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Animal dealers

Bunchers (or bounty hunters) collect dogs and cats—often right out of owners' yards—and turn them over to animal dealers for money. Dealers are in the business of providing unwanted or stray animals to research facilities for experimental purposes. But Rep. Rich O'Connor (DFL-St. Paul) wants to make sure those animals really are unwanted or strays—and not pets.

O'Connor proposes to license dealers, and require that they keep records on all animals in their care. This includes information on who brought the animal to the dealer and where the dealer placed the animal.

O'Connor's bill, HF683, would set a penalty of up to $1,000 for violators.

O'Connor told the Governmental Operations Committee, "...if we pass this bill, we'll go a long way in protecting the pets of the people in the state of Minnesota...there are some very unscrupulous people out there currently operating, and...it just takes one or two bad apples to bring to our attention the fact that we need to mandate laws that would regulate the dealers."

The committee recommended the bill to pass April 2 and sent it to the Appropriations Committee.

Government sales tax

Minnesota cities oppose extending the state's six percent sales tax to local government purchases. They say the extension would raise property taxes.

On April 2, speakers for the cities told the Taxes Committee that the practice of government taxing government is bad public policy. They say a new sales tax on local government is a round-robin scenario that would eventually burden property taxpayers.

Lori Hacking of the League of Minnesota Cities says the sales tax measure comes at a difficult time when shrinking tax bases are raising property taxes in many areas of the state.

The Association of Metropolitan Municipalities says the state's tax policy has been like a roller coaster ride since the early 1980s. They say the policies need stabilization.

It's a fact!

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Women of the St. Anthony Circle, through Mrs. E. C. Chatfield of Minneapolis, later announced that the calceolus didn't grow in Minnesota. So in February, 1902, the Legislature changed the designation to the reginae.

Thus, the Cypripedium Reginae, a member of the orchid family, the showy, regal, pink and white moccasin, became the state flower. The name Cypripedium comes from Greek words meaning the shoe of Venus. Its common English and American popular names, Lady's Slipper, Moccasin Flower and Indian Shoe, refer to the sac (pouch-like) and somewhat shoe-like form of the largest petal.

The plants grow preferably in cool and moist woods and in bogs. They flower from May to June.
but extending the sales tax won't do it.

**Handicapped parking**

People who unlawfully park in handicapped parking spaces could pay a $100 fine if law officers catch them.

A bill, HF629, making its way through the Legislature would increase the handicapped parking fine from the present $25 to $100.

"The stiffer fine should discourage violators", says Michael Ehrlichmann, spokesperson for the Minnesota Council for the Handicapped. "We believe if the fine for parking in a handicapped parking spot has what we call an "ouch" factor, non-disabled persons may be less inclined to violate the law," Ehrlichmann says.

Rep. Tony Bennett (IR-Shoreview), a St. Paul police officer, says officers may be reluctant to tag if the price of the violation gets too high.

Other provisions in HF629 would require that all handicapped parking signs display the new fine. And people who illegally use handicapped certificates or license plates would pay a $500 fine under the guidelines of the bill.

Rep. Leo Reding (DFL-Austin) sponsors HF629, which the Transportation Committee recommended to pass April 1.

**Interest buydown bill**

The interest buydown bill, which for the past two weeks has been on hold in a House and Senate conference committee, cleared the House of Representatives April 1.

The compromise bill would provide $14 million to extend the state-run interest buydown program for one year. Under the program the state would pay 2.8 percent and lenders 1.7 percent on the first $60,000 of an operating loan to eligible farmers. To qualify for the loans, farmers must have a debt-to-asset ratio of more than 50 percent, have a reasonably good long-term financial outlook, and take part in an approved adult farm management course at the request of a lender.

HF1 (Olson, K., DFL-Sherburn) would also provide $1.5 million in 1987 and 1988 for a state lender/Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) interest subsidy program that Minnesota farmers could use to get low-interest loans. And it would pay off the state-run interest buydown program's present $14-million deficit.

In other action this week, the farmer-lender mediation bill moved out of the Agriculture Finance Division to the full Agriculture Committee. The amended version of HF210 (Schoenfeld, DFL-Waseca) would extend the program for another two years and would allow farmers and mediators to meet in orientation sessions to prepare for the first mediation meeting.

The bill calls for a termination statement at the end of mediation. It also would allow contract-for-deed holders and farm equipment dealers who are in mediation to file a priority lien for the fair rental value on the property or seasonal machinery they've rented or sold to the farmer.

**Illegal drugs, death**

Is a seller of an illegal drug guilty of a felony if the buyer dies after injecting the drug? Under current law, the Minnesota Supreme Court said the seller would be guilty only if he or she actually injected the drug into the buyer.

Rep. Dave Bishop (IR-Rochester) disagrees. So, March 30, he presented HF350 to the Judiciary Committee's Crime and Family Law Division. He says the bill should help clarify the Legislature's intent.

Testifying in favor of Bishop's bill, Olmsted County Attorney Ray Schmittz says, "the purpose of the statute is to extend the felony murder doctrine to the sale of a controlled substance where that sale causes the death of a human being."

The division recommended the bill to pass March 31 and sent it to the full Judiciary Committee.

**Cigarette tax**

A hike in cigarette taxes may make Minnesota a smoke-free state by the year 2000, according to the Department of Health.

Members of a Health and Human Services subcommittee heard a bill March 31 that would increase cigarette taxes by 18 cents a pack. A large part of the new tax would pay for a proposed Institute for Health Research to look into cancer and drug abuse.

Health Commissioner Mary Madonna Ashton says the bill follows a 1985 cigarette tax increase and prevention program the department aimed at young people.

Ashton sees this measure as a means to strengthen that effort: "I believe the bill will assist us in preventing today's youth from experiencing smoking related death and disability in the future."

The new tax measure would also fund several Health Department programs including health insurance for low-income families, AIDS research, and a statewide cancer surveillance system.

**Prefabricated homes**

Owners of some prefabricated homes and other single-family houses, may get advice from the state on how to stop their homes from molding and rotting.

Many of these homes are so airtight, moisture can't escape. They rot, and wet insulation freezes in the winter making them icy cold. Poor ventilation also causes respiratory health problems for residents. And homeowners say repairs often cost more than the house is worth.

Rep. Harold Lasley (DFL-Cambridge) has introduced HF673, a bill that would create a task force to help homeowners find practical solutions to these problems. The task force would also study other air quality problems in dwellings, such as flue gas spillage.

But Rep. Paul Thiede (IR-Pequot Lakes) says HF673 doesn't address the source of the problem. He says state and federal agencies may have misled buyers by putting a seal of approval on the plans and inspections of the homes. About 4,000 people have bought the homes in Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Northern Michigan.

Economic Development and Housing Committee members gave HF673 a recommendation to pass March 31. The bill goes next to the Appropriations Committee.
Financial aid

The $77 million the state budget forecast uncovered in March could both help and hurt college students who pay for part of their education with state dollars. David Longanecker, executive director of the Higher Education Coordinating Board, told the Education Division of the Appropriations Committee March 31 that the governor's revised budget reverses an earlier plan that would have forced students to work more, and get less help from the state. He said a $30 million funding increase would have noticeable impact on scholarship and work-study programs.

New plans would restore a recommended $25 million cut in state grant and scholarship programs. The move intercepts a decrease that would have cut 10,000 students from state-aid rosters and increased the student's share of education costs to 60 percent. Longanecker said the replaced money will allow education funding to stay at the current 50 percent share for both students and state.

The governor's revised budget drops a call for an additional $6.3 million it originally earmarked for a new non-metro focus work-study program. Although work-study funding will remain unchanged from past years, Longanecker says that if lawmakers pass minimum wage legislation, the dollars would be less help to students.

Election changes

Two bills that would change the timeline for Minnesota politics got the go ahead from a House subcommittee March 31.

HF1327 (Skoglund, DFL-Mpls) would move precinct caucuses ahead from the third Tuesday in March to the fourth Tuesday in February. Rep. Wes Skoglund says the bill would revoke a change the Legislature made in 1984 to accommodate national party conventions, and put Minnesota needs back in the political spotlight.

"With our current caucus date, Minnesota is an afterthought for presidential candidates," he said. "If we want to be heard...if we want our messages out there...if we want input into the process...then I think we should move ourselves up earlier (in the process)."

