wheel drive trucks, are hazardous, because, if an accident occurs, the jacked-up vehicles don't match up with bumpers of other vehicles and instead impact at passenger head levels.

The bill would prohibit vehicle owners from raising cars three inches above manufacturer specifications, and bumpers couldn't be more than 20 inches off the ground for cars and 25 inches for trucks.

Opponents of the bill argued that commercial truck bumper heights are higher than those on passenger autos, but Hoffman said the trucks the bill would affect are those that owners alter only for looks—that don't carry trade or commerce.

The full House acts on the bill next. □



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Advance committee schedule & bill introductions

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In the remaining weeks of session the house will probably meet every day. So it becomes impossible to present an up-to-date advance schedule for the week. For accurate dates and times of committee meetings and house sessions, call the House Information Office hotline, 296-9283 or 296-2146.

Committee Schedule for the Week of May 9 - 13, 1983

Monday, May 9

8:00 a.m. **APPROPRIATIONS**, Rm. 57. Chr. Rep. James Rice. Agenda: Omnibus State Departments Bill.

Tuesday, May 10

8:00 a.m. **APPROPRIATIONS**, Rm. 57. Chr. Rep. James Rice. Agenda to be announced.

Wednesday, May 11

8:00 a.m. **APPROPRIATIONS**, Rm. 57. Chr. Rep. James Rice. Agenda to be announced.

Bill Introductions

Monday, May 2

HF1270—Wigley (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; extending Class 3 property to certain property owned by certain fraternal beneficiary societies or associations for community service; amending statutes.

HF1271—Shea (DFL)—Agriculture

Agriculture; removing the sunset date on the grain buyer's act; amending laws.

HF1272—Marsh (IR)—Education

Education; changing the secondary vocational education categorical aid program to a general aid program; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1273—Rodriguez, F. (DFL)—Governmental Operations

Retirement; salaried firefighters relief associations; providing vesting upon layoff in certain instances; proposing new law.

HF1274—Staten (DFL)—Energy

Tenants; providing protected status to certain senior citizens and disabled tenants when a building is converted to a condominium; proposing new law.

HF1275—Kelly (DFL)—Taxes

Taxation; providing a property tax exemption for satellite broadcasting facilities; providing an income tax exemption for certain income earned and a credit for certain payments made by a corporation providing satellite broadcasting services; providing a sales tax exemption for materials used in constructing a satellite broadcasting facility; amending statutes; proposing new law.

Wednesday, May 4

HF1276—Clark, J. (DFL)—Health/Welfare

Public welfare; providing for local level coordination of chemical dependency; mental retardation, and mental health services through area councils; transferring money; amending statutes; proposing new law; repealing statutes.

HF1277—Heap (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; adopting federal income tax treatment of certain retirement plans; amending statutes.

HF1278—Heap (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; income; providing a separate rate schedule for income from an S corporation; amending statutes.

HF1279—Levi (IR)—Judiciary

Crimes; providing for the admissibility of certain sexual abuse victims' statements as evidence; defining the crime of indecent liberties; increasing the age limits of minor victims in the definitions of criminal sexual conduct offenses; clarifying responsibility for payment of costs of medical examinations of criminal sexual conduct or intrafamilial sexual abuse victims; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF1280—Munger (DFL)—Transportation

Transportation; establishing a railroad passenger service study commission to study the feasibility and potential of expanded railroad passenger service within the state.

Thursday, May 5

HF1281—Staten (DFL)—Government Operations

State investment policy; requiring divestiture of investments in banks, financial institutions, and companies doing business in or with South America or Namibia; providing for reinvestment of proceeds from required sales in institutions or companies which invest or conduct business operations in Minnesota; proposing new law.

HF1282—Berkelman (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance

Financial institutions; exempting regulated lenders from the operation of certain usury provisions; authorizing foreign bank holding companies to acquire state banks and do business in the state as a result of these acquisitions; authorizing banks to organize or acquire insurance companies and securities broker-dealers for the purpose of engaging in these businesses; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF1283—Rice (DFL)—Appropriations

Organization and operation of state government; appropriating money for education and related purposes to the department of education, higher education coordinating board, state university board, state community college board, University of Minnesota, and the Mayo medical foundation, with certain conditions; establishing a state board of vocational technical education; providing it and certain independent and intermediate school districts operating vocational technical schools with certain powers and duties; changing the authority and duties of the above named agencies, or one or more of them, or certain of their advisory councils with respect to governance, duration of existence, disposition of property, employment and compensation of personnel, tuition, institutional closings, gifts, appropriations, parking fees, scholarships, grants-in-aid, planning, hospital charges, and related educational matters; amending statutes; proposing new law.

HF1284—Clark, J. (DFL)—Judiciary

Crimes; subjecting certain property to forfeiture if exchanged for or associated with controlled substances; conforming definitions with other statutes; amending statutes.

HF1285—Clark, J. (DFL)—Judiciary

Crimes; providing for forfeitures of conveyance, containers, weapons used, and contraband property when utilized in the commission of designated offenses; proposing new law.

First Readings of Senate Bills

Monday, May 2

SF366—Solon (DFL)—Taxes

Appropriations; authorizing the Arrowhead regional development commission to repay an appropriation with funds raised by a levy; amending laws.

SF932—Merriam (DFL)—Referred to Chief Clerk for comparison

Game and fish; removing the limitation on use of muzzle loading firearms to public lands only; amending statutes.

SF1060—Frederick (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; requiring certain information on income tax forms; amending statutes.

SF1165—Jude (DFL)—Referred to Chief Clerk for comparison

Motor vehicles; providing for registration, taxation, and special license plates for classic motorcycles; proposing new law.

SF1168—Freeman (DFL)—Referred to Chief Clerk for comparison
Insurance; covered claims under the insurance guaranty act; rule-making power of commissioner on nonrenewal of auto insurance and self-insurance; application fee for self-insurers; commissioner to adopt rules on nonrenewals of policies; amending statutes.

SF473—Freeman (DFL)—Referred to Chief Clerk for comparison
Traffic regulations; removing restrictions on use at trial of an accused's refusal to take a chemical test; providing that a suspect be informed that refusal to take a chemical test will be used against him at trial; removing requirements for mandatory detoxification in certain instances; providing penalties; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

SF742—Merriam (DFL)—Referred to Chief Clerk for comparison
Courts; establishing a court structure study commission; establishing its powers and duties; requiring a report to the legislature.

SF879—Wegscheid (DFL)—Appropriations
Courts; increasing mileage allowances for jurors; amending statutes.

SF463—Lantry (DFL)—Referred to Chief Clerk for comparison
Port authorities; authorizing revenue bond financing of certain facilities; eliminating the interest rate limit on revenue bonds and authorizing private sale; clarifying contractual and operational authority of port authorities; amending statutes.

SF934—Luther (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs
Elections; authorizing the use of electronic voting systems for absentee voting under certain circumstances; authorizing the secretary of state to promulgate rules; amending statutes; proposing new law.

SF769—Spear (DFL)—Referred to Chief Clerk for comparison
Property exempt from attachment, garnishment, or levy of execution; requiring notice to judgment debtors prior to delivery of funds owed to the judgment debtor by any third party to satisfy a creditor's claim; providing for an exemption notice within certain time limits; providing penalties for failure to send the exemption notice; clarification of certain exempt funds; providing for an increase in the amount of household goods exempt; amending statutes.

SF892—Petty (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
Insurance; authorizing the establishment of joint self-insurance employee health plans; providing administrative, trust, bonding, investment, and reporting requirements; establishing a quarterly revenue fee; proposing new law.

Wednesday, May 4

SF132—Kroening (DFL)—Appropriations
State government; providing for chiropractic positions in state government civil service; providing for the provision of chiropractic services; proposing new law.

SF812—Vega (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
Highway traffic regulations; clarifying certain bumper requirements; restricting the height of bumpers on certain vehicles; amending statutes.

SF318—Peterson, C. C. (DFL)—Health/Welfare
Alcohol and other drug abuse; requiring certain persons to report suspected chemical abuse by minors; establishing certain duties of certain chemical dependency counselors; proposing new law.

SF733—Peterson, C. C. (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources
Game and fish; licensing and record keeping by certain licensees; amending statutes.

SF800—Peterson, R. (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
Health; providing for retention and destruction of certain medical records; amending statutes.

SF985—Merriam (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
Game and fish; penalty for taking or illegally possessing big game during the closed season; requiring hunters and trappers to wear a blaze orange cap, vest, or jacket during the firearm deer season; amending statutes.

SF1048—Peterson, C. C. (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources
Natural resources; strengthening certain laws regarding the transportation of wild animals; including conservation officer in the definition of peace officer for purpose of laws relating to fleeing a peace officer; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

SF85—Solon (DFL)—Taxes
Taxation; providing a property tax credit to certain veterans awarded the congressional medal of honor; appropriating money; proposing new law.

SF359—Schmitz (DFL)—Taxes
Taxation; providing a transitional period of exemption from the tax on aggregate materials under certain circumstances.

SF557—Ramstad (IR)—Appropriations
Costs and attorneys fees; providing for recovery of costs and attorney fees by prevailing parties in civil actions against the state and administrative contested cases; amending statutes; proposing new law.

SF984—Taylor (IR)—Taxes

Taxation; authorizing cities to impose taxes on the gross receipts from the furnishing of certain lodging; requiring these funds to be dedicated to tourism marketing and promotion; proposing new law.

SF1003—Petty (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
Public welfare; establishing a medical assistance social health maintenance organization demonstration project; proposing new law.

SF1008—Freeman (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
Courts; authorizing the appointment of court referees; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

SF1152—Ramstad (IR)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
Marriage dissolution; clarifying factors to be considered in modifying a child support order; amending statutes.

Thursday, May 5

SF214—Frank (DFL)—Transportation
Traffic regulations; requiring the use of seat belts by motor vehicle passengers; prohibiting a surcharge for failure to use seat belts; requiring insurers to reduce premium rate if claim amounts are reduced; amending statutes.

