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## HIGHLIGHTS

### Appropriations hears two commissioners

Department Commissioners Sandra Hale of Administration and Gus Donhowe of the Finance presented their department overviews, requests, and highlights for the coming year to the full Appropriations Committee Jan. 17.

Hale said her department's mission is "to assure state departments spend wisely", and continue to manage the state government's information and telecommunication resources. Her budget request for fiscal year 1985 is \$31.6 million. Hale also introduced a new management program, "STEP," (Strive Toward Excellence in Performance) for improving efficiency of state agencies. She said, too, that the the employees' suggestion box yielded ideas worth \$600,000 in savings in 1984.

Donhowe announced his forecast for the state budget legislators will work on this session as they decide on state spending for the 1986-87 biennium. According to current projections, the state will have \$12 billion. Subtract from that the governor's proposed \$600 million tax cut and \$500 million reserve fund and the legislators have about \$11 billion to pay the state's way for the coming biennium.

### MIA resolution gets committee approval

A resolution memorializing Congress and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam to take all possible action to determine the fate of service people missing in action (MIA's) got the approval of the General Legislation and Veterans Affairs Committee on Jan. 17.

Author Chuck Dimler (IR-Chanhassen) said the resolution, HF89, is "making a strong indication that Minnesotans wish to encourage the speedy compliance with the Paris Peace Accord that was signed on Jan. 27, 1973."

The Minnesota Chapter of the National League of Families is sponsoring a candlelighting ceremony on Sunday, Jan. 27, at the St. Paul Armory on behalf of those families who still have members missing in action in Southeast Asia, said Dimler.

According to the league, 2,483 Americans, including 50 Minnesotans remain unaccounted for. The bill now goes to the Rules Committee.

### State employee pay system reviewed

On Jan. 17, members of the Governmental Operations Committee heard an overview of pay systems for state employees and heads of state agencies.

Mark Shepard, House Research staff, told members that about 90 percent of the state work force is unionized. Therefore, the majority of compensation setting takes place in a collective bargaining process the Legislature set up (the Public Employment Labor Relations Act).

The process goes like this: Union representatives and the commissioner of Employee Relations work out a bargaining agreement for any of the state's 16 bargaining units. The Legislative Commission on Employee Relations (LCER) reviews the agreement and gives it to the Legislature for approval. Bargaining takes place in odd-numbered years of the biennium.

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People in managerial positions come under the commissioner of Employee Relations' "Managerial Plan", Shepard says. Another "Commissioner's Plan" covers non-unionized state employees in miscellaneous fields, such as the Bureau of Mediation Services. Both plans need legislative approval.

The Legislature sets pay ranges (\$40,000 - \$70,000) for state agency heads, and the governor decides what commissioners' salaries will be. His salary recommendations then must get legislative approval.

### Junior legislators meet

The 31st annual "Youth in Government" convention meets in the State Capitol Jan. 17-20. The Minnesota YMCA sponsors the convention to "encourage life-long, responsible citizenship." Twenty-five delegations attending include 800 high school students from all over the state.

Rep. Peter Rodosovich (DFL-Faribault), in his second year as state director of the Y's "Youth in Government" program, sees the program as an opportunity for participants to "understand the process and what it's like to be a legislator." Rodosovich is one of three former program participants currently in the Minnesota House of Representatives. The others are Craig Shaver (IR-Wayzata) and Mark Piepho (IR-Mankato).

### Health and Human Services Committee organizes

The Health and Human Services Committee met for the first time Thursday, Jan. 17.

Chair Tony Onnen (IR-Cokato) said he wants the committee to play an important and realistic role in determining public policy.

To do this, Onnen created two subcommittees: Health Care and Social Services to allow people full opportunity to testify.

The full committee meets Tuesday, Jan. 22 at 10 a.m.

### Committee OKs tax-free mortgage subsidy bonds

Holders of mortgage subsidy bonds would get tax free interest under a bill the House Tax Committee approved on Thursday, Jan. 17. Author Sidney Pauly (IR-Eden Prairie) said the state has previously allowed this interest tax free, but federal tax changes require Minnesota to pass HF2 if the policy is to continue.