Both IR and DFL parties say they support the non-partisan issue as a way to increase voter participation and local impact in national elections.

But Rep. Tom Osthoff (DFL-St. Paul) says the change would abandon former political ideas and cave in to media, editorials, and national candidates.

Elections Subcommittee members recommended to pass HF1128 (Scheid, DFL-Brooklyn Park), a bill that would move primary elections from September to June.

Rep. Linda Scheid says political parties, media, and public have discussed moving the election as a way to add some new lifeblood into Minnesota's primary system. Seven weeks between elections isn't enough time for candidates to organize for general elections, especially statewide campaigns, she says.

Committee members opposed to the measure say summer vacations and farm work could interfere with voter participation for June elections.

Property tax exemption

Tax-exempt organizations may start paying property tax under a proposal the Property Tax Division of the Taxes Committee heard March 30. Rep. Tom Osthoff (DFL-St. Paul), sponsors the proposal that would add several tax-exempt organizations to the state's property tax rolls.

Osthoff says the proposal comes at a time when exemption from property taxes is skyrocketing. He says the number of current exemptions goes far beyond what constitution framers intended.

Osthoff calls the measure a "rational, meaningful way to reform property taxes without creating new revenue sources."

Some supporters say that as much as $22 billion worth of property in the state is now tax exempt. Under the bill, they say the addition of exempt property would reduce property taxes by about seven percent.

Hospital representatives say, combined with a proposed sales tax, the new property tax would have a devastating impact on hospitals.

Parental leave

A bill that would require employers of 10 or more workers to give new mothers and fathers up to six months unpaid parental leave, got a recommendation to pass from the Labor-Management Relations Committee March 30. The bill would also allow parents to use sick leave days to care for an ill child.

Opponents say the measure would be harmful to women in their childbearing years because employers wouldn't want to hire them.

But supporters say the bill wouldn't cause discrimination against women because it applies equally to mothers and fathers. "This bill would help alleviate parents' conflict between supporting and raising their families," says Rep. Peter McLaughlin (DFL-Mpls), author of HF234. He says allowing parents unpaid time off doesn't put an undue burden on employers, and assures that new parents aren't forced to put their families in economic jeopardy.

Budget resolution

The Ways and Means Committee voted 12 to 4 March 26 to recommend a resolution that would cap state appropriations for spending at $11.29 billion for fiscal years 1988 and 1989.

Speaker Fred Norton, committee chair, says the measure is an increase of about $55 million over the governor's proposal. He says the resolution reflects an emphasis on education, property tax relief, and welfare reform. The budget resolution also includes a $250 million reserve fund.

Norton says the budget will underfund some programs and exclude others. He says the budget proposal would cut spending by $61 million, but would reflect an increase of $40 million in K through 12 education spending.

Norton says he expects the House to adopt the resolution next week.

Business interest buydown program

A bill that would create an interest buydown program for small businesses got a favorable recommendation from the Economic Development and Housing
Committee March 26. The bill, HF442 (Steenstra, DFL-Luverne), is similar to the farmer interest buydown program.

If HF442 becomes law, the state would pay 37.5 percent of the interest on loans to heavily indebted rural businesses. Banks or other lenders would pay 12.5 percent. The business itself would have to pay 50 percent of the interest on an outstanding loan. Supporters say lowered interest rates allow businesses to pay back their loans, instead of going out of business.

But Rep. Don Frerichs (IR-Rochester) says the state should make reductions in the direct costs of doing business rather than "propping business up temporarily with a buydown program." And Rep. John Burger (IR-Long Lake) says the program would cover up symptoms of a bad economy without really solving the problem.

Supporters of the measure argue that helping people stay in business is cheaper for the state than supporting unemployed citizens. They say rural businesses need assistance because hard times more deeply effect them than businesses in urban areas.

Rep. Becky Kelso (DFL-Shakopee) says, "We in urban areas have diversified economies. That's the main difference. If you lose your job in Shakopee or Bloomington, you don't necessarily have to move because there's enough diversity to find work. But the only chance when you lose your job in a single economy community is to leave. There's a rapidly spiraling down-tum in farming communities. This bill would provide some help to stop that decline."

HF442 goes next to the House Appropriations Committee.

A bill that would lower credit card interest rates to an amount closer to the federal reserve discount rates is HF242 (O'Connor, DFL-St. Paul). Author says the bill would allow businesses with $25 million annual gross sales, or more, to charge a 10.5 percent rate or 4 points over the reserve rate. Businesses with sales under $25 million could charge 24.5 or 6 points above reserve rate. Rates couldn't go higher than 18 percent.

The $11.291 billion budget resolution passed in the House March 30 on a 71-51 vote after the hearings in the Ways and Means Committee and debate on the House floor.

The bill that would give insurance breaks to about one fourth of Minnesota drivers won a 131-2 House vote March 30. The bill calls for insurance firms to extend their discount rate offer to drivers 55 or older who pass an accident prevention course. About 6,000 drivers 65 and older have taken the course since the first premium reduction law passed in 1985.

St. Paul District public schools met state desegregation regulations for the first time in over 10 years in the 1985-86 school year. District representative, Mary Gilbert, says five elementary magnet schools, offering specialized programs, attracted students from throughout the district and improved racial balance.

Productivity, rather than the market may be the best way to value agricultural land, says Rep. Don Frerichs (IR-Rochester). Artificially high market values, says Frerichs, cause many farmers to file law suits, which the courts award, lowering property values as much as 40 percent under market value. Frerichs says the state should look seriously at another valuation system for agricultural land, because the present one "will not work for the long haul."

Over 100,000 Minnesota children are uninsured, according to Dr. Paula Kelly, Pediatrician, MN Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics. She says three out of four from the proposed tax increases on cigarettes would provide insurance for low-income families who need health care. She says the insurance would keep people working rather than resorting to welfare. Kelly says the new insurance would give pregnant mothers proper care, saving over $16 in medical expenses every dollar that goes for neonatal, or infant care.

"The commission is needed, respected, and does a good job," says Rep. Doug Carlson (IR-Sandstone), chair of the Legislative Commission on Natural Resources (LCMR). The governor has recommended eliminating the 25-year-old commission. But Carlson says the commission "provides the Legislature with background necessary to evaluate programs proposed to preserve, develop, and maintain the natural resources of this state."

One hundred tons of individual income tax returns come into the Department of Revenue each year, says Commissioner Tom Triplett. They fill eight miles of filing shelves, and that's not counting business, corporate, sales, and withholding tax forms. To cut down on paper work, Triplett's asking the Legislature to grant $5.15 million for improved computer systems. He says the computers would also help the department catch more tax evaders.

Compensation for emergency volunteer work shouldn't count as deductible earnings in unemployment insurance, just as compensation for jury duty and service in the national guard or military reserves are not deductible, says Rep. Joe Begich (DFL-Eveleth). Begich is sponsor of HF14, a bill that would prevent the state from reducing unemployment insurance payments to the unemployed who volunteer as firefighters or ambulance attendants.

Public relations and public image are two items the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) needs to improve, according to a Touche-Ross Consulting Firm study. Steve Thorne, deputy commissioner agrees. He says the department is consulting with private corporations and retraining staff to cooperate more with the public.

Elderly and handicapped individuals would make up half the membership of a special Minnesota mobility advisory council if Rep. Richard Jefferson (DFL-Mpls) has his way. Jefferson's sponsor of a bill that he says would give special mobility riders power in governing that service, says the Regional Transit Board to train drivers in handling the handicapped. Metro Mobility in the Twin Cities would be the largest handicap transportation program in the state.

"As is" used-car sales could be a thing of the past in Minnesota if HF83 (Begich, DFL-Eveleth) becomes law. Under the bill, used-car dealers would provide a 60-day or 3,000 mile implied warranty for certain vehicles even if they tag them, "For sale as is--no warranty." They'd also provide a state-approved arbitration program to settle repair disputes. Supporters say the bill offers some solutions to the problems buyers face. Opponents argue it'll drive up cost of used vehicles and lower trade allowances.

