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Salary increase rejection

On a unanimous voice vote Feb. 19, the Governmental Operations Committee recommended to pass HF68 (Vanasek, DFL-New Prague), making the first move to reject the State Compensation Council's recommended salary increases for state officials.

Minnesota's Constitution requires legislators to set salaries for themselves, the state's constitutional officers, and judges. The Legislature created the State Compensation Council in 1983 to assist in this process. However, the Legislature must appropriate money to pay for any recommended increase.

While offering overall praise for the council's work, Committee Chair Rep. Wayne Simoneau (DFL-Fridley) said, "This last time...the compensation council erred in their decision...the increases they suggested for legislators went beyond what we had ever envisioned."

The proposed increases, which were to take effect Jan. 1, 1989, ranged from four percent for the governor, to 22 percent for the state treasurer, and 18 percent for legislators.

The committee amended the bill to limit any future legislative salary increases to no more than the lowest comparable rate of increase for other state employees.

If HF68 becomes law, the compensation council's recommended increases would not go into effect unless the Legislature acts again to amend or repeal the rejection.

Medical school costs

High tuition and resulting debt levels are keeping more students out of professional medical programs each year, say University of Minnesota officials.

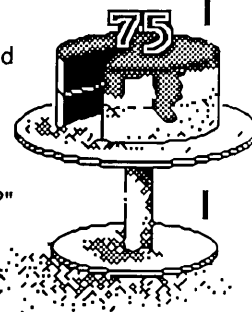
Dr. Neal Vanselow, U of M vice president for health sciences, told the Education Division of the Appropriations Committee Feb. 19 that medical students accumulate \$25,000 to \$32,000 in debts by the time they graduate. He said health

It's a fact!

This Legislative Jubilee session, we celebrate birthdays of revered politicians and statesmen, Washington and Lincoln. And a story about Lincoln, the politician, has consoled office seekers through the ages:

"How are you feeling, sir?" a sympathizer asked Lincoln after he lost an 1858 Senate race, "Like the boy who stubbed his toe, I'm too big to cry and too badly hurt to laugh," answered the sad, downcast Lincoln.

The story reached out from history in 1952, when Adlai Stevenson used it to describe the pain of losing the presidency to Dwight (Ike) Eisenhower. See "Do You Know?" (back page).



science students have the highest tuition rates in the University, but still pay only about one-fourth of actual program costs.

U of M medical, dental, veterinary, and pharmacy programs are the only choices for students who can't afford outstate or private institutions, Vanselow said. But, he said, lower cost medical programs are an expense to all undergraduates who currently pay an average of \$90 more yearly to support the University's high cost medical programs.

He asked legislators to consider subsidizing health science programs to keep from raising tuitions or continuing to shift program costs to other U of M students.

Commitment to Focus

Calling it a bold plan for change, University of Minnesota-Duluth (UMD) faculty endorsed the University's Commitment to Focus (CTF) Feb. 18.

Dr. Roger Fisher, UMD history professor, says the UMD staff sees no problems with CTF or the proposed changes for the Duluth campus. Fisher says CTF is the "first real example of leadership from the president's office in a generation."

Faculty members say the proposed enrollment cut at Duluth won't decrease access for northern Minnesota students. Fisher says the change will displace about 300 students, but mostly from metropolitan suburbs.

Fisher says UMD staff have already committed their focus on high quality education and that upgrading and standardizing admission requirements will force them to get even better. But, he said, UMD's ability to deliver what CTF asks depends on money, autonomy, respect from the public, U of M regents, and President Ken Keller.

Fisher made his remarks at the Feb. 18 meeting of the Higher Education Committee.

Classroom technology

Computers and interactive television are two tools that could help teachers improve education for Minnesota students, according to a study of state technology demonstration sites.

On Feb. 18, Education Committee members reviewed a three-year, state-funded program that tested new technology in 96 school districts statewide.

The study showed that interactive television classes benefit the greatest number of students. Students learned as much through closed-circuit television instruction as from traditional classroom teacher instruction, according to the study.

The study found no evidence that computers have direct benefit on learning. Although word processors don't increase student writing skills, the report says kids who enjoy using the computers write more.

Program evaluator Diane Morehouse told legislators that people have to be realistic about what technology can and cannot do for students. Computers and other technology are only tools like books or typewriters, she said, but goodteaching is still the key to learning.

Mental health funding

Minnesota's mental health funding structure will have to change drastically to meet the mental health needs of the state, according to Sandra Gardebring, Human Services commissioner.

Gardebring appeared before the Health and Human Services Division of the Appropriations Committee Feb. 18 to present the department's budget and speak for a new funding structure.

She told lawmakers the department proposes to consolidate nearly 10 funding sources counties use to pay for mental health care. Gardebring says the multiple-

funding sources have contributed to the state's severely limited and fragmented mental health care system.

Gardebring says the department would consolidate the funding in 1989, after a year of planning and preparation. She called the proposal "a very aggressive change in the state's mental health program."

Milk in schools

A bill that would give free milk to students in Minnesota's elementary and secondary schools moved out of the Dairy and Livestock Subcommittee Feb. 17 and is on its way to the full Agriculture Committee.

HF153 would require all school districts to provide one-half pint of milk to students in K-12. Most school districts dropped out of the milk program because of federal budget cuts reaching nearly 85 percent over the years since 1981.

The bill's author, Rep. Rick Krueger (DFL-Staples), estimates the milk program would cost the state about \$10 million every two years. Under the proposal, the Department of Agriculture would reimburse school districts for the cost of the milk.

Supporters of the bill say the milk program would provide daily nutrition for Minnesota students and give farmers more milk markets.

Property tax reform

Property tax is a critical issue for state tax reform this session, Minnesota economists told the Taxes Committee Feb. 17.

Julie Friedman, an economist from St. Paul's Macalaster College, says the state's property classification system is inefficient in the way it shifts property tax burdens in certain areas.

According to Friedman, the state's system is one of inequity because it provides relief to individuals with the same kind of property as others, but who don't have similar needs. She says relief is poorly targeted to help those in question. She proposed that targeted, rather than broad-base relief, will get relief to those the system wants to help.

Friedman's remarks echo statements that officials of the Department of Revenue made at the Taxes Committee meeting Feb. 5. They say Minnesota's property tax system is seriously flawed and needs drastic overhaul.

According to the Department of Revenue, Minnesota has 68 property classifications, more than any other state. The department proposes to reduce that number to five. Officials added that the current classification system has created over 6,000 taxing units in the state.

The department also proposes to reduce the number of state aids and credits from 10 to 1, and create a State Education Credit. Revenue officials say they hope this will hold back property tax increases.

Credit applications

Personal and commercial lenders could no longer require two signatures when a married person applies for credit under a proposal Rep. Dave Bishop (IR-Rochester) brought to the Judiciary Committee Feb. 17.

Bishop told committee members that some lenders require a spouse's signature on applications and credit papers when they know the applicant is married. But if the applicant is not married, they don't require a second signature.

If the applicant meets other credit requirements, Bishop says, a spouse's signature shouldn't be necessary, except where the spouse has an interest, as in the case of a mortgage or homestead.

Also, HF222 would make it unfair for lenders to discriminate because of sex or marital status when extending personal or commercial credit, or in the requirements for obtaining credit.

The committee recommended the bill to pass; it now moves to the full House for further action.

Criminal trials

The next time you serve on a jury, the prosecution, rather than the defense, may have the last word.

After several hours of testimony and committee discussion, the Judiciary Committee gave preliminary approval Feb. 17 to HF137 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul). The committee added a provision that would give the prosecution up to five minutes to respond to statements in the defendant's closing argument. Current law gives the defense the final word.

Other provisions would allow a judge to order, in writing, a joint trial for two or more persons authorities have charged with the same felony. And, in certain cases, it would give the prosecution and defense the same number of chances to challenge and remove a juror without explaining why.

