Highlights

Elementary and high school principals told Education Committee members March 25 they oppose a bill that would put them back in a classroom as teachers every five years.

HF977 (Nelson, K., DFL-Mpls) would require principals, superintendents, and supervisory personnel to teach full time for at least one academic term every five years. Nelson said the requirement would put administrators back in touch with classroom reality and would help them support and better understand teacher development plans.

Principals say most of them have already taught six or more years, and understand the challenges and needs of teaching.

Harold Boyum, Northdale Junior High School principal says he's skeptical about the plan: "I'm not sure that the principal's participation in the classroom is necessarily where you want to go. It's sort of like the coach of the basketball team. The coach doesn't go out and play the game every five years."

While administrator's professional organizations say they support the concept, they say administrators can better help teachers in the coaching capacity.

Members amended the bill to allow voluntary administrator participation.

Scholarship fund

A bill that would set up a permanent scholarship fund for state education systems came out of the Higher Education Committee March 25 with a recommendation to pass. The bill, HF182 (Jaros, DFL-Duluth), would take $15 million from the Permanent University Fund (PUF) and an equal amount from the state general coffers as set-aside money for yearly scholarships. The fund balance would remain intact from year to year, but interest the money earns would fuel merit scholarships for students throughout the state.

Students from AVTIs, state community colleges, and state universities would split the...
Hazardous waste disposal

Legally disposing of hazardous waste is becoming so costly that it encourages illegal actions, according to Rep. Darby Nelson (DFL-Duluth-Crookston-Waseca-Morris). Nelson says excluding Twin Cities campus students from the scholarship money would be unfair. But bill supporters say it would balance the state funding currently going to the University for endowed professorships, money that other campuses and systems don't get.

The bill now moves to the Appropriations Committee.

Wastewater treatment grant program

Almost 200 Minnesota communities need new or improved wastewater facilities to resolve serious pollution problems, says Rep. Willard Munger (DFL-Duluth). Most are small communities that even with public assistance, face critical issues of affordability and economic hardship, he says.

The Environment and Natural Resources Committee, March 24, recommended to pass a bill that the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (PCA) says fits the specific needs of those small communities.

Munger says his bill, HF1030, would provide state money to continue the wastewater treatment construction grant program which the federal government previously funded. It would allow grants to communities for amounts up to 80 percent of the cost to build or update wastewater treatment facilities, he says.

Speaking in favor of HF1030, PCA director Tom Kalitowski says, "...given the decreasing federal dollars, coupled with the smaller communities limited ability to pay...it's really the state's obligation to step in with some kind of financial support if we are to achieve our long-time goals of protecting state waters."

Kalitowski says, with this bill, the PCA feels it has a plan for dealing with wastewater treatment needs.

Beginning farmers

Farmers looking to get a start in agriculture could get low-interest loans under the beginning farmer program. Supporters say the program could help stabilize plummeting land values which forced many farmers to default on their loans and turn back acres of land to the state and many lenders.

Under the program, qualifying beginning or re-entry farmers could apply for low-interest loans to purchase parcels of land the state or commercial lenders own. If a lender loans a farmer money, the state would guarantee 85 percent of any losses on the loan contract.

The loan guarantees could not exceed $100 million and the maximum loss the state could accrue is $12,750,000, says Rep. Jerry Schoenfeld (DFL-Waseca), chief author of HF776, the bill that creates the beginning farmer program. "We've built these safeguards into the program to reduce risk to the state," Schoenfeld says.

To qualify for the beginning farmer program, applicants must demonstrate an ability to run a stable farm operation; have a net worth of less than $150,000; and agree to take part in an approved farm management program for five years.

The bill has the support of Farm Credit Services (who agree to make loans to eligible buyers), the Farmer's Union, and the Farm Bureau. The Agriculture Finance Division recommended the bill to pass March 24. It goes next to the full Agriculture Committee.

Lemon law

A bill that would toughen the state's lemon law moved out of the Commerce Committee March 24.

Rep. Joe Begich (DFL-Eveleth-Champlin), sponsor of HF845, says the bill would amend the auto warranty law to make arbitration effective as a speedy, inexpensive alternative to going to court.

