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Highlights Committee & Floor Action Final Action

(Feb. 23 - March 2)

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It's a fact!

Up until 1920, only male trouser legs showed below voting booth curtains. Thanks to Susan B. Anthony, in 1920, hemlines of female voters appeared.

Anthony was a schoolteacher who worked for \$2 a week. She fought for women's right to vote, and organized the National Women's Suffrage Association.

She traveled in the winter by uncovered wagon across the country to lecture on women's voting rights. In 1872, she voted in Rochester, New York, 48 years before the women's suffrage amendment passed.

That vote resulted in Anthony's arrest and a trial where she couldn't speak in her own defense. The ridicule and conflict only strengthened her determination and resolve that "failure is impossible."



Courtesy of Minnesota Historical Society



Washington Junior High School students told the Judiciary Committee's Criminal Justice Division Feb. 24 about experiences with drug dealers they encounter in and around their school. (See "Drug-free school zones," page 5).

Highlights

Vulnerable adults =

Con artists who target seniors or other vulnerable adults would face stiffer penalties if a bill the Commerce Committee approved March 2 becomes law. Under HF622 (Milbert, DFL-South St. Paul), con artists could face another \$10,000 per violation penalty in addition to the fines under current Minnesota law.

State Attorney General Hubert H. Humphrey III says the measure would target people who prey on seniors or adults with mental or physical impairments. He says the bill focuses on sales pitches that lure these people into spending a significant amount of money.

"We're talking about situations like home repair, mail order sales, telephone sales, investment schemes, medi-gap

insurance schemes, pyramid schemes, and miracle medical products," Humphrey told the committee.

The bill would allow the state to use a portion of any money it recovers to educate people on protecting themselves against such con artists. The state Board of Aging would run the education programs.

"This legislation on the one hand sends a very strong signal to those individuals who would be involved in this kind of activity to deter them," Humphrey says. "Secondly, in the instance...where the courts are able to levy those kinds of fines, [they] will go to situations that will remedy the [problems] by education."

AFDC benefits ■

Lawmakers heard testimony March 2 from Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) recipients and the program's supporters.

The speakers urged members of the Appropriations Health and Human Services Division, to increase AFDC benefits to provide better nourishment, living conditions, and a more wholesome life for children.

Jim Addington, director of the Lutheran Coalition for Public Policy, told lawmakers that costs of housing, food, clothing, and child care put impossible pressures on low income families, more than on other people.

He told the committee that low income people have a strong set of values. "In a paradoxical kind of way, these people tend to express most dramatically, traditional American values of hard work and self reliance," Addington says. The momentum of our economy does not favor low income families, he says. It only increases their problems.

The coalition supports an increase in AFDC grant money, to help recipients reach or exceed the federal poverty line.

Driver's license test '

If you apply for your driver's license through the Department of Public Safety (DPS), they'll test you on outdated equipment, says Gary Cunningham, the department's chief examiner.

On March 1, he told the Agriculture, Transportation and Semi-State Division of the Appropriations Committee about the department's equipment needs. He says that nowadays state-of-the-art equipment is automated.

Cunningham presented the Automated Driver License Testing (ADLT) system to the division. The system is a two-byfour foot unit with a video screen, an examiner's console, and a testing station.

Examiners can compile data at the console as applicants take the driver's test, says Cunningham. Examiners can also monitor types of tests and difficulty of questions, and measure test results.

The testing station is set up with motion picture examples of each question on the driver's test. The ADLT will shut down as soon as the applicant makes

seven incorrect answers, he says. Correct answers and scores appear on the screen after the applicant answers each question, so the ADLT serves as an educational device as well.

According to Cunningham, the ADLT would save time for both the examiner and license applicant. People who have trouble reading could understand the test, and it would enable the DPS to test more people and administer a greater variety of license tests.



Rep. Dave Bishop (IR-Rochester) inspects some soft body armor during a Judiciary Committee meeting Feb. 27. A Hennepin County park ranger displayed the armor during his testimony for a bill that would reimburse peace officers who purchase a vest through a cooperative plan where the state, the officer, and the local jurisdiction would share the cost.

Supplement insurance =

Senior citizens gained a victory in the Insurance Committee March 1. On a 19 to 2 vote, the committee recommended passage of HF611, a bill that would give seniors more protection against insurance agents who mislead them about Medicare supplement policies. The bill would also set standards for policies that insurance companies can sell as Medicare supplements.

Insurance industry lobbyists and some lawmakers criticized a provision that senior groups support. Author Rep. Wes Skoglund (DFL-Mpls) says the provision would prevent an unscrupulous agent from replacing a policy solely for the sake of making a bigger commission.

Rep. Brad Stanius (IR-White Bear Lake) offered an amendment that opponents said would weaken the provision. The committee defeated the Stanius amendment.

The bill goes next to the Judiciary Committee.

Accident reduction =

Urban segments of the interstate highways are dangerous places to drive because most drivers are traveling over the speed limit, according to officials from the Department of Public Safety.

The Agriculture, Transportation and Semi-State Division of the Appropriations Committee heard plans March 1 to control driver behavior on urban interstate lanes.

Tom Warner, director of the Traffic Safety Division, says that since the state raised the speed limit on interstate freeways to 65 miles per hour, people drive fast everywhere. But urban and suburban segments of the interstate freeway are more dangerous and accident prone.

Warner told legislators about the Top Accident Control Target (TACT) program, a pilot project in Minneapolis that monitors traffic areas where accidents and traffic violations are heavy. The program aims to change driver behavior to reduce accidents, he says. TACT strategies include: adding left turn lanes, placing traffic signals and signs; rerouting traffic; and improving plowing, salting and sanding on the roads. Other situations call for more police officers on the road during peak traffic hours.

The department plans to transfer the TACT program to the interstate highways.

Correction

In the Feb. 23 issue of Session Weekly, page 3, the beginning of the second paragraph of the "Day care" highlight should read:

"The Washington, D. C. author spoke to the Health and Human Services Committee Feb. 21."

The photo caption should read: "Author Lisbeth Schorr testifies before the Health and Human Services Committee."

Pari-mutuel betting

A proposal to allow race tracks to conduct pari-mutuel betting on horse races run at tracks in other states gained initial approval from the General Legislation, Veterans Affairs and Gaming Committee Feb. 28.

HF707 (Kostohryz, DFL-North St. Paul) is a response to financial losses at Canterbury Downs, the state's only licensed race track. The bill would allow the track to televise races during winter and off-season months. Legislators say year-round operations might help make the track profitable. Canterbury Downs presently stands idle for half the year.

The bill would permit the track to broadcast only races run by breeds that ran there the previous year. Provisions would require the Minnesota Racing Commission to approve commingling of pari-mutuel pools at Canterbury with those of another state's track. And the bill would allow Canterbury to offer whatever forms of pari-mutuel pools the sending track offers.

Timber and jobs '

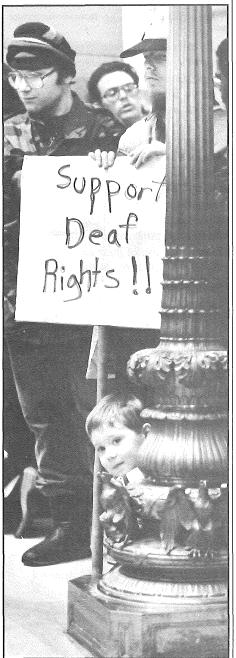
Aspen stands need thinning; some Minnesotans need work. Timber industry managers are proposing legislation to study resource management techniques in Minnesota's forests...and tap unemployed residents as the potential workforce.

John Berguson, Natural Resources Research Institute, presented such a proposal to the Rural Resource Development Division of the Economic Development Committee Feb. 28.

Current information suggests that aspen trees need tending to produce a profitable harvest and a future supply. Institute officials say thinning aspen saplings will increase growth and harvest potential.

Thinning techniques include hand thinning and mechanical thinning. Hand thinning requires 13 labor hours per acre at a cost of \$80 per acre. The mechanical method is strip-plowing the stands into rows at a cost of \$18 per acre.

Division members plan to develop a legislative package for aspen management that would provide jobs in the hand thinning program.



Four-year-old Jared Olney of Minneapolis peeks out from behind a lamp post in the Capitol Rotunda. About 200 people rallied March 1 to show legislators their concerns about issues that affect the deaf. .Jared accompanied his father, Martin, who is also hearing impaired.

Healthspan '

Affordable health insurance for all Minnesotans came one step closer to becoming a reality Feb. 28 when the Health and Human Services Committee gave the Healthspan bill preliminary approval.

HF150 (Ogren, DFL-Aitkin) would require all Minnesotans to enroll in a health insurance plan by July 1990. A state program would cover people unable to get insurance through an employer, Medicaid, or Medicare. Financing for the \$150 million program would come from a payroll tax on businesses and individuals which would tentatively begin next January.

Edina transit

The City of Edina plans to build a transit system linking shopping malls, apartment complexes, and health care facilities in the southwestern portion of the city. Rep. Mary Forsythe (IR-Edina) presented HF7 to the Local Government and Metropolitan Affairs Committee Feb. 28.

The bill would establish a bus line between France and Xerxes avenues, beginning at the Edinborough apartments, and going by the Galleria and Southdale shopping malls to Fairview-Southdale Hospital. Forsythe says the free bus service would help alleviate traffic congestion in the area. And businesses along the route would absorb all bus service costs.

Workers' compensation

Workers' compensation claims need better processing. That's the goal of two budget increase requests the Appropriations State Departments Division heard this week. The Department of Labor and Industry (DLI) and the Workers' Compensation Court of Appeals want the funds to improve their computer information systems.

Commissioner Kevin Peters presented the DLI request on Feb. 27. He says his department wants to restructure the workers' compensation data base, computerize tracking of workers' compensation files, and enable remote

entry of data from workers' compensation insurers and self-insured employers.

The DLI computers can't keep pace with changes in workers' compensation laws, according to Peters. Management didn't really commit to using the computer system when it was installed, he says, and increasing tasks facing the department require a system update. DLI is asking for almost \$1 million for computer system changes.