The bill goes next to the full House.

Headphones

Bicyclists who wear headphones while riding could not wear headphones that cover both ears, under a bill the Transportation Committee's Safety Subcommittee recommended to pass Feb. 17.

HF269 (Kahn, DFL-Mpls) would, however, allow bikers to wear an earphone in one ear. Violators would face a petty misdemeanor fine of up to \$100.

The bill's author, Rep. Phyllis Kahn, says bicyclists, like other

traveling motorists, need to be on the alert. She says excluding bikers from the present law that prohibits motorists from wearing headphones was an oversight.

HF269 has the support of the American Youth Hostels, a group that organizes bike tours, and the Minnesota Coalition of Bicyclists.

The bill goes next to the full Transportation Committee.

Austin enterprise zone

Rep. Leo Reding (DFL-Austin) is proposing HF133, a bill that would authorize Austin as an enterprise zone, even though the deadline for such authorization was Dec. 31, 1986. As an enterprise zone, Austin's new businesses would get special tax breaks. Reding told the Economic Development and Housing Committee Feb. 17 that because of the Hormel strike, Austin needs special consideration to create jobs.

During the discussion on HF133, some committee members said Austin should not get into the enterprise zone program after the deadline. They said Austin is not unique in its problems of lost jobs, diminished populations, reduced land values, and the farm crisis.

Rep. Bob Neuenschwander (DFL-Int'l Falls) questioned the policy of creating enterprise zones. He says they don't solve state economic problems, but only shift them from one part of the state to another by encouraging businesses to leave one city for another.

After the discussion, the committee recommended on a voice vote that the bill pass. The proposal move to the Taxes Committee.

Iron range electric utility

The Regulated Industries Committee laid a bill over Feb. 16 that supporters say may save 600 Iron Range jobs.

HF70 (Minne., DFL-Hibbing) would give National Steel, a major Minnesota taconite producer, the right to negotiate low-energy rates with electric power suppliers.

A company spokesperson says this would create a savings for National Steel of about \$3 per ton on production costs. Without the proposed energy cost reductions, he says the company would probably close the plant. In fact, he says, the plant has already started closing procedures.

Steelworker union officials say the energy savings would keep the company in business, help it regain its competitive edge, and save 600 jobs.

Hibbing Mayor Richard Nordvald says the bill would help keep a struggling taconite industry alive, and Iron Range communities support it.

The committee will continue testimony and discussion on HF70.

Science and technology

Minnesota has lost ground in the areas of science and technology, says Ettore Infante, dean of the University of Minnesota's Institute of Technology.

He talked about the role of technology in Minnesota's future at the Future and Technology Committee meeting Feb. 16.

In the last 20 years, according to Infante, universities in other states have been gathering a larger proportion of federal research and development money. He says the University of Minnesota ranked 11th in 1964, but now ranks 17th.

But, Infante says, the state is blessed with what he calls "traditionally the best educational

system in the United States." He adds that the educational system has created one of the "best work forces in the nation, and has been able to capture and utilize technological development."

He says the state has one of the most unusually well-prepared work forces for an industrial setting, because it's an "ethically conscious and hard-working labor force."

Infante says the state must emphasize education to move ahead in future science and technological initiatives. He adds that this educational strengthening in science and technology must occur at all levels, beginning in kindergarten, lasting through college and vocational education.

Minimum wage

The Labor-Management Relations Committee recommended to pass HF3 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul) Feb. 16. The bill would gradually raise Minnesota's minimum wage. By 1989, adult minimum wage would increase from \$3.35 to \$4.35 an hour. Minimum wage for people under 18 would increase from \$3.02 to \$3.92 an hour. Workers who get tips would not see an increase until 1988.

The debate centers on the cost of doing business versus the cost of living in Minnesota. Opponents of the bill argue that raising the minimum wage would force businesses to hire fewer workers. Proponents say full-time workers should have a guaranteed wage above the poverty level. Leaders from business, labor, worker's groups, and the National Organization of Women testified before the committee.

Workers' compensation

Duane Harves, chief administrative law judge in the Minnesota Office of Administrative Hearings, talked with the

Unemployment Insurance and Workers' Compensation Division of the Labor-Management Relations Committee Feb. 16 about delay problems in the workers' compensation system.

Harves says resolving claims often takes up to 38 months. "Most states consider a six-month delay too long. But we're just trying to get down to six months," Harves says. He blames delays on a heavy caseload and the "triple track" claim processing system in which adjusters process rehabilitation, medical, or liability claims differently. Cases that involve more than one issue must go through different processes for each issue.

"If we never received another case, our existing staff could, in 11 months, process the 3,935 backlog of cases," says Harves, but workers filed 63.7 percent more cases in 1986 than in 1984."

Eighteen judges presently work on workers' compensation cases. "We have requested 10 additional judges plus 6 support staff positions," he says. The governor has recommended 6 new judges plus 4 support staff positions "to curb the increase in delay and to reduce time between claim petitions and hearings."

Pension fund money

Should the State Board of Investments invest pension fund money in foreign companies? Legislators disagreed on the House Floor Feb. 12, and rereferred HF186 (Simoneau, DFL-Fridley) to the Governmental Operations Committee for further discussion. The bill would give the state board authority to purchase certain foreign securities.

Supporters of the measure say giving state investors more flexibility in high-risk investments would bring in more money for retired state employees than does low-risk investing. Opponents say investing in some foreign companies is too risky and raises political

issues. They also say that Minnesota shouldn't invest in foreign companies that compete with companies in the United States and Minnesota.

Rep. Bill Schreiber (IR-Brooklyn Park) questioned whether Minnesota pension dollars should go to countries that compete with United States' markets, even if there's a 12 percent return on those investments. He said the state should invest in American companies to create more jobs here.

Minnesota Futures, Inc.

Nationally known business consultant David Morris of St. Paul says Minnesota should use its \$719 million federal tax windfall, not to lower taxes, nor to supplement this year's budget, but to give every Minnesotan a \$20 share of stock in Minnesota Futures, Inc. (MFI).

MFI would be a publicly owned, profit-making corporation seeking efficient, economical solutions to the state's social problems, such as waste management and care for the disabled, says Morris. According to Morris, Minnesota would save money and improve the economy by contracting with private venture capitalists in solving these problems.

"Conservatives believe private, profit-oriented efforts are the best problem solvers. Liberals maintain communities have a responsibility to provide for the weak and the needy and to protect the environment. MFI combines conservative means and liberal ends. It would commercialize inventions that reduce the need for public expenditures," says Morris.

He presented his idea to the Economic Development and Housing Committee Feb. 12. Also, Melva Radtke, executive director of the Minnesota Center for Community Economic Development, and Warren Hanson, executive director of West Bank Community Development Center, overviewed Minnesota Community Development Corporations.

notes

The "2002 Fund" bill, HF92 (Minne, DFL-Hibbing), passed in the House Feb. 19. Author says the bill could bring as many as 1,500 jobs to the depressed northeastern Minnesota area.

New Minnesota history textbook will soon be on its way to elementary school teachers. Minnesota Historical Society (MHS) has drafted the first two chapters reports Nina Archabal, MHS director, at Feb. 16 Transportation, Agriculture, Semi-State Division of Appropriations meeting. MHS is in charge of producing the book. Scheduled completion date is fall of 1988.

Farmers who use the state's mediation program are generally 48 years old, have farmed 26 years, support five people with their farm income and their wives' off-farm income. They have a cash crop enterprise and total farm debt of \$372,000. Kathy Mangum, the state's farm mediation program coordinator reported statistics to the Agriculture Committee Feb. 16.

Budgets from the State Planning Board and the Department of Administration were on the Feb. 17-19 agendas for hearings in the State Departments Division of the Appropriations Committee.

