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# It's a fact!

Sacajawea, a Native American woman, is included in the five-figure statuary, "Minnesota, Spirit of Government." It has been on display in the House of Representatives since 1938.

Italian-American sculptor, Charles Brioschi, included Sacajawea in the statuary because she contributed to the settlement of Minnesota.

Sacajawea and her French husband, Toussaint Charbonneau, were guides of the Lewis and Clark expedition. She mediated between wary tribes and the explorers during the expedition. She has been credited with many acts of courage.

Sacajawea, born in the southern Rocky Mountain region about 1784, was a member of the Shoshone tribe. She died in Wyoming on the Shoshone reservation in 1884.



# Highlights

# Game, fish law enforcement

State conservation officers have jurisdictional problems when people violate game and fish laws on Indian reservations, or if Indians violate such laws on treaty rights territories, says Captain Byron Dyrland, from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Enforcement Division.

A conservation officer can't arrest and prosecute an Indian offender in a treaty rights area even if the person has violated tribal game and fish regulations, Dyrland says. And under current law, a tribal game warden can't arrest a non-Indian who has violated state game laws on a reservation.

Cross-deputizing is the solution, according to Dyrland. The Leech Lake Reservation tried the idea in a joint effort with the DNR, and found that it works well, he says.

On April 27, the Environment and Natural Resources Committee considered HF1610 (Kinkel, DFL-Park Rapids), a bill that would cross-deputize special conservation officers to enforce state game and fish laws.

Joe Day, DNR community liaison officer, says the bill would allow the state and the tribes to manage and protect game and fish in Minnesota and on reservations.

#### Property taxes

The Taxes Committee began work on the 1989 tax omnibus bill April 25. Throughout the week, legislators worked on HF1734 and heard public testimony on the bill's tax components, including property tax provisions that would affect homeowners, renters, and Minnesota's businesses. Rep. Dee Long (DFL-Mpls).

committee chair and bill author, plans to act on the bill by April 28.

One of the bill's primary measures would change the property tax tiers for homeowners. A homestead is currently taxed on its market value which is based on the value of the house, garage, and land. Residential homesteads, including agricultural homesteads, would see a lower net tax capacity rate based on that market value. For instance, property worth \$68,000 would be taxed at a net rate of 0.98 percent, instead of 1.0 percent; property worth up to \$110,000 would see a tax of 2.0 percent, instead of 2.5 percent; and property over \$110,000 would see 3.0 percent, instead of 3.3 percent.

Another measure would extend the property tax refund schedule for homeowners to include those with incomes up to \$80,000 (the current level is \$35,000).

### Corporate taxes =

Testimony in the Taxes Committee April 26 centered mainly on the corporate tax components of the tax omnibus bill. Under HF1734 (Long, DFL-Mpls), the Minnesota corporate franchise tax would increase from the current 9.5 percent to 10 percent. Business leaders expressed reservations about the bill, including proposed modifications to the alternative minimum tax (AMT) law, which factors sales, property, and payroll. Their testimony sparked debate among legislators.

Opponents to the bill included William Spangler, director of taxes at

3M Corporation, who recalculated 3M's taxes according to the bill. He found that the new figures put a high tax on his company's factors of sales, property, and payroll. "We are going to find that many corporations...with machinery and equipment will fall under the AMT tax, not the regular tax," Spangler told the committee. "You are taxing depreciation on the very tangible personal property that are tools of our workers, where we create the jobs."

Members from the Minnesota State Chamber of Commerce, Minnesota Retail Merchants Association, and the Minnesota Citizens for Tax Justice also testified on aspects of the tax bill.

#### Vacation time

It's not often that employees say they're willing to share some vacation hours with another employee. But a bill the House passed April 26 would allow state employees to do just that.

HF1027 (Janezich, DFL-Chisholm) would permit state employees to donate up to eight hours of vacation time in 1989 to benefit another state employee, their spouse, or dependent. The money would assist in paying an employee's unreimbursed medical expenses that total at least \$10,000.

Employees who donate time would have to notify their agency director of the amount of vacation time they wish to donate and the name of the employee who would benefit from the donation. The agency director would then

# Correction: Head Start funding

In the April 21 issue of the Session Weekly, page 2, the "Head Start funding" highlight stated that the PICA Family and Child Development Center in Hennepin County may receive \$16 million from the Legislature during the next two years. In actuality, the center may receive a portion of the \$16 million allocation. There are approximately 35 other Head Start programs, including those on Indian reservations, that may receive funding from the allocation.

determine the monetary value of the donated time, and transfer that amount into a special account the commissioner of employee relations would administer.

#### **Work Readiness**

Work Readiness, a program for people who don't qualify for federal assistance or state-funded General Assistance may undergo some changes under an amendment the Appropriations' Health and Human Services Division adopted April 26.

Work Readiness aims to provide services to help employable and potentially employable people prepare for and attain self-sufficiency through permanent work. Rep. Peter McLaughlin (DFL-Mpls) says the amendment would improve the current program.

The amendment would remove the sixmonth limit in which a person can receive work readiness services. It would also expand the program, and require it to include an orientation program, an employability plan, referral to remedial training programs, referral to other employment programs, job search programs, and public employment experience. Program participants could face disqualification if they don't fulfill certain requirements.

As part of the expanded program, the division allocated more than \$1 million to assist workers who are dislocated as a result of a plant closing or layoff that has a significant effect on the community. Division members also allocated

\$100,000 to the Work Readiness Literacy Program.

In addition, the amendment would require local agencies to provide child care and transportation to enable people to participate in literacy training. The state would have to reimburse local agencies for transportation costs. The counties would have to ensure the availability of child care.

# DTED budget

The State Departments Division of the Appropriations Committee cut funding for the Department of Trade and Economic Development's (DTED) commissioner's office during a budget hearing April 26.

The \$470,000 cut would remove funding for the commissioner and two office positions. The DTED Community Development Division would assume the commissioner's duties.

The DTED works with local governments and private businesses to promote and coordinate economic development and domestic and international trade. The department also includes the offices of Tourism and Science and Technology. The Community Development Division works with community development agencies and local elected officials, providing grants for housing rehabilitation, recreation facilities, and other similar projects.



On April 26, House members received bumper stickers promoting ethanol when they considered a bill that would require information about gasoline additives to be available for consumers at service stations.

### Campaign spending limits

United States congressional candidates would face campaign spending limits under a bill state lawmakers considered April 26. U.S. Senate candidates would have a \$3 million limit; U.S. House of Representatives candidates would have a \$300,000 limit.