On Feb. 28, Chief Judge Paul Rieke presented the Workers' Compensation Court of Appeals request of \$31,000 for the next biennium. He says the court needs the new information system to provide efficient and timely services, and to prevent the need for more support staff.

School cooperation =

Sharing resources to help enrich learning and erase barriers between school districts is great, school administrators say. But the cost in time to make these interdistrict cooperative efforts work needs examination.

Cooperative ventures use state money to develop new programs or improve existing ones, education officials told Education Committee members Feb. 27. Cooperation is an agreement between school districts to share personnel, facilities, educational programs, or extracurricular activities to enhance students' learning experiences.

While increasing educational offerings to students is desirable, some educators and lawmakers ask whether the time needed to move students from one school to another hurts learning. According to school officials, some cooperating school districts adopted common calendars to address this problem. For example, the schools begin and end the day at the same time, and have the same lunch period. They also have the same number of class periods, and try to schedule teacher development time outside of the school year when possible.

Several representatives suggested that schools having cooperative agreements explore common calendars voluntarily because lawmakers might make such calendars mandatory.

Right-to-Know Act

All workers who come in contact with dangerous materials would receive training about those materials under a bill the Labor-Management Relations Committee heard Feb. 27.

HF300 would remove an exemption for certain employees under the Employee Right-to-Know Act, which the state's Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) handles. The state classifies these employees as technically qualified individuals and exempts them from training programs on dangerous materials because of their education or professional expertise. Author Rep. Karen Clark (DFL-Mpls) says removing the exception would bring the state act in line with federal OSHA regulations.

Proponents of the measure argue that technically qualified individuals may not be able to keep pace with changes in handling hazardous materials, particularly in the health-related fields. Opponents say requiring training classes for all

employees may be redundant for some who are knowledgeable in particular areas.

The bill also would allow judges to award up to three times the amount of damages an employee sustains, if a judge finds a dismissal or discrimination charge valid. Currently, the law allows a judge to award only back pay.

The committee gave the bill preliminary approval.

Japanese Language Village

The Department of Education wants the Legislature to make a \$50,000, one-time appropriation for FY'90 to the Japanese Language Village. The money would help defray startup costs for the program's second year. Concordia Language Villages and the Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board operate the two-week summer program at a ski lodge near Biwabik.

Concordia College operates several language villages, where students learn the foreign language and experience the country's culture and heritage. Last year,



During a press conference in the governor's reception room at the Capitol Feb. 28, Chancellor Robert Carothers announced that the Japanese government selected the Minnesota State University System to establish a branch campus at Yuwa Machi, a suburb of Akita in northern Japan. Carothers noted that this campus is only the second one the Japanese have established in partnership with American universities. The Minnesota system ranked as one of three finalists in national competition for the right to operate the Japanese campus. The University of Maryland and the University of Idaho were the other two finalists.

7,000 students, ages seven to 18, attended the programs.

Education Department officials say this is the first Japanese language program of its kind in the nation. The program would use the funds for additional curriculum development, materials, and staff training. Officials made the request at the **Education Committee's Education** Finance Division meeting Feb. 24.

Regional treatment centers |

Minnesota citizens with mental retardation and developmental disabilities may be moved from regional treatment centers (RTCs) and into community group homes of up to six people. A proposal that would implement this action received unanimous support at a Feb. 27 Appropriations Health and Human Services Division meeting.

Sue Abderholden, executive director, Association for Retarded Citizens of Minnesota, asked lawmakers to consider the \$21 million proposal for the next two years in relation to the entire mentally disabled service system. The package, she says, would develop a good, comprehensive service system for the mentally disabled and their families. Failure to act on the proposal will cost the state a lot of money, Abderholden says.

Elderly people, and those who are chemically dependent or mentally ill would stay in the RTCs for care. Mentally retarded and mentally disabled people would be released to group homes within the next six years.

Electric companies |

Hearings continued Feb. 27 on HF619 (Quinn, DFL-Coon Rapids), a proposal that would allow the Public Utilities Commission to change electric service boundaries if the existing service is inefficient or inadequate, provided that the change agrees with public interest.

The bill originally pertained only to electric rate problems in Blaine. But other committee members offered amendments to include their own districts in the bill, extending its impact statewide.

The Regulated Industries Committee plans no action on the bill in the near future, but may continue hearings during the interim to gather more testimony.

Drug-free school zones =

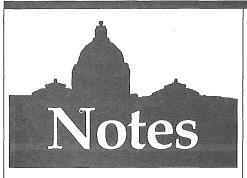
School children told state representatives that drug dealers frequently try to peddle crack and other drugs at schools and local hangouts. The kids say most of the dealers are high school students, but some are adults in their early twenties.

Washington Junior High School students testified before the Judiciary Committee's Criminal Justice Division Feb. 24. Rep. Andy Dawkins (DFL-St. Paul) and Rep. Peter McLaughlin (DFL-Mpls) presented similar bills to the division that would create drug-free school zones. People whom courts convict of various drug offenses on school premises, around public parks, or within 1,000 feet of a school bus stop would face more severe penalties than if they were caught and convicted outside the so-called drug-free zones.

Several lawmakers proposed legislation this session that they say would give students greater protection against drug dealers. The division plans to hear more testimony on these and other drug bills.



Jack King, chair of the Region Nine Development Commission, left, presents a copy of the National Association of Development Organization's (NADO) Innovative Project Award to Speaker Rep. Robert Vanasek (DFL-New Prague), right, as Terry Stone, NADO's first vice president, center, looks on. NADO gives the award to projects that use public and private funding, other than tax dollars. The commission received the award for its part in setting up a minisession, which brought House members and staff to Mankato in September 1987. The award presentation took place March 1 at the Capitol.



Tax and child support dodgers could be big losers, if a bill that would permit a state-run lottery becomes law. A provision of HF66 (Quinn, DFL-Coon Rapids) would allow the lottery director to submit information about people who win at least \$1,000 to the departments of Revenue and Human Services. If officials find the winner owes delinquent tax or support payments, the lottery director could deduct the payment from the individual's winnings, and send it to the appropriate recipient. The Gaming Division of the General Legislation, Veterans Affairs and Gaming Committee heard the bill March 2.

Forty-two percent of Minnesota's hospitals suffered losses in 1987, says Rep. David Battaglia (DFL-Two Harbors). He presented a bill to the Local Government and Metropolitan Affairs Committee March 2 that he says would give municipalities an opportunity to save the hospitals. HF529 would allow counties, cities, and towns to grant money to private, nonprofit, or public hospitals for construction, maintenance, and capital improvement. Battaglia says the proposal would help small rural hospitals, which are often far from medical centers, to remain open.

Dozens of people gave their thoughts to lawmakers at a Ways and Means Committee meeting March 1 on the governor's budget recommendations for FY'90-91. Testimony covered a variety of topics, including housing, education, business, jobs, health care, nursing homes, and children's issues. When the marathon meeting adjourned at 8 p.m., several people still hadn't testified. So Rep. Robert Vanasek (DFL-New Prague) scheduled another meeting for March 6 at 3:30 p.m. to hear more public testimony on the budget.

Technology in criminal apprehension is entering the world of genetics. Officials from the Department of Public Safety presented information to the Agriculture, Transportation and Semi-State Division of the Appropriations Committee. Officials say DNA identification systems work best for catching suspects involved in major crimes, including rape, assault, aggravated assault, and homicide. DNA identification involves testing bodily fluids, such as blood, semen, and hair follicles left at the scene. Officials say using DNA testing to identify a suspect has 1 to a trillion odds of error.

It's easy to recycle pop cans, but what about houses? A bill heard in the Financial Institutions Housing Division meeting Feb. 27 could help house-movers recycle older homes without having to meet new building codes when moving them from one area to another. HF595 would save homes displaced by new developments. Author Rep. Rich O'Connor (DFL-St. Paul) says the bill would help prevent wasteful destruction of good homes.

Along with a high quality of life, Minnesota has one of the highest illegal drug use rates, according to Commissioner Paul Tschida, Department of Public Safety. Tschida told the Agriculture, Transportation and Semi-State Division of the Appropriations Committee about drug use and drug dealers in Minnesota. Minnesota had the largest marijuana confiscation in the history of the United States, Tschida says. Statewide, Minnesotans use cocaine most often. But crack, a cocaine derivative, stays primarily in the Twin Cities. Crank, an amphetamine, has only seasonal use; motorcycle gangs use it most often. The heroine population has remained constant. Minnesota has 50 to 60 known drug dealers, but no resources to go after them, Tschida says.

"People helping people" is the strength of credit unions, according to representatives from the Minnesota League of Credit Unions, who say that the member-owned and cooperative nature of credit unions helps drive the \$11 million industry. League members gave an overview of credit unions' financial health in Minnesota to the Financial Institutions and Housing Committee March 1. Some interesting facts: one million members belong to Minnesota's 160 state chartered credit unions — Honeywell, Inc. alone boasts 16,000 members.

Postsecondary students who incur large debts may be learning a bad lesson. State University System Chancellor Robert Carothers told the Appropriations Education Division March 1 that debt influences other facets of students' lives. and infers that it's okay to be deeply in debt as they begin their lives after college. Carothers says channeling state money into campus work-study programs rather than into loan programs is the way to go. Then, he says, students could work in their chosen discipline and study under the guidance of teachers in that field.

"Dancing in the Dark" is the name of a song and, in the verb sense, may become legal in Minnesota if a bill heard in the General Legislation, Veterans Affairs and Gaming Committee becomes law. HF620 (Kostohryz, DFL-North St. Paul) would repeal 1923 era laws that restrict dancing and dance halls. The committee gave the bill initial approval Feb. 28.

Baseball and hotdogs may be a familiar combination, but what about football and cheese? The single largest retail cheese sales occur one week prior to professional football's Superbowl,

according to Peter Hardin, editor/ publisher of "Milkweed," a monthly dairy economics report. He told the Agriculture Committee Feb. 27 that 1988 was the best year so far for cheese sales.

Victims of sexual assault may have more time to bring civil actions against their assailant if HF461 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul) becomes law. The bill would allow victims to file suit up to two years after they discover they have suffered psychological difficulties or other problems as a result of the crime. Current law requires victims to file a lawsuit within two years of the crime. The Judiciary Committee's Criminal Justice Division gave the bill preliminary approval Feb. 28.