Jim Solem, executive director of the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, said these bonds finance the low interest mortgage loans first-time home buyers receive from the state. Failing to adopt the bill would seriously jeopardize the program. Investors would find taxable bonds much less attractive than non-taxable bonds, he said.

The committee failed to adopt an amendment which would have made the interest on 1984 bonds taxable.

The bill now goes to the floor of the House.

### Governmental Operations Committee hears from Pension Commission

"The Legislature established the Pension Commission as an interim commission in 1955 when Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) was going bankrupt, and there were no regular evaluations of how pension plans were functioning," said Karen Dudley. Dud-

ley, from the commission's staff, gave an overview of Minnesota's public pension plans to the House Governmental Operations Committee at a Jan. 16 meeting.

The Pension Commission became a permanent body in 1967. It's made up of five representatives and five senators (not yet appointed for this biennium). Dudley said duties include: studying public pension plans and funds; recommending action for sound pension policy; reporting to the Legislature; and analyzing legislation and amendments.

Monitoring the plans has become a big job over the years. At the end of fiscal year 1983, Dudley said, active pension fund members totaled 227,303; liability for all funds came to \$9.3 billion; and total assets amounted to \$5.8 billion. The \$9.3 billion is the expected value in benefits that funds will have to pay members after retirement.

Committee chair, Rep. Gerald Knickerbocker (IR-Hopkins), said the committee will meet the week of Jan. 21-25 to take up legislation the Senate's worked on dealing with the PERA leadership issue.



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## Crime and Family Law becomes standing committee

For the past two years, the Criminal Justice Division of the Judiciary Committee heard issues relating to crime. This year, Crime and Family Law is a separate committee. Rep. Kathleen Blatz (IR-Bloomington), chair, says the committee will handle bills that give criminal penalties and deal with family issues, such as sexual abuse of children.

In a Jan. 16 organizational meeting, committee members heard from the departments of Corrections and Public Safety, Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission, and Attorney General's Office.

Commissioner of Corrections Orville Pung said the department employs 1,856 staff members, and runs on a 1985 budget of \$107 million (figures include federal funds). Pung said the department's responsible for a number of functions from operating prison systems and juvenile programs, to providing programs for battered women and sexual assault victims.

Debra Dailey of the Sentencing Guidelines Commission said a three-year study of the guidelines (enacted in 1980), shows they're achieving their goals. An increased number of offenders who commit crimes against other people go to jail; fewer property offenders get jail sentences; and sentences are more uniform.

The committee plans to take a look at Stillwater and Oak Park Heights prison facilities on Monday, Jan. 21.

## House Ag Committee meetings begin

"Free, fair, and open discussion," is what Rep. K.J. McDonald (IR-Watertown), chair, said he expects from Agriculture Committee members this session.

McDonald outlined committee procedures and goals at a Jan. 16 meeting. And the committee heard

a briefing from the Department of Agriculture and the University of Minnesota's Agricultural Extension Service on their programs and services.

Rollin Dennistoun, deputy commissioner of the Department of Agriculture, said the department will introduce legislation that would change the family farm security program, and a bill on soil conservation this session.

Dennistoun said the department, the only state agency that deals with agriculture and agri-business, continues services in areas of trade and promotion, soil and water conservation, dairy and grain inspection, livestock licensing and weighing, and farm programs including the ag development grant program and the farm advocate program.

Pat Borich, dean of directors for the University's Agricultural Extension Service, told committee members that "helping farm families" is what the educational outreach program "is all about."

The nationally recognized Extension Service offers educational programs in: agriculture, home economics, 4H, and community and natural resource development.

## New House members review law-making process

New House members reviewed the ins and outs of the legislative process at an orientation meeting with Chief Clerk Edward A. Burdick on Wednesday, Jan. 16.