"This bill is really tough on incumbents," says Rep. Joe Quinn (DFL-Coon Rapids). It would provide public campaign funding to candidates for congressional office if they agree to spending limits. Incumbents generally have a big advantage in fundraising, he says.

HF205 would prohibit candidates from spending more than the named amounts, and would require them to raise one-half of their funds.

Under the bill, a candidate who agrees to spending limits and receives money would not have to abide by the limit if his/her opponent refuses to accept spending limits. If both candidates agree to limits, neither would receive public funding. But, if a candidate exceeds the limits, he or she could face a fine of up to four times the amount of the overexpenditure.

Congressional campaign reform is long overdue, says Norm Petrik, Common Cause president. Senate members receive four times as much political action campaign (PAC) money as their challengers, he says, while House members receive eight times as much PAC money as their challengers.

To fund campaigns, he notes that a U. S. Senate candidate needs to raise an average of \$10,000 a week for six years, while a U.S. House candidate has to raise \$4,000 a week for two years. Petrik says fundraising often takes elected officials away from their elected duties.

Rep. Don Ostrom (DFL-St. Peter) says the bill may help incumbents. Incumbents have many advantages in a race, he says, most notably name recognition. Extensive spending could be a challenger's only avenue to overcome the incumbent's inherent advantages.

The General Legislation, Veterans Affairs and Gaming Committee laid the bill over for interim study.

### Telephone service

A resolution calling for extended telephone service in the metropolitan area received a recommendation to pass from the Regulated Industries Committee April

The resolution supports the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) plan to expand the current metropolitan extended area telephone service to include customers in Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington counties. Difficulties in establishing a suitable definition of "metropolitan extended area telephone service boundaries" prompted the committee to draw a resolution and to work with the PUC in solving boundary problems.

The resolution also calls on the PUC to determine fair and equitable rate structures for local telephone exchanges newly included in the extended area service.

# Corporal punishment

"Hitting students is no longer an appropriate form of discipline for teachers to use," says Rep. Phyllis Kahn (DFL-Mpls), author of a bill that would prohibit corporal punishment in Minnesota schools.

Kahn says hitting students has long been outlawed throughout most of the civilized world, nationally in 14 states, and locally in Minneapolis and St. Paul schools. It often leads to increased physical aggressiveness, broken bones, and profound emotional distress in children. She notes that since 1985, three children have died from physical punishment they received at school.

Kahn's bill, HF1387, would prohibit teachers from hitting, spanking, or using unreasonable physical force that causes bodily or emotional harm to a student. The bill would not prevent a teacher from using force in self-defense or to subdue a student in an emergency.

The Education Committee recommended passage of the bill April 26. It goes next to the House Floor.



Giving flight to the Year of the Neighborhoods, Isabel Buri, a resident of Elliot Park in Minneapolis, prepares to launch her kite on the Capitol mall as part of a kite fly on April 27 to gain lawmakers' support and give proposed legislation a lift in the battle for funding.

# Judicial study

Racial bias in the judicial system caught the attention of state lawmakers April 26 when the Judiciary Committee gave preliminary approval to HF1158 (Dawkins, DFL-St. Paul), a bill that would direct the state Supreme Court to study the problem.

The study would examine the extent of racial bias in the court system, including discriminatory treatment of minority litigants, witnesses, jurors, judges, attorneys, and court personnel. It would also review racial correlations in sentencing patterns and look at minority representation (or under-representation) in jury selection and in certain positions, including judges, law clerks, judicial administrators, county attorneys, and public defenders. The court would have to report its findings to the Legislature by January 1993.

The bill goes next to the House Appropriations Committee.

#### Rattlesnake bounty

The state would no longer pay bounty to rattlesnake hunters under a bill the House passed April 26. Rep. Bob Waltman (IR-Elgin) sponsors HF930, a bill that would remove the bounty on rattlesnakes in four southeastern Minnesota counties.

Research indicates some hunters abuse the rattlesnake bounty, Waltman says. Nearby states no longer pay bounties, so people bring the snakes to Minnesota to collect their rewards. He also reports that some aggressive rattlesnake hunters keep mother snakes and bring in the newborn snakes for bounty.

But Rep. Sidney Pauly (IR-Eden Prairie) wonders whether the bill would arbitrarily take authority away from the counties without their consent.

Waltman says people are still free to kill rattlesnakes if they present immediate danger to individuals or households. The bill received a great deal of publicity in certain areas, he says, and no counties notified him of any problems with it.

# Wildflowers, grass ■

Farmers may reap a new economy from wildflower and native grass seed production under a bill the Economic Development Committee considered April 25. HF1713 (Cooper, DFL-Bird Island) would provide funding for a loan program to encourage seed development and expand marketing opportunities.

The seed production program would establish six regions, and would require each to use 100 acres for grass seed production and 10 acres for wildflower seed production. Farmers could receive loans with 6 percent interest rates to cover operating and capital costs.

The bill would direct the commissioner of agriculture to cooperate with the University of Minnesota (U of M) to develop research and marketing information for the seed production program.

Rep. Don Frerichs (IR-Rochester) criticized the bill saying it would duplicate other state agencies' responsibilities, and would give more money to the U of M.

But Rep. Karen Clark (DFL-Mpls) says city lawns would benefit from wildflower

and native grass fortification. And it would help lawns recover from last year's drought.

The bill would also reactivate the Agricultural Data Collection Task Force to evaluate the financial status of agriculture in Minnesota.

#### Child care costs ■

The Appropriations Committee's Education Division, after wrestling with the conflict of helping many or few, approved language that would help defray child care costs for postsecondary students.

Division members weighed the option



Mark Farrell, a sixth grader at Mahtomedi Middle School, raises his sign and voices his approval for additional funding for educational programs from atop one of the statues in front of the state Capitol. A crowd of more than 6,000 gathered on the steps of the Capitol April 24 waving "Invest in Our Children" pennants, and urging increased spending for education.

of helping to pay child care costs for postsecondary students during school and work hours, or limiting the supplement to the time when students actually are on campus. Noting the restrictive \$4 million biennial budget, members unanimously approved changes April 24 that would restrict child care grants for educational purposes. Lawmakers say they prefer to assist more students with the limited funds rather than give more money to students who work and attend school.

However, on April 25, the division approved language that would allow school financial aid officials to consider providing child care assistance to students for up to 20 hours of work per week.

The division also removed a provision that would have given preference to students already in the grant program over new applicants. They say such a priority could have left out applicants with greater needs.

# Higher education budget

The Education Division of Appropriations approved a \$1.9 billion budget April 25 for all the higher education systems in the state, which includes start-up funding to meet the needs of a changing student population.