Minnesotans may get the chance to put medical alert identifiers on their driver's license or identification cards under HF1191 (Kelso, DFL-Shakopee). HF1191 doesn't allow for a person's medical condition to appear on the license, but supporters say the identifier could still alert medical officials to medical problems.
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### EDUCATION

**Monday, March 30**

- School districts--mail info  
  HF235/SF24 (Hartle, IR-Owatonna)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Education Committee)
- Missing children--school check  
  HF259/SF235 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)--heard. (SF in Senate Education Committee)
- Red Lake--tribal archives  
  HF879/SF827 (Tunheim, DFL-Kasson)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Education Committee)

**Wednesday, April 1**

- High School League--conference memberships  
  HF96/SF231 (McKay, IR-Mendota Heights)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Education Committee)
- Literacy--high school graduation  
  HF677/SF520 (Price, DFL-Woodbury)--heard. (SF in Senate Education Committee)
- Teacher exchange program  
  HF1195 (McEachern, DFL-St. Michael)--heard.
- Adult basic education--expansion  
  HF1196/SF1103 (K. Nelson, DFL-Mpls)--heard; amended; rereferred to Education Finance Division. (SF in Senate Education Committee)

**Education Finance Div./Educ.**

**Friday, March 27**

- Consolidation revenue  
  HF815/SF942 (Rukavina, DFL-Virginia)--heard. (SF in Senate Education Committee)
- Headstart  
  HF1055/SF989 (K. Nelson, DFL-Mpls)--heard. (SF in Senate Education Committee)
- Desegregation costs  
  HF1285/SF1181 (Vellenga, DFL-St. Paul)--heard. (SF in Senate Education Committee)

**Monday, March 30**

- Education finance--transportation article  
  HF330 (Trimble, DFL-St. Paul)--incorporated into proposed Article 2 to be considered for inclusion in HF753 (K. Nelson, DFL-Mpls).
- Youth services program  
  HF855/SF730 (K. Nelson, DFL-Mpls)--heard. (SF in Senate Education Committee)
- Youth development--whole child  
  HF1259 (Otis, DFL-Mpls)--heard.

### ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

**Thursday, March 26**

- Clean Water Partnership Act  
  HF887/SF867 (Knuth, DFL-New Brighton)--recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Governmental Operations Committee. (SF in Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee)
- Outdoor Recreation Bonding Act  
  HF919/SF1105 (Voss, DFL-Blaine)--recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Taxes Committee. (SF in Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee)

**Tuesday, March 31**

- Pesticide law changes  
  HF485/SF717 (Kalis, DFL-Watertown)--recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Agriculture Committee. (SF in Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee)
- Prairie land management program  
  HF626/SF626 (D. Nelson, DFL-Champlin)--recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee)
- Lost River State Park--boundaries  
  HF836/SF808 (Tunheim, DFL-Kasson)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee)
- Solid waste disposal facilities--location  
  HF391/SF768 (McPherson, IR-St. Paul)--laid over. (SF in Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee)
- Acid deposition control--assessment  
  HF915/SF965 (Trimble, DFL-St. Paul)--recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee)
- Airport noise control--assessment  
  HF933/SF983 (Skogland, DFL-Mpls)--amended; not recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Local and Urban Government Committee)
- Purple Loosestrife control  
  HF996/SF934 (Starius, IR-White Bear Lake)--recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee)

### FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE

**Thursday, March 26**

- Detached facilities--merger  
  HF274 (Otis, DFL-Mpls)--heard.
- Detached facilities--establish, maintain  
  HF296/SF309 (Schaeffer, IR-Gibbon)--heard. (SF in Senate Commerce Committee)
- Detached facilities--permit additional  
  HF791/SF743 (Wynia, DFL-St. Paul)--heard. (SF in Senate Commerce Committee)
- Detached facilities--Duluth  
  HF959/SF823 (Boo, IR-Duluth)--heard. (SF in Senate Commerce Committee)

**Wednesday, April 1**

- Financial institutions--regulation changes  
  HF291/SF691 (Winter, DFL-Fulda)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Commerce Committee)
- Insurance company--investments  
  HF1267/SF1206 (Otis, DFL-Mpls)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Commerce Committee)

### GENERAL LEGISLATION, VETERANS AFFAIRS, & GAMING

**Thursday, April 2**

- License plates--Vietnam vets  
  HF43/SF33 (Bauerly, DFL-Sauk Rapids)--recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Transportation Committee. (SF in Senate Veterans Affairs Committee)
- Mpls--school board election  
  HF490 (McLaughlin, DFL-Mpls)--recommended to pass as amended.
- Horse racing--harness track  
  HF503/SF653 (Hendrickson, DFL-Mpls)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF on Senate Floor)
GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

Monday, March 30

Firefighters relief associations--age limit
HF238/SF1187 (Bennett, IR- Shoreview) recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar. (SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee)

Public meetings--notice
HF793 (Rukavina, DFL-Virginia) heard; amended.

Commission to Study Business Competition
HF803/SF734 (Sparby, DFL-Thief River Falls) recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Commerce Committee)

Retirement--ambulance service employees
HF772/SF601 (Kinkel, DFL-Park Rapids) recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee)

St. Louis County/Floodwood--land sale
HF947/SF940 (Begich, DFL-Eveleth) recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar. (SF in Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee)

Public employees--mandatory retirement age
HF1077/SF1055 (Simoneau, DFL-Fridley) recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee)

St. Louis County/Blawabik--land sale
HF1119/SF1005 (Rukavina, DFL-Virginia) recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar. (SF in Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee)

Public pension plans, funds--uses
HF1159/SF1071 (Simoneau, DFL-Fridley) recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee)

Tuesday, March 31

Stearns County--PERA employee
HF338/SF328 (Gruenes, IR-St. Cloud) recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar. (SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee)

Children--foster care payments
HF556/SF616 (Jefferson, DFL-Mpls) recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Dept. of Administration--changes
HF916/SF920 (Lasley, DFL-Cambridge) recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Dept. of Employee Relations--changes
HF948/SF981 (Larsen, DFL-Ramsey) recommended to pass as amended. (SF on Senate Floor)

Wednesday, April 1

Hazardous waste--transporter license
HF298 (Long, DFL-Mpls) recommended to pass as amended.

Hazardous waste--administrative penalties
HF332/SF388 (D. Nelson, DFL-Champlin) recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee)

Hispanic Quincentennial Commission
HF682 (Pappas, DFL-St. Paul) recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.

Dept. of Finance--changes
HF859/SF56 (author) recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Correctional industries--competitive bidding
HF924/SF1159 (Simoneau, DFL-Fridley) recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee)

Private detectives, protective agents--regulations
HF1039/SF703 (Simoneau, DFL-Fridley) heard. (SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee)

State building code--public buildings
HF1060 (DeBlieck, DFL-Milroy) recommended to pass.

Thursday, April 2

Firefighters facilities--improvement loans
HF97/SF339 (Begich, DFL-Eveleth) recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

School district employees--insurance benefits
HF514/SF501 (Quinn, DFL-Coon Rapids) recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Education Committee. (SF in Senate Education Committee)

Emergency personnel--death benefits
HF578/SF587 (Beard, DFL-Cottage Grove) recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee)

Pet dealers--licensure, regulation
HF683/SF757 (O'Connor, DFL-St. Paul) recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate General Legislation and Public Gaming Committee)

Child safe house symbol--"McGuff" 
HF866/SF853 (Skoglund, DFL-Mpls) recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF on Senate Floor)

Public employees--insurance benefits
HF396/SF385 (Simoneau, DFL-Fridley) recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee)

Retirement--Mpls Police Relief Association
HF1105/SF983 (Sarna, DFL-Mpls) recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar. (SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee)

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Friday, March 27

Social worker licensure
HF290/SF1085 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls) recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Governmental Operations Committee. (SF in Senate Health and Human Services Committee)

Faradic shock--use
HF585/SF555 (Clark, DFL-Mpls) recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Health and Human Services Committee)

Red Lake nursing home moratorium
HF602/SF540 (Tunheim, DFL-Kennedy) recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Health and Human Services Committee)

Marriage, family therapist--licensure
HF738/SF1077 (Welle, DFL-Willmar) recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Governmental Operations Committee. (SF in Senate Health and Human Services Committee)

Indian child welfare
HF849/SF842 (Clark, DFL-Mpls) recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Health and Human Services Committee)

Human service boards--regulation
HF923/SF975 (Dauner, DFL-Willmar) recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar. (SF in Senate Health and Human Services Committee)