SF297—Petty (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
Criminal justice; requiring peace officers to make arrests based on probable cause in cases of domestic assault; requiring peace officers to notify victims of domestic assault of the legal remedies available; amending statutes.

SF412—Moe, D. M. (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
Corrections; providing for the supervision and control of parolees and persons on supervised release by the commissioner of corrections; removing the limitation of contracts for temporary detention of the limitation on contracts for temporary detention of pre-trial detainees; transferring functions and powers of the corrections board to the commissioner of corrections; providing for reimbursement of foster care costs for delinquent juveniles; adjusting the duration of certain sentences; defining second or subsequent violation or offense; providing for administration of Ramsey county corrections services; amending statutes; proposing new law.

SF527—Reichgott (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
Legal liability; prohibiting retaliation against an individual who complies with the child abuse reporting act; providing damages for retaliation; clarifying immunity provisions for good faith compliance with the abuse reporting act; amending statutes.

SF682—Chmielewski (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
Animals; providing for the welfare of certain pets and companion animals; imposing a penalty; proposing new law.

SF683—Kroening (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
Education; prohibiting certain licenses for teachers; proposing new law.

SF881—Schmitz (DFL)—Environment/Natural Resources
Local and urban government; providing for the inventory, classification, and protection of aggregate deposits or resources within the state; proposing new law.

SF824—Petty (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
City of Minneapolis; abolishing the office of comptroller-treasurer in the city of Minneapolis; authorizing the reorganization, reallocation, consolidation, and delegation of the functions of the office; restructuring the board of estimate and taxation in the city of Minneapolis; changing the membership and terms of members of the retirement board; amending statutes.

SF911—Frank (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
Utilities; specifying the commission's authority over the availability of submetering; amending statutes; proposing new law.

SF845—Reichgott (DFL)—Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison
Tort liability; providing for parallel exceptions for unimproved property of the state and municipalities; amending statutes.

House Advisories

Monday, May 2

HA17—Heap (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development
A proposal for the House Committee on Commerce and Economic Development to study job creation.

HA18—Minne (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs
A proposal to study candidate residency requirements.

Bill Status Report

as of April 30, 1983

Explanation of bill status report

The Bill Status Report (see graph on opposite page) will list every bill that gets a hearing in a House committee or subcommittee or that gets action on the House floor. Once a bill appears on the graph, it will remain there each month, with a report of all legislative action on that bill, until the bill gets the governor's signature or veto. Check the list of bills the governor signed/vetoed for the governor's action on the bill.

The process of how a bill becomes a law is complicated. A graph can't tell you everything you want to know, but we hope it will help you understand the process, and inform you of bills that may become law during this legislative session.

The status graph includes action on the bill up to the last day of the month. For more information, call House Information at (612) 296-2146.

How to read the bill status entries

Each entry contains the House File (HF) number, the committee that considers the bill (see key for committee abbreviations), and a brief title.

When a committee hears a bill and decides to rerefer it (send it to another committee), the graph will list the original committee, action codes for that committee, and a note to see the next entry. The entry below the original bill will tell what happens to the bill in the second committee, and after it leaves that committee.

If the entry lists both a House File (HF) and a Senate File (SF), and the SF has an

asterisk after it, that means the Senate has passed the bill, and the House has decided to work on the Senate's version of the bill, and has set aside the House File.

If the House File has an asterisk after it, that means the House has approved the bill and the Senate has voted to work on the House version of the bill and has set aside the Senate File.

Reading across the columns, you can see committee and floor action for each bill. The codes in the columns, along with the code key, explain the action.

KEY

Committee Names

AG
Agriculture
AP
Appropriations
CO
Commerce/Economic
Development
ED
Education
EN
Energy
EV
Environment/Natural Resources
FI
Financial Institutions/Insurance
GL
General Legislation/
Veterans Affairs

GO
Governmental Operations
HW
Health/Welfare
JU
Judiciary
LM
Labor-Management Relations
LU
Local/Urban Affairs
RI
Regulated Industries
RU
Rules/Legislative Administration
TX
Taxes
TR
Transportation

Column codes

AC:
both House and Senate
accepted version of bill
Conference Committee
approved
CR:
concurrence and repassage:
House or Senate voted to
repass the bill with the other
body's amendment
Hd:
heard, tabled, laid over
In:
House voted to send bill to
conference committee
NP:
not passed

**—committee, division, or House added this bill or a similar proposal to another bill that may become law.

NR:
not recommended to pass
PA:
passed as amended
PC:
committee placed bill on
consent calendar
Ps:
passed
RA:
recommended to pass as
amended
RP:
recommended to pass
WA:
waiting floor action on
General Orders

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HF1—JU (see next entry) Equal rights amendment		RP										
HF1—RU rereferred from JU												
HF24—LM Workers' comp. reform	Hd											
HF26*—CO Defective vehicles	RA	RP	RP	Ps			RA	RA	Ps			AC
HF30*—GL VA residents' rights to complain	RP	RP	RP	Ps			RA	RP	Ps			In
HF31*—GL VA residents' rights: searches	RP	RP	RP	Ps			RA					
HF32—JU Burglary—establishing degrees	Hd											
HF33—HW (see next entry) Elderly home care credit	RA	RA										
HF33—AP rereferred from HW												
HF45—FI (see next entry) Bad checks bill		RA										
HF45—JU rereferred from FI		RA	**									
HF52—TX Federal tax piggyback		Hd										
HF60—TR Gas tax, highway bonds		Hd										
HF63—LU (see next entry) Trespassing ordinances: counties	RA	RA										
HF63—JU rereferred from LU												
HF64/SF61*—JU Hit and run—increasing penalties		RA	RP	Ps								In
HF70—JU Estate representative: compensation	Hd											
HF74—GL Notary fee increase	RP	RP		Ps			RA					
HF76*—EV (see next entry) "Super Fund" bill	RA	RA										
HF76—JU (see next entry) rereferred from EV		RA										
HF76—TX (see next entry) rereferred from JU		RA										
HF76—AP rereferred from Tx		RA			PA	RA				PA	In	
HF77—GL (see next entry) Pari-mutuel betting/horse racing	RA	RA										
HF77—GO (see next entry) rereferred from GL		RA										
HF77—TX (see next entry) rereferred from GO		RP										
HF77—AP rereferred from TX												
HF80—LU Town electors: powers	RA	Hd										
HF81/SF92*—LU Intergovernment notice		RA		Ps								
HF86—GL (see next entry) Veterans' down payment plan	RP	RP										
HF86—AP rereferred from GL												
HF89—JU Crimes against vulnerable groups	RA	RA	WA									
HF90—TR Child restraint requirement	RA	RP	RA	Ps			RP				PA	

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HF91*—RI Co-op bill of rights		RA	RA	Ps							Ps	
HF92—ED (see next entry) Omnibus school aids bill	RA	RA										
HF92—AP rereferred from ED	RA	RA				PA						
HF93/SF50*—JU Child abuse—crimes	RA	RA	RA	Ps								
HF100—HW (see next entry) Catastrophic health plan	RP	RP										
HF100—AP rereferred from HW												
HF102—JU Farm foreclosure	RA	RA										
HF107/SF87*—HW (see next entry) Child abuse,neglect reporting	RA	RA										
HF107/SF87*—JU rereferred from HW	RA	RA										
HF108—ED Legislative commission on education	Hd											
HF109—JU Human rights—prohibiting discrimination		RA										
HF110—GO Historic site—Longfellow House	Hd	**										
HF111—LM Collective bargaining agreements	RA	RA										
HF114—JU Child pornography prohibited	RA	RA	RP	Ps			RA					
HF123—CO (see next entry) Debt collection	RA	RA										
HF123—FI rereferred from House floor												
HF124—LM (see next entry) Plant closure	RA	RA										
HF124—AP rereferred from LM												
HF132*—GO Sherburne County—land conveyance		RA			Ps		RA	RA	Ps			CR
HF134—TX New business tax abatement	Hd											
HF138—RI (see next entry) Beer keg registration	RA	RA										
HF138—RI rereferred from House floor												
HF140*—RI Meter reading hours		RA			Ps		RA					
HF143/SF337*—TR Drivers license color	RP	RP										
HF145—ED Debt service levy	Hd											
HF146/SF339*—TX Non-contiguous property, homestead	Hd											
HF147/SF427*—GO Glazed safety glass requirements		RP										
HF148—HW Board for blind persons	RA	RP										
HF148—GO rereferred from HW												
HF149*—EV Hunting with dogs—license	RA	RA	RP	Ps			RA				PA	
HF151/SF115*—LU Hennepin County budget		RP			Ps							

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HF153—GO (see next entry) Job training funds		RP										
HF153—AP rereferred from GO												
HF154-TR Small airport improvements	Hd											
HF156—AG (see next entry) Gasohol tax reduction		RA										
HF156—TX rereferred from AG												
HF159—ED Student discipline		RA			Ps		RA					
HF160/SF147*—GO (see next entry) MSRS Correctional Plan—rate reduced		RA										
HF160/SF147*—AP rereferred from GO												
HF161/SF598*—FI Premium finance company charges		RA	WA									
HF162—ED Public education commission	Hd											
HF163—ED Insurance: capital expenditure	Hd											
HF164—CO Towing company payment	RP	Hd										
HF166—JU County attorneys—prosecution	RP	RA	RP	Ps			RA					
HF167—RI Dilworth Eagles Club license	RA	RA		Ps			RP					
HF170/SF148*—EV Timber permits—extension	RP	RP		Ps								
HF171*—LU Cemetery plots—reinvestment		RA	RP	Ps			RP	RP	Ps			
HF172/SF322*—EV Soil/water districts:audit	RP	RP		Ps								
HF174—EV Waste disposal prohibited	Hd											
HF176*—FI Public deposits collateral		RA	RP	Ps			RA	RP	Ps			CR
HF177—HW Catastrophic health plan	Hd											
HF180—TR Electrical co-ops: PUC regulation	Hd											
HF188—EV WMB—activities suspended	Hd											
HF189*—EN (see next entry) Energy conservation investment	RA	RA										
HF189*—RI rereferred from EN		RA	RA	Ps			RA				NP	
HF190—JU Court commissioner appointment	RA	RP	RP	Ps			RA				Ps	CR
HF191—TX Border city tax breaks	**											
HF192—HW Animal experimentation repeal	Hd											
HF193/SF161*—LU Mpls: city appointments		RA										
HF194—LM County live-in child care: wages		RP		Ps			RP					
HF200—EV Waste disposal prohibited	Hd											
HF202/SF0627*—GO Humane Society director		RP										
HF210*—TX Historical Society tax	RP	RP		Ps			RA	RP	Ps			