The bill would require all auto makers in Minnesota to provide a state-approved arbitration program that allows consumers to make oral presentations when they arbitrate disputes. "Some programs don't offer consumers an oral hearing. And it's not fair," Begich says.

The bill would also require arbitrators to apply lemon law guidelines during arbitration. This would give consumers the right to replace a lemon with another vehicle or get their money back including any sales tax, towing, or rental expenses they paid.
Faradic electric shock

Minnesota would outlaw an electric shock treatment for the severely retarded under a bill the Health and Human Services' Social Services Subcommittee recommended to pass March 24.

Rep. Karen Clark (DFL-Mpls) sponsors the bill which would prohibit the use of faradic electric shock to keep individuals from physically harming themselves. Staff members administer faradic shock with a hand-held, battery-operated device that connects to electrodes on a person's skin.

Clark says the state should give more money to teach personnel other treatment methods. She says evidence shows treatment centers could use alternatives to faradic shock that are less restrictive, intrusive, and abusive. "It seems to me there are plenty of other methods that can be used," says Clark. "And we don't need to preserve something in our state law that is outlawed internationally."

Opponents of the measure say that in some extreme cases, faradic shock is the only viable treatment. Without the treatment, they say, some profoundly retarded individuals could kill themselves or cause themselves irreparable damage. Rep. Allen Quist (IR-St. Peter) says he thinks the Legislature should give medical professionals and the Department of Human Services the freedom to have a state or federal court decide faradic shock cases.

Human Services officials say, right now, only one person in a state treatment center receives the shock treatment. And the committee adopted an author's amendment from Clark to phase-out the shock treatment for that person.

The bill goes next to the full Health and Human Services Committee.

Minimum wage

On a vote of 74 to 53, the House approved a proposal March 23 to raise the state's minimum wage 20 cents in 1988 and 30 cents in 1989. The original bill proposed a $1 increase over the two-year period. The final version represents a compromise legislators worked out after hours of discussion in committee and on the House Floor.

Opponents say the measure will increase an employer's cost of doing business, resulting in layoffs of those who need jobs most. And members representing border towns say a minimum wage increase would draw lower-paid, experienced workers from other states, leading to unemployment for less-skilled Minnesotans.

Supporters say the minimum wage represents a safety net for those who want to work. And they say adjusting the minimum wage means giving fair pay for the work.

The bill's author, Randy Kelly (DFL-St. Paul), says Minnesota has between 150,000 to 175,000 minimum wage workers. About 30 percent are teens, two-thirds women, and one-third heads-of-households.

Unemployment insurance

The Unemployment Insurance and Workers' Compensation Division of the Labor-Management Relations Committee March 23 debated HF284 (Welle, DFL-Willmar).

It's an unemployment insurance bill that would create a quarterly reporting system, lower the maximum weekly benefit, lower the amount a worker has to earn to qualify for benefits, and increase the number of weeks a worker has to work to requalify after quitting a job.

Supporters say HF284 would allow full-time workers, making minimum wage or just above, to qualify for unemployment insurance benefits. Most low-wage earners don't get any other benefits--not health insurance, sick leave, vacations, nor retirement. "Unemployment insurance would allow them one badly needed benefit," says Margaret Boyer of the Child Care Workers Alliance.

But Glen Mayer from St. Mark's Lutheran Nursing Home in Austin testified against the bill. He says nonprofit organizations, and other employers, would still have to pay unemployment benefits to some people who voluntarily quit their jobs.

Mayer says a worker who quits one job, works somewhere else for eight weeks and then gets laid off, could get coverage for unemployment from the first employer. "Why should I be responsible for the unemployment of a worker who voluntarily quits?" says Mayer.

Rep. Steve Sviggum (IR-Kenyon) says a bill he's proposing would eliminate that problem by requiring workers who quit or get fired for misconduct to start over in gaining eligibility for unemployment insurance.

Plant closing

Some businesses would have to announce plant closings or major layoffs 120 days in advance under HF649 (Ogren, DFL-Aitkin). The bill got a recommendation to pass from the Labor-Management Relations Committee March 23.