Wednesday's session was part of a "Wednesday at 2" series of meetings to brief new members on the techniques of the legislative process. The meeting on the 16th began with a capsule history of the House chamber and a step-by-step look at the process a bill follows on its way to becoming Minnesota law.

Burdick explained the use of the sound and electronic voting systems in the House, the meaning of legislative terms, calendars, and parliamentary rules and procedures that make the process work.

The "Wednesday at 2" series of meetings for members continues on Jan. 23, 30, and Feb. 6 in the House chamber.

## House members look at high technology industry

Legislators met with high tech industry leaders Jan. 14-15 to learn and to share ideas about the future of the industry in Minnesota.

The two-day seminar, "Minnesota's High Technology Industry — Its Impact: Now and in the Future," under the sponsorship of the Minnesota High Technology Council, the Office of Senate Counsel and Research, and the State Planning Agency, was part of Minnesota High Technology Week, Jan. 14-20.

The week began with panel discussions on the current and future role of high technology in Minnesota's economic development, and what the industry needs in order to grow and prosper in Minnesota. The state is currently "home" to more than 2100 high tech companies.

Discussions focused on: the character, scope, and trend of these industries; their impact on rural and urban Minnesota; and how the Legislature can help assure growth for the benefit of Minnesota residents.

The week ended with demonstrations at the Science Museum of Minnesota and tours of high technology industries in the area.

## COMMITTEE ACTION

### GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS

Thursday, Jan. 17

- **MIA Resolution**  
HF89 (Dimler, IR-Chanhassen)-recommended to pass as amended and rereferred to the Committee on Rules and Administration. (See Highlight)

### TAXES

Thursday, Jan. 17

- **Mortgage subsidy bonds/ tax free interest**  
HF2 (Pauly, IR-Eden Prairie) - recommended to pass. (See Highlight)

# INFO

## Where to get answers

Chief Clerk's Office  
Rm 211, State Capitol  
St. Paul, MN 55155  
(612) 296-2314

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House Index Department  
Rm 211, State Capitol  
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## Legislators

### Who represents you at the State Capitol?

The House Information Office can tell you which legislative district you live in, and who represents that district.

### Legislators' districts, addresses, phone numbers, office locations, biographical details, and photos.

The House Information Office publishes the *Official Directory of the Minnesota Legislature* and the *Members Directory* with committee assignments. You can get copies in the House Information Office.

### What legislation did your representative introduce?

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

### Where members sit in the House Chamber

The House Information Office publishes a *Seating Arrangement of the Minnesota Legislature* with members' photos.

### United States Congress

The House Information Office can give you names of Minnesota's members of Congress.

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The Honorable (name)  
Minnesota House of Representatives  
(or Minnesota Senate)  
State Capitol  
St. Paul, MN 55155

Dear Representative (or Senator)  
name:

## Bills

### Need a copy of a bill?

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

### Want to know a bill's author, status, or committee assignment?

The computerized House Index tracks all bills through the legislative process. You can get the information you want about bills on the CRT. House Index lists bills by committee and by over 150 topics (e.g. environment, taxes, education) on the CRT.

You can call the *House Bill Status Line*, a 24-hour recorded message on the day's committee action on bills, (612) 297-1264.

### Which bills became law?

Bills that became law are on the CRT in House Index, and the House Information Office publishes brief summaries of new laws each session. Contact the Information Office to get on the mailing list for the summaries.

## Committees

### For committee meeting schedules

Call *House Calls*, (612) 296-9283, for a 24-hour recording of up-to-date information on committee schedules (time, place, and agendas). The House Information Office and the Chief Clerk's Office have copies of daily schedules.

### Committee action during interim

The House Information Office summarizes committee action during the interim (the time between the end of one session and the beginning of the next) in *Interim* magazine. (Same mailing list as for new law summaries).

### Standing committees and committee assignments

The *Members Directory* and the *Official Directory*, list committees and committee assignments. Both are available in the House Information Office and Chief Clerk's Office.

## Government

### The Legislature—how it works

The House Information Office has brochures on Minnesota and its government, including: *How a Bill Becomes a Law*; *Citizen's Participation Course*, a 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, how legislators make voting decisions, and an explanation of the differences between state and federal government.