Thursday, April 2

General Assistance--illiteracy training
HF177/SF125 (Clark, DFL-Mpls) recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
(SF in Senate Health and Human Services Committee)

Alzheimer's disease--autopsies
HF790/SF780 (Skoglund, DFL-Mpls)--recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Mental health division--
Department of Human Services
HF529/SF834 (Segal, DFL-St. Louis Park)--recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Governmental Operations Committee. (SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee)

Local public health boards
HF599/SF1041 (Kelso, DFL-Shakopee)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Health and Human Services Committee)

General Assistance--funding, eligibility standards
HF1032/SF682 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls)--recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Governmental Operations Committee. (SF in Senate Health and Human Services Committee)

Ventilator dependent patients
HF1044/SF1274 (Orenstein, DFL-St. Paul)--recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Health and Human Services Committee)

HIGHER EDUCATION

Wednesday, April 1

Women’s athletics--funding increase
HF520/SF350 (Krueger, DFL-Staples)--recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Education Committee)

State University System--purchases
HF716/SF802 (B. Johnson, DFL-St. Paul)--recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Governmental Operations Committee. (SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee)

HECB--education, training info
HF970/SF829 (K. Nelson, DFL-Mpls)--recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Education Committee)

AVTI--housekeeping
HF983/SF929 (Rokavina, DFL-Virginia)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Education Committee)

JUDICIARY

Tuesday, March 31

Child Abuse Reporting Act--source disclosure
HF200/SF424 (Vellenga, DFL-St. Paul)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF on Senate Floor)

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

Controlled substances--purity, measurement
HF391 (March, IR-Sauk Rapids)--recommended to pass as amended.

DWI--drivers license revocation
HF427/SF390 (Rest, DFL-New Hope)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Data Practices Act--classifications
HF534 (D. Nelson, DFL-Champlin)--recommended to pass as amended.

Treatment facilities residents--data disclosure
HF561/SF591 (D. Nelson, DFL-Champlin)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

DWI--sentence stay extension
HF590/SF391 (Rest, DFL-New Hope)--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)

DWI--testing options
HF690/SF690 (Swenson, IR-Forest Lake)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Criminal Justice Data Communications Network
HF692 (McKasy, IR-Mendota Heights)--recommended to pass as amended.

Data Practices Act--child abuse data
HF699/SF668 (D. Nelson, DFL-Champlin)--laid over. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

DWI--license plate impoundment
HF704/SF392 (Rest, DFL-New Hope)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

DWI--chemical use assessment
HF705 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul)--recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

Minnesota Statutes--gender references
HF742/SF440* (Rest, DFL-New Hope)--recommended to pass as amended.

Child Abuse Reporting Act--changes
HF805/SF828 (Vellenga, DFL-St. Paul)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

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

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

Police dogs--penalties for killing, injuring
HF941/SF1028 (Carruthers, DFL-Brooklyn Center)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Guide dogs--access to public accommodation
HF1024/SF1046 (D. Carlson, IR-Sandstone)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Mechanics liens--attachment
HF1031/SF189 (Rest, DFL-New Hope)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Marijuana possession--conviction changes
HF1034/SF455 (Kludt, DFL-Moorhead)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Minnesota Statutes-- revisor's technical changes
HF1197/SF1163 (Rest, DFL-New Hope)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

UCC financing statements--computerized filing
HF1297/SF652 (Mulbert, DFL-South St. Paul)--recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Governmental Operations Committee. (SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee)

Crime & Family Law Div./Judic.

Friday, March 27

Liquor law violations--vicarious liability
HF167 (Orenstein, DFL-St. Paul)--recommended to pass.

Juveniles--adult jail confinement
HF596/SF670 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Juvenile code/Crime victim laws--changes
HF706/SF1065 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul)--recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Governmental Operations Committee. (SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee)

Monday, March 30

Firearms--dealer possession
HF170/SF47 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)
Labour--Bureau of Mediation Services
HF1028/SF1110 (Simoneau, DFL-Fridley)--recommended to pass. (SF on Senate Floor)

Infectious diseases--notification of exposure
HF1164/SF994 (Trimble, DFL-St. Paul)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Health and Human Services Committee)

Schools--tax deductons, unemployment
HF1019 (Paley, DFL-Eagan, Prairie)--heard; rereferred to Unemployment Insurance and Workers' Compensation Division.

Employer health care coverage
HF1225 (Tompkins, IR-Apple Valley)--recommended to pass as amended.

Unemployment Insur. & Workers' Comp. Div./Labor-Mgmt. Rel.

Monday, March 30

Unemployment Insurance--volunteer firefighters, deductible income
HF14/SF393 (Begich, DFL-Eveleth)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Employment Committee)

Unemployment compensation--qualification changes
HF715/SF1161 (Riveness, DFL-Bloomington)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Employment Committee)

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS

Tuesday, March 31

Roseville--port authority powers
HF955/SF996 (Valento, IR-Little Canada)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Economic Development and Housing Committee)

Dakota County--capital improvement bonds
HF1097/SF773 (Milbert, DFL-South St. Paul)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Taxes and Tax Laws Committee)

Local government--street access charge
HF1165/SF1084 (Jensen, DFL-Lakeville)--recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Transportation Committee. (SF in Senate Local and Urban Government Committee)

Thursday, April 2

Champlin--public improvement funds
HF1141/SF1087 (D. Nelson, DFL-Champlin)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Local and Urban Government Committee)

Metropolitan Affairs

Wednesday, April 1

Groundwater management--metro area
HF373/SF353 (D. Nelson, DFL-Champlin)--recommended to pass; rereferred to Environment and Natural Resources Committee. (SF in Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee)

Metropolitan Waste Control Commission--rate structure
HF499/SF348 (D. Nelson, DFL-Champlin)--recommended to pass. (SF on Senate floor)

Metropolitan Airports Commission--chair
HF634/SF293 (Wagenius, DFL-Mpls)--recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar. (SF in Senate Local and Urban Government)

Aircraft noise--municipal ordinances
HF755/SF904 (Seaberg, DFL-Mendota Heights)--recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar. (SF on Senate floor)

Park development--metro area
HF826 (Nelson, D., DFL-Champlin)--recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

Transportation--handicapped, elderly
HF1009/SF1108 (Jefferson, DFL-Mpls)--recommended to pass; rereferred to Transportation Committee. (SF in Senate Transportation Committee)

Regulated Industries

Monday, March 30

Public Utility Commission--education, property transfer
HF927/SF1072 (D. Nelson, DFL-
TAXES

Thursday, April 2

Sales tax--exemption status
HF525/SF547 (Voss, DFL-Blaine)--referred to as amended. (SF in Senate Public Utilities and Energy Committee)

Gas utility--flexible rates
HF1127/SF880 (Osthoff, DFL-St. Paul)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Public Utilities and Energy Committee)

Property Tax Div./Taxes

Friday, March 27

Property tax--commercial/industrial market value
HF622/SF584 (K. Nelson, DFL-Mpls)--heard. (SF in Senate Taxes and Tax Laws Committee)

Property tax--small business credit
HF788 (Duerr, DFL-Hawley)--heard; (HF786, HF787 identical to HF788)

Property tax--credits, refunds, valuation adjustment
HF847/SF878 (Ogren, DFL-Aitkin)--heard. (SF in Senate Taxes and Tax Laws Committee)

Monday, March 30

Property tax--exemption repeal
HF1012 (Osthoff, DFL-St. Paul)--heard.

Tuesday, March 31

Property tax--housekeeping
HF942/SF889 (Voss, DFL-Blaine)--heard. (SF in Senate Taxes and Tax Laws Committee)

Property tax--local, state review boards
HF1124/SF1185 (Schreiber, DFL-Brooklyn Park)--heard. (SF in Senate Taxes and Tax Laws Committee)

Tax Laws Div./Taxes

Friday, March 27

Corporate tax bill
HF616/SF638 (Voss, DFL-Blaine)--heard. (SF in Senate Taxes and Tax Laws Committee)

FLOOR ACTION

Monday, March 30

Corporate tax bill
HF616/SF638 (Voss, DFL-Blaine)--heard. (SF in Senate Taxes and Tax Laws Committee)

Tuesday, March 31

Corporate tax bill
HF616/SF638 (Voss, DFL-Blaine)--heard. (SF in Senate Taxes and Tax Laws Committee)

Wednesday, April 1

Railroad grade crossings
HF404/SF554 (Wenzel, DFL-Little Falls)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Transportation Committee)

Handicapped parking--fine increase
HF629/SF451 (Roding, DFL-Austin)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF on Senate Floor)

Trucks--tire weight limits
HF751 (Lieder, DFL-Crookston)--heard; laid over.