Health and Human Services Division/Appropriations Committee heard continuing and new budget overviews Feb. 16 and 17 from Orville Pung, Department of Corrections commissioner; John Poupart, ombudsman for corrections; Debra Dailey, director, Sentencing Guidelines Commission; and public testimony on Department of Corrections budget.

Minnesota's in a good position to harness and develop future science and technology-related industry, says Dean Ettore Infante from U of M's Institute of Technology. State needs to compliment its unusually good workforce with emphasis on science and technology education. (See Highlight: "State technological strength")

The University of Minnesota's Institute of Technology instructs over 5,600 students. Its staff of about 400 regular faculty teaches courses in areas such as aerospace, chemical, civil and electrical engineering, computer science, and physics. The Institute offers more than 25 technology or science-related majors, says the Dean's Office.

About 2,800 high-tech companies make their home in Minnesota, according to statistics from the Governor's Office of Science and Technology. About 2,100 or 75 percent of high-tech companies are in the Twin Cities metro area.

A bill that would toughen the state's child passenger protection law won support from the Safety Subcommittee of the Transportation Committee Feb. 17. HF29 (Skoglund, DFL-Mpls) would make all drivers responsible for buckling children under four years old into a child restraint. The bill would penalize first-time offenders. Would exempt from requirements, children in an emergency medical vehicle or taxi or riding with peace officers, and children who, for medical or physical reasons, can't ride in the safety seats.

Department of Human Services Commissioner

Sandra Gardebring presented her department's budget to the Health and Human Services Division/Appropriations Committee Feb. 18 and 19.

Postsecondary students had their day at the Capitol Feb. 19 to voice concern about increasing student debt. Day included rally with participation from Rep. Mike Jaros (DFL-Duluth), Higher Education Committee chair.

The Property Tax Division heard public testimony Feb. 19 from groups concerned about state property tax reform. Areas of discussion included simplification of property classification system, disparities in current classification system, and shifting of tax burden on different types of property.

"What will Minnesotans want to do outdoors in the year 2000?" and "What action needs to be taken to ensure outdoor recreation needs are met?" Former IR Speaker of the House, Rod Searle, presented "Recommit to Recreation--A Report on Minnesota's Future Outdoor Recreation Needs," to the Environment and Natural Resources Committee Feb. 19. The report summarizes four months of public hearings throughout the state focusing on these two questions.

Employers may have to withhold child support from employees' wages under a proposal before Judiciary's Crime and Family Law Division. Hearings continued Feb. 16 on HF163 (Schoenfeld, DFL-Waseca), with testimony from county child support agencies, parents' organizations, and members of the public.

Highway projects on the books for 1988-89 may go on the back burner if the highway funding forecast doesn't clear. On Feb. 18, officials from the Minnesota Department of Transportation explained where they get and how they spend road-maintenance funds. The department could run short on funds during the 1988-89 biennium. Department's calling on legislators to help find alternative funding for highway construction projects.

Rep. Mary Forsythe (IR-Edina) is for Commitment to Focus. At a Higher Education meeting, Forsythe said, "We've done a great deal of discussing of those students who come from the rural areas, the metro areas, but there's one kind of student that we have not mentioned. That is the student, and we have a lot of them around the state of Minnesota, with a high degree of intelligence, a high standard for themselves. These hard-working kids want a school that has a high academic standard, one that they can go to and feel that they will be challenged....We must provide a school of this kind of standard within the state of Minnesota, and certainly the Twin Cities campus of the University is it."

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COMMITTEE ACTION

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & HOUSING

Tuesday, Feb. 17

Austin--creation of enterprise zone

HF133/SF129 (Reding, DFL-Austin)--recommended to pass as amended; referred to Taxes Committee. (SF in Senate Economic Development and Housing Committee)

Burnsville--industrial development bond refund

HF160/SF77 (Morrison, IR-Burnsville)--heard. (SF in Senate Economic Development and Housing Committee)

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE

Wednesday, Feb. 18

Commerce Department--housekeeping

HF291 (Winter, DFL-Fulda)--heard; amended.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

Thursday, Feb. 19

Salary adjustments--rejected

HF68 (Vanasek, DFL-New Prague)--recommended to pass as amended.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Thursday, Feb. 19

County medical assistance claims

HF18/SF15 (Ogren, DFL-Aitkin)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Anatomical gifts--required request for consent

HF23/SF86 (Kahn, DFL-Mpls)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Health and Human Services Committee)

JUDICIARY

Monday, Feb. 16

Criminal trial procedures--changes

HF137/SF220 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul)--heard; amended. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Tuesday, Feb. 17

County medical assistance reimbursed

HF19/SF16 (Ogren, DFL-Aitkin)--recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Criminal trial procedures--changes

HF137/SF220 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul)--recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Credit discrimination prohibited

HF222/SF168 (Bishop, IR-Rochester)--recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar. (SF on Senate Floor)

Crime & Family Law Div./Judic.

Monday, Feb. 16

Paternity/child support revisions

HF163/SF242 (Schoenfeld, DFL-Waseca)--heard; amended. (SF in Senate Health and Human Services Committee)

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

Monday, Feb. 16

Minimum wage increase

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

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS

Tuesday, Feb. 17

St. Stephen--civic building

HF191/SF417 (Omann, IR-St. Joseph)--recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar. (SF in Senate Local and Urban Government Committee)

Anoka County--highway development

HF94/SF200 (Simoneau, DFL-Fridley)--recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Transportation Committee. (SF in Senate Transportation Committee)

Anoka County--capital improvements

HF95/SF201 (Simoneau, DFL-Fridley)--recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Local and Urban Government Committee)

Thursday, Feb. 19

Local government--city reserve fund

HF81 (Stanislaus, IR-White Bear Lake)--recommended to pass.

**White Bear Lake--special
service district**

HF82 (Stanis, IR-White Bear Lake)--
recommended to pass; rereferred to Taxes
Committee.

**St. Paul--capital improvement
bonds**

HF289 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul)--
recommended to pass as amended.

**REGULATED
INDUSTRIES**

Monday, Feb. 16

Iron Range utility pricing

HF70/SF134 (Minne, DFL-Hibbing)--
heard. (SF in Senate Public Utilities and
Energy Committee)

**FLOOR
ACTION**

**CONSENT
CALENDAR**

Monday, Feb. 16

**Adoption expense
reimbursement**

HF127/SF49 (Krueger, DFL-Staples)--
passed. (SF in Senate Judiciary
Committee)

CALENDAR

Thursday, Feb. 12

**Interest buydown program
extension**

HF1/SF93 (Olson, K., DFL-Sherburn)--
passed. (SF in Senate Agriculture
Committee)

GENERAL ORDERS

Thursday, Feb. 12

**Investment board--new
authority**

HF186/SF314 (Simoneau, DFL-Fridley)--
amended; rereferred to Government
Operations Committee. (SF in Senate
Governmental Operations Committee)

Monday, Feb. 16

**Endotronics facility--
investment**

HF92/SF122 (Minne, DFL-Hibbing)--
recommended to pass as amended.
(SF in Senate Economic Development
and Housing Committee)

Key

HF--House File

SF--Senate File

HF#/SF#--companion bills

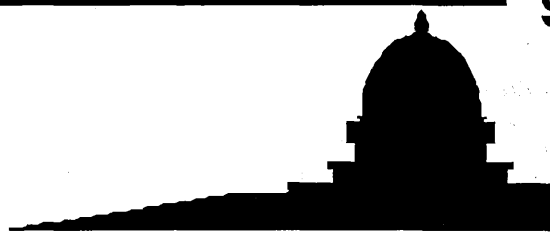
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BILL INTRODUCTIONS

February 13-19, 1987



House Bill Introductions Monday, Feb. 16

HF412--Segal (DFL)-- Financial

Institutions/Insurance

Insurance; accident and health; providing group coverage for ambulatory mental health services; amending statutes.