Rep. Elton Redalen (IR-Fountain) made it to the speaker's chair during the Feb. 27 session. Redalen, the Independent-Republican nominee for speaker of the House earlier this year, lost the contest to Rep. Robert Vanasek (DFL-New Prague). In accordance with tradition, he appointed Redalen acting speaker while he was off the House floor.

The ten enrollment options programs available to students led the Department of Education to ask the Legislature for two new staff positions. The positions would help the department's Education Finance and Analysis Section analyze student involvement in the programs. The state's responsible for transferring funding among school districts that have gained or lost students, developing program-based funding, and analyzing factors causing changes in enrollments due to the enrollment options programs.

Although Minnesota had the highest voter turnout in the last election, state officials want even more people at the polls. A provision in HF630 (Osthoff, DFL-St. Paul), would allow election judges to pass out "I Voted" stickers to people as they leave the polls. Individuals, companies, or foundations would donate the stickers to the state.

Do you know



Students like to see the month of March roll 'round. To them, it means spring break. The

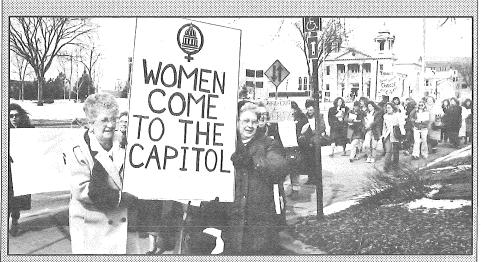
Irish, and the would-be Irish, welcome it because of St. Patrick's Day.

But nationally, and in Minnesota, it's also Women's History Month. The governor proclaimed it such on March 17, 1987 as a time to recognize efforts and achievements of Minnesota women.

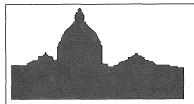
Nationally, it began in 1977 when women in a Sacramento, California community discovered that few books in school libraries related to lives of women.

That's when Molly MacGregor and Bette Morgan organized a move to do something about it. They teamed up with the Education Task Force of the Sonoma County Commission on the Status of Women and got Sonoma County Schools to designate the week of March 8 as Women's History Week.

The rest, as they say, "is history."



Women have come to the Capitol each year for the last five years to talk to legislators about their concerns. On Feb. 27, about 300 women representing 170 organizations from around the state marched from Christ Lutheran Church to the Capitol. The Minnesota Women's Consortium sponsored the "Women Come to the Capitol" event.



Committee and Floor Action

COMMITTEE ACTION

COMMERCE

Tuesday, Feb. 28

Metal molds, dies—unclaimed property

HF424 (O'Connor, DFL-St. Paul)—
recommended to pass; placed on Consent
Calendar.

Thursday, March 2

Tourism—department creation
HF491/SF608 (Solberg, DFL-Bovey)—
recommended to pass as amended;
rereferred to Governmental Operations
Committee.

(SF in Senate Economic Development & Housing Committee)

Consumer protection—seniors, vulnerable adults

HF622/SF536 (Milbert, DFL-South St. Paul)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Judiciary Committee.

(SF in Senate Health & Human Services Committee)

Community Stabilization & Development Division/ ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Tuesday, Feb. 28

Subsidized development—job impact statement

HF631 (Clark, DFL-Mpls)—heard.

Thursday, March 2

CAN-DO—neighborhood development grants

HFXXX (Williams, DFL-Moorhead)—heard.

International Trade & Technology/ ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Tuesday, Feb. 28

AeroSpace exploratorium—education HF189/SF255 (Welle, DFL-Willmar)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Education Committee. (SF in Senate Education Committee)

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

Tuesday, Feb. 28

Hazardous substances—emergency planning system

HF341 (Trimble, DFL-St. Paul) recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Governmental Operations Committee.

Thursday, March 2

Waste Management Act—amendments

HF601/SF530 (Long, DFL-Mpls)—heard.

(SF in Senate Environment & Natural Resources)

Housing Division/FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & HOUSING

Monday, Feb. 27

Transitional housing—language changes

HF394/SF681 (Dawkins, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended.

(SF in Senate Economic Development & Housing Committee)

Relocated residences—building code exemption

HF595/SF587 (O'Connor, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended.

(SF in Senate Economic Development & Housing Committee)

GENERAL LEGISLATION, VETERANS AFFAIRS & GAMING

Tuesday, Feb. 28

Animals—dangerous dogs HF543/SF382 (Scheid, DFL-Brooklyn Park)—heard. (SF on Senate Floor)

Dance halls—dance laws repeal HF620/SF300 (Kostohryz, DFL-North St. Paul)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar. (SF passed Senate)

Horse racing—pari-mutuel betting HF707/SF588 (Kostohryz, DFL-North St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended.

(SF in Senate General Legislation & Public Gaming Committee)

Elections Division/ GENERAL LEGISLATION, VETERANS AFFAIRS & GAMING

Thursday, March 2

Special services—precinct caucuses, party conventions

HF354/SF556 (Jefferson, DFL-Mpls)—heard.

(SF in Senate Elections & Ethics Committee)

Gaming Division/ GENERAL LEGISLATION. **VETERANS AFFAIRS & GAMING**

Thursday, March 3

Lottery-startup, operation HF66/SF150 (Quinn, DFL-Coon Rapids)—heard. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

Thursday, March 2

Anoka County—tax-forfeited lands HF655/SF453 (Lasley, DFL-Cambridge)—recommended to pass as amended: rereferred to Environment & Natural Resources Committee. (SF in Senate Environment & Natural Resources Committee)

State employees—direct deposit HF692/SF596 (Simoneau, DFL-Fridley)-recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

(SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee)

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Tuesday, Feb. 28

Healthspan—health care access program

HF150/SF491 (Ogren, DFL-Aitkin) recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Health & Human Services Committee)

INSURANCE

Wednesday, March 1

Medicare supplement—regulation HF611 (Skoglund, DFL-Mpls) recommended to pass as amended.

JUDICIARY

Monday, Feb. 27

Child support—automatic withholding HF58 (Forsythe, IR-Edina)—recommended to pass as amended.

Mineral data—collection, dissemination

HF343/SF144 (Rukavina, DFL-Virginia)—recommended to pass as amended.

(SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Private medical data—family members HF444/SF222 (Weaver, IR-Champlin)recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Soft body armor—reimbursement HF704/SF643 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul) recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Local & Urban Government Committee)

Child abuse data—law enforcement HF731/SF633 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—laid over. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Criminal Justice Division/ JUDICIARY

Friday, Feb. 24

Controlled substances—degrees HF59/SF3 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul)—heard. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Real estate—crime, seizure HF159/SF330 (Dawkins, DFL-St. Paul)—heard. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Drug-free zones—penalties HF163/SF337 (Dawkins, DFL-St. Paul)—heard. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Drug-free zones—penalties HF164/SF620 (McLaughlin, DFL-Mpls)—heard. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee) Drug-free zones—penalties HF259 (Clark, DFL-Mpls)—heard.

Disorderly houses—controlled substances

HF483/SF682 (Wagenius, DFL-Mpls) heard.

Firearms/controlled substances sentences

HF641/SF484 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul) heard.

(SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

RICO—criminal proceeds HF837/SF483 (Carruthers, DFL-Brooklyn Center)—heard. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee

Tuesday, Feb. 28

Juvenile court—parental rights HF135/SF220 (Pappas, DFL-St. Paul) recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Sexual assualt victims civil limitations

HF461/SF315 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul) recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Wednesday, March 1

Criminal sexual conduct—life imprisonment

HF20/SF360 (S. Olsen, IR-St. Louis Park)—heard. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Criminal sexual conduct—treatment HF315/SF320 (Vellenga, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

Monday, Feb. 27

Employee Right-to-Know Actchanges

HF300/SF442 (Clark, DFL-Mpls) recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Employment Committee)

LOCAL GOVERNMENT & METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS

Tuesday, Feb. 28

Edina—transit system establishment HF7/SF54 (Forsythe, IR-Edina)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Taxes Committee.

(SF in Senate Economic Development & Housing Committee)

Towns—unpaid service charges HF112/SF121 (Dauner, DFL-Hawley) recommended to pass. (SF on Senate Floor)

Town cartways—establishment HF512/SF433 (Bauerly, DFL-Sauk Rapids)—recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Local & Urban Government Committee)

Highways—power to mow right-of-ways HF578/SF518 (Lieder, DFL-Crookston)recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.

(SF in Senate Environment & Natural Resources Committee)

Thursday, March 2

Economic development authority establishment

HF353/SF449 (Otis, DFL-Mpls)recommended to pass; rereferred to Taxes Committee.

(SF in Senate Economic Development & Housing Committee)

Mora—wastewater treatment facility acquisition

HF481/SF546 (Peterson, DFL-Princeton)—recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Local & Urban Government Committee)

Counties, cities, towns—hospital contributions

HF529 (Battaglia, DFL-Two Harbors) recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Health & Human Services Committee.

Olmsted County-morgue requirement exemption

HF553/SF500 (Gutknecht, IR-Rochester)-recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.

(SF in Senate Local & Urban Government Committee)

Minneapolis—government personnel appointments

HF664/SF591 (McLaughlin, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended.

(SF in Senate Local & Urban Government Committee)

REGULATED INDUSTRIES

Monday, Feb. 27

Electric utilities—service boundary changes

HF619/SF631 (Quinn, DFL-Coon Rapids)—heard. (SF in Senate Public Utilities & Energy Committee)

TRANSPORTATION

Wednesday, March 1

Bridge bonding

HF46/SF198 (Lieder, DFL-Crookston) recommended to pass as amended: rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Transportation Committee)

Highway funding—User Tax Distribution Fund

HF96/SF159 (Kalis, DFL-Walters) recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Transportation Committee)

FLOOR ACTION

CALENDAR

Bills on the Calendar may be considered for final passage by the House. Each bill has had two prior readings, has been acted upon by one or more standing committees, and has been printed. Each bill has been favorably recommended by the House acting as a Committee of the Whole. Pursuant to the Rules of the House, bills on the Calendar cannot be amended without unanimous consent of the members except to fill blanks or to amend titles. Each bill on the Calendar will be given a Third Reading when the bill is reported to the House.**

Thursday, Feb. 23

Wild animals—possession regulation HF175* (Quinn, DFL-Coon Rapids) passed (89-39).