Author of the proposal, Rep. Paul Ogren, says HF649 would only affect employers who have hired at least
100 employees for six months, and whose layoffs would reduce employment by at least 20 percent. It would not affect construction sites or other temporary workplaces.

Ogren says the measure gives workers and communities some time to prepare for the economic blow of a plant closing. Right now, a company can close a plant without forewarning.

The bill doesn't create any new programs for the unemployed or distressed communities. But it does set up a system so people can more easily find out about already existing services.

The bill would also require companies to provide severance pay and health insurance for a period of time after a layoff. The bill goes next to the Taxes Committee.

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**Drug testing**

A bill that would prohibit random drug testing got a favorable recommendation from the Labor-Management Relations Committee March 23, and is on its way to the House floor. Rep. Sandy Pappas (DFL-St. Paul) says her bill, HF42, would balance the rights of employers and employees, make sure drug tests are accurate, allow testing only when individual or public safety is at risk, and only when an employer has reason to suspect drug use.

Pappas says the United States Bill of Rights protects individuals only against government intrusion. She says her bill would extend that protection to the private workplace.

Those opposed to the measure argue the bill would restrict employers too much in disciplining workers. "I think this bill is too lenient and protects drug users," says Rep. Steve Sviggum (IR-Kenyon).

But Pappas says the bill wouldn't restrict other ways an employer could deal with drug use, such as firing a worker. "But if they're going to take bodily fluids from their employees to test for drug use, then they have to follow these guidelines," says Pappas.

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**Phone service deregulation**

The Regulated Industries Committee heard a bill March 25 that could deregulate Minnesota's telephone service.

The bill, HF701 (Jacobs, DFL-Coon Rapids), would provide a phase-in approach to deregulating all phone services in Minnesota. Under the bill, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) would authorize a company's deregulation on the basis of the competitiveness of its service with other carriers.

PUC Chair Barbara Beerhalter told members, "the bill provides clear legislative direction that competition is the policy of the state, but the commission feels it has reduced regulatory restraints about as far as it can without more legislative and statutory direction."

Supporters at that hearing said one of the most important consumer protection features of the bill would require the PUC to hold public hearings before considering deregulation of a phone service.

At a March 23 meeting, the attorney general told lawmakers that consumer protection is a key provision of the bill. He says the state should ensure that deregulation "must not work a hardship on the millions of telephone users in this state."

The committee recommended to pass a similar bill March 16—one that would deregulate only long distance service in the state.

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**Programs for disabled**

The state is catching the vision that physical disabilities no longer have to mean dependence, says John Clawson of the State Council for the Handicapped.

He says the state has entered a new era of progressive programs that benefit the independence of the state's handicapped. And he urged the

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**Health and Human Services Division of the Appropriations Committee, March 20, to construct a budget to strengthen programs that allow disabled persons to live integrated and independent lives.**

**Old programs and old ways of funding, says Clawson, fostered long-term dependence. He says old ways of treating the disabled drain the spirits of those who could lead independent lives, under the right circumstances. Clawson also cautioned members that a fair distribution of funds across the state is essential to ensure that quality programs exist for disabled in "all four corners of the state."**

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**Education merger**

"It's not a new or revolutionary idea," says Rep. Ernie Larsen (DFL-Ramsey) of his bill that would merge Minnesota's Community College and AVTI systems.

Larsen presented HF1100 before a House and Senate committee March 20 in hope that lawmakers could bring the 20-year-old merger issue to a vote. The measure proposes a marriage of the two systems, not a takeover, says Larsen. The merger would follow the lead of 19 other states and make it easier for students who have problems working between the separate systems, he says.

Although Joe Graba, state director of AVTIs, says they do need credit system and governance changes, he's afraid that AVTIs will lose visibility and strength in the merger. He says merging staff salary scales could cost the state about $20 million in the next biennium.

But bill supporters say legislators shouldn't look on the merger as a money saver. Community College Chancellor Gerald Christensen believes that one consolidated system would work better for students.

"This bill is not designed to save all kinds of money," says Christensen. "I doubt that there are big savings in dollars, but I think the emphasis should be on service to the
student and service to the state of Minnesota. I think that is appropriate."