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HF211/SF267*—TX Property taxes: department bill	RA	RA	RA	Ps								In
HF217—TX Farm: definition for taxes	Hd											
HF218—JU Crime victims bill of right	RA	RA	RP	Ps			RA					
HF219/SF218*—JU Civil commitment—acquittal for crimes		RA										
HF222—TX Classification: tax forfeited land	Hd											
HF223*—TX Compliance tax laws		RA	RA	Ps			RA				PA	
HF226—JU Student groups—hazing	RA	RA	RP	Ps								
HF229—HW (see next entry) Patient rights enforcement	RP	RA										
HF229—JU rereferred from HW												
HF230—FI State health insurance rates		RA	RP	Ps			RP					
HF232—ED Arts in education	Hd											
HF233—GO (see next entry) Benefit increases—pre 1973		RA										
HF233—AP rereferred from GO												
HF235—TX Hotel/motel tax: Winona	Hd											
HF237/SF159*—HW Chiropractic services	RA	RA										
HF239—FI Dram shop delay	RA	RA	RA	Ps			RA					
HF241—RI Electric co-op regulation	Hd											
HF242—LM (see next entry) Workers' right to know bill	RA	RA										
HF242—AP rereferred from LM												
HF243—GO (see next entry) Jobs creation: incentive program		RA										
HF243—AP rereferred from GO	**											
HF244—EV Hunters—harassment prohibited	RA	RA										
HF245—LM Duluth workers' insurance pool	RA	RA										
HF250*—FI Insurance loans: varied interest rates		RA	RP	Ps			RA					
HF251*—GO Governance—phased out associations		RA	RA	Ps					Ps			In
HF253—GO Legislative auditor—term/audit contracts		RA										
HF254—GL Precinct caucus date	RA	RA	RP									
HF257—TR (see next entry) National Guard license plates	RA	RA										
HF257—AP rereferred from TR												
HF258—EN Weatherization: tenants	Hd											

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HF259—EV Watercraft safety—rearview mirror		RA			Pa		RA			Pa	
HF263—GO (see next entry) Chiropractor—civil service position		RP									
HF263—AP rereferred from GO											
HF269/SF597*—FI Credit union formation		RP									
HF270*—AG Farms: nuisance exemption		RA	RA	Pa			RP				
HF274—GO Legislative commission: changes		RP			Pa						
HF280—ED Delayed interest payments	Hd										
HF288—EN (see next entry) Weatherization compliance: rental housing		RA	RA								
HF288—AP rereferred from EN											
HF289—RI Club house licenses		RP			PA		RA				
HF290*—HW (see next entry) Health maintenance organizations		RP	RP								
HF290*—LU rereferred from HW		RA	RP	Pa			RA				
HF291—ED School finance commission	Hd										
HF294—EN Manufactured home sales: 15-year rule		RP	RA								
HF300—EN (see next entry) Energy reorganization		RA	RA								
HF300—GO (see next entry) rereferred from EN		RA									
HF300—AP rereferred from GO											
HF303—HW Noncustodial parent notification		RP									
HF312/SF186*—RI (see next entry) Natural gas deregulation		RP									
HF312/SF186*—RU rereferred from House floor		RP	RP	Pa							
HF314*—FI (see next entry) Insurance sales regulation		RA									
HF314*—JU rereferred from FI		RA	RP	Pa			RA				
HF315/SF292*—HW (see next entry) Child abuse reporting away from home		RA	RA								
HF315/SF292*—JU rereferred from HW		RP									
HF318*—LU Storm sewer maintenance fees		RP	RA	Pa			RA			Pa	
HF323—GO Firefighter's state aid		RP									
HF325*—JU Real property—registration		RP	RP	RP	Pa		RA	RP	Pa		CR
HF330*—JU Court of appeals procedures		RA	RA	RP	Pa		RA				
HF332/SF280*—JU Financial information release			RA	RA	PA						In
HF334—ED (see next entry) Higher ed. governance board		RA									
HF334—GO (see next entry) rereferred from ED		RA									

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HF334—AP rereferred from GO	**										
HF335/SF253*—HW (see next entry) HMO exemption, MA cuts	RA	RP									
HF335/SF253*—AP rereferred from HW											
HF340—HW Chemical abuse by minors reporting	Hd										
HF352—GO (see next entry) Child care—information and referral		RA									
HF352—AP rereferred from GO											
HF356/SF263*—FI Nursing specialties reimbursement		RA									
HF358—GO Jobs creation: incentive program	Hd										
HF359/SF164*—GO Senate confirmation—agencies and boards		RA	RA	PA							In
HF360—ED (see next entry) Commissioner appointment: education		RA									
HF360—GO rereferred from ED		RP									
HF361—TR (see next entry) Traffic safety program	RA	RA									
HF361—AP rereferred from TR											
HF365*—HW Health care residents' rights	RA	RA	RP	Pa			RA	RA	PA		
HF369/SF332*—FI Bank leases: employees		RP			Pa						
HF372/SF823*—LU (see next entry) City capital notes, equipment		RA									
HF372/SF823*—TX rereferred from LU											
HF375*—HW Community work programs	RA	RA	RP	Pa			RA				
HF379—ED School board authority	Hd										
HF380*—JU Good samaritans-liability	RA	RA	RA	Pa			RA				
HF381*—TX Federal income tax update		RA	RA	Pa			RA	RA	Pa		In
HF388—TR (see next entry) Highway bond interest cap removal	RP										
HF388—AP rereferred from TR											
HF389—TR Date signature on driver's license	RP	RP			Pa						
HF390—HW (see next entry) Asset limits: prepaid funerals	RP	RP									
HF390—AP rereferred from HW	**										
HF397—CO Foreign trade agency		RA									
HF397—FI (see next entry) rereferred from CO		RA									
HF397—GO (see next entry) rereferred from FI		RA									
HF397—AP rereferred from GO	Hd										
HF398—AG PIK program; barley		RP	RP	Pa							

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HF401—ED Curriculum requirements	**										
HF403*—TX County jail: special levy	RP	RP		PA		RP					
HF405—HW (see next entry) Semi-independent living services	RA	RP									
HF405—AP rereferred from HW											
HF406*—JU Process servers—payments recovered	RA	RP		Pa			RA	Pa			CR
HF407—ED Debt service levy	Hd										
HF409—RI Liquor: large purchases		RA		Pa		RP					
HF412—ED Admissions requirements: higher ed		RA	RP	Pa							
HF417—TR Farm product signs	RP	RP	RP	Pa							
HF419—FI Fire insurance: exam under oath		RA	RA	Pa		RA					
HF422—JU (see next entry) Judicial salaries—increase		RA									
HF422—GO (see next entry) rereferred from JU		RA									
HF422—AP rereferred from GO		RA									
HF423—LU St. Cloud service districts		RP									
HF424—AG (see next entry) Grain buyers' bill	RA	RA									
HF424—AP rereferred from AG											
HF426—HW Child support enforcement	RP	RP		Pa							
HF427/SF416*—GL Goodhue County: election hours	Hd										
HF428—ED Asbestos removal in schools	Hd										
HF429—JU Insurance—underinsured motorist	RP	RP									
HF431—GO Pension funds—real estate investment		RA									
HF435—JU Burglary—establishing degrees	RA	RA	WA								
HF438—HW Hospital trusts—beneficiaries	Hd										
HF439—JU Fireworks—prohibited	RA										
HF441*—EN Housing finance agency	RA	RA	RP	Pa			RA			Pa	
HF442—TX Joint property: tax credit	Hd										
HF444/SF44*—JU Child support—secondary school children	RP										
HF445—LU St. Paul: bonding authorization		RA	RP	Pa		RA					
HF449—GL (see next entry) Campaign expenditure limits	RA	RA									
HF449—AP rereferred from GL											
HF450—TR Rights-of-way fires	RA	RA									

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HF451—RI Long Prairie Moose Lodge license	RA	RA		Pa							
HF454/SF466*—EV Hunting—firing prohibited	RA										
HF455*—CO (see next entry) Commerce Dept. reorganization	RA	RA									
HF455*—GO (see next entry) rereferred from CO		RA									
HF455*—AP rereferred from GO		RA		Pa	RA						
HF457—JU (see next entry) Equal access to justice act	RA										
HF457—GO rereferred from JU											
HF458—HW (see next entry) Health occupation credentialing	RA	RA									
HF458—AP rereferred from HW											
HF462—LU St. Louis County: officers' pay		RA	RP	Pa			RP			PA	
HF463—LU Zoning ordinance filing: towns		RP	RP	Pa			RA				
HF467—GO Pension funds—rule 85		RP									
HF471—HW Foster care advisory council	RA										
HF474—GO Civil defense		RA	WA								
HF475—ED Cardiopulmonary resuscitation program	**										
HF478—AG (see next entry) Barley check-off		RP									
HF478—AP rereferred from AG	Hd										
HF481—AG (see next entry) Milk quality standards bill	RA	RA									
HF481—AP rereferred from AG	RA										
HF482/SF652*—GO Open meetings—public material		RA	RP	Pa							
HF484/SF254*—HW (see next entry) Nutrition supplements: MA payments	RA	RA									
HF484/SF254*—AP (see next entry) rereferred from HW	**										
HF486—LU (see next entry) District heating systems		RA									
HF486—EN rereferred from LU											
HF488/SF428*—GO Advisory committees/councils repealed	RA	RP									
HF488/SF428*—AP rereferred from GO	**										
HF495F—HW County medical responsibilities	RA	RA		Pa			RP				
HF491/SF558*—GO Administrative rulemaking—impact		RA	RA	Pa							
HF495—JU Mental health agency data regulation	RP	RA									
HF496—HW (see next entry) Sanctions: programs with errors	RP	RP									
HF496—AP rereferred from HW	**										