Drivers licenses--med alert identification
HF191/SF927 (Kelso, DFL-Shakopee)--recommended to pass. (SF on Senate Floor)

CALENDAR

Thursday, March 26

Child restraint carriers
HF29 (Skoglund, DFL-Mpls)--passed (120-8).

Corrections authority--inmate restitution
HF375/SF586 (Klut, DFL-Moorhead)--passed (130-1). (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Insurance--burial expenses
HF444/SF460 (Spary, DFL-Thief River Falls)--passed (130-0). (SF in Senate Commerce Committee)

Nursing home shared service agreements
HF266/SF599 (Welle, DFL-Willmar)--passed (128-0). (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Nursing home care cost
HF527/SF532 (Cooper, DFL-Bird Island)--referred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Monday, March 30

Liquor licenses--vintage wine; brewery/wholesaler deals
HF46/SF38* (Jacobs, DFL-Coon Rapids)--passed (109-22).

Moorhead--liquor license
HF250/SF245* (Klut, DFL-Moorhead)--passed (126-4).

St. Louis County--liquor licenses
HF98/SF117* (Rukavina, DFL-Virginia)--passed (126-4).

Retired state employees--insurance
HF257/SF373 (Simoneau, DFL-Fridley)--passed (133-0). (SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee)

Liquor license--temporary on-sale licenses
HF294*/SF358 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)--passed (126-5). (SF in Senate Commerce Committee)

Insurance break--55 Alive
HF342*/SF359 (Solberg, DFL-Bovey)--passed (131-2). (SF in Senate Commerce Committee)

Chiropractors--state civil service
HF354*/SF453 (Jefferson, DFL-Mpls)--passed (125-5). (SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee)

Adulterated milk
HF419/SF137* (Krueger, DFL-Staples)--passed (134-0).

State Parks--vehicle permits
HF554*/SF450 (Rukavina, DFL-
Virginia)--passed (126-4). (Senate on Senate Floor)

Trapping with lights
HF653*/SF731 (Keding, DFL-Austin)--passed (121-9). (SF in Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee)

Welfare data--non-disclosure exemption
HF660*/SF503 (Blatz, DFL-Bloomington)--passed (121-9). (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Medial assistance overpayments--recovery
HF721*/SF545 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls)--passed (134-0). (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

City park board members--compensation
HF29/SF306* (Schreiber, IR-Brooklyn Park)--passed (129-0).

Kanabec County--liquor license restrictions
HF735*/SF576 (O'Connor, DFL-St. Paul)--passed (132-0). (SF in Senate Commerce Committee)

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Bicyclists, joggers, skaters--headphones
HF269*/SF102 (Kahn, DFL-Mpls)--not passed (56-69); reconsidered, returned to General Orders. (SF on Senate Floor)

Vending machines--inspection fees
HF469*/SF407 (McEachern, DFL-St. Michael)--passed (118-6). (SF on Senate Floor)

General Assistance--denial appeals
HF591*/SF581 (Wynia, DFL-St. Paul)--passed (128-0). (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

False identification--arrest
HF559*/SF572 (Carruthers, DFL-Brooklyn Center)--passed as amended (128-0). (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

CONCURRENCE & REPASSAGE

Thursday, March 26

St. Louis County--land transfer
HF166/SF191 (Bataglia, DFL-Two Harbors)--passed as amended by Senate (125-0). (SF passed in Senate)

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Adoption expense reimbursement
HF127*/SF249 (Krueger, DFL-Staples)--passed as amended by the Senate (130-0).

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Deer hunting limit
HF400*/SF334 (Nelson, D., DFL-Champlin)--passed as amended by the Senate (114-5).

Human rights act--disabled persons
HF369*/SF264 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls)--passed as amended by the Senate (125-0).

CONSENT CALENDAR

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Dept. of Military Affairs--contract administration
HF424/SF498 (DeBlock, DFL-Milroy)--passed (128-0). (SF in Senate Veterans Affairs Committee)

Dept. of Natural Resources--director qualifications
HF545/SF562 (Trimble, DFL-St. Paul)--passed (124-0). (SF in Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee)

Monday, March 30

Witness--competency
HF286*/SF742 (Vellenga, DFL-St. Paul)--passed (131-0). (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Brook Park--debt limit
HF483/SF499* (D. Carlson, IR-Grand Forks)--passed (126-0).

Real property laws--update
HF550/SF409 (Kludt, DFL-Moorhead)--passed (132-0).

Regional treatment centers--patient wages
HF558*/SF552* (Dauner, DFL-Hawley)--passed (129-0).

Jewish exit visas--resolution
HF757/SF635* (Segal, DFL-St. Louis Park)--passed (128-0).

Judgments, foreign--filing procedure
HF854*/SF448 (Orenstein, DFL-St. Paul)--passed (131-0). (SF on Senate Floor)

Wednesday, April 1

East Grand Forks--land sale
HF750*/SF715 (Lieder, DFL-Crookston)--passed (126-0). (SF on Senate Floor)

Town road contract--notification
HF889*/SF844 (Solberg, DFL-Bovey)--passed (128-1). (SF on Senate Floor)

Newspapers--public notices
HF471/SF403* (Tunheim, DFL-Kennedy)--passed (126-0).

GENERAL ORDERS

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Liquor licenses--vintage wine; brewer/wholesaler deals
HF46/SF38* (Jacobs, DFL-Crookston)--recommended to pass.

St. Louis County--liquor license
HF98/SF117* (Rukavina, DFL-Virginia)--recommended to pass.

Moorehead--liquor license
HF250/SF245* (Kludt, DFL-Moorhead)--recommended to pass.

Retired state employees--insurance
HF257/SF373 (Simoneau, DFL-Fridley)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Liquor license--temporary on-sale licenses
HF294/SF358 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Commerce Committee)

Work zone speed limits/vehicle registration, operation
HF525/SF465 (Lieder, DFL-Crookston)--amended; referred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Rules and Administration Committee)

Insurance break--55 alive
HF342/SF379 (Solberg, DFL-Bovey)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Commerce Committee)

Chiropractors--state civil service
HF354/SF453 (Jefferson, DFL-Mpls)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee)

State parks--vehicle permits
HF534/SF450 (Rukavina, DFL-Virginia)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee)

Liquor licenses--seasonal
HF603/SF291 (Tunheim, DFL-Kennedy)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Commerce Committee)

Trapping with lights
HF665/SF731 (Reuling, DFL-Austin)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Welfare data--non-disclosure exemption
HF660/SF503 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Medical Assistance overpayments--recovery
HF721/SF545 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

City park board members--compensation
HF79/SF306* (Schreiber, IR-Brooklyn Park)--recommended to pass.
Kanabec County--liquor license restriction
HF735/SF576 (Peterson, DFL-Princeton)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Commerce Committee)

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HF269/SF102 (Kahn, DFL-Mpls)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Floor)

Vending machines--inspection fees
HF469/SF407 (McEachern, DFL-St. Michael)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Local and Urban Government Committee)

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

General assistance--denial appeals
HF591/SF581 (Wynia, DFL-St. Paul)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

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

Liquor license--strong beer sales
HF447/SF128* (Jaros, TIFL-Duluth)--recommended to pass as amended.

Interest rates--advertising regulation
HF450/SF452 (Bertram, DFL-Paynesville)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Commerce Committee)

St. Anthony Falls--hydropower generating plant
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Human Rights Act--disabled employees
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HF799/SF711 (Neuenschwander, DFL-Int'l Falls)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Taxes and Tax Laws)

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Transportation; providing that private carriers in the construction industry comply with certain rules regarding drivers and vehicles; prescribing certain lease agreements; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1398--Skoglund (DFL)--Taxes
Taxation; increasing the rate of taxes on cigarettes and tobacco products; amending statutes.

HF1399--Otis (DFL)--Economic Development/ Housing
Economic development; authorizing certain entities involved in economic development to participate in secondary markets; authorizing the use of appropriated money for secondary market purposes; amending statutes.