Committee deadlines

On Feb. 11, the House adopted a series of deadlines to help move bills through the legislative process.

- After Friday, April 10, the House must refer committee reports on House Files to the Rules and Legislative Administration Committee before the bills can go to the House Floor for action.
- After Tuesday, April 28, the House must refer committee reports on Senate Files to the Rules and Legislative Administration Committee before the bills can go to the House Floor for action.
- After Friday, May 8, the House can act on only conference committee reports, bills that the Rules and Legislative Administration Committee report (Special Orders), and bills in messages from the Senate or governor.

The deadlines are part of the 1987-88 Permanent Rules of the House.

The State Office Building has a new address: 100 Constitution Ave., St. Paul, MN 55155-1298. To commemorate the 200th anniversary of the United States Constitution, a section of Park Street in the Capitol Complex area is now Constitution Avenue.

Capitol Area Library Consortium is coordinating Minnesota's celebration of the 200th birthday of the nation's Constitution. For information on events call Barbara Golden, 297-2087, or Pam Cornell at 296-1494.

The state and nation could lose between $250,000 and $300,000 each year if the state cuts programs to help blind business people. Eighty-eight blind Minnesotans contribute to local, state, and federal tax coffers each year, says Jack Hicken, Minnesota Business Enterprise Program for the blind. Minnesota's business program for the blind is one of the best in the country, says Hicken.

Commission on the Economic Status of Women announced final commission member appointments. House members are Karen Clark (DFL-Mpls), Katy Olson (DFL-Sherburn), Sidney Pauly (IR-Eden Prairie), Ann Rest (DFL-New Hope), Gloria Segal, (DFL-St. Louis Park) chairs the commission.

Small rural school districts are working on plans to link classrooms with television monitors. Several school districts are testing interactive television to offer advanced or specialized courses to a small number of students. The two-way audio-video systems allow students and teachers to hear, see, and talk to classmates in schools miles apart. They transmit over fiber optic cables, the same lines many telephone companies use for phone service.

House members passed a new compulsory education bill, 105-19, March 23. Lawmakers say HF432 (McEachern, DFL-St. Michael) would regulate home schools without running into legal trouble, as the 1985 law did when the Minnesota Supreme Court struck it down. The bill lays out six requirements for teacher qualifications and requires yearly testing of private and home school students.

A new sales tax proposal may increase state income $260 million over the biennium, according to the Department of Revenue. Commissioner Tom Triplett calls the proposal a base-broadening effort that would extend sales taxes to exempt products and institutions. According to the department, the measure would gather almost $127 million from state and local governments and about $51 million from non-profit sales taxes. Other new revenue would come from sales tax on now-exempt products.

Large corporations can bypass some sales taxes by owning their services, such as telecommunications systems, but small businesses are locked into paying new sales taxes, says Minority Leader Bill Schreiber (IR-Brooklyn Park). He says any new sales tax makes it harder for small business to compete.
A 300-page bill making its way to the House floor would combine current economic development laws dating from 1947 to 1985 into one law. The bill would make economic development laws more consistent, logical, and easy to understand by putting them all in one place and getting rid of obsolete and redundant language, says its author, Rep. Ann Rest (DFL-New Hope).

DNR wants the governor's recommended $10.5 million budget increase to improve trails and parks, for water resource management, fire-fighting equipment, and other needs. Deputy DNR Commissioner Steve Thorne says DNR's budget is only 1.5 percent of the state budget. Not much, he says for managing 12,000 lakes; 94,000 miles of waterways; 5.3 million land acres, including 4.6 million acres of forests; and 64 parks. The department generated $141 million in revenue last biennium from user fees, land leases, sale of hunting/fishing licenses and permits, and services. "Almost half our budget...," says Thorne.

The $64 million additional revenue over previous forecasts is mainly due to trade improvements and warm weather, says state economist Glen Nelson. Construction crews continued to work through the mild winter, so the state collected more in income taxes and didn’t pay out as much unemployment compensation. Also, road repair costs have been lower this year. The governor wants to use the unexpected money to refund his previous cuts in student financial aid and renter's tax credits and to increase bonding for building projects.