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HF497—HW (see next entry) County GA/GAMC advances	RA	RA										
HF497—AP referred from HW	**											
HF500—EV Coyote protection	RP	RA										
HF501—ED Petition signature requirements	RA											
HF502/SF464*—LU Port authority land sales		RP			Ps							
HF506—HW (see next entry) Chiropractic services: GAMC aid	RA	RA										
HF506—AP referred from HW												
HF507/SF664*—LU St. Cloud parking district		RP	RP									
HF508*—FI Readability: insurance cancellations		RP			Ps		RA	RP	Ps			CR
HF511/SF392*—LM Silo builders: overtime exemption		RA	RP	Ps			RA	RP	Ps			CR
HF512—AG (see next entry) Pseudo-rabies testing: swine	RA											
HF512—AP referred from AG	Hd											
HF513*—GL Voter registration, facilities	RA	RA			Ps		RA				Ps	
HF516*—LU Montevideo: vacating streets		RP			Ps		RP		Ps			
HF519—HW Facility priorities abolished	RP	RP	RP	Ps			RP					
HF520—LU Port authorities: bonds		RP	WA									
HF521—FI Banking law changes		RA	RA	Ps								
HF523—RI Telephone company regulation		RA	RP	Ps								
HF524—EV (see next entry) Low level radioactive waste compact	RA	RP										
HF524—GO (see next entry) referred from EV												
HF524—AP referred from GO												
HF529*—JU Kidnapping—conviction of other crimes	RA	RA	RP	Ps			RA	RP	Ps			CR
HF530/SF549*—JU Criminal prosecution—jurisdictions	RA	RA	RP	Ps			RA				Ps	
HF531—TR (see next entry) Motorcycles—personal plates	RA	RA										
HF531—AP referred from TR												
HF532—JU Domestic abuse arrests	RA	RA										
HF535—AG (see next entry) Corn check-off	RA	RP										
HF535—AP referred from AG	Hd											
HF536—JU Child reporting—retaliation	RA	RA										
HF537—LM Part-time college faculty: PELRA		RA	RA	Ps								
HF538—ED (see next entry) HECB membership		RP										

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HF538—GO referred from ED		RP										
HF540—JU Transit service: crimes against	RA	RA	RP	Pa			RA					
HF541—GO (see next entry) POST board—support services		RP										
HF541—JU (see next entry) referred from GO		RA										
HF541—AP referred from JU												
HF542—TX (see next entry) Tax break analysis		RA										
HF542—AP referred from TX												
HF544—JU (see next entry) Medical records storage	RP	RP										
HF544—HW referred from JU		RA										
HF547—JU Tax crimes—penalties increased	RA	RA										
HF549—EN (see next entry) Energy improvement loans: schools	RA	RA										
HF549—AP referred from EN												
HF553*—GL Election procedure changes	RA	RA	RA	Pa			RA					
HF555—AG (see next entry) Farm products promotion		RA										
HF555—AP referred from AG	Hd											
HF556/SF338*—FI Car loan interest rate		RP										
HF558—FI Co-op apartment loan rate		RA	RP	Pa			RA					
HF559—JU Judgements—interest rates	RA	RA										
HF561*—LU MTC suburban opt-out changes		RP	RP	PA								
HF564—GO Investment changes—SBI		RA	RP	Pa			RP					
HF565/SF278*—LU Hennepin County: parking facilities		RP										
HF566—LU Hennepin County: buy American		RP										
HF567—LU St. Louis County: fees		RA		Pa								
HF570/SF616*—GO Council for the handicapped—permanent		RP										
HF571/SF551*—EV (see next entry) Waters—restriction on diversion	RA	RA										
HF571/SF551*—AP referred from EV												
HF572—CO (see next entry) Office of tourism	RA	RA										
HF572—GO (see next entry) referred from CO		RA										
HF572—AP referred from GO												
HF573—GO Brooklyn Park: firefighters relief law		RA		Pa			RP			Pa		
HF575—GO LCER—ratifying actions		RA										
HF577—GL (see next entry) Veterans emergency shelter		RP										

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HF577—AP rereferred from GL												
HF580—GO Uniform defined compensation plan		Hd										
HF581/SF546*—TR Abandoned highways	RA	RA	RP	Ps			RA		Ps			CR
HF582*—JU Commissioner of corrections—powers		RA	RP	Ps			RP					
HF584—CO Art consignment	RA	RA			PA		RA				Ps	
HF585—CO Fine art prints		RA	RA									
HF588—LU Hospital board elections		RP	RA	Ps			RA				Ps	
HF592—RI Telephone emergencies	RP	RP			Ps		RA			Ps		
HF594—JU Corrections—changes		RA										
HF598—HW Temporary confinement responsibilities	RP	RP			Ps		RP				Ps	
HF599—LM Wage records: delivery to department		RA	RP	Ps			RA					
HF602—JU Mechanics lien—aircraft	RA	RA			Ps		RP			Ps		
HF605*—ED Credit transfer facilitation		RA	RP	PA			RA			Ps		
HF606*—JU Civil commitment	RA	RA	RA	Ps			RA					
HF608—LM Health benefit administrators: exemption		RA			Ps		RA			Ps		
HF610*—FI Industrial loan and thrift powers		RA	RA	Ps			RA			Ps		
HF611—TR Traffic and parking fine sanctions	RA											
HF613/SF645*—EN (see next entry) Mortgage bonds		RP										
HF613/SF645*—RU rereferred from EN												
HF617—EV PCA: fees, powers	RA	RA	RP	Ps			RA					
HF622/SF1260*—GO Volunteer firefighter's law: changes		RA										
HF623—CO Eyeglasses: unregulated sales	RP	RA										
HF625—CO (see next entry) Labor education funds		RA										
HF625—AP rereferred from CO												
HF631*—GO Hennepin County Fund— withdrawal		RA	RP	Ps						Ps		
HF634—ED St. Cloud lab school		Hd										
HF635—HW (see next entry) Maternal/child federal grants	RA	RA										
HF635—AP rereferred from HW	**											
HF636—LU Rural water commissions: accounting		RA										
HF636—GO Sewer, water commissions— accounting		RP										

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HF637—LU (see next entry) MTC contracts, taxes	RA	RA										
HF637—AP rereferred from LU												
HF639—AG Agri-processing plants: loans		RA										
HF642/SF607*—GO Charitable organizations— pay deduction		RA										
HF643—ED (see next entry) Provisional licensing: seniority		RA										
HF643—ED rereferred from House floor		RA	WA									
HF644—ED Unlicensed teacher penalty	Hd											
HF645—ED School district financial statement date	Hd											
HF646—ED School associations— financial statements	RP											
HF647—ED Commissioner approval: aid payments	RP											
HF648—LU Rent control ban	RP	RP										
HF649—GO (see next entry) Legislative library—info. systems		RA										
HF649—AP rereferred from GO												
HF652—GO (see next entry) Pension plans—benefit of members		RA										
HF652—AP rereferred from GO												
HF653—GL Election laws: procedural changes	RA	RA			Ps		RA					
HF654—EV (see next entry) Cross country skier licensing	RA	RP										
HF654—AP rereferred from EV												
HF655—JU Court unification	RA	RA										
HF656—RI Marble: on-sale license		RP			Ps		RP	RP	Ps			
HF657—TR Abandoned railroads, airport zoning	RA	RA										
HF657—AP rereferred from TR		RP	RP	Ps								
HF658—RI Municipal electric utility exclusion	RA	RA										
HF659/SF601*—EN (see next entry) Duluth: Indian housing program		RA										
HF659/SF6SF1*—AP rereferred from EN												
HF660—TX Corporate tax rate, deductions	RA	**										
HF661/SF541*—CO County jobs program		RA										
HF663—HW (see next entry) GA: work requirements	RA											
HF663—AP rereferred from HW	**											
HF664—GL Bingo prize limits	Hd											

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HF666—LM (see next entry) Jobs training: St. Paul Urban League		RP										
HF666—AP rereferred from LM												
HF667*—LM Maternity/paternity leave: adoption		RA	RA	Pa			RA				PA	
HF668/SF529*—JU Human rights—disabled		RP										
HF669/SF679*—GO IRRRB—bonding authority		RP										
HF670—HW (see next entry) Nursing home rates		RA	RA									
HF670—AP rereferred from HW		Hd										
HF672/SF726*—TX Sales tax: department bill			RA	RP	Pa		RA					
HF673*—GL Election judge eligibility/ compensation		RP	RP	RP	Pa		RP				Pa	
HF674—FI (see next entry) Insurance agents: continuing education			RA									
HF674—GO rereferred from FI			RA									
HF674—AP rereferred from GO												
HF678—EV Trail bonding		Hd										
HF680—TX Hotel/motel tax: tourism promotion		RA										
HF681/SF462*—JU Restaurant employment—under 18			RP									
HF684—EV Commissioner orders, rules			RP		Pa		RP				Pa	
HF685—HW(see next entry) CSSA fold-in			RA									
HF685—AP rereferred from HW			Hd									
HF689/SF358*—LU County coroner appointments			RP		Pa							
HF694—LU Ramsey County medical center			RA	RP	Pa		RP					
HF696—TX Enterprise zones, business investments: taxes		RA	**									
HF697*—LU St. Paul port authority: powers			RA	RP	Pa		RA	RP	Pa			CR
HF707—JU Burglary—establishing degrees			Hd									
HF711—LU (see next entry) Bonds, debt certificate issuing			RA									
HF711—GO (see next entry) rereferred from LU												
HF711—AP rereferred from GO												
HF712—ED Pairing districts			Hd									
HF715—ED (see next entry) Student loans, supplemental			RA									
HF715—AP rereferred from ED												
HF716—ED (see next entry) Financial aid: shared responsibility plan.			RA									