County-owned residences—rental HF210*/SF229 (Price, DFL-Woodbury)—passed (128-0). (SF in Senate Rules & Administration Committee)

Burglar alarm franchises

HF268*/SF261 (Segal, DFL-St. Louis Park)—passed (121-4). (SF in Senate Commerce Committee)

Local government—bank letter of

HF279*/SF301 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—passed (131-0).

(SF in Senate Local & Urban Government Committee)

Monday, Feb. 27

Individual income tax-technical changes

HF214*/SF62 (Welle, DFL-Willmar) passed (132-0).

(SF on Senate Floor)

Corrections—juvenile photographs HF371*/SF605 (Pappas, DFL-St. Paul) passed (132-0).

(SF in Senate Rules & Administration Committee)

CONSENT CALENDAR

Bills on the Consent Calendar may be considered for final passage by the House. Each bill has had two prior readings and has been acted upon by one or more standing committees. Each bill has been printed and copies have been placed on the members' desks for at least one day. Bills on the Consent Calendar did not appear on General Orders and therefore were not considered by the Committee of the Whole. Bills on the Consent Calendar were placed there by a recommendation of a standing committee which considered the bill to be noncontroversial. Pursuant to the Rules of the House, bills may be removed from the Consent Calendar and referred to General Orders if ten members object to the bill because it is controversial. Amendments may be offered to bills on the Consent Calendar without unanimous consent of the members and each bill is given a Third Reading prior to final roll call.**

Monday, Feb. 27

Hunting—wild turkey license HF106*/SF96 (V. Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—passed (132-0). (SF in Senate Environment & Natural Resources Committee)

Adjutant general—promotion requirements

HF267*/SF191 (Kostohryz, DFL-North St. Paul)—passed (132-0). (SF on Senate Floor)

Law libraries—annual fees HF370/SF171* (Swenson, IR-Forest Lake)—passed (124-1).

Pipefitting, high pressure pipingsafety, regulation

HF410*/SF438 (Trimble, DFL-St. Paul)—passed (132-0). (SF on Senate Floor)

GENERAL ORDERS

Bills on General Orders may be considered by the House acting as one large committee known as "the Committee of the Whole." Each bill on General Orders has had two readings and has been reported out of one or more standing committees. Each bill has been printed and has been placed on the members' desks for at least one day. Pursuant to the Rules of the House, amendments may be offered by members to bills on General Orders.**

Thursday, Feb. 23

Individual income tax—technical changes

HF214/SF62 (Welle, DFL-Willmar) recommended to pass.

Corrections—juvenile photographs HF371/SF605 (Pappas, DFL-St. Paul) recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Rules & Administration Committee)

Monday, Feb. 27

St. Louis County—tax forfeited lands HF43/SF88 (Janezich, DFL-Chisholm) recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Environment & Natural

Resources Committee)

Boiler operation, inspection regulation

HF85/SF103 (Murphy, DFL-Hermantown)—recommended to pass. (SF on Senate Floor)

Child abuse—statute of limitations HF154/SF555 (Lasley, DFL-Cambridge)—recommended to pass as amended.

(SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Auto dealerships—warranty work compensation

HF323/SF495 (Scheid, DFL-Brooklyn Park)—recommended to pass as amended.

(SF in Senate Commerce Committee)

Mankato—polling places HF426/SF461 (Dorn, DFL-Mankato) recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Elections & Ethics Committee)

Trespass statute—recodification HF482/SF32* (Wagenius, DFL-Mpls) recommended to pass.

Washington County—tax forfeited land

HF502/SF440 (Swenson, IR-Forest Lake)—recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Environment & Natural Resouces Committee)

KEY

HF--House File SF--Senate File HF#/SF#--companion bills *--version of the bill under consideration **Explanations are from the Chief Clerk's Office

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Bill Introductions

HF846-HF1008

Monday, Feb. 27

HF846—Bishop (IR)

Education

Education; appropriating money to plan construction at Rochester Community College.

HF847—Bishop (IR)

Education

Education; providing for capital expenses at Rochester Community College; authorizing sale of state bonds; appropriating money.

HF848—Wagenius (DFL) Judiciary

Judicial administration; regulating the administration of the Workers' Compensation Court of Appeals.

HF849—Wagenius (DFL) Judiciary

Human services; encouraging increased efforts to collect child support for public and nonpublic assistance clients; presuming paternity when blood tests are 99 percent positive; excluding public assistance from income for maintenance and support determinations in divorce; establishing an administrative process to obtain and enforce support orders; appropriating money.

HF850—Wagenius (DFL) Environment & Natural Resources

Solid waste; banning mercuric oxide and silver oxide batteries from solid waste and from solid waste processing and disposal facilities; requiring return mailers with battery packages; requiring labeling of battery packages.

HF851—Dempsey (IR) Judiciary

Courts; increasing certain fees collected by the court administrator.

HF852—Sarna (DFL)

Labor-Management Relations

Retirement; authorizing employing units to provide early retirement reduction offset annuities to certain employees qualifying under a Rule of 85.

HF853—Sviggum (IR)

Commerce

Civil actions; excluding certain structures

from the limitation period provided by the Uniform Commercial Code.

HF854—Williams (DFL) Health & Human Services

Child care; Amending certain provisions of the Child Care Fund; amending provisions of the Child Care Resource and Referral Grant Program; amending provisions of the Child Care Services Grant Program.

HF855—Segal (DFL) Appropriations

Courts; increasing marriage and dissolution fees; providing funding for battered women and displaced homemaker programs.

HF856—Pugh (DFL)

Economic Development

Natural resources; establishing the Minnesota conservation corps; prescribing powers and duties of the commissioner of Natural Resources.

HF857—Clark (DFL)

Education

Education; providing for model programs in adult vocational occupational literacy training; appropriating money.

HF858—Clark (DFL)

Health & Human Services

Occupations and professionals; establishing a system of licensure for acupuncture practitioners.

HF859—Clark (DFL)

Health & Human Services

Health and human services; requiring the commissioner of Health to distribute information on toxic substances; requiring the commissioner of Human Services to establish an inhalant abuse demonstration project; appropriating money.

HF860-Clark (DFL)

Environment & Natural Resources

Solid waste; banning mercuric oxide and silver oxide batteries from solid waste and from solid waste processing and disposal facilities; requiring return mailers with battery packages; requiring labeling of battery packages.

HF861-O'Connor (DFL)

Governmental Operations

Retirement; local police and salaried firefight-

ers' relief associations; authorizing annual postretirement payments based on investment performance; adjusting certain requirements governing the preparation of actuarial valuations and the calculation of municipal funding requirements.

HF862—Pugh (DFL)

Judiciary

Statutes; revising the text of certain laws to remove redundant and obsolete language, to simplify grammar and syntax, and to improve the style of language without causing changes in the meaning of the laws.

HF863—Pugh (DFL)

Environment & Natural Resources

Natural resources; authorizing conservation officers to enforce certain laws relating to theft and damage or trespass to property.

HF864—Bishop (IR)

Judiciary

Crimes; making it a felony to assault or injure a pregnant woman; expanding the crime of criminal vehicular operation; imposing penalties.

HF865—Segal (DFL)

Education

Education; requiring the commissioner of Education to plan to establish four regional foreign language immersion schools and centers.

HF866—Dorn (DFL)

Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs

City of Mankato; authorizing the establishment of special service districts in the city.

HF867—Segal (DFL)

Education

Education; providing for a tuition free postsecondary education for persons with a disability.

HF868—Jefferson (DFL)

Health & Human Services

Human services; authorizing start-up grants to persons who seek to provide foster care; requiring a five-year commitment to foster care; appropriating money.

HF869-Olson, K. (DFL)

Transportation

Transportation; motor carriers; creating a legislative commission to study the regulation

of irregular route carriers; deferring enforcement of Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 221, and related rules with respect to irregular route carriers.

HF870—Olson, K. (DFL) Health & Human Services

Human services; clarifying the responsibility of relatives to reimburse counties for burial of indigent persons.

HF871—Olson, K. (DFL)

Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs Taxation; allowing a special levy to the cities

of Windom and Jackson to meet costs of operating municipal hospitals.

HF872—Jaros (DFL)

Education

Education; proposing a fifth year incentive plan for teachers in the Duluth School District.

HF873—Bishop (IR)

Governmental Operations

Courts; individual paid health insurance for retired judges; authorizing notification of option to elect purchase of coverage; authorizing judges retired prior to July 1, 1981, to elect purchase of health insurance.

HF874—Knickerbocker (IR)

Education

Education; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt a rule on preparation time for teachers.

HF875—McLaughlin (DFL)

Taxation; reducing the tax capacity percentage applied to rental housing.

HF876—McLaughlin (DFL) Labor-Management Relations

Dislocated workers; providing procedures to assist workers affected by employer closings; appropriating money.

HF877—Vellenga (DFL) Health & Human Services

Human services licensing; requiring the commissioner of Human Services to amend its drop-in day care rule to provide further exemptions from day care center standards and to allow for additional variances.

HF878—Wenzel (DFL)

Agriculture

Agriculture; providing drought emergency relief; establishing a program to reimburse farmers for reseeding of hay land and certain purchased hay, a damaged water well grant program, and a federal crop insurance grant program; appropriating money.

HF879—Gruenes (IR)

Rules & Legislative Administration

Legislature; requiring the Legislature to conform to the standards of the Open Meeting Law.

HF880—Jefferson (DFL)

Financial Institutions & Housing

Housing; landlord and tenant; providing for tenant's remedies for failure of owner to repair premises; providing a procedure for actions involving nonpayment of rent; providing penalties.

HF881—Begich (DFL)

Labor-Management Relations

Workers' compensation; requiring a report on recodification and simplification of the Workers' Compensation Law; appropriating money.