Recognizing the shift in student makeup, the division included a provision in the bill that would offer child care funding for parents who attend postsecondary institutions. Parents would be eligible for the subsidy for the time they're in school and possibly for up to 20 hours of work per week.

The measure also includes provisions that would permit faculty exchanges between the University of Minnesota and the State University System, and facultyteacher exchanges between postsecondary institutions, and elementary and secondary schools.

Division members also approved a provision that would set up a training program in communication and teaching skills for University of Minnesota teaching assistants.

The allocations for the biennium are:

- Higher Education Coordinating Board --- \$175.8m;
- State Board of Vocational Technical Education — \$344.4m;

- State Board for Community Colleges \$188.1m:
- State University Board \$345.5m;
- Board of Regents, University of Minnesota — \$901.6m;
- Mayo Medical Foundation \$2.1m.

### Assault weapons

National Rifle Association (NRA) enthusiasts cheered April 21 when the Judiciary Committee, on a vote of 17 to 8, defeated an amended version of HF330, a bill that would have restricted future sales of certain military assault weapons.

Bill author Rep. Howard Orenstein (DFL-St. Paul) stated that the amended version of the bill did not call for confiscation of any weapons. Under the bill, current owners could have kept their weapons and passed them on by will or inheritance.

A spokesperson for the Minnesota Police Chiefs Association and several law enforcement officials testified that they strongly supported the bill, saying drug dealers using the military assault weapons in the "drug wars."

NRA supporters told committee members that the Second Amendment to the U.S. Constitution guarantees the right to own military assault weapons like the AK-47. Orenstein reminded committee members and the public that he does "not

want to ban all guns, period." Proponents of the bill said they do not want to ban legitimate hunting rifles, and that they respect a person's right to own those weapons.

Orenstein noted that recent polls show the public overwhelmingly supports a ban on assault weapons, and that much of the information certain groups distributed to their members about his bill is false.

After the committee defeated the Orenstein bill, they adopted an amendment, on a vote of 13 to 12, that would put assault rifles under the same restrictions as handguns. Rep. Marcus Marsh (IR-Sauk Rapids) then moved to lay the bill over for interim study. The committee passed the Marsh motion on a vote of 13 to 12.

### Towing ■

To tow or not to tow? That's the question. And HF1697 (Carruthers, DFL-Brooklyn Center) may provide the answer.

The bill would impose a waiting period before towing services could haul vehicles away. It also would prohibit towing services from removing vehicles because of expired tags, or if law enforcement officials have issued fewer than five parking tickets. The bill would also outline when services could tow

vehicles from public or private areas.

Though witnesses praise some parts of the bill, they point out some troublesome provisions.

"If this [bill] is passed, you're doing a great injustice to the towing companies and consumers," says Joseph Sroya, a towing operator. "You're penalizing the...whole state for a Minneapolis problem." Committee members and others called Minneapolis' towing practices "overzealous" and "aggressive."

Several people raised concerns about a section that would provide a four-hour grace period before towing could occur. They say four hours would be too restrictive for private parking lot operators who can't ticket but can use the threat of towing as a deterrent. The committee amended the bill to reduce the time to 30 minutes for vehicles parked in private lots.

The Commerce Committee gave the bill preliminary approval April 25.

### DWI repeat offenders

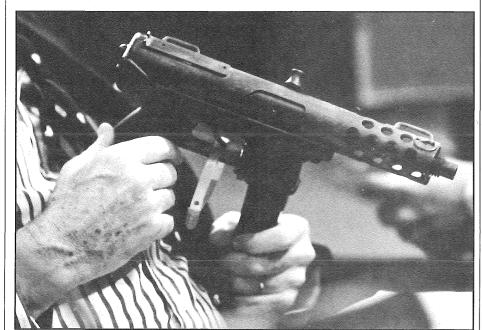
Repeat DWI (driving while intoxicated) offenders may face criminal penalties for refusing alcohol tests if HF978 (Rest, DFL-New Hope), a bill the House Judiciary Committee approved April 24 becomes law.

The bill would make it a crime for some people who have had their licenses revoked previously under certain alcohol-related laws to refuse a chemical test of their blood, breath, or urine.

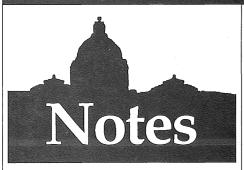
Under current law, anyone who refuses the test may have their license revoked for a minimum of one year, even if they don't have a prior record. Those who have a prior record must show proof of treatment and a year of sobriety before they can legally drive.

Proponents say the new crime proposal targets individuals who have previous convictions, refuse treatment, and continue to drive without a license.

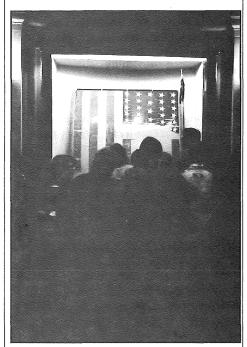
The bill received unanimous committee support; it now goes to the House Floor.



A Judiciary Committee member examined a TEC 9 semi-automatic rifle during an April 21 hearing when the committee considered a bill which would have banned the sale of semi-automatic rifles.



Tenants who lose essential utility services may have some help getting them back under a bill the House passed April 26. Essential utility services include heat, electricity, hot water, and running water, HF1107 (Jefferson, DFL-Mpls) would provide emergency relief procedures for tenants who lose these services and find that landlords will not make repairs. Under the bill, a tenant would file an emergency petition with a county court if the landlord fails to fix the service. The court would then order the owner to repair the problem or order the tenant to do so and deduct the cost from the rent.



**Pupils from Prescott Elementary School** in Prescott, Wisconsin form silhouettes against the flag the First Minnesota Infantry Regiment carried at the Battle of Gettysburg. A Historical Society tour guide explains the history.

Private sector employees would have a legal right to review their personnel files under HF260 (Trimble, DFL-St. Paul), a bill that received preliminary approval from the Judiciary Committee April 21. The bill would also provide exceptions where an employer would not have to release the information, such as when it would jeopardize a co-worker's right to privacy. State officials say there's a real need for this type of legislation because they receive calls each week from private sector employees who don't have access to their personnel files.

Manufacturers' sales representatives would have some protection against capricious contract terminations if a bill the Labor-Management Relations Committee approved becomes law. HF1641 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington) would direct manufacturers to terminate sales representative agreements only for good cause. Some former sales reps say manufacturers released them because the manufacturer or a large customer wanted the reduced prices that result from eliminating the representative's sales commission. "They shouldn't be able to cut people off without good cause," says Rep. Kathleen Blatz.