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HF716—AP rereferred from ED												
HF720—GO (see next entry) Minnesota educational computer consortium		RA										
HF720—AP rereferred from GO	RA											
HF721—FI Babbit: detached bank facility		RA	RP	Ps			RP			Ps		
HF722—RI Cable TV access		RA										
HF723—HW Prospective payment system	RP	RP										
HF723—AP rereferred from HW	**											
HF725*—TR Right-of-way sales	RP	RP			Ps		RA				PA	
HF727—GL (see next entry) Atomic exposure resolution	RP	RP										
HF727—RU rereferred from GL												
HF730*—JU Driving privileges—reinstatement	RP	RP			Ps		RA			Ps		CR
HF733/SF238*—EV Peat mining permits, reclamation		RA	RA	Ps								
HF735—JU Insurance—unfair practices	RA	RA										
HF737—JU (see next entry) Assault information—collection	RP	RP										
HF737—AP rereferred from JU												
HF738/SF746*—LU (see next entry) Counties capital notes		RA										
HF738/SF746*—TX rereferred from LU												
HF739—RI Cable board abolishment	RA											
HF740—JU (see next entry) Shakopee women's prison: new facility	RP	RP										
HF740—AP rereferred from JU												
HF741—LU County recorder fees		RP			Ps		RP			Ps		
HF742—HW (see next entry) Welfare: misc. changes	RA	RP										
HF742—AP rereferred from HW	**											
HF743—JU Age info—prohibiting dissemination	Hd											
HF744—TR Medal recipients: free licenses	RP	RP			Ps							
HF745*—GO Administrative Procedure Act—changes		RA	RA	Ps			RA					
HF746—GL Mail elections	Hd											
HF747—LU (see next entry) Moorhead: fund transfer		RA										
HF747—AP rereferred from LU												
HF748—LM Pickets, ELRA changes		RA										
HF749*—LU Fergus Falls: waste disposal	RA	RA			Ps		RA					

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HF750—TX County levies	Hd										
HF751—EN (see next entry) Hydropower development incentives		RA									
HF751—TX rereferred from EN											
HF753—ED Cooperating districts aid and levy	Hd										
HF755—HW MA—personal care	RA										
HF757/SF246*—GL Intergovernment notice		RP			Ps						
HF758—EV Mine pit fences		RP			Ps	RP					
HF759/SF767*—GO Retirement: legislative employees											
HF760*—GO MSRS administrative bill		RP	RP	Ps			RP			Ps	
HF762—JU (see next entry) Child support: payment, enforcement		RA	RA								
HF762—HW rereferred from JU		RP									
HF763—EV Firearms—muzzle loading	RP	RP									
HF764—GO Hennepin County park rangers—aid		RP			Ps	RP				Ps	
HF765—FI Preferred health insurance providers		RA									
HF766—ED Adult vocational funding	Hd										
HF768—GO (see next entry) Department merger—study	RP	RA									
HF768—AP rereferred from GO											
HF769—LU Aircraft noise reduction equipment		RA			Ps	RP					
HF770—ED Cooperation among districts	Hd										
HF771—ED (see next entry) School district cash flow	RP	RA									
HF771—TX rereferred from ED		**									
HF772—ED English proficiency aid dates		**									
HF774—JU Peace officer assaults prohibited		RP									
HF775—JU Contract for deed—filing	HD										
HF776/SF723*—HW Adoption: race, ethnic heritage	RP	RA									
HF777/SF721*—LU Carver, Washington: bonds	RA	RP									
HF778—ED Summer school hours		**									
HF779—RI Roseau on-sale license	RA	RA			Ps						
HF781/SF554*—EN Multicounty HRA		RP									
HF782—JU Crimes—fines increased	RA	RA									
HF795/SF606*—GO (see next entry) Pension funds—interest rates		RA									

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HF785/SF606*—AP rereferred from GO											
HF786—EV (see next entry) Omnibus fishing bill	RA	RA									
HF786—AP rereferred from EV											
HF787*—LU Mosquito control district changes		RA	RP	Ps			RA			Ps	
HF788—CO (see next entry) Minnesota Enterprise Fund		RA									
HF788—GO (see next entry) rereferred from CO		RP									
HF788—AP rereferred from GO											
HF790—JU Exemption from garnishment		RA									
HF792/SF659*—GO PERA—P&F—service credit		RP			Ps						
HF793/SF827*—GO Disabled PERA benefit—waiting period		RA			Ps						
HF794—GL Apportionment into statute	RP	RP	RA	Ps							
HF795—TR Personal data from vehicle forms	RA	RA									
HF796—LU (see next entry) Parks, open space bonding		RA									
HF796—EV rereferred from LU		RA									
HF796—AP rereferred from EV											
HF798*—GO Orono land transfer		RA			Ps	RP					
HF800—JU (see next entry) Soviet Jews resolution		RP									
HF800—RU rereferred from JU											
HF801—FI Electronic fund transfer terminals		RP			Ps	RP				Ps	
HF802—JU Child support—modifying factors	RA	RA									
HF804*—JU Transcript fees: second district	RA	RA			Ps	RA				Ps	
HF806/SF398*—HW Vulnerable adults reporting	RP	RA									
HF807—AG (see next entry) Seed law		RA									
HF807—AP rereferred from AG	Hd										
HF808—HW GA: residency requirement	Hd										
HF809/SF653*—EV Pine River routes		RP			Ps						
HF813—TR Vehicles of school bus color		RA									
HF814—TR Bumper heights	RA	RA									
HF816—JU Mental health center data—protection	Hd										
HF817—RI Low-income assistance	RA	Hd									
HF818—LU Minneapolis: comptroller abolished		RA									

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HF819—EV (see next entry) Water agencies—merged	RA	RP									
HF819—GO (see next entry) rereferred from EV	RA										
HF819—AP rereferred from GO	**										
HF820—EV Three-wheel vehicle registration	RP										
HF825—LM Assigned risk plan administration	RA										
HF826/SF673*—TR Handicapped recreational plates		RP			Ps						
HF828—EN (see next entry) Omnibus energy policy	RA	RA									
HF828—AP rereferred from EN											
HF829—LU Minor airport runway length		RA									
HF830*—EN Manufactured housing law corrections	RA	RA	RP	Ps			RA			Ps	
HF831/SF856*—LU Unplatted property certification		RP									
HF835/SF705*—TX Rapadam dam taxation		RP									
HF836—GO State documents: identification		RP			Ps						
HF837/SF891*—TR Commuter vans and rideshare programs	RA										
HF838*—TR Rail intrastate transportation		RP			Ps		RP				
HF840—ED Capital property lease-purchase	Hd										
HF847—JU Unimproved lands—exemption	RA	RA									
HF848—HW (see next entry) Child care: reduced rates	RP	RA									
HF848—AP rereferred from HW											
HF849*—EV Douglas County—land sale	RP	RP			Ps		RA				
HF851/SF403*—AG (see next entry) Family farm security loan program		RA									
HF851/SF403*—AP rereferred from AG	Hd										
HF853/SF708*—JU Justice of peace/ magistrate—references		RP			PA						In
HF854—RI Utility submetering		RA									
HF855—JU Construction contracts— injury liability		RP									
HF857—LM (see next entry) Job skills partnership		RA									
HF857—GO (see next entry) rereferred from LM		RA									
HF857—AP rereferred from GO											
HF858—GL (see next entry) Eligibility and grants for veterans	RA										
HF858—AP rereferred from GL											

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HF859*—GL Military affairs dept. bill	RP	RA			Ps		RA				Ps
HF862—FI Outpatient mental health services		Hd									
HF864—EN (see next entry) Innovative housing loan program		RA									
HF864—AP rereferred from EN	**										
HF867—GO State information council		Hd									
HF868—CO (see next entry) Indian scholarship program		RA									
HF868—AP rereferred from CO		Hd									
HF869/SF927*—LM LSD 709: clerical workers		RA									
HF870*—JU Economic security—rules		RP			Ps		RP			PA	In
HF872—AG (see next entry) Fertilizer inspection		RA									
HF872—AP rereferred from AG		Hd									
HF873/SF756*—JU Firefighters—recovery for damages		RA			PC						
HF874/SF923*—ED (see next entry) Public library misuse	RA	RA									
HF874/SF923*—JU rereferred from ED											
HF875—LU Bloomington: special service districts		RA									
HF880—HW (see next entry) Grants: mentally ill, chem. dependent		RA									
HF880—AP rereferred from HW											
HF882—HW (see next entry) Retarded persons services		RA									
HF882—AP rereferred from HW	**										
HF885—LU Metro sports facilities agreements		Hd									
HF886—TR Classic motorcycle licenses		RP									
HF891/SF900*—GO TRA administrative bill		RA									
HF892/SF843*—GL Veterans affairs dept. bill	RA	RA									
HF894—JU Government data practices act	RA	RA									
HF896/SF887*—TR Municipal streets		Hd									
HF898—JU Court referees; appointees	RP	RP									
HF899—JU Arbitration civil procedure	RA	RA									
HF900/SF053*—JU Legal documents—signature certification		Hd									
HF901—EV DNR—experimental waters		RP									
HF903—GO Assessment benefit associations		RP			Ps		RP			Ps	
HF904*—TR Rate making procedures	RA	RP	Ps				RA				