HF413--Jensen (DFL)-- Transportation

Public safety; increasing taxable gross weight of vehicles at which proof of payment of use tax is required; providing for permits for new vehicles used in events for promotion purposes; changing trip permit conditions; increasing fine for unlawful use of registration plates or certificates; allowing police to give age of parties in traffic accident to media; providing for service of notice of driver's license revocation by court; providing for chemical tests to determine presence of alcohol or controlled substance; prescribing contents of petition for judicial review of driver's license revocation; subjecting alcohol problem assessment rules to administrative procedure act; prescribing actions by drivers on one-way road when emergency vehicle approaching; requiring school buses on one-way, separated roads with shoulders to load and unload without flashing lights; allowing peace officers to weigh pickup towing trailer or semitrailer; providing for \$10 fee for class A classified provisional driver's license; allowing inspection of school buses for approved wheelchair devices; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF414--Frederick (IR)-- Education

Education; appropriating money to the department of education for the KIDS technology demonstration site at Mankato-St. Peter.

HF415--Johnson, A (DFL)-- Governmental Operations

State government; regulating the state

council for the handicapped; extending the time for appeals by the council from state building code decisions affecting the interests of handicapped persons; changing the name of the council; amending the duties and responsibilities of the council; authorizing the council to initiate or intervene in proceedings affecting handicapped persons; amending statutes.

HF416--Nelson, K (DFL)-- Metropolitan Affairs

Metropolitan government; permitting regional railroad authorities to engage in certain activities; amending statutes.

HF417--McLaughlin (DFL)-- Financial Institutions/Insurance

Insurance; providing flexibility in the amount of coverages other than for the dwelling under a homeowner's policy; proposing coding for new law.

HF418--Minne (DFL)-- General Legislation/Veteran's Affairs/Gaming

Veterans; requiring the commissioner to establish a certification process for veterans service officers; amending statutes.

HF419--Krueger (DFL)-- Agriculture

Agriculture; clarifying the exceptions to prohibition against manufacture of food from adulterated milk or cream; amending statutes.

HF420--Jacobs (DFL)-- Regulated Industries

Utilities; regulating certain intrastate gas pipelines; amending statutes.

HF421--Ogren (DFL)-- Health/Human Services

Health; authorizing the commissioner of health to issue subpoenas in certain instances; proposing coding for new law.

HF422--Clark (DFL)-- Health/Human Services

Health; health maintenance organizations; requiring disclosure of certain exclusions and limitations on coverage; amending statutes.

HF423--Brown (DFL)-- Agriculture

A resolution commending Minnesota's sugar beet growers for their outstanding contributions to the economy and quality of life in Minnesota; memorializing Congress and the United States Department of Agriculture to continue the current United States Sugar Program.

HF424--DeBlieck (DFL)-- Governmental Operations

Military; authorizing the adjutant general to delegate certain duties to subordinates; amending statutes.

HF425--Dempsey (IR)-- Health/Human Services

Health; creating an exception to the nursing home moratorium; amending statutes.

HF426--Heap (IR)--Higher Education

Education; making admission to the community college system admission to the AVTI system and vice versa; proposing coding for new law.

HF427--Rest (DFL)--Judiciary

Public safety; providing that violation of local DWI ordinance is counted for purposes of driver's license revocation; providing that courts must report juvenile traffic violations to the department of public safety; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF428--Welle (DFL)-- Transportation

Transportation; railroads; requiring occupied caboose car on certain trains; requiring caboose car to be equipped with shortwave radio; imposing a penalty; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF429--Marsh (IR)--Judiciary

Crimes; allowing the court to sentence defendants up to, and including, the maximum sentence provided by law for the offense of conviction if one or more aggravating factors are present; amending statutes.

HF430--Milbert (DFL)--Financial

Institutions/Insurance
Insurance; regulating terminations of certain agency contracts; requiring companies to attempt to rehabilitate agents before terminating their appointment; regulating these rehabilitation agreements; amending statutes.

HF431--Johnson, V (IR)--Health/Human Services

Human services; extending the community work experience pilot program; amending statutes.

HF432--McEachern (DFL)--Education

Education; modifying certain provisions of the compulsory attendance laws; establishing new compulsory attendance requirements; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF433--Price (DFL)--Labor-Management Relations

Education; providing a work curfew for high school students; providing a fine; amending statutes.

HF434--Sarna (DFL)--Labor-Management Relations

Employment; prohibiting employers from restricting the legal off-the-job activities of employees; proposing coding for new law.

HF435--Sviggum (IR)--Labor-Management Relations

Workers' compensation; prohibiting benefits for injuries caused by employees use of drugs; amending statutes.

HF436--Lieder (DFL)--Agriculture

Agriculture; providing minimum standards for seed potatoes; proposing coding for new law.

HF437--Pelowski (DFL)--Education

Education; establishing a pilot program to reduce class sizes in kindergarten through third grade; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF438--Segal (DFL)--Health/Human Services

Human services; authorizing the commissioner of human services to establish a study committee on problems of elderly persons with mental retardation or related conditions.

HF439--Wagenius (DFL)--Judiciary

Real estate; providing for clearing title defects in adjacent land; amending statutes.

HF440--Kelly (DFL)--Judiciary

Probate; enacting the succession without administration provisions of the uniform probate code; proposing coding for new law.

HF441--Ozment (IR)--Higher Education

Post-secondary vocational education; removing the date for phasing out the Vietnam veteran's exemption; changing the eligibility requirements; amending statutes.

HF442--Steensma (DFL)--Economic

Development/Housing
Agriculture; establishing an interest rate buy-down program for agriculture-related small business; appropriating money.

HF443--Osthoff (DFL)--Taxes

Taxation; sales and use; exempting state fair admissions; amending statutes.

HF444--Sparby (DFL)--Commerce

Insurance; regulating funeral and burial expenses; allowing persons to select funeral or burial services and supplies of their choice; amending statutes.

HF445--Neuenschwander (DFL)--Financial

Institutions/Insurance
Commerce; permitting certain charitable

trusts to dispose of certain bank assets; proposing coding for new law.

HF446--Morrison (IR)--Health/Human Services

Marriage; requiring certain blood tests before marriage; amending statutes.

HF447--Jaros (DFL)--Regulated Industries

Liquor; authorizing municipalities to permit holders of both on-sale wine and nonintoxicating malt liquor licenses to sell intoxicating malt liquors; amending statutes; repealing laws.

HF448--Jaros (DFL)--Financial

Institutions/Insurance
Automobile; insurance; limiting the grounds for cancellation or reduction in limits during the policy period; amending statutes.

HF449--Beard (DFL)--Economic

Development/Housing
Economic development; authorizing economic development authorities to construct and furnish buildings; providing for a referendum on an economic development authority's issuance of general obligation bonds; amending statutes.

HF450--Bertram (DFL)--Financial

Institutions/Insurance
Commerce; regulating the advertisement of interest rates of investment products; prescribing the powers and duties of the commissioner; providing for uniformity in the enforcement powers of the commissioner; prescribing penalties; providing remedies; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF451--Neuenschwander (DFL)--Taxes

Taxation; individual income; eliminating restrictions on the pension income exclusion; modifying the income offset; amending statutes.

HF452--Heap (IR)--Labor-Management Relations

Workers' compensation; changing basis of calculating minimum weekly

temporary total disability benefits; amending statutes.

**HF453--O'Connor (DFL)--
Governmental Operations**

State investments; limiting investments in companies doing business in Northern Ireland; proposing coding for new law.

**HF454--Skoglund (DFL)--
Financial**

Institutions/Insurance
Insurance; regulating unfair settlement practices of automobile insurers; requiring repairs with original equipment parts; providing an exception; regulating insurance appraisals; revising the truth-in-repairs act to require disclosure of whether new parts are original equipment parts; amending statutes.

**HF455--Pappas (DFL)--
Governmental Operations**

State government; providing reimbursement for certain child care expenses incurred in connection with service on state boards, councils, committees, and task forces; amending statutes.