Producers of "wet alcohol," a fuel additive, could join ethanol producers in receiving production payments from the state if HF415 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon) gains final legislative approval. Wet alcohol is agriculturally derived fermentation ethyl alcohol. The state would pay only for ethanol or wet alcohol fermented in Minnesota. The Department of Finance estimates that this year the state will pay producers about \$2.5 million, of \$10 million available.

Students wanting to attend the Akita, Japan, campus of the State University System could get some state financial help under a provision the **Education Division of Appropriations** considered April 24. Division members approved language that would set aside \$250,000 to start a grant fund for students participating in the Akita program, in which the State University System operates a campus in cooperation with the Japanese government. The provision is part of the division's omnibus higher education funding bill.



Saroum Bun, St. Paul, performs a classical Cambodian "Wishing Dance" in the Capitol Rotunda in celebration of the "The First Asian-Pacific Minnesotans Day at the Capitol" on April 27.

Owners of pet snapping turtles would face regulation under HF811 (McGuire, DFL-Falcon Heights), a bill the House passed April 20. The bill would require owners who have more than three turtles at any time to obtain a license to catch and possess them.

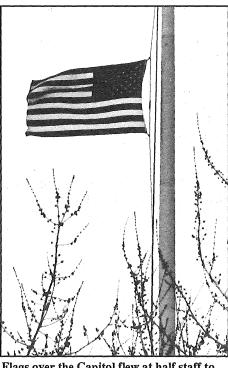
Congratulations! Rep. Willard Munger (DFL-Duluth) received the Minnesota Recreation Park Association's highest citizen award April 27. The award recognizes Munger's outstanding leadership in establishing sound public policies through law that would protect and enhance the environment and natural resources.

Frank DeGroat is the only known American Indian to have served in the Minnesota House of Representatives in the 20th century. DeGroat, a Republican, took office in 1962 and served seven terms in the Legislature. He served as Agriculture Committee chair and Natural Resources Committee vice chair. DeGroat, born May 7, 1916, is a descendant of the East Coast Brotherton tribe. His grandparents settled in Minnesota in 1887. Biographical data indicates he was born on the Morton Reservation and grew up on the White Earth Reservation.

Health facilities would have to make reasonable efforts to notify a family member of the admission of a patient and allow the family to participate in the patient's treatment if SF218 (House author: Clark, DFL-Mpls) becomes law. The bill would permit an exception if the facility has reason to believe the patient would not want a family member notified. The bill goes next to the House Floor.

People who pay money to winners of video games of chance, such as poker and blackjack game machines, could face a \$700 fine. The machines are for amusement only, but some bars make illegal payments. Those who pay cash prizes would not be eligible to obtain or hold a license to operate the video games, under HF1648 (Price, DFL-Woodbury), which the General Legislation, Veterans Affairs and Gaming Committee recommended to pass April 27.

Veterans and civilian medical staff who served in a combat zone and are confined in a Minnesota correctional facility could have their combat service evaluated. Under HF759 (Welle, DFL-Willmar) a combat veteran or someone having served with a civilian medical staff in a combat zone would undergo evaluation. If their service was unusually stressful and they suffer from post traumatic stress disorder, the bill would direct corrections officials to consider the information in the individual's corrections plan. The bill awaits action on the House Floor.



Flags over the Capitol flew at half staff to commemorate Ricky Ronald Peterson, 22, of Houston, Minnesota who died in an explosion on board the USS Iowa April 19.



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How a Bill Becomes Law in Minnesota brochure describes the legislative process from the introduction of a bill to the governor's signature.

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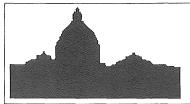
The Three Branches of Minnesota State Government brochure describes the functions and powers of the legislative, executive, and judicial branches of government. It also includes a diagram and an explanation on how a bill becomes law.

Seating Arrangement chart shows the seating arrangements in the House and the Senate chambers. It includes alphabetical listings of House and Senate members, their photos, party designations, home addresses, and district and seat numbers.

# Session Coverage

Session Weekly, a newsletter published once a week during sessions, reports daily House and committee action, lists all bill introductions, advance committee schedules, and provides other information to help you follow the legislative process.

Session Summary, a booklet published at the end of each session, summarizes and indexes all bills that both the House and the Senate passed during a legislative session, and lists their chapter numbers as they appear in Laws of Minnesota.



# Committee and Floor Action

# **COMMITTEE ACTION**

AGRICULTURE

Monday, April 24

Ethyl alcohol—producer payments HF415/SF328 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

#### **APPROPRIATIONS**

Thursday, April 27 ■

Higher Education—omnibus appropriations bill HF1747 (L. Carlson, DFL-Crystal)—recommended to pass.

# **Education Division/ APPROPRIATIONS**

Friday, April 21

Winona State University leasing agreement HF1030/SF882 (Pelowski, DFL-Winona)—heard. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Wednesday, April 26

Higher Education—omnibus appropriations bill

HF1747 (L. Carlson, DFL-Crystal)—recommended to pass as amended.

#### Health & Human Services/ APPROPRIATIONS

Friday, April 21

Seniors—training, employment HF648/SF832 (Rukavina, DFL-Virginia)—heard; amended into omnibus bill.

(SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Head Start programs—appropriation HF717/SF730 (Vellenga, DFL-St. Paul)—heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF in Senate Finance Committee

MSA reform—AFDC eligibility HF730/SF487 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls) heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Child mortality review panel—child endangerment
HF788/SF748 (Vellenga, DFL-St. Paul)—heard; amended into omnibus bill.

(SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

Service reimbursements mentally retarded HF809/SF194 (Cooper, DFL-Bird Island)—heard; amended into

omnibus bill.
(SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Support orders administrative process HF849/SF745 (Wagenius, DFL-Mpls)—

heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Child care

HF854/SF789 (Williams, DFL-Moorhead)—heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Marriage, dissolution fees—changes HF855/SF906 (Segal, DFL-St. Louis Park)—heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF in Senate Finance Committee) Community Social Services Act HF886/SF101 (Hasskamp, DFL-Crosby)—heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF passed Senate)

Brain-injured persons—case management

HF887/SF504 (Dauner, DFL-Hawley)—heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Case manager screening—home, community

HF888/SF117 (Ostrom, DFL-St. Peter)—heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF passed Senate)

Regional treatment centers—role change

HF903/SF954 (Ogren, DFL-Aitkin) heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF in Senate Health & Human Services Committee)

Special transportation services—impaired persons

HF906/SF729 (Sarna, DFL-Mpls) heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF in Senate Transportation Committee)

Welfare appeals—administrative, judicial

HF957/SF363 (C. Nelson, DFL-Barrett)—heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF passed Senate)

Dept. of Health—changes

HF1103/SF1154 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls)—heard; amended into omnibus bill.

(SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Childrens' Health Plan—eligibility HF1170/SF1053 (Wynia, DFL-St. Paul)—heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF in Senate Health & Human Services)

#### Monday, April 24

Welfare reform—programs HF840/SF946 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls) heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF in Senate Health & Human Services Committee)

Tuesday, April 25

Ombudsman, mental health, retardation—subpoena

HF403/SF195 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls) heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Red Lake Reservation—county reimbursement

HF656/SF667 (Tunheim, DFL-Kennedy)—heard; amended into omnibus bill.

(SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Foster care—allocations

HF784/SF779 (Jefferson, DFL-Mpls) heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Mental health—children

HF805/SF746 (Segal, DFL-St. Louis Park)—heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Chemical dependency consolidated fund

HF890/SF265 (Jefferson, DFL-Mpls) heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

**Hunger Reduction Act** 

HF893/SF619 (Rodosovich, DFL-Faribault)—heard; amended into omnibus bill.

(SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Ombudsman, older Minnesotansduties

HF1008/SF489 (Ostrom, DFL-St. Peter)—heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Inhalant abuse

HF1081/SF1135 (Clark, DFL-Mpls) heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF in Senate Health & Human Services Committee)

Nursing homes—operating costs limits HF1085/SF1194 (Ogren, DFL-Aitkin) heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF in Senate Health & Human Services Committee)

Identification cards—special diets HF1116/SF963 (Swenson, IR-Forest Lake)—heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF in Senate Health & Human Services Committee)

Hearing impaired—council HF1420/SF1211 (Conway, DFL-Waseca)—heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee)

Wednesday, April 26

Group homes—zoning

HF222/SF235 (Pappas, DFL-St. Paul) heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF on Senate Floor)

Lead poisoning

HF932/SF1137 (Clark, DFL-Mpls)heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF in Senate Health & Human Services Committee)

Assets, income—institutionalized MA recipient spouse

HF961/SF955 (R. Anderson, IR-Ottertail)—heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF in Senate Health & Human Services

Committee)

Maternal child care—grants HF1128/SF345 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls)—heard; amended into

omnibus bill.

(SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Health plans—eligibility changes HF1187/SF747 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls)—heard; amended into omnibus bill.

(SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Prenatal care—media campaign HF1236/SF971 (Murphy, DFL-Hermantown)—heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

General Assistance/Work Readiness changes

HF1272/SF1233 (McLaughlin, DFL-Mpls)—heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Dental assistants—registration requirements

HF1296/SF1422 (Dauner, DFL-Hawley)—heard; amended into omnibus bill. (SF in Senate Governmental Operations

Committee)

Supportive living arrangements licenses

HF1667/SF1052 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls)—heard; amended into omnibus bill.

(SF in Senate Finance Committee)

#### COMMERCE

Tuesday, April 25

Protective agents—employment restrictions

HF186/SF55 (Carruthers, DFL-Brooklyn Center)—recommended to pass as amended. (SF on Senate Floor)

Professional fund raisers—regulation HF298/SF184\* (Bauerly, DFL-Sauk Rapids)—recommended to pass.

Check cashing services—regulation HF357/SF353 (Jefferson, DFL-Mpls) recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Uniform Commercial Code—leases HF579/SF132 (Scheid, DFL-Brooklyn Park)—recommended to pass as amended. (SF on Senate Floor)

Towing—regulation

HF1697/SF1248 (Carruthers, DFL-Brooklyn Center)—recommended to pass as amended. (SF on Senate Floor)

#### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Tuesday, April 25

# Seed production—wildflowers, native grasses

HF1713/SF1545 (Cooper, DFL-Bird Island)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

(SF in Senate Finance Committee)

#### **EDUCATION**

Wednesday, April 26

Duluth School District—incentive plan HF872/SF783 (Jaros, DFL-Duluth)—recommended to pass as amended. (SF on Senate Floor)

Corporal punishment—schools HF1387/SF796 (Kahn, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended. (SF on Senate Floor)

Discriminatory practices—teachers HF1715/SF1374 (Jefferson, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended. (SF on Senate Floor)

# ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

Tuesday, April 25

Harassment—hunters, anglers HF187/SF476 (Miller, IR-Redwood Falls)—recommended to pass as amended. (SF on Senate Floor)

# Grasshopper, noxious weed program—inspection

HF521/SF319 (C. Nelson, DFL-Barrett)—laid over for interim study. (SF in Senate Taxes & Tax Laws Committee)

Water statutes—recodification HF771/SF60\* (Dille, IR-Dassel)—laid over for interim study. (SF passed Senate) Solid waste—disposal management HF1040/SF281 (E. Olson, DFL-Fosston)—reccommended to pass as amended. (SF on Senate Floor)

State lands—authorizing certain sales HF1668/SF1417 (McGuire, DFL-Falcon Heights)—reccommended to pass

as amended; placed on Consent Calendar. (SF on Senate Floor)

# Water management—metropolitan task force

HF1695/SF1197 (Lynch, IR-Andover)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Thursday, April 27

# Conservation enforcement—deputy appointments

HF1610 (Kinkel, DFL-Park Rapids)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Rules & Legislative Administration Committee.

# FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & HOUSING

Wednesday, April 26

Neighborhood preservation program HF1161/SF728 (Scheid, DFL-

Brooklyn Park)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

(SF in Senate Economic Development & Housing Committee)

# Manufactured home parks—security deposit

HF1398/SF1027 (Pelowski, DFL-Winona)—amended; referred to Housing Division.

(SF on Senate Floor)

# Financial institutions—loan charges, fees

HF1548/SF1355 (Scheid, DFL-Brooklyn Park)—recommended to pass as amended.

(SF on Senate Floor)

Housing—federally insured, assisted HF1652 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls)—heard; referred to Housing Division.

#### GENERAL LEGISLATION, VETERANS AFFAIRS & GAMING

Tuesday, April 25

Campaign expenditures congressional limitation HF205/SF004 (Quinn, DFL-Coon Rapids)—heard; laid over. (SF in Senate Taxes & Tax Laws Committee)

# Special services—political party gatherings

HF354/SF556 (Jefferson, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

# Veterans—post traumatic stress disorder

HF759/SF590\* (Welle, DFL-Willmar)—recommended to pass. (SF on Senate Floor)

# Animals—regulation of use

HF1121/SF1037\* (Dauner, DFL-Hawley)—recommended to pass as amended.