HF882-Rukavina (DFL) **Labor-Management Relations**

Employment; providing for severance pay and insurance coverage to certain terminated employees; requiring employers to provide advance notice of certain actions related to plant closings and mass layoffs; appropriating money.

HF883-Bishop (IR)

Education

Capital improvements; providing for capital expenses in the Rochester area of southeastern Minnesota; authorizing sale of state bonds; appropriating money.

HF884—Frerichs (IR)

Education

Capital improvements; providing for capital expenses in the Rochester area of southeastern Minnesota; authorizing sale of state bonds; appropriating money.

HF885—Gutknecht (IR)

Education

Capital improvements; providing for capital expenses in the Rochester area of southeastern Minnesota; authorizing sale of state bonds; appropriating money.

HF886—Hasskamp (DFL) Health & Human Services

Human services; clarifying definition of community social services; requiring the commissioner to coordinate application procedures for various social services grants.

HF887—Dauner (DFL)

Health & Human Services

Human services; authorizing the commissioner to establish case management for people with brain injuries.

HF888—Ostrom (DFL)

Health & Human Services

Human services; allowing case managers or the commissioner to carry out screening for home and community-based services; allowing counties to contract for guardianship services in screening for services.

HF889—Clark (DFL)

Health & Human Services

Health; establishing a state board of physical therapy; providing licensing requirements for physical therapists.

HF890-Jefferson (DFL)

Health & Human Services

Human services; providing for allocation of funds for chemical dependency programs.

HF891—Begich (DFL)

Environment & Natural Resources

Environment; limiting the application of pesticides.

HF892—Brown (DFL)

General Legislation, Veterans Affairs &

Public safety; changing the definition of "dwelling"; authorizing more stringent local smoke detector requirements; creating the position of public fire safety educator; appropriating money.

HF893—Rodosovich (DFL) Health & Human Services

Human services; disregarding the first \$50 of child support received when determining eligibility for food stamps; expanding the Local Income Assistance Grant Program; appropriating money.

HF894—Nelson, K. (DFL)

Education

Education; providing matching grants to school districts for participation in the Center for Applied Research and Education Improvement; appropriating money.

HF895-Brown (DFL) **Governmental Operations**

State lands; authorizing the commissioner of Transportation to convey certain surplus property to Stevens County for other than public purposes; authorizing the county to sell the property for other than public purposes through a negotiated sale.

HF896—Begich (DFL)

Environment & Natural Resources

Game and fish; prohibiting obstruction of shooting, hunting, fishing, and trapping; providing criminal and civil penalties.

HF897—Hasskamp (DFL)

Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs

Local government; clarifying certain procedures for adoption of town optional plans of government.

HF898—Jennings (DFL) Labor-Management Relations

Employment; setting the minimum wage for employees who receive gratuities.

HF899—Quinn (DFL) Governmental Operations

Retirement; Public Employees Retirement Association; permitting certain employees to purchase credit for prior service for which no salary deductions were made for the association.

HF900-Dorn (DFL)

Education

Education; exempting the State University System from Department of Administration procurement procedures for certain equipment.

HF901—Segal (DFL) Health & Human Services

Human services; establishing a resource center on caregiver support; creating a grant program of respite care services; appropriating money.

HF902—Miller (IR) General Legislation, Veterans Affairs &

Gaming

Proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, adding a section to Article VIII; providing for the recall of elected officials.

HF903—Ogren (DFL) Health & Human Services

Human services; establishing policy; changing the role of regional treatment centers; providing for community-based services for certain persons.

HF904—Waltman (IR)

Environment & Natural Resources

Groundwater; establishing water appropriation priorities; appropriating money.

HF905—Frederick (IR) Health & Human Services

Human services; expanding eligibility for Child Care Sliding Fee Program; providing for reimbursement of child care provider accreditation fees; creating an office of child care providers assistance in the Department of Human Services; increasing the number of certain licensing inspections; requiring a privately operated child care in the capitol complex; establishing state policy for certain inspections; exempting construction materials

and equipment from sales tax; creating a tuition tax credit; creating an employer tax credit for child care operations; appropriating money.

HF906—Sarna (DFL)

Transportation

Transportation; providing continued special transportation service for persons with permanent sensory or mental impairment; requiring coordination between Regional Transit Board and Department of Human Services to maximize federal reimbursement; requiring adoption of transit voucher program for persons with permanent impairments; providing for appeals of decisions of Regional Transit Board; appropriating money.

HF907—Orenstein (DFL) Regulated Industries

Public safety; providing for authority to regulate pipelines; imposing penalties.

HF908-Pauly (IR)

Environment & Natural Resources

Groundwater; establishing a water information committee; appropriating money.

HF909—Carlson, D. (IR)

Labor-Management Relations

Workers' compensation; providing coverage for preventive rabies treatment.

HF910—Krueger (DFL)

Education

Education; imposing educational conditions on juveniles to enroll in driver's education courses and to receive driver's permits and licenses.

HF911—Uphus (IR)

Environment & Natural Resources

Conservation; authorizing state cost-sharing for replanting of certain trees; appropriating money.

HF912-Uphus (IR)

Education

Education; establishing a basic revenue formula allowance for fiscal years 1990 and 1991; revising the training and experience revenue formula.

HF913—Valento (IR)

Environment & Natural Resources

Groundwater; providing for well sealing grants; appropriating money.

HF914-Miller (IR)

Environment & Natural Resources

Groundwater; providing for waste pesticide collection; appropriating money.

HF915-Miller (IR)

Environment & Natural Resources

Groundwater; providing for local water resources protection and management; appropriating money.

HF916—Carruthers (DFL)

Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs

Metropolitan government; providing a salary range and specifying responsibilities for the chair of the Waste Control Commission.

HF917—Sviggum (IR)

Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs

Taxation; allowing a special levy to Goodhue County for a county historical society.

HF918-Onnen (IR)

Taxes

Taxation; providing an income tax credit for families with only one principal wage earner.

HF919—Williams (DFL)

Insurance

Insurance; requiring property and casualty insurance companies to provide support for use of underwriting standards; prohibiting the use of underwriting standards that are arbitrary, capricious, or unfairly discriminatory; requiring the commissioner to report to the Legislature on certain matters.

HF920—Otis (DFL)

Judiciary

Civil actions; providing immunity from liability for certain firearms instructors whose students cause harm through misuse of a firearm.

HF921-Olsen, S. (IR)

Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs City of Hopkins; authorizing the establish-

ment of special service districts.

HF922—Pauly (IR)

Rules & Legislative Administration

A resolution memorializing the president and Congress of the United States to take action to isolate Iran because of its barbarism.

HF923—Dempsey (IR)

Health & Human Services

Human services; creating an exception to the moratorium on certification of nursing home beds.

HF924—Onnen (IR)

Environment & Natural Resources

Groundwater; establishing best management practices and water resources protection requirements; regulating pollution limits; appropriating money.

HF925—Long (DFL)

Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs Hennepin County; permitting appropriations for the arts.

HF926—Stanius (IR)

Environment & Natural Resources

Game and fish; authorizing designation of trophy northern pike waters; repealing certain restrictions on winter fishing.

HF927—Lasley (DFL)

Transportation

Traffic regulations; defining terms; subjecting driver of commercial motor vehicle to stricter federal standard on alcohol-related driving; providing for and regulating category of commercial driver's license and commercial motor vehicle drivers; authorizing Minnesota to join Driver License Compact; allowing exchange of driver license information with other states; promoting consolidated, complete driver record; imposing penalties; appropriating money.

HF928—McEachern (DFL)

Education

Education; requiring instructors to have teaching licenses.

HF929—Henry (IR)

Governmental Operations

Retirement; authorizing certain members of the Public Employees Retirement Association to change beneficiaries.

HF930—Waltman (IR) by request Environment & Natural Resources

Wild animals; removing authority to offer a bounty on rattlesnakes.

HF931—Kalis (DFL)

Transportation

Motor vehicles; requiring owner to retain certificate of title, rather than secured party; requiring buyer to deliver certificate of title to Department of Public Safety; allowing commissioner of Public Safety to suspend or revoke certificate of title if owner does not surrender it and vehicle is involuntarily transferred.

Thursday, Mar. 3

HF932—Clark (DFL)

Health & Human Services

Health; establishing a blood lead level screening program for children; requiring local health boards to conduct environmental inspections; providing subsidized lead abatement services; requiring a report on soil and blood lead; appropriating money.

HF933—Clark (DFL)

Environment & Natural Resources

Environment; prohibiting the use of food packaging that is not environmentally safe; providing penalties.

HF934—Steensma (DFL)

Agriculture

Agriculture; maintaining uniformity with certain federal food law provisions.

HF935—Lasley (DFL)

Transportation

Traffic regulations; establishing certain vehicle weight limits.

HF936—Lasley (DFL)

Education

Education; authorizing a special capital loan; appropriating money.

HF937—O'Connor (DFL)

Commerce

Commerce; Uniform Commercial Code; providing a 20-day notice period for certain fixture filings.

HF938—Wenzel (DFL)

Education

Education; proposing Department of Education outcome-based education initiatives; appropriating money.

HF939—Burger (IR)

Economic Development

Taxation; property tax; adopting a two-rate tax structure.

HF940—Burger (IR)

Economic Development

Property taxes; allowing cities and counties to adopt a two-rate tax structure.

HF941—Bishop (IR)

Taxes

Taxation; imposing conditions on memberships for golf clubs that qualify for open space tax treatment.

HF942—Skoglund (DFL)

Environment & Natural Resources

Metropolitan government; extending the responsibility of the mosquito control district to disease vectoring ticks.

HF943—Orenstein (DFL)

Health & Human Services

Health; requiring post-secondary students to submit a statement of immunization; providing exemptions.

HF944—Girard (IR)

Health & Human Services

Human services; excluding from day care licensure programs operated by religious organizations for the primary purpose of providing religious instruction to the children of members.

HF945—Simoneau (DFL)

Governmental Operations

Public employment; modifying the prohibition against bargaining certain retirement contributions.

HF946—Steensma (DFL)

Transportation

Motor vehicles; providing for special license plates for disabled persons; setting fee for duplicate personalized license plates.