**HF456--Bauerly (DFL)--
Commerce**

Public health; requiring an itemized billing for hearing aid repairs; amending statutes.

**HF457--Johnson, R (DFL)--
Governmental Operations**

Retirement; public employees retirement association administrative changes; privacy of certain membership data; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

**HF458--Simoneau (DFL)--
Governmental Operations**

Retirement; providing that membership in a public pension plan is an enforceable contractual right; proposing coding for new law.

**HF459--Sviggum (IR)--Labor-
Management Relations**

Workers' compensation; eliminating supplemental benefits for new claims; amending statutes.

**HF460--Haukoos (IR)--
Transportation**

Motor vehicles; authorizing quarterly registration of trucks; amending statutes.

**HF461--Bennett (IR)--
Education**

Education; requiring selective service registration as a prerequisite to enrollment in public post-secondary institutions; proposing coding for new law.

**HF462--Segal (DFL)--General
Legislation/Veterans
Affairs/Gaming**

A resolution memorializing the United States Congress to maintain the Veteran's Administration system of health care facilities.

**HF463--Simoneau (DFL)--
Governmental Operations**

Retirement; public employees retirement association; lowering vesting standards; amending statutes.

**HF464--Carlson, L (DFL)--
Financial**

Institutions/Insurance
Insurance; accident and health; increasing the maximum lifetime benefit for major medical coverage; amending statutes.

**HF465--Kostohryz (DFL)--
Local/Urban Affairs**

Ramsey county; providing for a charter commission to recommend a form of county government and providing for its adoption.

**HF466--Sarna (DFL)--
Commerce**

Commerce; clarifying unregulated sales of eyeglasses; amending statutes.

**HF467--Bertram (DFL)--
Judiciary**

Liability; providing immunity from liability for volunteer fire chiefs; proposing coding for new law.

**HF468--Sviggum (IR)--
Governmental Operations**

State government; amending legislative action required to put recommendations of the state compensation council into effect; amending statutes.

**HF469--McEachern (DFL)--
Local/Urban Affairs**

Food licenses; regulating certain vending machines inspection fees; amending statutes.

**HF470--Bishop (IR)--
Health/Human Services**

Family law; eliminating the requirement that a husband's consent to donor insemination be filed with the commissioner of health; amending statutes.

**HF471--Tunheim (DFL)--
Governmental Operations**

Newspapers; providing that only qualified newspapers may accept legal notices for publication; amending statutes.

**HF472--Bishop (IR)--
Judiciary**

Health; providing for a declaration of preferences for receiving or refusing health care; providing penalties; proposing coding for new law.

Thursday, Feb. 19

**HF473--Quinn (DFL)--
Education**

Education; establishing a pilot program to reduce class sizes in kindergarten through third grade; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

**HF474--Price (DFL)--
Education**

Education; establishing a pilot program to reduce class sizes in kindergarten through third grade; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

**HF475--O'Connor (DFL)--
Economic**

Development/Housing
Neighborhood revitalization; providing for the creation of urban revitalization action programs for the cities of Minneapolis and Saint Paul; providing a low income housing credit; providing for changes in certain special assessment payment procedures; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF476--Clark (DFL)--**Economic****Development/Housing**

Neighborhood revitalization; providing for the creation of urban revitalization action programs for the cities of Minneapolis and Saint Paul; providing a low-income housing credit; providing for changes in certain special assessment payment procedures; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF477--Larsen (DFL)--Higher**Education**

Education; establishing the state board for subbaccalaureate education; prescribing powers; transferring functions; requiring report; proposing coding for new law.

HF478--Olsen, S (IR)--**Governmental Operations**

Public safety; establishing state reimbursement program for purchases of soft body armor by and for peace officers; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF479--Olsen, S (IR)--**Education**

Education; providing an incentive to encourage school districts to reduce certain class sizes in kindergarten through third grade; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

HF480--Stanisus (IR)--**Education**

Education; changing the second tier foundation aid component; revising the reduction to second tier revenue; amending statutes.

HF481--Stanisus (IR)--**Education**

Education; requiring students to pay for courses taken for secondary credit under the post-secondary enrollment options act; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF482--Haukoos (IR)--**Education**

Education; establishing the state board of technical colleges; prescribing powers; transferring functions; requiring report; proposing coding for new law.

HF483--Carlson, D (IR)--**Local/Urban Affairs**

Brook Park; raising the city debt limit.

HF484--Kelly (DFL)--Taxes

Taxation; property; expanding the eligibility of disabled property owners for the 1-a property classification; amending statutes.

HF485--Kalis (DFL)--**Environment/Natural Resources**

Agriculture; strengthening the pesticide laws; imposing penalties; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF486--Reding (DFL)--Taxes

Taxation; income; requiring that the nongame wildlife checkoff appear on the short income tax return; amending statutes.

HF487--Peterson (DFL)--**Commerce**

Commerce; regulating membership camping practices; prohibiting certain advertising practices; establishing escrow requirements; regulating subdivided land sales practices; prohibiting certain advertising practices; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF488--Long (DFL)--General**Legislation/Veterans Affairs/Gaming**

Charitable gambling; requiring the board to pay a percentage of the gross receipts tax to local units of government for enforcement purposes; amending statutes.

HF489--Solberg (DFL)--**Local/Urban Affairs**

Local government; authorizing annexation proceedings for certain land between the city of Nashwauk and the town of Nashwauk.

HF490--McLaughlin (DFL)--**General Legislation/Veterans Affairs/Gaming**

Elections; increasing the size of the board of education of special school district No. 1 of the city of Minneapolis to nine members; providing for six members to be elected by districts; amending Laws.

HF491--Price (DFL)--**Local/Urban Affairs**

Washington county; authorizing the issuance of county bonds for capital improvements.

HF492--Sparby (DFL)--**Commerce**

Commerce; regulating the distribution and sale of motor vehicles; limiting the granting or relocating of certain franchises; specifying the circumstances to be considered; removing certain regulations on nonrenewals; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF493--Olson, K (DFL)--**Transportation**

Transportation; commercial motor vehicles; mandating development of a testing and licensing program for commercial motor vehicle drivers; requiring a report to the legislature.

HF494--Wynia (DFL)--**Health/Human Services**

Human Services; providing for the establishment of a supported employment program in developmental achievement centers; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF495--Rodosovich (DFL)--**Health/Human Services**

Human services; providing for an increase in the number of days of developmental achievement center services reimbursed by medical assistance; providing for establishment of new payment rates; amending statutes.

HF496--Jacobs (DFL)--Labor-**Management Relations**

Workers' compensation; providing for determination of permanent total disability compensation; amending statutes.

HF497--Johnson, R (DFL)--**Governmental Operations**

Retirement; giving employing units an option on the rule of 85; proposing coding for new law.

HF498--Solberg (DFL)--**General Legislation/Veterans Affairs/Gaming**

Education; requiring the Minnesota state high school league to provide for television coverage of athletic events on a statewide basis; amending statutes.

**HF499--Nelson, D (DFL)--
Metropolitan Affairs**

Metropolitan government; changing the treatment of current value credits and modifying the cost allocation system of the metropolitan waste control commission; providing for a reserve fund for the commission; authorizing appointment of advisory committees by the commission; authorizing the implantation period for transition to a new cost allocation system; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

**HF500--Riveness (DFL)--
General Legislation/Veterans
Affairs/Gaming**

Lawful gambling; regulating allowable expenses; authorizing certain liability insurance expenses attributable to the conduct of lawful gambling; requiring verification; amending statutes.

**HF501--Carlson (IR)--
Environment/Natural
Resources**

Game and fish; allowing raccoon dog field trials to tree raccoons during certain periods by permit; amending statutes.