Watching mock dog fights from his tent in the Boundary Waters Canoe area doesn't appeal to Rep. Tom Rukavina (DFL-Virginia). Rukavina's concerned about U.S. Air Force's proposal to hold bomber training flights 300-500 feet over northeastern Minnesota, including the Boundary Waters Canoe Area. He's sponsoring a bill that would create a commission to study environmental and economic effects training flights would have. The Air Force proposes B-52, B-1B, and FB-111 bombers fly four runs during the day and one at night at speeds of 450 and 580 mph.

"Local government may be able to eat the cost, but it would be awfully difficult chewing," says Rep. Elton Redalen (IR-Fountain). Redalen opposes a proposal that would require local governments to pay sales tax.

The bidstead program is Koochiching County's grass roots plan to lure families to the economically depressed area, says Rep. Bob Neuenschwander (DFL-Int'l Falls). Neuenschwander sponsors HF779, a bill that would allow qualified bidstead applicants to build and maintain a homestead on 40 acres of land Koochiching County owns. In return for homesteading and paying property taxes for a total of 10 years, program participants would get warranty deeds for the land.

People who operate and use the state's public transit system turned out for a Mar. 23 meeting of the Agriculture, Transportation, and Semi-State Division of the Appropriations Committee. Transit officials called for transfer of the motor vehicle excise tax into the highway user and transit funds to prevent cuts in service. They say public transit is the lifeline for senior citizens, low-income people, and disabled persons. Without it, they say most of these people would be cut off from society.

Should the federal government do away with milk marketing orders? Minnesota milk producers say, "Yes." Milk marketing orders came into vogue in the 1930s when milk supplies and prices were at an all-time low in some areas of the country. Legislators and the state's agriculture commissioner say the orders have had a negative effect on upper midwestern producers, and that the federal government should get rid of or change them so they benefit midwestern milk producers.

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  HF547 (Bishop, IR-Rochester) - recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
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HF380/SF499* (Kludt, TIFL-Moorhead)--recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.

False identification--arrest
HF555/SF572 (Carruthers, DFL-Brooklyn Center)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Human Rights Act--disabled employees
HF580/SF491 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Judgments, foreign--filing procedure
HF854/SF448 (Orenstein, DFL-St. Paul)--recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar. (SF on Senate Floor)

Crime & Family Law Div./Judic.

Friday, March 20

Minors--harmful live performances
HF308/SF706 (Pappas, DFL-St. Paul)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Boating while intoxicated--prosecution
HF598/SF59 (Beard, DFL-Cottage Grove)--recommended to pass. (SF on Senate Floor)

Child Abuse Reporting Act--changes
HF806/SF828 (Vellenga, DFL-St. Paul)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

DWI--information on previous convictions
HF816/SF265 (Schreiber, IR-Brooklyn Park)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Monday, March 23

Child Abuse Reporting Act--

source disclosure
HF200/SF424 (Vellenga, DFL-St. Paul)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Domestic abuse--protection orders
HF643/SF539 (Vellenga, DFL-St. Paul)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF on Senate Floor)

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

Monday, March 23

Drug testing--workplace
HF42 (Pappas, DFL-St. Paul)--recommended to pass as amended.

Plant closing
HF649/SF892 (Ogren, DFL-Aitkin)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Employment Committee)

Unemployment Ins. & Workers' Comp. Div./Labor-Mngt. Rel.

Monday, March 23

Unemployment insurance--benefit changes
HF284 (Welle, DFL-Willmar)--heard.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS

Tuesday, March 24

St. Anthony Falls--hydropower generating plant
HF564/SF526 (Long, DFL-Mpls)--recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Regulated Industries Committee. (SF in Senate Public Utilities and Energy Committee)

Minnehaha Creek--watershed district
HF734/SF756 (Shaver, IR-Wayzata)--recommended to pass; rereferred to Taxes Committee. (SF in Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee)

Ramsey County--capital improvements bonds
HF355/SF925 (Kostohryz, DFL-North St. Paul)--recommended to pass; rereferred to Taxes Committee. (SF in Senate Local and Urban Government Committee)

Kandiyohi County--county recorder duties
HF958 (Welle, DFL-Wilmar)--rereferred to subcommittee.