(SF on Senate Floor)

# Charitable gambling—allowable expense

HF1358/SF1039 (Jacobs, DFL-Coon Rapids)—recommended to pass. (SF on Senate Floor)

Charitable gambling—video games HF1648/SF1269 (Price, DFL-

Woodbury)—recommended to pass as amended.

(SF on Senate Floor)

#### **GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS**

Tuesday, April 25

# State policy—barrier-free environments

HF1288/SF1189 (Wynia, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

# Administrative procedure—rules on small business

HF1303/SF1082 (Wagenius, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass. (SF passed Senate)

Wednesday, April 26

#### Low-income energy needs

HF1532/SF1433 (Dawkins, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

(SF in Senate Finance Committee)

#### **HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**

Friday, April 21

Committee.

#### Group homes—zoning

HF222/SF235 (Pappas, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF on Senate Floor)

### Respite care—grant program

HF901/SF727 (Segal, DFL-St. Louis Park)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations

(SF in Senate Finance Committee)

# Community health boards—health promotion teams

HF1110/SF858 (Schafer, IR-Gibbon) recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar. (SF on Senate Floor)

### Maternal child care—grants

HF1128/SF345 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

(SF in Senate Finance Committee)

#### GAMC equipment savings

HF1157/SF909 (Dorn, DFL-Mankato)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

# School districts—medical providers HF1221/SF1075 (K. Olson, DFL-Sherburn)—recommended to pass as amended.

(SF on Senate Floor)

#### Prenatal care—media campaign

HF1236/SF971 (Murphy, DFL-Hermantown)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

(SF in Senate Finance Committee)

# Store-to-door grocery delivery—appropriation

HF1244/SF993 (Jefferson, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

#### **Nursing homes**

HF1252/SF637 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

(SF in Senate Finance Committee)

# General Assistance/Work Readiness—changes

HF1272/SF1233 (McLaughlin, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

(SF in Senate Finance Committee)

#### Nursing homes—admissions

HF1423/SF1196 (Ogren, DFL-Aitkin)—recommended to pass as amended. (SF in Senate Rules & Administration Committee)

# Supportive living arrangements—licenses

HF1667/SF1052 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

(SF in Senate Finance Committee)

#### **INSURANCE**

Wednesday, April 26

# Insurance agents—continuing education

HF158/SF200\* (Carruthers, DFL-Brooklyn Center)—recommended to pass as amended.

#### Insurance—township mutuals

HF780/SF886 (Cooper, DFL-Bird Island)—recommended to pass. (SF on Senate Floor)

# Environmental protection—risk retention

HF1407/SF1191 (Carruthers, DFL-Brooklyn Center)—recommended to pass as amended.

(SF on Senate Floor)

#### Insurance—subrogation

HF1678/SF829\* (Tjornhom, IR-Richfield)—recommended to pass as amended.

#### **JUDICIARY**

Friday, April 21

### Private employer records—access HF260/SF312 (Trimble, DFL-St. Paul) recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Labor-Management Relations Committee. (SF on Senate Floor)

Nuisance law—expansion

HF302/SF321 (Clark, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended. (SF passed Senate)

#### Assault rifles—public safety

HF330/SF366 (Orenstein, DFL-St. Paul)—heard; laid over for interim study.

(SF in Senate Rules & Administration Committee)

# Anabolic steroids—controlled substance

HF337/SF339 (Limmer, IR-Maple Grove)—recommended to pass. (SF on Senate Floor)

#### Notaries public-bond requirement elimination

HF716/SF331 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul) recommended to pass. (SF passed Senate)

Communications—privacy, disclosure HF1425/SF1237 (Pugh, DFL-South St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended. (SF on Senate Floor)

Blind vendors—data release HF1497/SF134 (Dorn, DFL-Mankato) recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar. (SF passed Senate)

Adoption information—disclosure HF1575/SF1106 (Vellenga, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass. (SF passed Senate)

Monday, April 24

Watercraft—licenses, titles HF56/SF84 (Price, DFL-Woodbury) recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Patients' bill of rights HF130/SF218 (Clark, DFL-Mpls) heard; laid over until April 26. (SF passed Senate)

Insurance—information disclosure HF162/SF94 (Skoglund, DFL-Mpls) recommended to pass as amended. (SF on Senate Floor)

Residual marital interests real property HF480/SF535 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm) (SF passed Senate)

Eminent domain—relocation benefits HF763/SF628 (Jefferson, DFL-Mpls) recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.

(SF passed Senate)

**DWI**—repeat offenders HF978/SF851 (Rest, DFL-New Hope) recommended to pass as amended. (SF passed Senate)

Wednesday, April 26

Patients' bill of rights HF130/SF218\* (Clark, DFL-Mpls) recommended to pass as amended.

CHIPS—emotionally abused children HF604/SF809 (Stanius, IR-White Bear Lake)—recommended to pass. (SF on Senate Floor)

Court administrator—fees HF851/SF869 (Dempsey, IR-New Ulm)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Uniform Commercial Code exclusions

HF853/SF391\* (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon) recommended to pass.

Judicial system—racial bias study HF1158/SF1081 (Dawkins, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Nonprofit corporations—law revision HF1203/SF525 (Pugh, DFL-South St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Commmittee. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

Courts—alternative dispute resolution HF1772/SF1483 (Carruthers, DFL-Brooklyn Center)—heard; laid over for interim study. (SF on Senate Floor)

#### LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

Tuesday, April 25

Employees—lunch breaks HF30/SF109 (Carruthers, DFL-Brooklyn Center)—recommended to pass as amended. (SF on Senate Floor)

Private employer records—access HF260/SF312 (Trimble, DFL-St. Paul) recommended to pass as amended. (SF on Senate Floor)

Workers' Compensation Court of Appeals—administration HF848 (Wagenius, DFL-Mpls) recommended to pass as amended: rereferred to Rules & Legislative Administration Committee

Sales representatives—termination HF1641/SF1435 (Blatz, IR-Bloomington)—recommended to pass as amended. (SF on Senate Floor)

### LOCAL GOVERNMENT & METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS

Tuesday, April 25

Carver, Scott counties—facility locations HF1179/SF1009 (McDonald, IR-Watertown)—recommended to pass as amended. (SF on Senate Floor)

Martin County—county duties HF1504/SF1258 (Hugoson, IR-Granada)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar. (SF on Senate Floor)

#### REGULATED INDUSTRIES

Monday, April 24 ■

Low-income energy needs HF1532/SF1433 (Dawkins, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Governmental Operations Committee. (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

#### **TAXES**

Friday, April 21

Education Finance—omnibus bill HF654/SF1480 (K. Nelson, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.