For youngsters, the House 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.

### 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.

### House Agendas

The Chief Clerk's Office has copies of the schedules of House floor action (e.g. *Calendar*, *General Orders*).

### Structure of Government

The House Information Office publishes *Three Branches of Government*, a wall chart showing the structure of state government. Staff members will help you find various state departments and agencies, and furnish phone numbers.

### Capitol Tours

The Minnesota Historical Society gives regular daily tours of the State Capitol, (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 House Index. The Senate Information Office, Rm B-29, State Capitol, (612) 296-0504, provides services similar to those of House Information. Call the *Senate Hotline*, (612) 296-8088, for committee meeting schedules.



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## BILL INTRODUCTIONS

### Bill Introductions

Thursday, Jan 10

(addition to Jan 7 - 11 bill listing)

**HF21—Simoneau (DFL)—Judiciary**

Animals; increasing penalties for certain cruel acts against animals; amending statutes.

**HF22—Wenzel (DFL)—Transportation**

Recreational vehicles; exempting recreational vehicles licensed for highway use from registration with the department of natural resources; amending statutes.

**HF23—Simoneau (DFL)—Judiciary**

Game and fish; allowing senior citizens to take small game and deer without licenses; amending statutes.

**HF24—Neuenschwander (DFL)—Taxes**

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

**HF25—Scheid (DFL)—Taxes**

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

**HF26—Pappas (DFL)—Taxes**

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

**HF27—Staten (DFL)—Taxes**

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

**HF28—Schoenfeld (DFL)—Taxes**

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

**HF29—Osthoff (DFL)—Taxes**

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

**HF30—Elioff (DFL)—Taxes**

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

**HF31—Skoglund (DFL)—Taxes**

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

Thursday, January 17

**HF32—Redalen (IR)—Agriculture**

Agriculture; providing a mechanism to aid restructuring existing farm loans; providing an interest reimbursement program to qualified banks; appropriating money; proposing new law.

**HF33—Simoneau (DFL)—Labor/Management Relations**

Labor; providing that contracts for loans include clauses which allow unemployed borrowers to make reasonable payments; requiring that employers provide notice of substantial changes in the number of people they employ; providing that employees can only be discharged for just cause; requiring that employers provide part-time employees the same fringe benefits as full-time employees on a pro rata basis; providing that workers engaged in approved training are eligible for unemployment compensation; requiring that corporations include employees on their board of directors; amending statutes; proposing new law.

**HF34—Redalen (IR)—Commerce**

Liquor; use of Minnesota grown grapes by farm wineries; amending statutes.

**HF35—Dimler (IR)—Agriculture**

Agriculture; making certain changes in the family farm security program; amending statutes.

**HF36—Jacobs (DFL)—Rules/Legislative Management**

Legislature; reducing the number of members of the senate and house of representatives; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

**HF37—Jacobs (DFL)—Taxes**

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

**HF38—Sparby (DFL)—Transportation**

Transportation; motor vehicles; exempting certain farm vehicles from the vehicle identification rule; amending statutes.

**HF39—Redalen (IR)—Taxes**

Taxation; income; exempting the raising of horses from the farm loss modification; amending statutes.

**HF40—Uphus (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs**

Elections; changing the hours for voting in certain elections in towns; amending statutes.

**HF41—Fjoslien (IR)—Transportation**

Motor vehicles; exempting agricultural carriers from vehicle identification requirements; amending statutes.

**HF42—Dempsey (IR)—Taxes**

Taxation; sales and use; eliminating accelerated payment of liability; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

**HF43—Johnson (IR)—Judiciary**

Commerce; providing for payment to a farm implement retailer by the manufacturer, wholesale, or distributor who repurchases inventory; requiring the payment of interest on overdue accounts; amending statutes.

**HF44—Johnson (IR)—Environment/Natural Resources**

Game and fish; allowing one deer to be taken by each method of hunting in any year; amending statutes.