Thursday, March 26

Counties--regional development commission

HF749 (Leider, DFL-Crookston)--heard; laid over for interim study.

Koochiching County--bidstead program
HF799/SF711 (Neuenus, DFL-Int'l Falls)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Local and Urban Government Committee)

Town road contract--notification
HF889/SF844 (Solberg, DFL-Bovey)--recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar. (SF in Senate Local and Urban Government Committee)

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Monday, March 23

Gas meter tampering
HF841/SF705 (Carruthers, DFL-Brooklyn Center)--recommended to pass as amended; referred to Judiciary Committee. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

9-1-1 emergency phone service
HF839/SF783 (Rukavina, DFL-Virginia)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Public Utilities and Energy Committee)

Phone service deregulation
HF701/SF677 (Jacobs, DFL-Coon Rapids)--heard. (SF in Senate Public Utilities and Energy Committee)

Wednesday, March 25

Phone service deregulation
HF701/SF677 (Jacobs, DFL-Coon Rapids)--heard. (SF in Senate Public Utilities and Energy Committee)

TAXES

Thursday, March 26

Sales tax--exemption status
HF525/SF547 (Voss, DFL-Blaine)--heard. (SF in Senate Taxes and Tax Laws Committee)

Nonprofit lobbying limitations--resolution
HF737/SF794 (McLaughlin, DFL-Mpls)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Elections and Ethics Committee)

Property Tax Div./Taxes

Monday, March 23

Golf club property taxation
HF535/SF1032 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)--recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Taxes Committee. (SF in Senate Taxes and Tax Laws Committee)
TRANSPORTATION

Wednesday, March 25

Vehicle licensing--Pearl Harbor plates
HF111/SF294 (S. Olsen, IR-St. Louis Park)--recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Veterans Committee)

Vehicle registration--trucks, vans
HF168/SF228 (Peterson, DFL-Princeton)--recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Transportation Committee)

Railroad crossings
HF404/SF554 (McEachern, DFL-St. Michael)--heard. (SF in Senate Transportation Committee)

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HF813/SF228 (Peterson, DFL-Princeton)--rereferred to Senate Veterans Committee)

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St. Louis County--land sale
HF11*/SF338 (Beitch, DFL-Eveleth)--passed (129-1). (SF in Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee)

Cities--advertising expenditures
HF345*/SF164 (Wenzel, DFL-Little Falls)--passed (126-4). (SF in Senate Local and Urban Government Committee)

Insemination--donor consent
HF470*/SF443 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)--passed (125-0). (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Monday, March 23

St. Louis County--county clerk
HF388/SF782 (Minne, DFL-Hibbing)--passed (122-0). (SF in Senate Local and Urban Government Committee)

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Minimum wage increase
HF3/SF10 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Employment Committee)

Probate changes
HF123/SF287 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)--passed (125-0). (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Bankruptcy--employee notification
HF134/SF182 (Price, DFL-woodbury)--passed (84-38), SF in Senate Employment Committee

Electronic teller machines
HF28/SF148 (Skoglund, DFL-Mpls)--passed (126-4). (SF in Senate Employment Committee)

Dakota County--personnel system
HF510/SF617 (Jensen, DFL-Lakeville)--passed (125-0). (SF in Senate Local and Urban Government Committee)

Health care professional--impersonation
HF518/SF361 (Orenstein, DFL-St. Paul)--passed (127-0). (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Crime victim rights
HF536/SF232 (Seaberg, IR-Mendota Heights)--rereferred to the Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Compulsory education--changes
HF432/SF425 (McEachern, DFL-St. Michael)--passed (105-19). (SF in Senate Education Committee)

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| **HF1122**--Wenzel (DFL)--Agriculture  
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| **HF1123**--Tunheim (DFL)--Governmental Operations  
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| **HF1124**--Schreiber (IR)--Taxes  
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| **HF1133**--Wenzel (DFL)--Taxes  
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| **HF1134**--Wenzel (DFL)--Environment/Natural Resources  
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| **HF1135**--Wenzel (DFL)--Regulated Industries  
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**HF1230--McEachern (DFL)--Financial Institutions/Insurance**
Insurance; clarifying the authority of school districts to self-insure for property and casualty coverage; amending statutes.