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HF906—HW Health provider: reports and prices	RA	RA									
HF907/SF833*—GO White Bear Lake—firefighter's relief	RP			Ps							
HF910/SF201*—RI Liquor: sampling, election days, ads	RA										
HF911/SF936*—GO Mpls. police and fire board	RA			PA							CR
HF914—GL Veteran mandatory retirement	RP			Ps							
HF916—CO Public works bids: Minnesota preference	RA										
HF917/SF684*—JU Mortgage registry tax	RP										
HF918—JU Mandatory detox repealed	RA	RA									
HF924—TR (see next entry) Alcohol treatment fund	RP	RP									
HF924—AP rereferred from TR	RP	RP									
HF925—CO Security interests: farm equipment	Hd										
HF926/SF782*—JU Careless driving	RP										
HF929—GL Pets, companion animals	RA										
HF933—HW MA-HMO national pilot project	RA	RA									
HF934—LU Ramsey County: buy American	RP										
HF937—TX Omnibus property tax, local aid bill	RA	**									
HF938—LU Plymouth port authority, workers' comp. pool	RA	RA	WA								
HF946—EN (see next entry) Soil and water conservation board	RP										
HF946—GO rereferred from EN	RP			Ps		RP					
HF948—GO (see next entry) State planning agency created	RA										
HF948—AP rereferred from GO											
HF950—GO Public employees' compensation	RA										
HF953—FI Silver Bay: detached bank	RP			Ps							
HF954—LU Minneapolis: park and rec appointments	RP			Ps		RP					Ps
HF955—GO (see next entry) State set-aside program	RA										
HF955—AP rereferred from GO											
HF957/SF791*—EV Road easements—conveyed to private persons	RA	RA									
HF958—HW Long term care: legislative report	RP	RP		Ps		RA					Ps
HF959—CO Fuel pump sales by 1/2 gallon	RA			PA		RP				Ps	
HF960/SF855*—TR Arson investigation vehicles	RP	RP									
HF962—HW (see next entry) GAMC: limit increases	RP	RA									

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HF962—AP rereferred from HW	Hd										
HF964/SF784*—HW (see next entry) CSSA eligibility	RA										
HF964/SF784*—AP rereferred from HW											
HF973—CO Securities, real estate—dept. bill	RA										
HF975—AG Tax incentives: farmland sales	Hd										
HF976/SF568*—GO Job sharing program—permanent	RA										
HF977—RI Farmington on-sale license	RP	RP									
HF987*—RI Utility bond investment	RP										
HF989—JU Contract for deed—cancellation notice	RA	RP		Ps		RA				Ps	
HF991—TX Co-op apartments, value	Hd										
HF995—RI Clearwater County off-sale license	RP	RP									
HF996—EN St. Paul Port Authority: heating	RP										
HF999/SF844*—JU Controlled substances—theft	RA										
HF1003—TR (see next entry) Transportation regulation board	RA	RA									
HF1003—AP rereferred from TR											
HF1006—RI Liquor at metro sports facilities	RA	RA		PA		RA				Ps	
HF1011—JU Wrongful death—pecuniary damages	RP	RP									
HF1013—HW (see next entry) Relatives' resources: MA	RA										
HF1013—AP rereferred from HW	**										
HF1014—HW (see next entry) Chemical dependency programs for Indians	RP	RP									
HF1014—AP rereferred from HW											
HF1017—JU (see next entry) Marriage license—increased fees	RA	RA									
HF1017—AP rereferred from JU											
HF1018—JU Marriage license—increased fees	Hd										
HF1020—TR Motor vehicle carrier regulations	RA										
HF1021/SF964*—CO Business corporation law: amendments	RP										
HF1025—CO (see next entry) MN motion picture and TV board: grant	RA										
HF1025—AP rereferred from CO											
HF1026—FI Auto self-insurance rulesHd											
HF1027—FI Auto insurance policies	RA										

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HF1028—FI Unpaid claims, insurance guaranty		Hd										
HF1029—TR Truck and trailer requirements	RA	RA										
HF1032—LU Washington County: highway assessments		RA										
HF1033—FI (see next entry) Employee health plan self-insurance		RA										
HF1033—AP rereferred from FI		RA										
HF1037/SF1015*JU Cemeteries—prohibiting disturbance		RA										
HF1040—LU Industrial revenue bond changes		RP										
HF1041/SF271*—LU Hennepin County statutes		RP										
HF1042—HW (see next entry) MA pilot project	RA	RA										
HF1042—AP rereferred from HW												
HF1046—JU Peace officer—city of Baxter	RA	RA										
HF1049/SF996*—FI Failing bank replacement		RA										
HF1051/SF972*—EV St. Louis County—land sale	RP	RP			Ps							
HF1057/SF755*—AG Artificial Dairy Products Act		RA										
HF1058—JU Limited partnerships—changes		RP			Ps							
HF1059—EV (see next entry) Acid rain resolution		RP										
HF1059—RU rereferred from EV												
HF1062—LU Port authority membership, terms	RP	RP			Ps		RP				Ps	
HF1065—EV Big game hunting penalties	RA	RA										
HF1067—GO Economic security dept. bill		RA										
HF1070—GO (see next entry) MERF—changes		RA										
HF1070—AP rereferred from GO												
HF1074/SF1012*—EV Waste Management Act changes	RA	RA										
HF1081—GL (see next entry) Agent orange resolution		RP										
HF1081—RU rereferred from GL												
HF1084/SF611*—CO Tow truck operators: limiting regulation		RP			Ps							
HF1086/SF530—LU Roseville: civil service exemption		RP			Ps							
HF1088—LM (see next entry) Workers' comp state fund		RA										
HF1088—AP rereferred from LM	RA											
HF1089—CO (see next entry) World trade center commission		RA										
HF1089—GO (see next entry) rereferred from CO		RP										

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HF1089—AP rereferred from GO	Hd											
HF1090—CO Employment agency licensing: exemption		RA										
HF1092—TR Personal plate retention	RA	RA			Ps		RA					
HF1094—HW (see next entry) Shared services	PP	RA										
HF1094—AP rereferred from HW	**											
HF1100/SF987*—EV Decorative trees—update	RA	RP			PC							
HF1101—EV Tree planting stock—exchange	RA	RA			Ps		RP					
HF1102—TR Highway vending machines		Hd										
HF1105—JU Fingerprinting prohibited		RP										
HF1106—FI Insurance company investments		RA										
HF1107—GL Veterans home residents: wages		RP			Ps							
HF1108—LU Drainage: assessment appeals		RA			Ps		RA					
HF1111—LU Crow Wing town levies		RP			Ps							
HF1113/SF699*—TR Windshield and window film	RA	RA										
HF1114—HW (see next entry) MA: eligibility and limits		RA										
HF1114—AP rereferred from HW	**											
HF1122—LU Flowing: town business		RP			PA		RA			Ps		
HF1124—JU Revisor's bill		RA			Ps							
HF1129/SF854*—JU Pipelines—mortgages and trust deeds		RP			Ps							
HF1130/SF1104*—TR Identification cards		RP			PC							
HF1136/SF1067*—JU Driving violations—exemptions		RP			Ps							
HF1137—TX New jobs income tax credit	RP											
HF1147*—EN Richfield, Bloomington: energy programs		RA			Ps		RA					
HF1149—JU Plastics—right of posession		RA										
HF1150/SF808*—GL State seal		RA			Ps							CR
HF1151—GO St Peter land conveyence		RA			PC							
HF1154/SF639*— Energy statutes: technical changes	RA	RA	WA									
HF1161/SF948*—LU Metro airport commission terms		RP										
HF1162—LU (see next entry) University Avenue redevelopment		RA										
HF1162—AP rereferred from LU												
HF1163/SF857*—AG Pipelines: farmland acquisition		RP										

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HF1171—TX Municipal bond taxation: corporations		RP				PA						
HF1172—JU Supreme Court—conforming state law		RP										
HF1173—EV Minimum price bill	Hd											
HF1176/SF194—JU Death—survivors responsibilities		RA										
HF1181/SF591*—FI Psychologist services reimbursement		RA										
HF1190—GO Unemployment compensation		RA										
HF1208—CO Mechanic's lies		RA										
HF1222—GO (see next entry) Infrastructure		RP										
HF1222—AP rereferred from GO												
HF1224—RI Boxing regulation		RA										
HF1234—LU (see next entry) Local aid; levy reform	RA	RA										
HF1234—TX rereferred from LU												
HF1236—LU Met stadium sale, lease		RA										
HF1245/SF455*—CO Nonprofit corporations	RA											
HF1259—TX Omnibus tax bill	Hd											

Bills the Governor signed

Chapter 16

Metro council redistricting

HF22/SF15* (Osthoff)—changes boundaries for metropolitan council and commission districts after each 10-year census. Council members will be up for re-appointment with staggered terms at the time of the changes.

Chapter 17

Gas tax, highway bonds, new projects

HF371* (Jensen)—raises gas tax to improve trunk highways; delays motor vehicle excise tax transfers until 1986; sets highway bonding limits; and establishes a highway study commission.

Chapter 18

Annexation procedures

HF56* (McEachern)—allows annexations without municipal board approval when the municipalities adopt certain joint resolutions.

Chapter 19

Amateur radio plates

HF120/SF30* (Brinkman)—allows amateur radio licensees to use special plates, and motorcyclists to use personalized plates.

Chapter 20

Conciliation courts—obsolete language

HF260/SF152* (Bennett)—eliminates obsolete provisions relating to conciliation courts.

Chapter 21

Tracy: land transfer

HF283/SF221* (Ludeman)—allows the commissioner of revenue to convey a piece of property to the city of Tracy.

Chapter 22

Big Falls: hospital district

HF528/SF224* (Neuenschwander)—provides a method for Big Falls to join the Big Fork hospital district.

Chapter 23

Hennepin County: jail improvement bonding

HF569/SF270* (Clark, J.)—allows Hennepin County to issue up to \$5 million of bonds to finance the renovation of property to serve as a county jail.