**HF45—Johnson (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs**

Elections; authorizing certain municipalities to fix a later time for voting to begin; amending statutes.

**HF46—Johnson (IR)—Education**

Education; allowing financial aid after the time normally required to complete a bachelor's degree; amending statutes.

**HF47—Lieder (DFL)—Transportation**

Transportation; motor vehicles; exempting certain farm vehicles from the vehicle identification rule; amending statutes.

**HF48—Lieder (DFL)—Taxes**

Taxation; sales; including replacement parts in the definition of farm machinery; amending statutes.

**HF49—Boerboom (IR)—Education**

Education; changing the basic maintenance mill rate to 20 mills; amending statutes.

**HF50—Carlson, L (DFL)—Taxes**

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

**HF51—Simoneau (DFL)—Governmental Operations**

Retirement; establishing a uniform defined contribution public employee retirement plan; proposing new law.

**HF52—Kvam (IR)—Agriculture**

Business regulation; requiring the commissioner of agriculture to find that reasonable economic necessity exists for the licensure and construction of new dairy processing plants; amending statutes; proposing new law.

**HF53—Fjoslien (IR)—Taxes**

Taxation; sales and use; reducing the rate of tax on farm machinery; including repair and replacement parts in the definition of farm machinery; amending statutes.

**HF54—Kelly (DFL)—Education**

Education; requiring post-secondary governing boards to develop procedures to facilitate the transfer of credit between institutions.

**HF55—Olsen, S (IR)—Taxes**

Taxation; income; providing a credit for home care of the elderly; amending statutes.

**HF56—Piepho (IR)—Labor-Management Relations**

Labor; creating an employees social responsibility act; providing penalties; proposing new law.

**HF57—Olsen, S (IR)—Taxes**

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

**HF58—Valan (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs**

Town of Moorhead; allowing the town certain powers.

**HF59—Valento (IR)—Taxes**

Taxation; sales and use; motor vehicle excise; reducing the general rate to five percent; amending statutes.

**HF60—McEachern (DFL)—Education**

Education; prohibiting school districts from beginning the school year before Labor Day; amending statutes.

**HF61—Wenzel (DFL)—Taxes**

Taxation; sales and use; exempting farm machinery and replacement parts; amending statutes.

**HF62—Backlund (IR)—Education**

Education; changing the basic maintenance mill rate to 20 mills; amending statutes.

**HF63—Nelson, K (DFL)—Rules/Legislative Administration**

Legislature; reducing the number of members of the senate and house of representatives; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

**HF64—Nelson, K (DFL)—Taxes**

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

**HF65—Kvam (IR)—Taxes**

Taxation; sales and use; eliminating accelerated payment of liability; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

**HF66—Erickson (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs**

Elections; allowing certain municipalities to set shorter voting hours; amending statutes.

**HF67—Kelly (DFL)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs**

Judges; providing for the manner of filling vacancies in the office of judge; proposing new law.

**HF68—McKasy (IR)—Judiciary**

Trusts; eliminating the requirement of qualifying trustees in certain cases; amending statutes.

**HF69—Gutknecht (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration**

A resolution memorializing Congress to call a constitutional convention to propose an amendment to the United States Constitution to require a balanced budget.

**HF70—Gruenes (IR)—Governmental Operations**

Retirement; inclusion of librarians in the correctional officer's retirement plan; amending statutes.

**HF71—Anderson, R (IR)—Local/Urban Affairs**

City of Fergus Falls; granting the city the powers of a port authority; requiring local approval.

**HF72—Schafer (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration**

A resolution memorializing Congress to call a constitutional convention to propose an amendment to the United States Constitution to require a balanced federal budget.

**HF73—Schafer (IR)—Education**

Education; prohibiting a school district from beginning the school year before Labor Day; amending statutes.

**HF74—Backlund (IR)—Education**

Independent School District Number 14, Fridley; allowing it to deposit certain excess proceeds from the sale of a building into the general fund.