HF947—Begich (DFL)

Judiciary

Crimes; requiring mandatory minimum sentences for defendants convicted of possessing or using a firearm while committing certain controlled substance violations.

HF948—Onnen (IR)

General Legislation, Veterans Affairs & Gaming

Proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, changing Article IV, Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, and 26; Article V, Sections 1 and 2, and Article XI, Section 5; providing for a unicameral legislature consisting of 101 to 135 senators.

HF949-Frederick (IR)

Judiciary

Traffic safety; increasing penalties for persons convicted of DWI after a previous conviction for criminal vehicular operation.

HF950—Orenstein (DFL)

Judiciary

Human rights; clarifying the definition of disability; limiting the use of psychological tests; limiting age-related questions in employment applications; clarifying who is an aggrieved party for certain violations; placing burden on the employer to show a person's impairment is disqualifying; providing for service of subpoenas personally or by mail; allowing the commissioner discretion on access to data in closed files; eliminating the 180-day administrative hearing option;

striking the requirement that a person's employees must be within Minnesota for purposes of affirmative action; clarifying the time period allowed for filing a private lawsuit.

HF951—Jacobs (DFL) **Regulated Industries**

Utilities; providing for the establishment of competitive electric utility rates for certain customers subject to effective competition; authorizing Public Utilities Commission to require utility to initiate rate proceeding under limited circumstances.

HF952—Munger (DFL) Transportation

Transportation; creating legislative study commission to study and report on the AMTRAK Northstar rail line between Duluth and Minneapolis-St. Paul; appropriating money.

HF953—Hasskamp (DFL)

Transportation

Transportation; deregulating persons who provide transportation service under contract to and with assistance from the Department of Transportation.

HF954—Begich (DFL)

Insurance

Insurance; regulating access to certain insurance and medical data.

HF955—Rodosovich (DFL) Financial Institutions & Housing

Financial institutions; providing standards for determining transaction account service charges; permitting state banks to establish subsidiaries under certain circumstances; authorizing the commissioner to adopt rules regarding activities of banks and bank subsidiaries.

HF956—Carruthers (DFL)

Insurance

Insurance: clarifying the calculation of underinsured motorist benefits.

HF957—Nelson, C. (DFL) Health & Human Services

Human services; clarifying administrative and judicial review procedures; creating new procedures.

HF958—Boo (IR)

Education

Education; waiving post-secondary tuition for eligible students.

HF959-Boo (IR)

Insurance

Insurance; accident and health; requiring

coverage for mental or nervous disorder treatment services performed by a licensed psychologist.

HF960—Munger (DFL)

Environment & Natural Resources

Conservation; changing certain responsibilities; defining certain terms; adopting eligibility criteria; changing agreement terms and payment procedures; providing for enforcement; authorizing sale of certain bonds; appropriating money.

HF961—Anderson, R. (IR) Health & Human Services

Human services; increasing asset and income guidelines for spouses of institutionalized Medical Assistance recipients.

HF962—Hasskamp (DFL) Health & Human Services

Health; requiring the physician to make a determination of viability; prohibiting abortions except those necessary to preserve the life or health of the mother; regulating the method of abortion of the viable fetus; requiring the presence of a second physician at the abortion of a viable unborn child; regulating the standard of care for the viable unborn child; according protection of law to the child born alive as a result of abortion; providing a penalty.

HF963—Sparby (DFL)

Agriculture

Agriculture; adopting a state packers and stockyards act; imposing penalties; appropriating money.

HF964—O'Connor (DFL)

Regulated Industries

Sale of liquor; adding malt liquor sampling to current wine sampling provision.

HF965—Jefferson (DFL)

Health & Human Services

Human services; establishing reporting requirements; defining the functions and responsibilities of the commissioner in supervising community social services administered by the counties; requiring the commissioner of Human Services to ensure compliance with applicable program laws and regulations; implementing corrective action plans; providing sanctions and establishing an incentive program.

HF966—Johnson, V. (IR)

Transportation

Highways; removing legislative route 249 from the trunk highway system.

HF967—Beard (DFL)

Labor-Management Relations

Workers' compensation; regulating selfinsurance; defining various terms; regulating certain administrative duties, powers, and procedures; regulating various benefits.

HF968—Vellenga (DFL)

Education

Education; authorizing the issuance of state bonds; appropriating money for the Desegregation Capital Improvement Grant Act.

HF969—Bishop (IR)

Commerce

Nonprofit corportations; changing the procedure for proposing amendments to the bylaws.

HF970-Sarna (DFL)

Labor-Management Relations

Employees; providing for a wage protection program; appropriating money.

HF971-Johnson, V. (IR)

Environment & Natural Resources

Agriculture; providing for the protection of groundwater and local water resources; appropriating money.

HF972—Bauerly (DFL)

Transportation

Drivers' licenses; providing that court administrators forward driver's license or permit applications and fees to the Department of Public Safety by the next working day; requiring commissioner of Public Safety to conduct background study on applicant for school bus endorsement.

HF973—Bauerly (DFL)

Transportation

Traffic regulations; regulating U-turns; providing for color and equipment requirements on school buses carrying ten or more persons; requiring flashing amber light of school bus to be activated at least 300 feet before stopping to load or unload school children; providing for bumper requirements on private passenger vehicles and rear-end protection for other vehicles.

HF974—Simoneau (DFL)

Governmental Operations

Retirement; permitting repayment of refunds received from the Judges' Retirement Fund.

HF975—Steensma (DFL)

Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs

Counties; permitting county appropriations for

HF976—Dorn (DFL)

Education

Education; imposing requirements on certain student loan programs; appropriating money.

HF977—Pelowski (DFL)

Education

Education; appropriating money to HECB for child care services for post-secondary students.

HF978-Rest (DFL)

Judiciary

Driving while intoxicated; making it a crime for certain repeat offenders to refuse to submit to chemical testing under the Implied Consent Law; imposing penalties.

HF979—Dempsey (IR)

Judiciary

Marriage dissolution; regulating child custody and support; permitting agreements about maintenance; regulating the valuation of marital property; defining certain behavior as child abduction.

HF980-Krueger (DFL)

Commerce

Commerce; providing a computerized system for notification of security interests in farm products; imposing a penalty; appropriating money.

HF981—Rest (DFL)

Judiciary

Juvenile justice; requiring reasonable efforts to prevent placement of children in need of protection or services proceedings; amending duty of juvenile court to ensure placement prevention and family reunification; defining reasonable efforts; clarifying definitions, jurisdiction, and services for Indian children; requiring preference for racial or ethnic heritage for appointment of guardian ad litem; requiring consideration of reasonable efforts in factors determining neglect; requiring that a child be in imminent danger for detention; permitting social services to release for detention; requiring finding of reasonable efforts at detention; and imposing requirements for disposition case plans.

HF982—Kelly (DFL)

General Legislation, Veterans Affairs & Gaming

Animals; establishing a state program for spaying and neutering certain animals; appropriating money.

HF983—Simoneau (DFL) Health & Human Services

Human services; transferring responsibility for the post-secondary educational institution set-aside to Department of Education; eliminating set-asides for AFDC priority groups and AFDC post-secondary students; requiring the commissioner to transfer funds from the AFDC set-asides to the basic sliding fee program; mandating child care funding for

certain groups; including child care funds planning in the community social services planning process; appropriating money.

HF984—Olson, E. (DFL)

Agriculture

Agriculture; adopting a state packers and stockyards act; imposing penalties; appropriating money.

HF985—O'Connor (DFL)

Commerce

Consumer protection; prohibiting vending machine sales of tobacco products.

HF986-Tompkins (IR)

General Legislation, Veterans Affairs & Gaming

Elections; defining expenses a candidate must pay for an optional recount.

HF987—Schreiber (IR)

Taxes

Taxation; changing the local effort factor for certain formulas.

HF988—Gruenes (IR)

Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs

Local government; changing conditions for the establishment and operation of special service districts in Sartell, Sauk Rapids, St. Cloud, Isle, Mora, Becker, and Waite Park.

HF989—Sparby (DFL)

Commerce

Trade practices; providing for payment to farm implement retailer by the manufacturer, wholesaler, or distributor who repurchases stock and inventory.

HF990—Jefferson (DFL)

Financial Institutions & Housing

Housing; establishing a home equity conversion loan counseling program for senior homeowners; appropriating money.

HF991—Jefferson (DFL)

Taxes

Property taxes; extending homestead treatment to VISTA or Peace Corps volunteers.

HF992—Orenstein (DFL)

Judiciary

Civil actions; prohibiting collateral source reduction of awards unless they are necessary to prevent double recovery.

HF993—Orenstein (DFL)

Judiciary

Civil actions; altering the application of joint and several liability in asbestos actions.

HF994—Kelso (DFL)

Health & Human Services

Human services; requiring a pilot project for subsidies to certain persons with case management training; appropriating money.

HF995—Skoglund (DFL)

Education

Education; changing school age requirements.

HF996—Skoglund (DFL)

Education

Education; allowing a school board to compel attendance of enrolled pupils under the age of seven; making conforming changes.

HF997—Hugoson (IR)

Labor-Management Relations

Workers' compensation; changing the definition of family farm.

HF998—Heap (IR)

Judiciary

Crimes; authorizing imposition of the death penalty for murder in certain circumstances; providing a statutory framework, including procedures and criteria, consistent with due process for determining when the imposition of the death penalty is appropriate; requiring the court to select the mode of execution; providing for automatic appellate review of death penalty cases; providing for appointment of attorneys in death penalty cases; providing an administrative framework for implementing the death penalty.

HF999—Battaglia (DFL)

Regulated Industries

Alcoholic beverages; authorizing Cook County to issue an off-sale liquor license.

HF1000—Omann (IR)

Regulated Industries

Intoxicating liquor; allowing a farm winery to sell wine off the premises of the winery.

HF1001—Beard (DFL)

Taxes

Property taxes; limiting increases in the market value of homesteads.

HF1002—Waltman (IR)

Judiciary

Marriage; requiring premarital and predissolution counseling; prohibiting a dissolution contrary to the marriage vows; requiring at least one year delay between filing the petition and entering the decree.