Chapter 24

Handicapped parking

HF341/SF421* (Berkelman)—prohibits person from blocking access to handicapped parking place; requires that signs for those parking places be unmoveable or moveable by authorized persons only; increases fine for violations; clarifies that law enforcement officials can tag violators on public or private property.

Chapter 25

Juvenile referral to adult court

HF79* (Clark, J.)—requires juvenile courts to refer a child 18 years and under who committed a felony offense to adult court if the juvenile has a prior felony conviction.

Chapter 26

State historic sites

HF121* (Skoglund)—designates as state historic sites the old administration building at the Minnesota Veterans Home and the replica Henry Wadsworth Longfellow House in Minneapolis.

Chapter 27

Jobseekers' bus fares

HF182* (Riveness)—allows the Metropolitan Transit Commission to offer special bus passes that unemployed persons could use to get reduced bus fare for transportation while looking for jobs.

Chapter 28

Physician education—technical change

HF236* (Bishop)—changes language in statute referring to University of Minnesota and Mayo Foundation graduate programs.

Chapter 29

Dentistry regulation

HF252* (Bishop)—clarifies the separation of Mayo Foundation from the University of Minnesota in dentistry regulations.

Chapter 30

St. Paul civil rights hearings

HF298* (Vellenga)—removes language allowing respondent to a complaint to waive hearing before the St. Paul Civil Rights Commission and go directly to district court; states commission's finding of fact is conclusive when supported by evidence of whole record.

Chapter 31

Apiary law

HF73/SF107* (Fjoslien)—repeals all existing bee and honey house regulations and replaces them with a comprehensive system of inspection, registration, licensure, and enforcement.

Chapter 32

Floyd B. Olson—state monument

HF112/SF128* (Staten)—includes in the list of state monuments the Governor Floyd B. Olson Monument on Highway 55 in Hennepin County.

Chapter 33

Cokato: land conveyance

HF282/SF207* (Onnen)—allows school district #166 to sell tennis courts to the city of Cokato.

Chapter 34

Employee trusts—interest rates

HF311/SF269* (Dempsey)—exempts employee loans from pension benefit plans from eight percent interest rate limit; exempts employee welfare benefit trusts from rule regulating duration of trusts.

Chapter 35

Bear Island: land sale

HF313/SF325* (Battaglia)—allows commissioner of natural resources to sell a portion of land in Bear Island State Forest to a private person; corrects erroneous description in a St. Louis County land sale.

Chapter 36

St. Cloud-Sartell school district

HF367/SF327* (Gruenes)—allows school boards of St. Cloud and Sartell to approve school district boundary changes.

Chapter 37

Dakota County—land transfers

HF131/SF73* (Jensen)—sets conditions for land transfers of property on Lake Byllesby to adjoining property owners.

Chapter 38

Obsolete investment language repeal

HF88/SF81* (Rodosovich)—repeals obsolete language relating to investment of certain local police funds.

Chapter 39

Handicapped civil service reference

HF662/SF351* (Knuth)—changes language in civil service law from references to people "confined to wheelchairs" to those who "have mobility impairments requiring the use of a wheelchair."

Chapter 40

Clerk of court—clarifying duties

HF578/SF552* (Gustafson)—eliminates the requirement that the clerk of court give to the corrections commissioner or work farm superintendent, a transcript of district court proceedings of a person sentenced for a felony or gross misdemeanor.

Chapter 41

Farm laborers—back wages

HF460/SF589* (Rodriguez, F.)—removes exemption for farm employers to pay back wages to farm laborers within a specified time after termination of employment.

Chapter 42

Bid requirements—local governments

HF68* (Berkelman)—increases the dollar limits on property and improvement costs that require cities, counties and towns to take open bids.

Chapter 43

Credit union regulations

HF268* (Norton)—divides the functions of the Minnesota Central Credit Union; allows corporation union to borrow up to 40 percent of its unimpaired assets; requires corporate credit union to get written approval to borrow the money.

Chapter 44

Health coverage: terminated employees

HF316* (Greenfield)—Extends to 12 months the eligibility period for a terminated employee to retain and pay for coverage in a group accident or health insurance plan.

Chapter 45

State lands—transfer

HF364* (Gruenes)—transfers certain state land that St. Cloud State University now uses to city of St. Cloud.

Chapter 46

2001 Iron Range Trust Fund

HF95/SF96* (Begich)—allows the Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board to spend \$10 million from the Northeast Minnesota Economic Protection Trust Fund for jobs projects; abolishes the trust board.

Chapter 47

Pension fund benefits—reinstated

HF213/SF101* (O'Connor)—reinstates St. Paul Police-man's Pension Fund benefits to surviving spouses whose pensions ceased upon remarriage, if the remarriage ends, and the surviving spouse reapplies.

Chapter 48

Lake Park bond authorization

HF25* (Valan)—allows city of Lake Park to exceed its levy limit to issue bonds for construction of a municipal building; exempts bond interest and principal from levy limits.

Chapter 49

Highway patrol—salaries

HF624* (Sarna)—Reinstates in law a previous definition of salary which provides for the calculation of highway patrol retirement benefits based on officers' five highest earning years.

Chapter 50

Security interests filing

HF633* (Brinkman)—extends the time that holders of certain types of security interests have to file their interests under Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code from 10 days to 20 days.

Chapter 51

Wards/conservatees—annual reports

HF212/SF233* (Clawson)—requires guardians or conservators to file annual reports on the personal well-being of wards and conservatees.

Chapter 52

Domestic abuse—protection

HF287/SF240* (Clark, J.)—Expands definition of domestic abuse; provides certain persons with a court order for protection against domestic abuse by former spouses and others; requires peace officers to arrest, without a warrant, anyone who violates a court order to stay away from the protected person's residence.

Chapter 53

Alcohol knowledge test

HF344/SF356* (Gustafson)—requires drivers' license tests to include questions on the effects of alcohol and drugs on a driver's ability to operate the motor vehicle.

Chapter 54

Municipal investments

HF603/SF369* (Cohen)—allows municipalities to invest in commercial paper and bankers' acceptances.

Chapter 55

Eveleth Police and Fire Trust Fund

HF396* (Begich)—allows a \$10 per month increase in benefits to retirees and surviving spouse recipients of the Eveleth Joint Police and Fire Trust Fund Benefit.

Chapter 56

Health coverage: adopted children

HF576* (Skoglund)—requires insurance companies to offer health coverage for adopted children on the same basis they offer it for biological children.

Chapter 57

Car franchises

HF609* (Dempsey)—requires motor vehicle manufacturers to reimburse dealers, upon termination of their franchises, 100 percent of the current net price of parts and accessories that the dealers bought from the manufacturers.

Chapter 58

PERA—refunds after layoff

HF706* (Clawson)—allows PERA members to get a refund of their contributions if they have been on continuous layoff more than 120 calendar days.

Chapter 59

Edina—special assessments

HF413* (Forsythe)—allows city of Edina to collect special charges for ice and snow removal, other maintenance and repair services from the persons who benefit from the service, rather than from all property taxpayers.

Chapter 60

Minimum wage—farm laborers

HF459* (Rodriguez, F.)—extends minimum wage laws to workers on small farms, with some exceptions.

Chapter 61

Part-time teaching list

HF468* (Anderson, B.)—adds one teacher to the list of 55 part-time teachers for last school year, and allows the local school board to make a payment to the pension fund to include that person.

Chapter 62

Municipal election law reorganization

HF552* (Minne)—reorganizes current Chapter 205, on municipal elections, and makes technical changes to the law.

Chapter 63

MSRS—changes in the board of trustees

HF597* (Marsh)—increases the size of the state retirement system board of trustees from nine to eleven, adding a representative of the correctional employees and authorizing a highway patrol fund member on the MSRS board.

Chapter 64

Range Association membership

HF909* (Battaglia)—allows a city, town, or school district in the taconite tax relief area to join the Range Association of Municipalities and Schools; removes dollar limit on dues for the association.

Chapter 65

Pheasant stamp

HF75/SF47* (Battaglia)—requires pheasant hunters between ages of 18 and 65 to purchase a \$5 pheasant stamp, in addition to a Minnesota small game license, to hunt pheasant, and provides for the distribution of funds to pay for pheasant habitat.

Chapter 66

Conservation board transfer

SF402*/no companion (Sparby)—transfers the soil and water conservation board from the department of natural resources to the department of agriculture.

Chapter 67

Early retirement—service years

HF157* (Carlson, L.)—allows teachers to count maternity leaves, sabbatical leaves, extended leaves of absence, and certain military service for which they bought back time, to count as service years toward early retirement incentives.

Chapter 68

Vehicle transfer—extended time

HF231* (McEachern)—extends the effective date of a permit (temporary license plate) from 10 to 21 days for a person who buys a new car and is waiting for plates.

Chapter 69

Virginia firefighters—benefit increase

HF277* (Elioff)—authorizes \$150 per month increase in retiree and survivor benefits for those receiving benefits under laws in effect prior to 1974 governing Virginia firefighters.

Chapter 70

Board of dentistry—disciplinary action

HF342* (Berkelman)—increases the power of the dentistry board to take disciplinary action over members of the dentistry profession; exempts certain registered occupations from business licensing review.

Chapter 71

Local police and firefighters' relief act

HF384* (Rodriguez, F.)—requires annual actuarial valuations; eliminates requirement for quadrennial experience studies; removes obsolete language regarding the phase-in of higher employee contribution rates.

Chapter 72

Tracy volunteer firefighters

HF430* (Ludeman)—allows the Tracy Volunteer Firefighters' Relief Association to purchase an annuity contract for retiring members who qualify for a service pension, so retiring volunteers could defer paying taxes on the annuity until a later time.

Chapter 73

PERA—administrative changes

HF601* (Rodriguez, F.)—makes miscellaneous changes to administrative procedures in law governing the public employees retirement association.