**HF75—Simoneau (DFL)—Health/Human Services**

Human services; expanding the definition of mentally retarded person; requiring the commissioner of human services to include autistic children and adults in programs; amending statutes; proposing new law.

**HF76—Staten (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance**

Financial institutions; prohibiting fees for checks cashed by medical assistance recipients or elderly persons; proposing new law.

**HF77—Backlund (IR)—Taxes**

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of contributions to individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

**HF78—Staten (DFL)—Crime/Family Law**

Crimes; defining the crime of owning or operating a disorderly house; requiring a mandatory fine for a person owning or operating a disorderly house; amending statutes.

**HF79—Schafer (IR)—Education**

Education; increasing the weighting of kindergarten pupil units for those attending full day programs; amending statutes.

**HF80—Cohen (DFL)—Rules/Legislative Administration**

Legislature; reducing the number of members of the senate and house of representatives; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

**HF81—Cohen (DFL)—Judiciary**

Minnesota Constitution; providing for equality of rights under the law for men and women.

**HF82—Valento (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration**

Legislature; requiring action on tax bills to be taken before the 50th legislative day and action on general appropriations must be taken after that; proposing new law.

**HF83—Forsythe (IR)—Judiciary**

Courts; eliminating restrictions on the chief judge's ability to make assignments to juvenile court in Hennepin and Ramsey counties; amending statutes.

**HF84—Simoneau (DFL)—Regulated Industries/Energy**

Communications; providing for membership on the telecommunications council; amending statutes.

**HF85—Brinkman (DFL)—Financial Institutions/Insurance**

Town of Santiago; authorizing the establishment of a detached banking facility.

**HF86—Sparby (DFL)—Governmental Operations**

Retirement; increasing survivor benefits payable by the Thief River Falls police relief association; amending statutes.

**HF87—Staten (DFL)—Governmental Operations**

Economic development; establishing a jobs program for unemployed youths; appropriating money; proposing new law.

**HF88—Olsen, S (IR)—Education**

Education; removing the age limits on the apportionment of the school endowment fund; amending statutes.

**HF89—Dimler (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs**

A resolution memorializing the Governments of the United States and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam to take all possible actions to determine the fate of persons missing in action in Southeast Asia; join in with the families of those who are missing in the hope that their long wait will soon be over.

**HF90—Rose (IR)—Governmental Operations**

State government; creating the Council on Asian-Pacific Minnesotans; appropriating money; proposing new law.

**HF91—Shaver (IR)—General Legislation/Veterans Affairs**

Elections; providing for the preparation and availability of correct precinct lists; amending statutes.

**HF92—Forsythe (IR)—Education**

School districts; authorizing a capital expenditure levy for surplus school buildings used for community purposes; amending statutes.

**HF93—Redalen (IR)—Taxes**

Taxation; sales; including replacement parts in the definition of farm machinery; amending statutes.

**HF94—Redalen (IR)—Agriculture**

Agriculture; changing certain soil and water conservation priorities; amending statutes.

**HF95—Wenzel (DFL)—Taxes**

Taxation; property; changing the assessment ratios for commercial and industrial property; amending statutes.

**HF96—Dimler (IR)—Taxes**

Taxation; exempting business equipment, including farm machinery, from the sales tax; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

**HF97—Redalen (IR)—Commerce/Economic Development**

Liquor; authorizing farm winery licensees to sell cheese and cheese spreads; amending statutes.

**HF98—Knickerbocker (IR)—Governmental Operations**

Retirement; expanding the availability of certain appropriations for actuarial services.

**HF99—Dimler (IR)—Taxes**

Taxation; sales; providing a reduced rate for business equipment, including farm machinery; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

**HF100—Beard (DFL)—Crime/Family Law**

Alcoholic beverages; increasing the age for licensing, sale, purchase, consumption, possession, and furnishing of alcoholic beverages; amending statutes.

**HF101—Simoneau (DFL)—Health/Human Services**

Health; establishing a system for the provision of health care services for unemployed workers; proposing new law.