HF1003—Waltman (IR)

Environment & Natural Resources

Environment; providing for compensation to local government units affected by unlawful wastewater discharge.

HF1004—Swenson (IR)

Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs Local government; expanding the purpose for the use of certain dedicated cash payment under the municipal planning law.

HF1005-Johnson, R. (DFL) **Governmental Operations**

Retirement; Public Employees Retirement Association; adding employees of the Minnesota Association of Townships as members.

HF1006—Sviggum (IR) **Governmental Operations**

Retirement: Teachers Retirement Association: Teacher Retirement Fund associations in the cities of the first class; establishing a special defined contribution program for extracurricular teaching activity compensation amounts.

HF1007—Simoneau (DFL) **Environment & Natural Resources**

Natural resources; regulating the growing, harvesting, processing, and sale of certain wild rice; providing for a wild rice marketing program; imposing penalties; appropriating money.

HF1008—Ostrom (DFL) Health & Human Services

Human services; clarifying and expanding the duties of the Ombudsman for Older Minnesotans.

House Advisories

Thursday, March 2

HA3-Reding (DFL)

Governmental Operations

A proposal to place a moratorium on printing and publishing of certain state materials.

First Reading/Senate Bills

Monday, Feb. 27

SF101—Adkins (DFL)

Health & Human Services

Human services; clarifying definition of community social services; requiring the commissioner to coordinate application procedures for various social services grants.

SF156—Lantry (DFL)

Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison with HF79—Kostohryz (DFL)

Gambling; authorizing the governor to negotiate a tribal-state compact pursuant to the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act.

SF277—Dahl (DFL)

Health & Human Services

Health; enacting the uniform determination of death act.

Thursday, March 2

SF112—Frank (DFL)

Labor-Management Relations

Vocational rehabilitation; changing term "extended employment plan participants" to "workers".

SF574—Merriam (DFL)

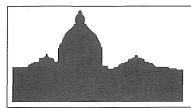
Suspension of Rules

Natural resources; providing for a deficiency in the appropriation for emergency deer feeding; appropriating money.

SF686-Knaak (IR)

Rules & Legislative Administration

A resolution memoralizing the president and Congress to condemn the government of Iran because of its action against Salman Rushdie and to refuse efforts to return frozen Iranian assets to Iran.



Committee Schedule

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Monday, March 6

8:00 a.m.

APPROPRIATIONS/Agriculture, Transportation & Semi-State Division 400S State Office Building Chr. Rep. James Rice Agenda: Budget hearings for Public Safety (continued).

APPROPRIATIONS/

Education Division
300N State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Lyndon Carlson
Agenda: Continuation of Higher
Education Coordinating Board budget
overview.

APPROPRIATIONS/

State Departments Division

300S State Office Building Chr. Rep. Phyllis Kahn Agenda: Budget overviews: Department of Military Affairs; Department of Employee Relations; and Minnesota Zoological Garden.

EDUCATION

5 State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Bob McEachern
Agenda: HF101 (A. Johnson) Student
regent to be a student at time of election.
HF86 (Jaros) Authorizing per diem for
University of Minnesota regents. HF411
(C. Nelson) Community service grant
program for post secondary institutions.
HF498 (McEachern) Providing for
donations to Permanent School Fund.

8:30 a.m.

APPROPRIATIONS/

Health & Human Services Division
200 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Lee Greenfield
Agenda: Department of Human Services
health care program budget requests.

10:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE

5 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Steve Wenzel

Agenda: HF307 (Conway) Relating to agriculture; appropriating funds for the Agricultural Interpretive Center. Hearing of bills that have passed out of subcommittee during the week.

JUDICIARY

Basement Hearing Room State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Randy Kelly

Agenda: HF243 (Rest) Relating to Department of Revenue; recodifying disclosure provisions. HF76 (Vellenga) Prohibiting detention of juveniles in jails or lockups for longer than 24 hours. HF135 (Pappas) Clarifying grounds for terminating parental rights to a child. HF788 (Vellenga) Establishing state child mortality review panel. HF702 (Wagenius) Expanding crime of failure to appear for a criminal court appearance. HF461 (Kelly) Modifying limitations provision governing damage actions brought by sexual assault victims.

REGULATED INDUSTRIES

10 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Joel Jacobs

Agenda: HF907 (Orenstein) Providing for authority to regulate pipelines. HF328 (Jacobs) Providing for the establishment of competitive electric utility rates for certain customers subject to effective competition; authorizing Public Utilities Commission to require utility to initiate rate proceeding under limited circumstances. (Proponents only)

12:30 p.m.

EDUCATION/

Education Finance Division

300N State Office Building Chr. Rep. Ken Nelson Agenda: Final action: building proposals heard on Friday. Education data systems; technology and computers; arts education; School & Resource Center for the Arts; and Year of the Cities. FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & HOUSING/Housing Division 500N State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Rich O'Connor

Agenda: HF136 (Dawkins) Providing for certain associations to bring an action for tenant remedies. *Reminder - all substantial amendments should be given to the chair by noon Friday.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

200 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Joe Begich Agenda: HF331 (Price) Relating to employment; limiting the employment hours of certain minors during the school year.

2:30 p.m.

The House will meet in session.

3:30 p.m. or after session

WAYS & MEANS

Basement Hearing Room State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Robert Vanasek

Agenda: Continuation of public testimony on the governor's budget.

Tuesday, March 7

8:00 a.m.

APPROPRIATIONS/Agriculture, Transportation & Semi-State Division 400S State Office Building Chr. Rep. James Rice Agenda: Budget hearings for Public Safety (continued).

APPROPRIATIONS/

Education Division
300N State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Lyndon Carlson
Agenda: Continuation of Higher
Education Coordinating Board budget
overview.

APPROPRIATIONS/

Health & Human Services Division 200 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Lee Greenfield Agenda: Department of Human Services health care program budget requests continued.

APPROPRIATIONS/ State Departments Division 300S State Office Building Chr. Rep. Phyllis Kahn

Agenda: Budget overview: Department of Trade and Economic Development.

LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON PENSIONS & RETIREMENT

15 Capitol

Chr. Rep. Wayne Simoneau
Agenda: Election of commission
officers: chair, vice chair, and secretary;
discussion of pension issues facing the
1989 legislative session; and other
business.

TAXES

Subcommittee on Property Tax 5 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Ann Rest Agenda: HF284 (Sparby) Allowing agricultural homestead treatment in certain cases.

8:30 a.m.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS Subcommittee on Personnel 10 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Harold Lasley

Agenda: HF391 (Bertram) Relating to peace officers; providing eligibility for death benefits for certain fire and rescue unit members and other first responders.

10:00 a.m.

COMMERCE

Basement Hearing Room State Office Building

Chr. Rep. John Sarna Agenda: To be announced.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

10 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Willard Munger Agenda: HF215 (Rukavina) Providing for restitution for wild animals illegally

killed or injured.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES Subcommittee on Transitional Services 5 State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Roger Cooper

Agenda: HF840 (Greenfield) Welfare

reform.

12:00 Noon

LOCAL GOVERNMENT & METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS

Outside Tour Chr. Rep. David Battaglia Agenda: Tour Metropolitan Airports Commission.

12:30 p.m.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/ Community Stabilization & Development Division 300S State Office Building Charles Clerk

Chr. Rep. Karen Clark

Agenda: HF540 (Clark) Community resources program for cities of the first class.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/ International Trade & Technology Division

400S State Office Building Chr. Rep. Leo Reding Agenda: To be announced.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/Rural Resource Development Division

300N State Office Building Chr. Rep. Mary Murphy

Agenda: Minnesota Pollution Control Agency; our regulatory agency whose actions and leadership will promote economic development into the 21st century. Barbara Sims, assistant commissioner, MPCA; and other committee business.

GENERAL LEGISLATION, VETERANS AFFAIRS & GAMING Subcommittee on Veterans Affairs 500S State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Andy Steensma

Agenda: HF799 (Cooper) Establishes temporary rules for Veterans' Home Board. HF121 (Beard) Bronze star grave marker. HF203 (Bertram) Adjutant General to establish pay grade. HF288 (Stanius) Veterans - cost of living increase. HF297 (Stanius) Assistance programs and benefits for veterans. HF395 (Sviggum) Bonus payments to National Guard.

JUDICIARY

Subcommittee on Facilities Assessment 500N State Office Building Chr. Rep. Sandy Pappas

Agenda: Report from Regional Treatment Centers-Department of Corrections (RTC-DOC) task force. Correctional bed

impact estimate from 1989 active legislation - Deb Dailey, Sentencing Guidelines Commission. HFXXX (Pappas) Non-imprisonment guidelines data collection.

2:30 p.m.

AGRICULTURE

Subcommittee on Agriculture Finance & Farm Programs

5 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Wally Sparby

Agenda: HF173 (Steensma) Requiring consumers to be informed concerning the point of origin of certain food ingredients. HF583 (Winter) Changes in the Rural Finance Authority Loan Program. HF603 (Sparby) Extending the Farmer-Lender Mediation Act. HF779 (Cooper) Relating to county and district agricultural societies.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Subcommittee on Enterprise Development

500S State Office Building Chr. Rep. Gene Pelowski

Agenda: HF719 (C. Nelson) Authorizing certain local jurisdictions to contribute to local or regional economic development organizations. HF500 (Krueger) Changing authority of Regional Development Commission. HFXXX (Burger) Establishing site-bond property valuation for economic development.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Subcommittee on Job Training & Retraining

300S State Office Building Chr. Rep. Peter McLaughlin

Agenda: HF585 (McLaughlin) Amendment relating to Minnesota Employment and Economic Development (MEED). HF856 (Pugh) Creating a Minnesota youth conservation corps.

JUDICIARY/Criminal Justice Division 500N State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Kathleen Vellenga

Agenda: HF687 (Wagenius) Relating to juvenile court; expanding the definition of child in need of protection or services. HF731 (Blatz) Relating to data practices; providing for classification of law enforcement data on child abuse.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

Subcommittee on Unemployment Insurance/Workers' Compensation 400N State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Pat Beard

Agenda: Presentation by Department of Labor and Industry on options to reduce the high cost of workers' compensation in the logging industry. Public testimony by Minnesota Timber Producers.