Chapter 74

Hibbing police—benefit increases

HF638* (Minne)—authorizes an increase in the monthly benefit to survivor spouses of Hibbing police officers.

Chapter 75

Fund-raising costs

HF1079* (Gustafson)—includes costs charities incur for planning and developing fund-raising campaigns, under the fund-raising category charities must account for.



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Member directory — office phones and rooms

District	Room *	Phone	District	Room *	Phone
10B Anderson, Bob (IR)	325	296-4946	39B Metzen, Jim (DFL)	271	296-4370
28A Anderson, Buzz (DFL)	169	296-2068	5B Minne, Lona (DFL)	345	296-0172
20A Anderson, Glen (DFL)	292	296-4228	7A Munger, Willard (DFL)	297	296-4282
6A Battaglia, David (DFL)	248	296-2190	8A Murphy, Mary (DFL)	223	296-2676
56B Beard, Pat (DFL)	295	296-3135	49A Nelson, Darby (DFL)	349	296-1729
6B Begich, Joe (DFL)	228	296-5063	62A Nelson, Ken (DFL)	163	296-4244
53A Bennett, Tony (IR)	316	296-2907	3A Neuenschwander, Bob (DFL)	171	296-1188
18B Bergstrom, Don (DFL)	251	296-7038	65A Norton, Fred (DFL)	222	296-5158
8B Berkelman, Tom (DFL)	173	296-2228	66B O'Connor, Rich (DFL)	217	296-7807
33B Bishop, David (IR)	358	296-0573	14A Ogren, Paul (DFL)	220	296-7808
41B Blatz, Kathy (IR)	394	296-4218	44A Olsen, Sally (IR)	312	296-3964
62B Brandl, John (DFL)	285	296-4837	16A Omann, Ben (IR)	362	296-6612
16B Brinkman, Bernard (DFL)	296	296-4373	22B Onnen, Tony (IR)	383	296-1534
43A Burger, John (IR)	367	296-9188	66A Osthoff, Tom (DFL)	335	296-4224
14B Carlson, Doug (IR)	368	296-4308	59B Otis, Todd (DFL)	338	296-9281
46B Carlson, Lyndon (DFL)	240	296-4255	42A Pauly, Sidney (IR)	376	296-7449
60B Clark, Janet (DFL)	237	296-4354	18A Peterson, Jerome (DFL)	360	296-6746
60A Clark, Karen (DFL)	255	296-0294	24A Piepho, Mark (IR)	328	296-3248
19B Clawson, John (DFL)	287	296-4358	31B Piper, Pat (DFL)	346	296-9248
64B Cohen, Dick (DFL)	291	296-5931	56A Price, Len (DFL)	162½	296-3018
51A Coleman, Sharon (DFL)	261	296-2721	50B Quinn, Joe (DFL)	215	296-2439
23A Dempsey, Terry (IR)	311	296-9303	23B Quist, Allen (IR)	365	296-7065
21B Den Ouden, Gaylin (IR)	385	296-4346	32B Redalen, Elton (IR)	381	296-9278
36A Dimler, Chuck (IR)	388	296-1072	53B Reif, Robert (IR)	384	296-8858
2B Eken, Willis (DFL)	273	296-4256	57A Rice, Jim (DFL)	245	296-4262
5A Elioff, Dominic (DFL)	219	296-0170	40B Riveness, Phil (DFL)	329	296-7158
47B Ellingson, Bob (DFL)	230	296-3709	25B Rodosovich, Peter (DFL)	267	296-8237
27B Erickson, Wendell (IR)	370	296-4336	37A Rodriguez, Carolyn (DFL)	289	296-8632
10A Evans, Jim (IR)	318	296-4341	65B Rodriguez, Frank (DFL)	162	296-6456
11A Findlay, Gary (IR)	398	296-2817	63A Rose, John (IR)	386	296-4342
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Legislators

Who represents you at the State Capitol?

The House Information Office can tell you. Call 296-2146.

Legislators' districts, addresses, phone numbers, biographical information, and photos.

The House and Senate publish the Official Directory of the Minnesota Legislature and the Members' Directory. You can get copies of these in the House Information Office. Information Office publications are also available in the Chief Clerk's office.

What legislation did your representative introduce?

The House Index Department has a CRT (Cathode Ray Tube) which shows information on a television-like screen. The CRT lists each member and the bills he/she sponsored in the current session. Index staff will help you use the CRT.

To contact your legislators, address him/her as follows:

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Bills

Need a copy of a bill?

The Chief Clerk's Office can give you copies of bills and resolutions.

Need to know the status, authors, or committee assignments of bills?

Call the House Index Department. The information is on computer, and includes Journal page numbers of action on bills. The House Index has lists of bills in each committee and on specific topics, e.g., environment, taxes, education, etc. on the CRT.

Which bills became law?

This is on the CRT in House Index. Each month, the Session Monthly gives the bills the governor signed. The Session Summary at the end of session summarizes all bills the Legislature passed during the session.

Committees

To check on committee meeting schedules.

Call (612) 296-9283, a 24-hour hotline recording of daily House meeting schedules (time, place, agenda). Senate hotline: (612) 296-8088. The Information Office and the Chief Clerk's Office have copies of daily schedules. Today, available in the Capitol.

Standing committees and committee assignments.

These are in the Members Directory and the Official Directory.

Committee action during the interim.

The House Information Office summarizes what happened in committees during the interim in the Interim magazine.

General Information

Proceedings in the House.

The Chief Clerk's Office can answer your questions. The office publishes the Journal of the House, the official daily record of legislative action.

The Legislature—how it works.

The House Information Office and the Chief Clerk's Office can give you general information. The Information Office has brochures

on Minnesota and its government, including: How a Bill Becomes a Law; Citizen Participation Course, test-yourself quiz on the Legislature; and the Government is for Everyone information packet, with single sheets on how to contact your legislator, where to get information, Minnesota facts, and how legislators make voting decisions.

Especially for younger people, the Information Office provides The Road to Minnesota Laws, a cartoon version of how a bill becomes a law; and Joey's Visit, a coloring book for the very young.

Agendas of House Action

The Chief Clerk's Office has copies of Calendar, General Orders, etc, schedules of House floor action for your use when you come to the Capitol.

Where members sit in the House chamber.

The Information Office publishes a Seating Arrangement of the Minnesota Legislature.

House employees

You'll find this in the Official Directory available in the Information Office.

Other areas of state government.

The House Information Office can direct you to the appropriate place.

Would you like a tour of the Capitol?

The Office of Educational Services, Rm 124-D, State Capitol, (612) 296-8081, will arrange visits which highlight the work of the Legislature and its members for school groups, citizens' groups, and out-of-state visitors.

The Minnesota Historical Society provides tours. Groups of 10 or more should schedule tours (612) 296-2881.

In the Senate

The Secretary of the Senate's Office (612) 296-2343 and Senate Index (612) 296-2887, Rm 231, State Capitol, provide services similar to the Chief Clerk's Office and the House Index.

The Senate Information Office, Rm B-29, State Capitol, (612) 296-0504 provides services similar to those the House Information Office offers.

How a bill becomes a law

Minnesota has a bicameral Legislature, or two groups of elected citizens—senators in the Senate—representatives in the House of Representatives—who study, discuss, and vote on bills, acting for the people of Minnesota.

Bills begin their legislative journey in either the House or Senate, or both. To become a law, all bills must pass both the House and Senate and go to the governor for his approval and signature.

The Idea

Anyone can propose an idea for a bill—an individual, a consumer group, corporation, professional association, a governmental unit, the governor. Most ideas come from members of the Legislature. The revisor of statutes puts the ideas into proper legal form as a bill for introduction. Only legislators can introduce bills into the process.

Chief Author

The legislator who sponsors and introduces the bill in the Legislature is the chief author. The chief author's name appears on the bill with the bill's file number to identify it as it moves through the legislative process. The chief author may select other authors, whose names also appear on the bill—no more than five authors on a bill.

Introduction in the legislature

When the author introduces a bill in the House, it gets a House File (HF) number (HF264, for example), indicating the chronological order of the bill's introduction. In the Senate the bill gets a Senate File (SF) (SF224, for example). Each HF usually has a companion SF in the Senate. All revenue raising bills must begin in the House.

Committee consideration

At introduction, the bill has its first reading (the Minnesota Constitution requires three readings for all bills—on three separate days). The presiding officer of the House or Senate refers it to an appropriate standing committee for committee action. All committee meetings are open to the public.

A committee may: recommend passage of a bill in its original form; recommend passage after amendment by the committee; or make no recommendation, in which case a bill may die when the session ends. After acting on a bill, the committee sends a report to the House or Senate, stating its actions and recommendations.

General orders

After adoption of the committee report in the House and Senate, the bill has its second reading and goes onto General Orders of the Day. In the Committee of the Whole, legislators discuss bills on General Orders. They may debate the issues, adopt amendments, and present arguments. They may vote to recommend that a bill "do pass," recommend postponement, or recommend further committee action.

Calendar

The calendar is a list of bills the Committee of the Whole recommends to pass. At this point a bill has its third reading. Amendments to the bill must have the unanimous consent of the entire body. Legislators vote on it for the final time.

By committee recommendation, non-controversial bills can bypass General Orders and go directly onto a Consent Calendar, usually passing without debate. Every bill requires a majority vote of the full membership of the House and Senate to pass.

Conference committee

If the House and Senate do not agree on a bill, a conference committee of three to five senators, and an equal number of representatives, meets to reach an agreement. If both bodies then pass the bill in compromise form, it goes to the governor.

Governor

When a bill arrives at the governor's office, he may: sign it, and the bill becomes law; veto it (return it, with a "veto message," stating his objections); pocket veto the bill (after final adjournment of the Legislature); exercise his right to line veto portions of appropriations bills.

If he does not sign or veto a bill within three days after receiving it, while the Legislature is in session, the bill becomes law.

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