**HF1231--Winter (DFL)--Labor-Management Relations**
Workers' compensation; regulating second medical opinions; providing for neutral physicians; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

**HF1232--Peterson (DFL)--Environment/Natural Resources**
Real property; authorizing use of restrictive covenants prohibiting presence of radioactive substances on land; proposing coding for new law.

**HF1233--Morrison (IR)--Rules/Legislative Administration**
The legislature; prohibiting the solicitation of funds during legislative sessions; providing certain exceptions; establishing penalties; proposing coding for new law.

**HF1234--Dempsey (IR)--Rules/Legislative Administration**
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Local improvements; permitting the issuance of general obligation bonds for certain pedestrian skyways; amending statutes.

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2:00 p.m.
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After Session or 7:00 p.m.

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Tuesday, March 31

8:00 a.m.

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GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

PROPERTY TAX DIVISION/TAXES
Room 400N State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Lona Minne. Agenda: Technical & housekeeping items in HF942 (Governor's property tax bill) - John Haynes, Dept. of Revenue. HF1124 (Schreiber) Taxation; property; changing the meeting dates for local boards of review & the state board of equalization.

TAX LAWS DIVISION/TAXES

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COMMERCE
Basement Hearing Room State Office Building. Chr. Rep. John Sama. Agenda: Presentation on the MEED program. HF485 (Begich) Consumer protection; requiring certain disclosures in sales of used motor vehicles; regulating new & used motor vehicle licenses; providing certain standards in applications for certificates of title; requiring certain disclosures upon the transfer of a motor vehicle.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

PHYSICAL/MENTAL HEALTH SUBCOMMITTEE/HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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JUDICIARY
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Dogs; regulating access to public
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record of all first convictions for the
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Room 5 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Dan Knuth. Agenda: Court reorganization
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HF97 (Jaros) Retirement; membership of firefighters employed by the department of military affairs.

TAXES
Room 5 State Office Building. Chr. Gordon Voss. Agenda: HF525 (Voss) Completion of presentation of Dept. of Rev. Public comment. To be listed on the agenda contact committee clerk at 296-7171.

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PHYSICAL/MENTAL HEALTH SUBCOMMITTEE/HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

SOCIAL SERVICES SUBCOMMITTEE/HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Thursday, April 2

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AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/ APPROPRIATIONS

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HF242 (O'Connor) Commerce; modifying the maximum finance charge on certain open end credit sales; authorizing additional charges. HF822 (O'Connor) Commerce; requiring that solicitations for new open-end credit contain specific disclosures respecting conditions & costs.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & HOUSING

GENERAL LEGISLATION, VETERANS AFFAIRS & GAMING

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS

2:00 p.m.

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Friday, April 3

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STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/APPROPRIATIONS
Room 200 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Phyllis Kahn. Agenda: Public testimony on entire state departments budget bill. (Call 296-7173 if you wish to testify)

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EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/EDUCATION

CIVIL LAW SUBCOMMITTEE/JUDICIARY

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CRIME & FAMILY LAW DIVISION/JUDICIARY

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HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/APPROPRIATIONS
Do You Know

The United States Constitution is 200 years old and has functioned longer than any other written constitution of the modern world.

In May 1787, when shapers of the document met in Philadelphia, only a few of the nation's 3.5 million population voted or participated in public life. Native American tribes saw themselves as independent nations. Most black men and women were slaves. Women had virtually no role in public life. Married women had no legal or political identity separate from husbands. White American males, too poor to qualify to vote or hold office, had no political power.

Because the status of these excluded groups contradicted ideals of the Revolution, they challenged the bookish and scholarly creators of the Constitution to develop a charter that would unite the people as a nation. Therefore, although powerless, they played an important role in the shaping of American politics.

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