HF1400--Rest (DFL)--Taxes
Taxation; property tax refund; updating references to federal law; expanding the definition of household income; requiring filing with the income tax return; requiring additional reporting by landlords; requiring auditing of claims; allowing the right to the refund to lapse if the claimant cannot be located; repealing obsolete provisions; increasing penalties; appropriating money; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF1401--Reding (DFL)--Governmental Operations
Retirement; excluding volunteer firefighters from membership in the public employees retirement association and the police and fire fund; amending statutes.

HF1402--Kelo (DFL)--Health/Human Services
Human services; changing the limitation on residential services; amending statutes.

HF1403--Scheid (DFL)--Labor-Management Relations
Firefighters; requiring payment of death, disability, and survivor benefits to firefighters suffering from occupationally related cancer.

HF1404--Gruenes (IR)--Commerce
Commerce; franchises; regulating nonprofits; requiring prior notice of nonrenewal; amending statutes.

HF1405--Peterson (DFL)--Local/Urban Affairs
The city of Princeton; providing for the apportionment of certain sale proceeds constituting delinquent tax increment revenues to the city.

HF1406--McLaughlin (DFL)--Metropolitan Affairs
Metropolitan government; Providing for fees at the international airport; proposing coding for new law.

HF1407--Kahn (DFL)--Environment/Natural Resources
Environment; establishing a siting process for a low-level radioactive waste facility; providing for volunteer sites and an alternative site selection process; establishing a siting board; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1408--Schaefer (IR)--Education
Education; increasing the aid and levy for programs for handicapped adults; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF1409--Rose (IR)--Environment/Natural Resources
Game and fish; designation and use of waterfowl feeding or resting areas; amending statutes.

HF1410--Jacobs (DFL)--Regulated Industries
Utilities; establishing citizen commission to study competition between utilities and private business in the sale and service of gas and electric appliances; appropriating money.

HF1411--Rest (DFL)--Environment/Natural Resources
Wild animals; directing a report to the legislature on raptor population; amending statutes.

HF1412--Battaglia (DFL)--Governmental Operations
State land; authorizing private sale of certain tax-forfeited land in Lake county to city of Two Harbors.
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HF1414--Miller (IR)--Local/Urban Affairs
The city of Redwood Falls; authorizing all property in the city to be assessed at a flat dollar amount per parcel for infrastructure fund levy.

HF1415--Schafer (IR)--Taxes
Taxation; sales; changing the requirements for designation of a distressed county for purposes of the capital equipment exemption; amending statutes.

HF1416--Nelson, K (DFL)--Local/Urban Affairs
The city of Minneapolis; providing for the appointment of the director of the office of emergency preparedness; amending laws.

HF1417--Segal (DFL)--Health/Human Services
Human services; providing for hospice care payments under medical assistance; amending statutes.

HF1418--Sviggum (IR)--Judiciary
Crimes; imposing criminal penalties on persons who advocate or promote the doctrine of criminal syndicalism and incite imminent lawless activity; proposing coding for new law.

HF1419--Orenstein (DFL)--Judiciary
Human rights; requiring certain boards and commissions to develop certain programs for persons subject to prejudice and discrimination; changing certain procedures in cases before the department of human rights; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1420--McEachern (DFL)--Transportation
Traffic regulations; requiring school buses on one-way, separated roads with shoulders to load and unload without flashing lights; amending statutes.

HF1421--Greenfield (DFL)--Health/Human Services
Human services; improving the availability of special needs payments for child care provided to AFDC recipients; amending statutes.

HF1422--Simoneau (DFL)--Education
Courts; authorizing additional judgeships in certain judicial districts; authorizing imposition of a judicial fee in civil actions; increasing the amount of penalty assessment levied for traffic offenses; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1423--Jefferson (DFL)--Health/Human Services
Health care; regulating prepayment demonstration projects; requiring demonstration providers to follow certain claims settlement practices when contracting with other health care and social service practitioners to provide services to enrollees; regulating appeals; amending statutes.

HF1424--Dempsey (IR)--Taxes
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HF1425--Murphy (DFL)--Governmental Operations
State contracts; requiring bidders on state construction contracts to submit lists of subcontractors and prohibiting subcontractors with persons not listed; providing penalties; amending statutes.

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HF1430--Rukavina (DFL)--Regulated Industries
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HF1431--Begich (DFL)--Taxes
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HF1432--Rest (DFL)--Education
Education; establishing Minnesota academic excellence foundation to establish a state academic league; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF1433--Otis (DFL)--Education
Education; creating a Minnesota challenger memorial math and science teaching scholarship fund; providing state matching funds for private contributions; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1434--Cooper (DFL)--Health/Human Services
Child abuse; authorizing the department of human services to establish a 24-hour toll-free hotline; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF1435--Cooper (DFL)--Agriculture
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HF1436--Rukavina (DFL)--Environment/Natural Resources
Game and fish; allowing elderly deer hunters to take one deer of either sex; amending statutes.

HF1437--Waltman (IR)--Labor/Management Relations
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HF1438--Welle (DFL)--Health/Human Services
Human services; establishing requirements for rate appeals for intermediate care facilities for persons with mental retardation and related conditions; amending statutes.

HF1439--Rice (DFL)--Agriculture
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**Monday, March 30**

- **SF73**--Benson (IR)-- Environment/Natural Resources; Game and fish; authorizing nonresident high school foreign exchange students to obtain resident licenses to take deer by archery; amending statutes.
- **SF128**--Spear (DFL)--Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison; Liquor; authorizing municipalities to permit holders of both on-sale wine and nonintoxicating malt liquor licenses to sell intoxicating malt liquors to sell intoxicating malt liquors; amending statutes; repealing laws.
- **SF397**--Peterson, D (DFL)-- Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison; Elections; setting times for changing election precincts and redistricting certain election districts; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.
- **SF133**--Lessard (DFL)-- General Legislation/Veterans Affairs/Gaming; A resolution memorializing the President and Congress to enact legislation to exempt nonprofit organizations from the federal excise tax and the unrelated business income tax on charitable gambling it conducts.
- **SF291**--Stumpf (DFL)--Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison; Intoxicating liquor; allowing counties to issue seasonal intoxicating liquor licenses subject to certain restrictions; amending statutes.
- **SF440**--Piper (DFL)--Judiciary; Statutes; removing certain substantive gender references in Minnesota Statutes; amending statutes; repealing statutes.
- **SF333**--Merriam (DFL)--Environment/Natural Resources; Game and fish; allowing raccoon dog field trails to tree raccoons during certain periods by permit; amending statutes.
- **SF121**--Frank (DFL)--Judiciary; Traffic regulations; clarifying that a child under four is not required to use a seat belt; imposing a penalty for failure to wear seat belt; amending statutes.
- **SF324**--Cohen (DFL)--Judiciary; Traffic regulations; removing exemptions regarding alcohol- or controlled substance-related activities of persons engaged in work upon the highway; amending statutes.
- **SF420**--Peterson, D (DFL)-- Metropolitan Affairs; Crimes; metropolitan transit; authorizing peace officers hired by the metropolitan transit commission to make arrests within the metropolitan area; amending statutes.
COMING UP NEXT WEEK...

ADVANCE COMMITTEE SCHEDULE
April 6-10, 1987

All rooms are in the State Office Building unless otherwise indicated. This schedule is subject to change. For up-to-date information, call House Calls at (612) 296-9283 (recording) or House Information at (612) 296-2146. All meetings are open to the public.

Monday, April 6

8:00 a.m.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/APPROPRIATIONS

EDUCATION

EDUCATION DIVISION/ APPROPRIATIONS

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS
Room 10 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Wayne Simeneau. Agenda: HF401 (Nelson, D) Environment; penalties; hazardous waste. HF170 (Welle) State government; prohibiting certain mandated leaves of absence. HF1147 (Johnson, R.) Education; age for redemption of shares in supplemental retirement investment fund. HF1144 (Clark) Special school district # 1 Mpls. HF830 (Johnson, R.) State energy contracts. HF119 (Johnson, R.) Employment; providing the option for certain employees to obtain fringe benefits. HF887 (Knuth) Environment; creating the clean water partnership program.