**HF502--Jennings (DFL)--
Local/Urban Affairs**

Counties; allowing counties to assign duties relating to vital statistics; allowing counties to charge fees for services; providing conditions for emergency contracts; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

**HF503--Olsen, S (IR)--
Health/Human Services**

Health; establishing a statewide cancer surveillance system; providing for rule authority to administer the system and collect and distribute data; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF504--Solberg (DFL)--Taxes

Taxation; cigarettes and tobacco products; increasing the tax; providing for apportionment of tax proceeds; amending statutes.

**HF505--Rodosovich (DFL)--
Governmental Operations**

State lands; authorizing conveyance of certain state easement.

**HF506--Wynia (DFL)--
Health/Human Services**

Human services; providing reimbursement for costs of semi-independent living services for persons with mental retardation or related conditions; amending statutes.

**HF507--Rodosovich (DFL)--
Judiciary**

Unemployment compensation; regulating fraud; providing penalties; amending statutes.

**HF508--Jefferson (DFL)--
Economic
Development/Housing**

Housing; providing for the administration of the state's low-income housing credit; authorizing the Minnesota housing finance agency to participate in certain housing construction projects and in certain nonprofit corporations; authorizing the sale or rental of certain housing property; providing definitions; providing for the issuance of certain bonds and notes; amending statutes.

**HF509--Peterson (DFL)--
Higher Education**

Education; creating the Minnesota education trust; proposing coding for new law.

**HF510--Jensen (DFL)--
Local/Urban Affairs**

Dakota county; providing for the creation, organization, powers, and duties of a personnel system; proposing coding for new law.

**HF511--Dorn (DFL)--
Education**

Appropriations; appropriating money for demonstration project involving production of butanol and ethanol from sweet sorghum.

**HF512--Trimble (DFL)--
Economic
Development/Housing**

Energy conservation; appropriating certain funds to the department of jobs and training for low-income energy conservation programs; appropriating money.

**HF513--Kelly (DFL)--
Environment/Natural
Resources**

Search and seizure; requiring enforcement officers to have probable cause before entering certain buildings to determine whether wild animals are stored in compliance with the fish and game laws; amending statutes.

**HF514--Quinn (DFL)--
Education**

School districts; permitting school district employees to participate in the state insurance plan; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law.

**HF515--Carruthers (DFL)--
Transportation**

Traffic regulations; removing exemptions regarding alcohol or controlled substance-related activities of persons engaged in work upon the highway; amending statutes.

**HF516--Wynia (DFL)--
Health/Human Services**

Human services; creating the office of ombudsman for mental health; defining terms; establishing the office of ombudsman; providing for the powers and duties of the ombudsman; creating the ombudsman committee; creating the mental health board; requiring reporting of abuse and neglect to the ombudsman for mental health; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

**HF517--Kelly (DFL)--
Metropolitan Affairs**

Crimes; authorizing the metropolitan transit commission to hire peace officers to police its routes and properties; amending statutes.

**HF518--Simoneau (DFL)--
Local/Urban Affairs**

Local government; regulating the development, imposition, and management of state mandates upon local political subdivisions; proposing coding for new law.

**HF519--Orenstein (DFL)--
Judiciary**

Tort claims; including the state agriculture society in the definition of state; amending statutes.

**HF520--Krueger (DFL)--
Higher Education**

Education; appropriating money to the state university board for women's intercollegiate athletic programs.

**HF521--Jennings (DFL)--
Environment/Natural
Resources**

Lake improvement districts; providing for notice of their annual meetings; amending statutes.

**HF522--Nelson, D (DFL)--
Transportation**

Motor vehicles; abolishing authority to appoint corporations as deputy registrars; providing for transfer of appointments of corporations as deputy registrars to individuals under certain conditions; amending statutes.

**HF523--Ogren (IR)--General
Legislation/Veterans
Affairs/Gaming**

Elections; changing certain voter registration procedures to increase voter participation; providing for a computerized central registration system, voter registration forms in state income tax forms and booklets, and a combined voter registration, driver's license, and identification card form; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

**Senate Files/
First Readings
Monday, Feb. 16**

**SF44--Pehler (DFL)--
Transportation**

Highways; abolishing restrictions on disposition of right-of-way of trunk highway No. 15 in St. Cloud; repealing laws.

**SF97--Spear (DFL)--
Judiciary**

Frauds; fixing conditions for the legal determination of fraud in property transfers; enacting the uniform fraudulent transfer act; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

**SF136--Wegscheid (DFL)--
Transportation**

Transportation; school bus safety; providing for amber proceed-with-caution signal for driver-activated student control warning systems; amending statutes.

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COMING UP NEXT WEEK...

ADVANCE COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

February 23-27, 1987

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TO ALL COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION CHAIRS: The deadline for all committee and commission meeting notices is NOON ON THURSDAY OF EACH WEEK. Please send notices to Dorothy Sawyer, House Information, 175 State Office Building.

Monday, Feb. 23

8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI- STATE DIVISION/ APPROPRIATIONS

Room 400S State Office Building Chr. Rep. James Rice. Agenda: Continuation of budget overview of the Dept. of Public Safety.

EDUCATION--No meeting.

EDUCATION DIVISION/ APPROPRIATIONS

Room 300N State Office Building Chr. Rep. Lyndon Carlson. Agenda: 1) Mayo Medical School budget overview. 2) Capitol budget overview, Nellie Johnson, Assistant Commissioner of Finance.

8:30 a.m.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/ APPROPRIATIONS

Room 300S State Office Building Chr. Rep. Phyllis Kahn. Agenda: Budget hearing: Dept. of Administration.

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/EDUCATION

Room 5 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Ken Nelson. Agenda: Foundation related programs: summer shared time, retirement.

9:00 a.m.

PERSONNEL SUBCOMMITTEE/ GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

Room 10 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Rich O'Connor. Agenda: To be announced.

10:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE

Room 5 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Stephen Wenzel. Agenda: HF153 (Krueger) Milk-in-school-bill. Anne Kanten, Assistant Commissioner of Dept. of Agriculture will give an overview of Advocate and Mediation Program.

CRIME & FAMILY LAW DIVISION/JUDICIARY

Room 500N State Office Building Chr. Rep. Kathleen Vellenga. Agenda: HF270 (Vellenga) Adoption; providing for notice of an adopted child or genetic parent's death.

REGULATED INDUSTRIES

Room 10 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Joel Jacobs. Agenda: HF255 (Jacobs) Premises which may be issued on-sale licenses. HF420 (Jacobs) Regulating certain intrastate gas pipelines. HF152 (Begich) Providing that utilities provide location for customers to pay utility bills.

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION & WORKERS'

COMPENSATION DIVISION/LABOR- MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

Room 500S State Office Building Chr. Rep. Mary Murphy. Agenda: Presentation on Unemployment Insurance procedures and the quarterly wage reporting system. Terrence Clark, Dept. of Jobs & Training.

12:00 noon

EDUCATION FINANCE DIVISION/EDUCATION

Room 300N State Office Building Chr. Rep. Ken Nelson. Agenda: Continuation of 8:30 a.m. meeting.

BIOTECHNOLOGY SUBCOMMITTEE/FUTURE & TECHNOLOGY

Room 5 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Len Price. Agenda: Overview of the Biotechnology field. Presentation by MN Council on Biotechnology.

DATA PRACTICES SUBCOMMITTEE/ JUDICIARY

Room 300S State Office Building Chr. Rep. Darby Nelson. Agenda: Background and development of the MN data practices statute by Don Gemberling, Acting Deputy Commission of Human Rights. HF220 (Bishop) Law enforcement. HF221 (Bishop) Human rights.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

Room 200 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Joseph Begich. Agenda: HF119 (R. Johnson) Employment; providing the option for certain employees at a state university to obtain state employee fringe benefits. HF134 (Price) Employment; requiring an employer to notify employees and job applicants of

bankruptcy proceedings. HF52 (Ogren) Labor; removing an exception from overtime and minimum wage laws for certain ski facility employees.

2:00 p.m.

The House will meet in Session.