**HF102—Schafer (IR)—Crime/Family Life**

Alcoholic beverages; increasing the age for licensing, sale, consumption, possession, and furnishing; amending statutes.

**HF103—Wenzel (DFL)—Taxes**

Taxation; property; providing state paid re-funds for homestead agricultural property.

**HF104—Wenzel (DFL)—Regulated Industries/Energy**

Regulated industries; authorizing certain organizations to conduct lawful gambling; authorizing local units of government to regulate this activity; amending statutes; proposing new law; repealing statutes.

**HF105—Anderson, G (DFL)—Taxes**

Taxation; property; providing state paid re-funds for homestead agricultural property.

**HF106—Heap (IR)—Crime/Family Law**

Alcoholic beverages; increasing the age for licensing, sale, purchase, consumption, possession, and furnishing of alcoholic beverages; amending statutes.

**HF107—Sviggum (IR)—Taxes**

Taxation; allowing an income tax credit for pollution control feedlot equipment purchased during tax years 1983 and 1984.

**HF108—Sviggum (IR)—Taxes**

Taxation; sales and use; exempting admissions to school events; amending statutes.

**HF109—Himle (IR)—Taxes**

Taxation; income; conforming to federal treatment of individual retirement plans and certain other pension plans; amending statutes.

**HF110—Knickerbocker (IR)—Governmental Operations**

Retirement; public employees retirement association; setting the salary range of the executive director; changing the membership of the board; providing qualifications for the executive director; requiring advice and consent of the senate for appointment of the executive director; providing that public employees retirement association is a state agency in the executive branch; defining the duties of the board; ending the terms of current board members; defining the duties of the executive director; amending statutes; proposing new law.

**HF111—Sviggum (IR)—Rules/Legislative Administration**

Government operations; regulating salaries and benefits of legislators, constitutional officers, and judges; amending statutes; repealing statutes.



January 21 - 25, 1985

# ADVANCE COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

All rooms are located in the State Office Building unless otherwise indicated. This schedule is subject to change. For information call House Calls at 296-9283, or contact Terri Hudoba at 296-2146. All meetings are open to the public.

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**Monday, January 21****8:00 a.m.**

**APPROPRIATIONS**, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Mary Forsythe. Agenda: Dept. of Corrections, overview; Dept. of Economic Security, overview; Dept. of Employee Relations, trends in state employment.

**EDUCATION**, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Wendell Erickson. Agenda: Organizational meeting; presentations by education groups.

**8:30 a.m.**

**GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS**, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: PERA reorganization.

**9:30 a.m.**

**RULES & LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATION**, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Connie Levi. Agenda: To be announced.

**10:00 a.m.**

**CRIME & FAMILY LAW**, Tour. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: Tour the prisons at Stillwater and Oak Park Heights. (Meet in the parking area west of the State Office Building shortly before 10:00 a.m.)

**REGULATED INDUSTRIES & ENERGY**, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Elton Redalen. Agenda: Introduction to Public Utility Regulation, House Research. General overview from Public Utilities Commission and Dept. of Public Service.

**12:00 noon**

**EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/Education**, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Sally Olsen. Agenda: Executive Summary: "Minnesota School Finance - A Guide for Legislators" December 1984.

**LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS**, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Jim Heap. Agenda: Organizational meeting. Presentation by Ken Dau-Schmidt, House Research Legislative Analyst. General overview of Labor-Management Relations committee.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE DIVISION/Taxes**, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Terry Dempsey. Agenda: Background discussion on Local Government Aid, Stephen Hinze, Legislative Analyst, House Research. Information concerning the fiscal health of cities, and an overview of "Report of the State Auditor on the Revenues, Expenditures, and Debt of the Cities in Minnesota." Speaker: Arne Carlson, State Auditor.

**1:00 p.m.**

**AGRICULTURE**, St. Paul Armory. Chr. Rep. K.J. McDonald. Agenda: Public testimony on the farm financial crisis.

**2:00 p.m.**

**The House of Representatives will meet in Session.**

**Tuesday, January 22****8:00 a.m.**

**APPROPRIATIONS**, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Mary Forsythe. Agenda: Dept. of Health, overview; Dept. of Human Services, overview.