8:30 a.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/APPROPRIATIONS

PROPERTY TAX DIVISION/ TAXES

TAX LAWS DIVISION/TAXES

10:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE

CRIME & FAMILY LAW DIVISION/JUDICIARY
Room 500N State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Kathleen Vellenga. Agenda: HF1111 (Otis) Juvenile court; providing that it is a prom facie case for reference for prosecution as an adult if a child is alleged to have committed an aggravated felony against the person as a member of an organized gang, etc. HF1069 (Greenfield) Permitting evidence showing a tendency to fabricate allegations of sexual assault; etc. HF1070 (Rest) Criminal sexual conduct. HF1071 (Wagenius) Criminal sexual conduct. HF1208 (Kludt) Corrections. HF1165 (Nelson, D.) Public safety. HF1352 (Clark) Providing funding for the establishment of a community based juvenile residential correctional facility to serve American Indian juveniles in Henn. county. HF395 (Svigum) Traffic regulations. HF1217 (Kelly) Family law; appropriating money to the U of M for the Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs. HF1046 (Vellenga) Specifying conditions for retroactive modification of child support. HF1129 (Kludt) Crimes; domestic assault. HF990 (Segal) Providing that persons convicted of a crime of violence may not ship, transport, possess or receive a firearm for ten years following restoration of civil rights, etc.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE & WORKERS’ COMPENSATION DIVISION/LABOR

MANAGEMENT RELATIONS
Room 500S State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Mary Murphy. Agenda: HF109 (Tuneheim) Worker's Comp; providing for an efficient hearing process. HF774 (Murphy) Worker's comp; regulating insurance premium computations for certain public employees. HF1231 (Winter) Worker's comp; regulating second medical opinions & providing for neutral physicians. HF102 (Johnson) Unemployment insurance; limiting recovery of over payments. HF1199 (Pauly) Unemployment insurance; removing the not for profit requirement for certain schools in connection with unemployment obligations & tax deductions.

REGULATED INDUSTRIES

12:00 noon

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/EDUCATION

FUTURE & TECHNOLOGY
Room 5 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Leo Reding. Agenda: HF1453 (Reding) Creating a division of Science & Technology within DEED; providing for review of state-funded scientific & tech. related research. HF1315 (Pappas) Establishing a telecommunications & computer expenditure committee. HF1380 (Reding) Establishing a nonprofit institute for invention & innovation.

DATA PRACTICES SUBCOMMITTEE/JUDICIARY

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS
Room 200 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Joe Begich. Agenda: HF715 (Riveness) Unemployment compensation; providing for benefits & contribution rates. HF14 (Begich) Unemployment compensation; regulating the receipt of benefits; providing that wages for volunteer firefighters services not be deducted for benefit calculation. HF31 (Skoglund) Labor; prohibiting the
charging of a fee in connection with a job application. HF1200 (Riveness) Human rights; defining "employee" to include commission salepersons for certain purposes. HF1155 (Begich) Public safety; regulating boilers & their operations.

2:00 p.m.

The House will meet in Session.

6:00 p.m. or after session.

SENTENCING GUIDELINES SUBCOMMITTEE/JUDICIARY
Room 400N State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Loren Solberg. Agenda: HF593 (Jefferson) Crimes; prescribing higher penalties for major theft. Other bills to be announced.

6:00 p.m.

TRANSPORTATION

7:00 p.m.

LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON MINNESOTA RESOURCES
American Legion Hall, Nicollet MN. Chr. Rep. Doug Carlson. Agenda: Discussion by local citizens concerning the Swan Lake project.

REGULATED INDUSTRIES
Room 10 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Joel Jacobs. Agenda: HF124 (Quinn)/SF184 (Spear) Restricts automatic telephone calling devices. HF159 (Olsen) Restricts automatic telephone calling devices. HF701 (Jacobs) Atty. Gen.'s telecommunication bill. HF850 (Jennings) Allowing telephone companies & independent telephone companies to elect alternative regulation. HF895 (Jacobs) Liqueur; repeals law requiring filing of prices. HF1002 (Clark) Program phone equipment to the deaf. HF1148 (Jacobs) Items sold in exclusive liquor stores. HF1265 (Olsen) Provides licensing of low volume brewers. HF1281 (Battaglia) Seasonal on-sale licenses for Lake county. HF1361 (Clark) PUC certificate of need. HF1362 (McLaughlin) PUC's expedited hearings for federal tax reform. HF1365 (Valentino) Additional on-sale licenses for Little Canada. HF1375 (Jacobs) Liqueur; restrict sales to tax delinquent price list. HF1378 (Clark) Utilities; least cost planning. HF1383 (Jennings) PUC's telephone reform. HF1384 (Jennings) PUC's misc. regulatory reform. HF1390 (Ogren) Utilities; small business protected by

Atty. Gen. HF1410 (Jacobs) Establishing citizen commission to study competition between utilities & private business in the sale & service of gas & electric appliances. HF1430 (Rukavina) Requiring PUC to annually review authorized rates of return; requiring PUC to consider nonutility income under certain circumstances.

7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/APPROPRIATIONS

Tuesday, April 7

8:00 a.m.

EDUCATION DIVISION/ APPROPRIATIONS

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/APPROPRIATIONS

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/APPROPRIATIONS

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS
Room 10 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Wayne Simoneau. Agenda: HF290 (Greenfield) Human services; establishing a board of social work examiners. HF758 (Welle) Occupations & professions; establishing a board of marriage & family therapy. HF903 (Murphy) Retirement; Clifton independent nonprofit firefighting corporation. HF957 (Murphy) Retirement; authorizing a deferred annuity for a certain former public employee. HF1103 (Kostohryz) Retirement; providing benefit portability for disability benefits, etc. HF1105 (Anderson, G.) State government; reorganizing the department of agriculture, etc.

PROPERTY TAX DIVISION/ TAXES

TAX LAWS DIVISION/TAXES

10:00 a.m.

COMMERCE
Basement Hearing Room State Office Building. Chr. Rep. John Sarna. Agenda: HF1138 (Osthoff) Small business; modifying the definition of small business. HF1207 (Lasley) Real property; altering certain redemption periods. HF1326 (Pelowski) Energy; authorizing loans to cities & counties for energy conservation investments & authorizing repayment of those loans; authorizing issuance of bonds. HF1343 (Jaros) Public safety; providing an exception from certain regulations for steam turbines which receive steam from remote municipal facilities.

PHYSICAL/MENTAL HEALTH SUB/HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

SOCIAL SERVICES SUB/ HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

12:00 noon

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & HOUSING

JUDICIARY
Basement Hearing Room State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Randy Kelly. Agenda: HF551 (Kalis) Courts; repealing provision allowing Supreme Court to determine whether a voter must fill out a public finance. HF1228 (Vellenga) Traffic regulation; imposing penalty for failure to wear seat belt. HF297 (Lepa)
Real property; creating a lien against real property for expenses incurred by agencies or political subdivisions, etc. HF167 (Orenstein) Crimes; eliminating vicious criminal liability for the employer of an individual who violates a liquor law, etc. HF285 (Orenstein) Statutes; reenacting certain amendments to the dram shop act. HF170 (Blatz) Firearms; permitting certain licensees dealers & manufacturers to own or possess machine guns & short-barreled shotguns, etc. HF277 (Solberg) Child abuse reporting; requiring mandated reporters to report certain past occurrences of child abuse or neglect. HF96 (Kelly) Jails; providing for the detention & confinement of minors subject to prosecution as adults & minors committed to the custody of the commission of corrections. HF1422 (Simeoneau) Courts; authorizing additional judgeships in certain judicial districts.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS
Room 200 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. David Battaglia. Agenda: HF1226 (Ols) Local improvements: issuance of general obligation bonds for pedestrian skyways. HF1212 (Rist) Hennepin county; bonding for library construction. HF1355 (Greenfield) Mpls. powers pertaining to conventions & tourism activities. HF1322 (Morrison) Local control; levying for discharge of charter commissions. HF652 (Wenzel) Little Falls; obligations bonds to refund certain tax increment bonds of city; authorizing city to use unexpended proceeds of refunded bonds for other municipal purposes. HF1223 (Wenzel) Morrison county; removing special qualification for newspapers. HF1260 (Sarna) Mpls. park & recreation; establishment of park board personnel system; requiring park board to adopt current Mpls. civil service commission provisions; providing employee protections. HF1150 (Murphy) Hermantown; extending period that land held by city for economic development is exempt from tax. HF1405 (Peterson) Princeton; apportionment of certain sale proceeds constituting delinquent tax increment revenues to city. HF1344 (Dauner) Sabin; providing for apportionment of debt service in rural & urban service districts in city; permitting inclusion of platted land in rural service district in city. HF1416 (Nelson, K.) Mpls.; appointment of director of office of emergency preparedness. COMMITTEE WILL MEET AT 4:00 P.M. TO COMPLETE AGENDA IF NECESSARY.