(SF in Senate Education Committee)

Tuesday, April 25

Taxes—omnibus bill HF1734 (Long, DFL-Mpls)—heard.

Wednesday, April 26

Taxes—omnibus bill HF1734 (Long, DFL-Mpls)—heard.

Thursday, April 27

Taxes—omnibus bill HF1734 (Long, DFL-Mpls)—heard.

#### 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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# **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, April 20

Auto insurance—assigned claims plan HF269/SF361\* (Carruthers, DFL-Brooklyn Center)—passed (126-0).

Rural finance authority loan program HF583/SF104\* (Winter, DFL-Fulda) passed (129-0).

#### **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, April 24

Education laws—changes, corrections HF146\*/SF1145 (Wagenius, DFL-Mpls)—passed (128-0). (SF on Senate Floor)

Handicapped plates—minors' parents HF194/SF169\* (Hartle, IR-Owatonna)—passed as amended (128-0).

Legislative Advisory Commission—recommendations

HF390\*/SF105 (Kahn, DFL-Mpls)—passed (129-0). (SF on Senate Floor)

School districts—religious observances HF1074/SF69\* (Segal, DFL-St. Louis Park)—passed (128-0).

St. Cloud—state lands exchange HF1217/SF936\* (Marsh, IR-Sauk Rapids)—passed (129-0).

Mechanics' liens—language simplication

HF1282\*/SF1040 (Orenstein, DFL-St. Paul)—passed (122-0). (SF on Senate Floor)

Insurance—prenatal care HF1286/SF701\* (Skoglund, DFL-Mpls)—passed (129-0).

Barber schools—teaching requirements
HF1378/SF1241\* (Price, DFL-Woodbury)—passed (120-0).

Seed, dairy inspection laws—changes HF1445\*/SF744 (C. Nelson, DFL-Barrett)—passed (126-0). (SF on Senate Floor)

Wednesday, April 26

Medical records—transfers HF745/SF264\* (Beard, DFL-Cottage Grove)—passed (130-0).

Goodhue County—payment procedures
HF1389\*/SF1341 (Sviggum, IR-Kenyon)—passed (127-0).
(SF on Senate Floor)

Itasca County—unorganized territory HF1454\*/SF1331 (Neuenschwander, DFL-Int'l Falls)—passed (126-0). (SF on Senate Floor)

#### Golden Valley, Plymouthstorm sewers

HF1540\*/SF1396 (Heap, IR-Plymouth)—passed (127-0). (SF on Senate Floor)

#### SPECIAL ORDERS

"To Be Acted Upon Immediately Preceding General Orders" Special Orders is a list of bills the Rules Committee designates for priority consideration. After debate and/or amendment, they may immediately be given a third reading and placed upon final passage. A procedure used to select from among bills which have had a second reading those that the Rules Committee determined should have priority.

#### Thursday, April 20

Motor carriers—omnibus bill HF166\*/SF985 (Lasley, DFL-Cambridge)—passed as amended (125-0).(SF on Senate Floor)

#### Truck trailers—length

HF472\*/SF512 (Kalis, DFL-Walters) passed (128-1). (SF in Senate Transportation Committee)

# Police retirement—state aid HF557\*/SF813 (Reding, DFL-Austin)—passed (125-0). (SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee )

Railroad projects—prevailing wage HF786\*/SF722 (Rice, DFL-Mpls) passed (125-2). (SF in Senate Finance Committee)

# Snapping turtles—limit HF811\*/SF1085 (Pugh, DFL-South St. Paul)—passed (114-9). (SF on Senate Floor)

# Game fish-open season HF831\*/SF1384 (Kinkel, DFL-Park Rapids)—passed as amended (105-22).(SF in Senate Environment & Natural

Resources Committee)

#### Compulsory attendance—certain enrolled students

HF996\*/SF1321 (Skoglund, DFL-Mpls)—passed as amended (112-8). (SF on Senate Floor)

### Motor vehicles—registration information restrictions HF1338\*/SF1563 (Conway, DFL-Waseca)—passed (128-0). (SF on Senate Floor)

#### Sentimental property—family allowances

HF1355\*/SF1184 (Carruthers, DFL-Brooklyn Center)—passed (128-0). (SF on Senate Floor)

# Political subdivisions—group insurance coverage

HF1440\*/SF1408 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls)—passed as amended (127-0). (SF in Senate Local & Urban Government Committee)

# Coal slurry pipelines—resolution HF1464/SF1051\* (Welle, DFL-Willmar)—passed (99-28).

### Fair treatment for dairy farmers resolution

HF1472\*/SF1391 (Wenzel, DFL-Little Falls)—passed as amended (125-0). (SF in Senate Agriculture & Rural Development Committee)

### **Business relationships—regulation** HF1530\*/SF1441 (Lieder, DFL-Crookston)—passed (124-0). (SF on Senate Floor)

# Corporations—public improvement, expenditure lien

HF1665\*/SF1560 (Sarna, DFL-Mpls) passed (115-9). (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

#### Monday, April 24

# Regional Transit Board—light rail planning

HF1408\*/SF1202 (Carruthers, DFL-Brooklyn Center)—passed as amended (131-0).(SF in Senate Taxes & Tax Laws Committee)

#### Wednesday, April 26

Rattlesnakes—bounty removal HF930\*/SF970 (Waltman, IR-Elgin) passed (125-4). (SF on Senate Floor)

### DWI-juveniles, jail HF1016\*/SF1266 (Morrison, IR-Burnsville)—passed (127-2). (SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

# Public employees—vacation, medical expenses HF1027\*/SF855 (Janezich, DFL-

Chisholm)—passed (128-0). (SF on Senate Floor)

### Tenants—emergency for lost services HF1107\*/804 (Jefferson, DFL-Mpls) passed (129-0). (SF on Senate Floor)

#### Gasoline alcohol blends label abolishment

HF1113\*/SF1222 (Girard, IR-Lynd) passed as amended (85-42). (SF in Senate Commerce Committee)

### Prisoners-medical aid HF1139\*/SF1565 (Ogren, DFL-Aitkin)—passed (127-0). (SF in Senate Health & Human Services Committee)

# Industrial loans, thrifts—capitol stock regulation

HF1323\*/SF1133 (L. Carlson, DFL-Crystal)—passed (130-0). (SF on Senate Floor)

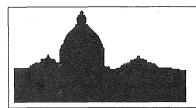
#### Agriculture societies—county board members

HF1339\*/SF1235 (Simoneau, DFL-Fridley)—passed as amended (130-0). (SF on Senate Floor)

### Insurance—agent termination HF1354\*/SF1169 (Carruthers, DFL-Brooklyn Center)—passed (131-0). (SF on Senate Floor)

# Unemployment compensation changes

HF1460/SF1270\* (Beard, DFL-Cottage Grove)—passed (129-0).