After Session

ELECTION DISPUTE & RECOUNTS SUBCOMMITTEE/RULES

Room 400N State Office Building Chr. Rep. Todd Otis. Agenda: To be announced.

7:00 p.m.

JUDICIARY

Basement Hearing Room State Office Building Chr. Rep. Randy Kelly. Agenda: HF206 (Orenstein) Providing for the disposition of certain community property. HF147 (Kelly) Expanding the crime of witness tampering to include the act of intimidating a witness. HF123 (Bishop) Changing the size of estates subject to collection by affidavit. HF151 (Kelly) Permitting the crime victims reparation board to file a claim for reparations. HF163 (Schoenfeld) Regulating paternity determination; regulating support and maintenance obligations. (NOTE: HF163 will be heard if passed by Crime & Family Law Division/Judiciary by this date).

Tuesday, Feb. 24
8:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI- STATE DIVISION/ APPROPRIATIONS

Tour. Chr. Rep. James Rice. Agenda: Tour of the Science Museum and Omni Theater.

EDUCATION DIVISION/ APPROPRIATIONS

Room 300N State Office Building Chr. Rep. Lyndon Carlson. Agenda: State University system budget overview.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/ APPROPRIATIONS

Room 200 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Ann Wynia. Agenda: Dept. of Human Services Budget hearing continued.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/ APPROPRIATIONS

Room 300S State Office Building Chr. Rep. Phyllis Kahn. Agenda: Budget hearing; Dept. of Administration.

PROPERTY TAX DIVISION/TAXES

Room 400N State Office Building Chr. Rep. Lona Minne. Agenda: Timberland issues.

TAX LAWS DIVISION/TAXES

Room 500N State Office Building Chr. Rep. Dee Long. Agenda: Overview of Corporate Tax Structure - John James, Dept. of Revenue.

8:30 a.m.

PENSIONS SUBCOMMITTEE/ GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

Room 10 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Leo Reding. Agenda: Combined meeting with Pensions subcommittee and the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement.

LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON PENSIONS & RETIREMENT

Room 10 State Office Building Chr. Sen. Donald Moe. Agenda: 1) Minutes of 10/13/86 & 11/10/86 meetings. 2) Correspondence; Mpls. Employees Retirement Fund. 3) Election of Commission Officers. 4) Report from the

Commission Actuary - Update on progress of 1986 Actuarial Valuations. 5) Report from Fund Administrators - Briefing on PERA Elected Official Buyback and PERA Joint and Survivor Annuity Option Factors.

9:30 a.m.

TRANSPORTATION

Tour. Chr. Rep. Henry Kalis. Agenda: Tour of St. Paul/Mpls. International Airport.

10:00 a.m.

ENERGY & REAL ESTATE SUBCOMMITTEE/ COMMERCE

Basement Hearing Room State Office Building Chr. Rep. Wally Sparby. Agenda: To be announced.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

Room 10 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Willard Munger. Agenda: HF398 (Redalen) Adding Mystery Cave to Forestville State Park. HF146 (Stanis) Restrictions and limits on spearing fish.

PHYSICAL/MENTAL HEALTH

SUBCOMMITTEE/HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Room 5 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Gloria Segal. Agenda: HF470 (Bishop) Eliminating the requirement that a husband's consent to donor insemination be filed with the Dept. of Health. HF358 (Segal) Cancer surveillance system.

SOCIAL SERVICES SUBCOMMITTEE/HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Room 200 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Peter Rodosovich. Agenda: HF120 (Greenfield) Home health care license.

12:00 noon

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & HOUSING

Room 5 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Todd Otis. Agenda: 1) Orders of business. 2) HF129 (Ozment) Relating to industrial development bonds. 3) HF381 (Simoneau) Relating to industrial development bonds; Anoka County.

JUDICIARY

Basement Hearing Room State Office Building Chr. Rep. Randy Kelly. Agenda: HF197 (Frederick) Providing for transfer of owner's certificate of title to owner. HF141 (Ogren) Exempting certain directors, members, and agents of certain commercial bodies from civil liability. Others bills on the agenda from the 2/23 meeting that were not heard, will be taken up following HF141.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS

Room 200 State Office Building Chr. Rep. David Battaglia. Agenda: HF86 (Peterson) Local government; permitting certain counties to levy tax for county historical society; imposing reverse referendum. HF62 (Ogren) Libraries. HF280 (Osthoff) St. Paul; repealing bonding authority; sunset provision relating to port authority. HF357 (Orenstein) St. Paul; smoke detectors.

2:00 p.m.

JOINT HOUSE/SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE ON LIBRARIES/EDUCATION

Room 400S State Office Building Chr. Rep. Gloria Segal/Sen. D. C. Peterson. Agenda: Reports on the following; Public Library Development Program, Multi-type Library Cooperation Program and Automation for State Government Libraries.

HENNEPIN COUNTY DELEGATION

Room 300N State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Ken Nelson. Agenda: To be announced.

RAMSEY COUNTY DELEGATION

Room 300S State Office Building Chr. Rep. Dan Knuth. Agenda: Update on court consolidation and presentation of Ramsey County legislative package.

3:00 p.m.

FARM PROGRAMS & POLICIES SUBCOMMITTEE/ AGRICULTURE

Room 500N Chr. Rep. Edgar Olson. Agenda: HF303 (Nelson, C.) Agriculture; changing the shade tree disease control program; imposing certain penalties; eliminating certain audit requirements and an insurance limitation; changing the cooperative associations law.

MINNEAPOLIS DELEGATION

Room 300N. State Office Building. Agenda: To be announced.

4:00 p.m.

ELECTIONS PROPERTY/GENERAL LEGISLATION, VETERANS AFFAIRS & GAMING

Room 300N State Office Building Chr. Rep. Linda Scheid. Agenda: HF281 (Steensma) Providing for experimental mail elections. HF312 (Scheid) Changing what name may be used on ballots. HF236 (Scheid) Requiring fair campaign practices.

**Wednesday, Feb. 25
8:00 a.m.**

AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORTATION & SEMI-STATE DIVISION/ APPROPRIATIONS

Tour. Chr. Rep. James Rice. Agenda: Tour of the Dept. of Agriculture and the MN Trade Office at the Administrative Headquarters on Plato Blvd.

EDUCATION DIVISION/ APPROPRIATIONS

Room 300N State Office Building Chr. Rep. Lyndon Carlson. Agenda: 1) State University budget overview. 2) Community College budget overview.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION/ APPROPRIATIONS

Room 200 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Ann Wynia. Agenda: Public testimony on Mental Health Initiative. Community Social Services and agency requests presented to date.

STATE DEPARTMENTS DIVISION/ APPROPRIATIONS

Room 300S State Office Building Chr. Rep. Phyllis Kahn. Agenda: Housing Finance Agency budget review. Report of Governor's Task Force on Human Rights.

EDUCATION

Room 5 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Bob McEachern. Agenda: HF432 (McEachern) Modifying certain provision of the compulsory attendance laws.

8:30 a.m.

GOVERNMENT STRUCTURES SUBCOMMITTEE/ GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

Room 10 State Office Building. Chr. Rep. Bob Jensen. Agenda: To be announced.

10:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE/ AGRICULTURE

Basement Hearing Room State Office Building Chr. Rep. Jerry Schoenfeld. Agenda: Farmer-Lender Mediation program hearings.

HIGHER EDUCATION

Room 500N State Office Building Chr. Rep. Mike Jaros. Agenda: 1) Individuals and organizations responding to Commitment to Focus. 2) Presentation on Composite Science and Engineering Program at Winona State University. 3) HF114 (Pelowski) Education; state universities; establishing a composites science and engineering program at Winona State University.

**FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE/
METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS**

Room 400N State Office Building Chr. Rep. Ann Rest. Agenda: Fiscal Disparities: Representatives from cities, Citizens League, Association of Metropolitan Municipalities.