2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/APPROPRIATIONS

2:00 p.m.

SOCIAL SERVICES SUBCOMMITTEE/HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Room 5 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Peter Rodosovitch. Agenda: Continuation of 10:00 a.m. agenda.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

ELECTIONS SUBCOMMITTEE/GENERAL LEGISLATION, VETERANS AFFAIRS & GAMING


3:00 p.m.

CRIME FAMILY LAW DIVISION/JUDICIARY


4:00 p.m.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE, FARM COMMODITIES, AGRIBUSINESS & MARKETING SUBCOMMITTEE/AGRICULTURE

Room 500N State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Chuck Brown. Agenda: HF243 (Steensma) Agriculture; providing a cattle export program; making export enhancement payments to cattle raisers & exporters. HF1025 (Peterson) Real property; changing certain restrictions on corporate ownership of agricultural land. Bill regarding the creation of an Agricultural Utilization Institute.

6:00 p.m.

JUDICIARY

Basement Hearing Room State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Randy Kelly. Agenda: HF1379 (Greenfield) Crimes; sexual conduct; etc. HF730 (Wagenius) Witnesses; expanding the exception to the husband-wife privilege applicable to crimes committed against children. HF674 (Blatz) Crimes; dictating circumstances in which the court may stay execution of sentence following conviction for a second or subsequent offense relating to criminal sexual conduct, etc. HF875 (Garruthers) Controlled substances; prescribing "small amount" of marijuana; clarifying certain Schedule II substances. HF1419 (Orenstein) Human rights; requiring certain boards & commissions to develop programs for persons subject to prejudice & discrimination, etc. HF706 (Kelly) Juveniles: clarifying certain recent changes to the juvenile court act. HF1204 (Scheid) Henn. county; providing for management of county health facilities; permitting county board to hold closed meetings on certain medical center business; permitting certain data to be treated as trade secret information. Bill reported back from Division or Subcommittees may be added to this agenda.

7:00 p.m.

EDUCATION DIVISION/APPROPRIATIONS

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/APPROPRIATIONS

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & HOUSING

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/EDUCATION

7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/APPROPRIATIONS
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EDUCATION

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

10:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURAL FINANCE DIVISION/AGRICULTURE

COMPUTERS & TELECOMMUNICATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE/ APPROPRIATIONS

HIGHER EDUCATION
Room 500N State Office Building, Chtr. Rep. Mike Jaros. Agenda: HF899 (Ogren) Establish the Fon du Lac Higher Education Center. HF741 (Pappas) Provide for expanded offerings at Metro State Univ. HF805 (Gruenes) Adjusting funding for post secondary systems every year if population changes more than 3%. HF1324 (Price) Establishing a task force on financing post-secondary education. (Meeting will be continued, if needed, in Room 1043 Capitol, at 8:30 p.m., or immediately following the joint committee meeting of the House Higher Education & the Senate Education committees.

METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS

12:00 noon

DAIRY & LIVESTOCK SUBCOMMITTEE
AGRICULTURE

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE

TRANSPORTATION
Room 10 State Office Building, Chtr. Rep. Henry Kis, Agenda: House files not completed at 4/6 meeting. HF1163 (Jensen) Street & highway access charges. HF1277 (Anderson, C.) State park road account. HF1308 (Lieder) Limousine licensing. HF3125 (Gutnecht) 7 Characters on Vanity plates. HFxxxx (Kalis) Highway funding. HF80 (Simoneau) 6-year license plates. HF1397 (Rice) Regulating construction private carriers.

2:00 p.m.

The House will meet in Session.

After Session.

PHYSICAL MENTAL HEALTH SUBCOMMITTEE/HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

SOCIAL SERVICES SUBCOMMITTEE/HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

JUDICIARY
Basement Hearing Room State Office Building, Chtr. Rep. Randy Kelly. Agenda: HF485 (Kalis) Agriculture; strengthening the pesticide laws. HF609 (Kelly) Government data practices. HF969 (Kelly) Sentencing guidelines commission; including a crime victim as a member of the commission. HF1312 (Kelly) Peace officers; requiring licensure as a prerequisite to exercising the authority of a peace officer. HF1314 (Carruthers) Courts; conforming fees for the filing of an unlawful detainer action in Henn. Co., etc. HF1371 (Knut) Courts; specifying certain locations for holding court in Ramsey county. HF350 (Bishop) Crime; extending the crimes of murder in the second degree & manslaughter in the first degree to deaths caused by the sale or distribution of controlled substances. HF1005 (McLaughlin) Landlord & tenant; authorizing tenants in single-metered residential buildings to pay gas & electric utilities & deduct payments from rent due. HF1413 (Milbert) Public safety; establishing state reimbursement program for purchases of soft body armor & for peace officers. HF478 (Olsen, S.3) Public safety; establishing state reimbursement program for purchase of soft body armor, etc. HF699 (Nelson, D.) Collection & dissemination of data. HF88 (Quinn) Trusts; regulating investment of trust assets. Bills reported back from division or subcommittees may be added to this agenda.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS
Room 300S State Office Building, Chtr. Rep. Joe Begich. Agenda: Bills from division on Unemp. Ins./Workers Comp. & others to be announced.

6:00 p.m.

LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON PENSIONS & RETIREMENT

7:00 p.m.

EDUCATION DIVISION/ APPROPRIATIONS

JOINT HOUSE HIGHER EDUCATION/ SENATE EDUCATION

REGULATED INDUSTRIES
STATE DEPARTMENTS
DIVISION/APPROPRIATIONS

Thursday, April 9

8:00 a.m.
AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATES DIVISION/ APPROPRIATIONS

EDUCATION DIVISION/ APPROPRIATIONS

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/APPROPRIATIONS

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/APPROPRIATIONS

PROPERTY TAX DIVISION/ TAXES

TAX LAWS DIVISION/TAXES

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

10:00 a.m.
ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

COMMERCE
Basement Hearing Room State Office Building. Chr. Rep. John Sarna. HF822 (O'Connor) Commerce; requiring that solicitations for new open-end credit contain specific disclosures respecting conditions & costs. HF1366 (Knakel) Occupations & professions; requiring the licensing of interior designers; defining the practice of interior design; providing for exemptions; providing for administration of licensing requirements.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

12:00 noon
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & HOUSING

GENERAL LEGISLATION, VETERANS AFFAIRS & GAMING

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS
Room 200 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Dave Battaglia. Agenda: HFxxxx (Battaglia) Silver Bay; establishing Economic Development Authority. HF1249 (Stanits) White Bear Lake conservation district; providing for membership of its governing board. HF1413 (Miller) Redwood Falls; economic development authority to construct & furnish buildings; authorizing authority to issue general obligation bonds subject to reverse referendum; authorizing establishment of certain economic development districts. HFxxxx (Dorn) Mankato; establishing special service district.

2:00 p.m.
The House will meet in Session.

After Session

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/APPROPRIATIONS

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & HOUSING

7:00 p.m.
EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/EDUCATION

Friday, April 10

8:00 a.m.
EDUCATION DIVISION/ APPROPRIATIONS

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/APPROPRIATIONS

EDUCATION

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

TAXES

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/APPROPRIATIONS

10:00 a.m.
AGRICULTURE

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Do You Know

In addition to other duties as elected representatives, legislators work on commissions which study and report on issues and problems of concern to the state. For example, the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement, Legislative Commission on Employee Relations, and the Great Lakes Commission.

The majority of members on legislative commissions must be legislators. In the House, the speaker of the House appoints the members. In the Senate, a subcommittee selects senators to serve. Appointments are for two years.

Legislative commissions are ongoing, long term, and more permanent than study groups, task forces, and joint legislative committees. Laws about their purpose and how they function differ for each.

To establish a commission, a legislator introduces a bill proposing the commission. The bill then must go through the committee and legislative process, pass the House and Senate, get the governor's signature, and become a part of Minnesota Statutes.

The number of commissions and the length of time they exist varies as the need for them comes and goes.

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EDUCATION DIVISION/ APPROPRIATIONS
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