4:00 p.m.

TRANSPORTATION Subcommittee on Safety 500N State Office Building Chr. Rep. Andy Steensma Agenda: HF696 (Brown) Triple trailers. HF44 (Redalen) Triple horse trailers.

7:00 p.m.

JOINT MEETING HOUSE & SENATE EDUCATION; HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS/ **EDUCATION DIVISION & SENATE** FINANCE/EDUCATION DIVISION 123 Capitol

Chrs. Rep. Bob McEachern and Sen. James Pehler

Agenda: Interviews for U of M regents.

Wednesday, March 8

8:00 a.m.

APPROPRIATIONS/Agriculture, **Transportation & Semi-State Division** 400S State Office Building Chr. Rep. James Rice Agenda: Budget hearings for Regional Transit Board.

APPROPRIATIONS/ **Education Division** 300N State Office Building Chr. Rep. Lyndon Carlson Agenda: University of Minnesota budget overview.

APPROPRIATIONS/ Health & Human Services Division 200 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Lee Greenfield Agenda: Social services, family support programs and health care, Department of Human Services.

APPROPRIATIONS/ **State Departments Division** 300S State Office Building Chr. Rep. Phyllis Kahn

Agenda: Budget overviews: Department of Trade and Economic Development (continuation); and Housing Finance Agency.

EDUCATION

5 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Bob McEachern

Agenda: Academic Excellence Foundation; and Education Finance Division reports (bonding).

10:00 a.m.

EDUCATION/

Higher Education Division 500N State Office Building Chr. Rep. Mike Jaros Agenda: Presentation: "Financial Aid Policies and Programs," Kathleen Kies, deputy executive director, Higher Education Coordinating Board.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & HOUSING

Subcommittee on Banking Basement Hearing Room State Office Building Chr. Rep. Tom Osthoff

Agenda: HF414 (Scheid) Mortgage

banking.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & HOUSING/Housing Division

10 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Rich O'Connor Agenda: Presentation of the Legislative Auditor's report on the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency. Roger Brooks

and Elliot Long - Legislative Auditor's Office.

JUDICIARY/Criminal Justice Division 500S State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Kathleen Vellenga

Agenda: HF213 (Rest) Relating to crime; increasing the penalty for criminal vehicular operation. HF445 (Vellenga) Relating to alcoholic beverages; requiring registration numbers on kegs and barrels of beer and records of their sale. HF255 (Bertram) Relating to crimes; increasing the penalty for mutilating the American flag. HF703 (Wagenius) Relating to crime; expanding the theft statute to include the unauthorized use of a motor vehicle; making the penalties for receiving stolen property and issuing a dishonored check similar to the penalties for theft.

12:30 p.m.

INSURANCE

5 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Wes Skoglund

Agenda: HF200 (Quinn) Insurance consumers board. HFXXX Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association (MCHA) proposal. HF150 (Ogren) Healthspan.

TRANSPORTATION

10 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Henry Kalis

Agenda: HF927 (Lasley) Commercial drivers' licenses. HF484 (A. Johnson) Regional rail authorities; joint powers. HF472 (Kalis) Length of trucks.

2:30 p.m.

The House will meet in session.

3:00 p.m.

JOINT MEETING

HOUSE GENERAL LEGISLATION. **VETERANS AFFAIRS & GAMING** Subcommittee on Veterans Affairs & SENATE VETERANS & MILITARY **AFFAIRS**

10 State Office Building Chrs. Rep. Andy Steensma and Sen. Joe Bertram

Agenda: Presentations by cities vying for a veterans' home in their community. Please note time and room change.

After Session

EDUCATION/

Education Finance Division 5 State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Ken Nelson

Agenda: Academic Excellence Foundation; community and family education. HF572 (Bauerly) Adult literacy. HF616 (Bauerly) Children's initiatives. HF632 (K. Nelson) Youth service and dropout prevention. HF677 (McEachern) Youth service. (Note: this meeting will start after session and run until 5:00 p.m., and then start again at 6:30 p.m.)

ETHICS

Room number will be announced. Chr. Rep. Loren Solberg Agenda: To be announced.

Thursday, March 9

8:00 a.m.

APPROPRIATIONS/Agriculture, Transportation & Semi-State Division 400S State Office Building Chr. Rep. James Rice

Agenda: Budget hearings for Department of Transportation.

APPROPRIATIONS/

Education Division

300N State Office Building Chr. Rep. Lyndon Carlson Agenda: University of Minnesota budget

overview.

overviews.

APPROPRIATIONS/ Health & Human Services Division 200 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Lee Greenfield Agenda: Health related boards - budget

APPROPRIATIONS/ **State Departments Division** 300S State Office Building Chr. Rep. Phyllis Kahn

Agenda: Budget overviews: State Planning Agency; and Department of

Administration.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

10 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Wayne Simoneau Agenda: HF100 (A. Johnson) Relating to state government; regulating part-time employees and employment policies. (continuation of hearing) HF257 (Williams) Relating to state government; regulating markings on state vehicles; occupational licensing boards; regulating state sale of goods and services. HF428 (Solberg) Relating to public safety; transferring duties and powers relating to emergency medical services from the Department of Health to the Department

TAXES

of Public Safety.

Subcommittee on Tax Laws 5 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Alan Welle Agenda: Presentation by John Tomlinson (Department of Revenue) on Alternative Minimum Tax.

10:00 a.m.

COMMERCE

Basement Hearing Room State Office **Building**

Chr. Rep. John Sarna

Agenda: HF624 (Morrison) Relating to commerce; regulating real estate appraisers; creating the real estate appraiser advisory board; providing for membership, compensation, powers and duties; providing licensing and education requirements; regulating the issuance, renewal, suspension and revocation of licenses; providing fees; prescribing penalties; appropriating money.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

10 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Willard Munger Agenda: HF778 (Kinkel) Emergency deer feeding program. HF417 (Munger) Recycling and waste reduction bill developed by Select Committee on Recycling and the Environment.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES Subcommittee on Social Services 5 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Richard Jefferson Agenda: HF903 (Ogren) Regional Treatment Centers (Department of

Human Services) Bill.

12:30 p.m.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/ **Community Stabilization** & Development Division 300S State Office Building Chr. Rep. Karen Clark

Agenda: HF540 (Clark) Community resources program for cities of the first class.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/ International Trade & Technology Division

400S State Office Building Chr. Rep. Leo Reding

Agenda: Presentation - Minnesota World Trade Center Corporation.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/ Rural Resource Development Division 300N State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Mary Murphy Agenda: Minnesota's water resources: How the use of Minnesota's water resources will effect agricultural and industrial growth in the next century. Ron Nargang, director, Waters Division, Department of Natural Resources.

GENERAL LEGISLATION, **VETERANS AFFAIRS & GAMING/ Gaming Division**

500S State Office Building Chr. Rep. Joe Quinn

Agenda: HF66 (Quinn) The lottery.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT & METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS

200 State Office Building Chr. Rep. David Battaglia

Agenda: HF523 (Simoneau) Local government; regulating development, imposition, and management of state mandates upon local political subdivisions. HF897 (Hasskamp) Local government; clarifying certain procedures for adoption of town optional plans of government. HF804 (Lasley) Chisago



Insurance Committee

County; permitting cancellation of certain ditch assessments and providing for allocation of others. HF128 (D. Carlson) Local government; delaying effective date of historical society levy for Chisago, Kanabec, Pine and Carlton counties.

2:30 p.m.

No House session today.

AGRICULTURE Subcommittee on Agriculture Finance & Farm Programs 5 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Wally Sparby

Agenda: HF591 (Cooper) Appropriating money for promoting the use of ethanol. HF752 (Sparby) Appropriating money to discharge mandated grain inspection costs at Duluth, HF808 (E. Olson) Eliminating further adjustments to the value index for certain property exemptions.

EDUCATION/

Education Finance Division 300N State Office Building Chr. Rep. Ken Nelson Agenda: Organization and cooperation.

TRANSPORTATION **Subcommittee on Air Transportation** 10 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Bernie Lieder Agenda: Overview of Minnesota Department of Transportation's

regulatory role at airports.

4:30 p.m.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES Basement Hearing Room State Office Building Chr. Rep. Willard Munger Agenda: HF601 (Long) Waste Management Act amendments.

7:00 p.m.

JOINT MEETING HOUSE & SENATE EDUCATION: HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS/ **Education Division & SENATE** FINANCE/Education Division 123 Capitol Chrs. Rep. Bob McEachern and Sen. James Pehler Agenda: Interviews for U of M regents. Friday, March 10

8:00 a.m.

APPROPRIATIONS/ Health & Human Services Division 200 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Lee Greenfield

Agenda: Budget overview - Veterans nursing homes.

APPROPRIATIONS/ **State Departments Division** 300S State Office Building Chr. Rep. Phyllis Kahn

Agenda: Budget overview: Department of Administration. (NOTE: meeting is scheduled to last until 12:00 noon.)

9:00 a.m.

JOINT MEETING LOCAL GOVERNMENT & METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS Subcommittee on Metropolitan Affairs & TRANSPORTATION Subcommittee on Surface **Transportation** 10 State Office Building Chrs. Rep. Phil Carruthers and Rep. Alice Johnson Agenda: Light Rail presentations: Tom Matoff, general manager, Sacramento (CA) Regional Transit District; Donald MacDonald, P.E., Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. Regional Rail Authorities update: John Derus, Hennepin County; Kathy Spiegelaere, Ramsey County; and

10:00 a.m.

EDUCATION/ **Education Finance Division** 300N State Office Building Chr. Rep. Ken Nelson Agenda: Transportation.

Paul McCarron, Anoka County.

12:30 p.m.

JUDICIARY.

Basement Hearing Room State Office Building Chr. Rep. Randy Kelly

Agenda: HF315 (Vellenga) Relating to criminal sexual conduct. HF306 (Pugh) Relating to trusts. HF59 (Kelly) Relating to controlled substances. (If passed out of Criminal Justice Division.) HF13 (Kelly) Relating to conciliation court. (If passed out of Subcommittee on Civil Law)



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