**TAXES**, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: Dept. of Finance revenue projection for next biennium.

**8:30 a.m.**

**GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS**, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: PERA reorganization.

**10:00 a.m.**

**EDUCATION DIVISION/Appropriations**, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Bob Haukoos. Agenda: Organizational meeting.

**HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**, Rm.

500 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Onnen. Agenda: Presentation and discussion of MN Dept. of Health programs.

**12:30 p.m.**

**UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE/WORKER'S COMPENSATION DIVISION/Labor-Management Relations**, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Steve Sviggum. Agenda: Introductory meeting featuring an overview of the Unemployment Compensation program by Barbara Beerhalter, Commissioner, Dept. of Economic Security, and Ken Dau-Schmidt, House Research Legislative Analyst.

**12:45 p.m.**

**STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations**, Tour. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Tour MN Zoological Gardens, Apple Valley MN. Meet at Rm. 381; tour begins approximately 1:30 p.m.



**Wednesday, January 23**

**8:00 a.m.**

**APPROPRIATIONS**, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Mary Forsythe. Agenda: Higher Education Coordinating Board, overview; Dept. of Education, overview; University of Minnesota, overview.

**EDUCATION**, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Wendell Erickson. Agenda: Continuation of presentations by educational groups.

**10:00 a.m.**

**AGRICULTURE**, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. K.J. McDonald. Agenda: "Crisis in farm management." Speakers include Phil Raup, University of Minnesota; representatives from the Dept. of Agriculture and Financial Institutions Division/Dept. of Commerce; and testimony from various banking organizations and farm organizations.

**STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/Appropriations**, Tour. Chr. Rep. Gaylin DenOuden. Agenda: Tour Dept. of Human Rights. Meet at Rm. 381; tour begins at 10:15 a.m.

**CRIME & FAMILY LAW**, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Blatz. Agenda: House Research and Dept. of Public Safety presentation on DWI.

**12:00 noon**

**FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE**, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Adolph Kvam. Agenda: Presentation: "Why should the State regulate the insurance industry?" Speaker: Professor C. Arthur Williams, University of Minnesota's School of Management.

**TRANSPORTATION**, Rm. 400 S. Chr. Rep. Doug Carlson. Agenda: Introduction of members and staff; staff overview; and presentation of "Highway Study Commission" report.

**1:15 p.m.**

**APPROPRIATIONS**, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Mary Forsythe. Agenda: Dept. of Finance overview continued.

**3:00 p.m.**

**BUDGET**, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Dave Jennings. Agenda: Presentation by the Finance Department on Revenue Projections for the coming biennium.

**Thursday, January 24**

**8:00 a.m.**

**APPROPRIATIONS**, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Mary Forsythe. Agenda: Dept. of Agriculture, overview; Dept. of Natural Resources, overview.

**TAXES**, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. Bill Schreiber. Agenda: Overview of Minnesota Tax Study Commission report.

**8:30 a.m.**

**GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS**, Rm. 400 N. Chr. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker. Agenda: PERA reorganization.

**10:00 a.m.**

**COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**, Rm. 300 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Bennett. Agenda: Informational meeting.

**ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES**, Rm. 500 S. Chr. Rep. John Rose. Agenda: Introductory meeting.

**HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**, Rm. 500 N. Chr. Rep. Tony Onnen. Agenda: Presentation and discussion of MN Dept. of Human Services programs.

**12:00 noon**

**LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS**, Rm. 200. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: Informational meeting on State and Local relationships, Gary Currie, House Research; and State and Metro relationships, Tom Todd, House Research.

**2:00 p.m.**

**The House of Representatives will meet in Session.**

**Friday, January 25**

**9:00 a.m.**

**LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS**, Tour. Chr. Rep. Don Valento. Agenda: Special MWCC tour. (Meet the bus at the South entrance of the State Office Building.)



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