**TRANSPORTATION
PROPERTY/
METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS**

Room 500S State Office Building Chr. Rep. Peter McLaughlin. Agenda: Transit users.

12:00 noon

**FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS
& INSURANCE**

Room 5 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Wes Skoglund. Agenda: HF28 (Skoglund) EFT terminals. HF165 (Clark) Establishing rates for cooperative housing and neighborhood real estate trust insurance. HF291 (Winter) Financial Institutions Omnibus Bill.

TRANSPORTATION

Room 10 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Henry Kalis. Agenda: HF94 (Simoneau) Highway 10. HF199 (Welle) Motor vehicle excise tax Constitutional Amendment. HF131 (Lieder) Bridge bonding. HF174 (Kalis) Bridge bonding.

1:00 p.m.

**SOFTWARE
SUBCOMMITTEE/FUTURE
& TECHNOLOGY**

Room 500N State Office Building Rep. Chr. Ann Rest. Agenda: Presentation by the Office of Software Technology Development.

2:00 p.m.

**EDUCATION FINANCE
DIVISION/EDUCATION**

Room 300N State Office Building Chr. Rep. Ken Nelson. Agenda: Professional development, expectations (PER), educational effectiveness and technology programs.

**FUTURIST
SUBCOMMITTEE/FUTURE
& TECHNOLOGY**

Room 500S State Office Building Chr. Rep. Dan Knuth. Agenda: Demographic Trends - Presentations by State Demographer and Metropolitan Council Demographer.

**BEVERAGE
SUBCOMMITTEE/
REGULATED INDUSTRIES**

Room 400S State Office Building Chr. Rep. Joel Jacobs. Agenda: HF46 (Jacobs) Permitting certain transactions by brewers and wholesalers; authorizing cities to issue temporary off-sale licenses for the sale of vintage wine at auctions. HF98 (Rukavina) Authorizing St. Louis county to issue one off-sale license. HF13 (Rukavina) Authorizing St. Louis county to issue one off-sale license. HF250 (Kludt) Authorizing the city of Moorhead to issue an on-sale intoxicating liquor license to the Red River Valley Center-Hjemkomst Heritage Interpretive Center. HF294 (Bishop) Authorizing counties to issue temporary on-sale licenses.

Thursday, Feb. 26
8:00 a.m.

**AGRICULTURE,
TRANSPORTATION &
SEMI-STATE DIVISION/
APPROPRIATIONS**

Tour. Chr. Rep. James Rice. Agenda: Tour of the Oakdale MNDOT facility.

**EDUCATION DIVISION/
APPROPRIATIONS**

Room 300N State Office Building Chr. Rep. Lyndon Carlson. Agenda: Community College system budget overview.

**GOVERNMENTAL
OPERATIONS**

Room 10 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Wayne Simoneau. Agenda: HF463 (Simoneau) Retirement; lowering vesting standards. HF166 (Battaglia) Real property; authorizing conveyance of state interest in certain land in St. Louis county. HF348 (Battaglia) Cook county; permitting the sale of certain land.

**HEALTH & HUMAN
SERVICES DIVISION/
APPROPRIATIONS**

Room 200 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Ann Wynia. Agenda: Report from the Legislative Audit Commission on Aid to Families with Dependent Children and presentation by the Office of Full Productivity and Opportunity.

**STATE DEPARTMENTS
DIVISION/
APPROPRIATIONS**

Room 300S State Office Building Chr. Rep. Phyllis Kahn. Agenda: Dept. of Human Rights budget overview.

TAXES

Room 5 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Gordon Voss. Agenda: To be announced.

10:00 a.m.

**CONSUMER AFFAIRS
SUBCOMMITTEE/
COMMERCE**

Basement Hearing Room State Office Building Chr. Rep. Rich O'Connor. Agenda: To be announced.

**ENVIRONMENT &
NATURAL RESOURCES**

Room 10 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Willard Munger. Agenda: HF56 (Nelson, D.) Mosquito research and management requirements. HF400 (Nelson, D) Two deer limit. HF340 (Schafer) Elk breeding on game and fur farms. HF102 (Stanis) Use of mechanical release bows.

**HEALTH & HUMAN
SERVICES**

Room 5 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Lee Greenfield. Agenda: Consideration of house files passed by subcommittees.

12:00 noon

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
& HOUSING**

Room 5 State Office Building Chr. Rep.
Todd Otis. Agenda: 1) Orders of business.
2) Continuation of 2/17 meeting, HF160
(Morrison) Industrial development bonds;
city of Burnsville.

**GAMING
SUBCOMMITTEE/GENERAL
LEGISLATION, VETERANS
AFFAIRS & GAMING**

Room 500S Chr. Rep. Dick Kostohryz.
Agenda: Presentation by Canterbury
Downs.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS

Room 200 State Office Building Chr.
Rep. David Battaglia. Agenda: HF364
(McPherson) Relating to public
cemeteries. HF469 (McEachern) Relating
to food licenses. HF130 (Voss) Ramsey
County; authorizing county to use certain
dedicated as open space for highway
purposes.

2:00 p.m.

The House will meet in Session.

**Friday, Feb. 27
8:00 a.m.**

**PROPERTY TAX
DIVISION/TAXES**

Room 5 State Office Building Chr. Rep.
Lona Minne. Agenda: Ag land valuation.

10:00 a.m.

**CIVIL LAW
SUBCOMMITTEE/
JUDICIARY**

Room 400N State Office Building Chr.
Rep. Howard Orenstein. Agenda: HFxxx
(Orenstein) Tort claims; include the state
agricultural society in the definition of
state. HF467 (Bertram) Providing
immunity from liability for volunteer fire

chiefs. HF278 (Forsythe) Granting
volunteer managers, coaches, etc.
immunity from liability for negligent
acts.

**GOVERNMENT
STRUCTURE
SUBCOMMITTEE/
METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS**

Room 500S Chr. Rep. Phil Carruthers.
Agenda: Metropolitan Council: Eliot
Long, Legislative Auditors Office; Steve
Keefe, Chair Metropolitan Council.

12:00 p.m.

**ENVIRONMENT
SUBCOMMITTEE/
METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS.**

Room 500N State Office Building Chr.
Rep. Darby Nelson. Agenda: HFxxx
(Nelson, D.) Metropolitan Waste Control
Commission rate structure.



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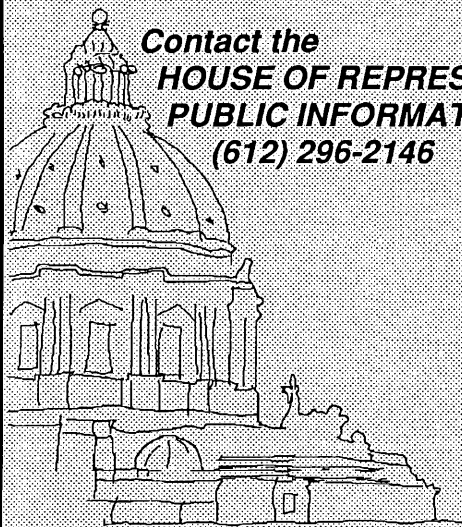
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Framers of the United States Constitution, at the 1787 Constitutional Convention, decided to divide Congress into two chambers. Therein lies a story about George Washington that fits a legislative jubilee better than most anecdotes about the first president.

As the story goes, Thomas Jefferson asked Washington why the Constitution framers decided to have a House of Representatives and a Senate.

Washington countered with, "Why do you pour your coffee into your saucer?"

"To cool it," said Jefferson.

"And so," said Washington, "we pour legislation into the senatorial saucer--to cool it."

Near the two legislative chambers on the walls of second floor corridors in Minnesota's Capitol, Washington's words reflect what most Americans know best about him--his truthfulness:

"Labor to keep alive in your heart that little spark of celestial fire called Conscience."

Happy Diamond Jubilee!