# **Final Action**

# **BILLS THE GOVERNOR SIGNED**

Friday, April 21

#### Red River Valley-emergency flood relief

HF1586\*/SF1444 (Lieder)—Chapter 41. Effective: day after enactment (April 22, 1989)

Monday, April 24

#### Transitional houses—language changes

HF394/SF681\* (Dawkins)—Chapter 47. Effective: day after enactment (April 25, 1989)

#### Liquor licensing

HF528/SF358\* (Jacobs)—Chapter 49. Effective: day after enactment (April 25, 1989) for section designating times an off-sale licensee may not sell intoxicating liquor; upon local approval for section permitting Canosia Township to issue an off-sale liquor license to an exclusive liquor store

### Forestry development projects security limit

HF392/SF192\* (R. Johnson)-Chapter 50. Effective: day after enactment (April 25, 1989)

# Ramsey County attorney prosecutorial jurisdiction

HF397/SF560\* (McGuire)—Chapter 52. Effective: upon local approval

Tuesday, April 25

Youth-firearm safety HF92/SF271\* (O'Connor)—Chapter 45.

Effective: Aug. 1, 1989

Walleyed pike-open season dates HF373/SF332\* (Tunheim)—Chapter 46.

Effective: day after enactment (April 26, 1989)

#### St. Cloud-state land

HF1216/SF1080\* (Marsh)—Chapter 48. Effective: day after enactment (April 26, 1989)

#### Permanent School Fundland donation

HF498/SF478\* (McEachern)— Chapter 51. Effective: Aug. 1, 1989

Wednesday, April 26

### Minneapolis—government personnel appointments

HF664\*/SF591 (McLaughlin)— Chapter 54. Effective: upon local approval

#### Research animals—unauthorized release

HF132/SF294\* (Bertram)—Chapter 55. Effective: Aug. 1, 1989; applies to crimes committed on or after that date

### Metal molds, dies-unclaimed property

HF424\*/SF1297 (O'Connor)— Chapter 56. Effective: day after enactment

#### Olmsted County-morgue requirement exemption

HF553\*/SF500 (Gutknecht)— Chapter 57. Effective: upon local approval

# Auto insurance—assigned claims plan

HF269/SF361\* (Carruthers)— Chapter 58.

Effective: Aug. 1, 1989

# Deputy title examiners—appointments

HF29\*/SF53 (Rest)—Chapter 59. Effective: Aug. 1, 1989

### RESOLUTIONS

Tuesday, April 25

Coal slurry pipelines—resolution HF1464/SF1051\* (Welle)—Resolution 3. Filed: April 25, 1989



In the Hopper...

April 21 - 27, 1989

# **Bill Introductions**

HF1729-HF1749

Monday, April 24

# HF1729—Pauly (IR)

#### Transportation

Appropriations; appropriating money to upgrade a segment of county state-aid highway 18 in Hennepin County.

#### HF1730-O'Connor (DFL)

#### Commerce

Commerce; requiring seating furniture in public occupancies to meet flammability and labeling standards.

### HF1731—Jefferson (DFL)

#### Education

Education; appropriating money for Education Is Our Goal, Inc.'s community-based basic skills training program.

#### HF1732—Carlson, D. (IR)

#### Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs

Local government; providing for the board membership of the Moose Lake and Windemere sanitary sewer district.

#### HF1733—Limmer (IR)

#### Taxes

Taxation; income; providing a subtraction for certain expenses related to the adoption of a child.

#### HF1734—Long (DFL)

#### Taxes

Financing of government in Minnesota; changing tax rates and bases; modifying the administration, collection, and enforcement of taxes; imposing taxes; creating tax exemptions; changing the computation, administration, and payment of aids, credits, and refunds; providing new aids and credits; making technical corrections and clarifications; changing proposed property tax notice provisions; changing levy limits and other local government powers and duties; providing for subordinate service districts; providing for accreditation of assessors; changing tax increment financing provisions; providing for payment of deferred taxes on sale of railroad operating property; authorizing the City of Mankato to establish a special service district; authorizing establishment of an economic development authority in Kandiyohi County; exempting Itasca County from a levy limit penalty.

Wednesday, April 26

# HF1735—Wenzel (DFL)

#### **Governmental Operations**

State agencies; contracting for professional and technical services; requiring publicizing the availability of contracts at least 21 days before proposals from prospective contractors are due.

#### HF1736—Pauly (IR)

#### Taxes

Taxation; property; modifying the Metropolitan Revenue Distribution System; phasing out certain exemptions; decreasing the contribution percentage; changing certain definitions; eliminating the administrative auditor's functions; prohibiting use of proceeds for special purposes.

#### HF1737—Simoneau (DFL) Governmental Operations

Public audits; providing for audits of the Duluth State Convention Center Administration Board.

# HF1738—Pappas (DFL)

# Transportation

Motor vehicles; registration; abolishing authority to appoint corporations or private individuals other than persons acting on behalf of nonprofit corporations as deputy registrars; providing for the transfer of appointments of corporations as deputy registrars to private individuals in certain circumstances; requiring county auditors to accept appointments as deputy registrars except in certain situations; permitting any other county official or any statutory or home rule charter city official to be appointed as a deputy registrar; permitting counties to contract with private individuals for deputy registrar services in certain instances; requiring the registrar of motor vehicles to adopt rules governing the hours of operation of deputy registrars; permitting private individuals holding appointments as deputy registrars or qualifying for transfers of appointments held by corporations to continue to operate as deputy registrars; requiring the registrar of motor vehicles to develop a plan for compensating persons who by a certain date purchased corporations holding appointments as deputy registrars.

# HF1739—Simoneau (DFL)

#### Health & Human Services

Human services; requiring a study on methods of providing state assistance for persons with high out-of-pocket expenses for certain prescription drugs; appropriating money.

### HF1740-Waltman (IR)

#### Taxes

Taxation; providing for hearings to establish need for and reasonable cost of reassessments.

# HF1741—Stanius (IR)

#### Regulated Industries

Utilities; exempting the city of White Bear Lake from the electric service area boundaries set by statute.

### HF1742—Welle (DFL)

#### Taxes

Taxation; exempting certain capital equipment used in the printing industry from the sales and use tax.

#### HF1743—Welle (DFL)

#### **Taxes**

Taxation; exempting certain printed materials from the sales tax.

#### HF1744—Wynia (DFL)

#### Insurance

Health; regulating mandated health care benefits; requiring referral and review by the commissioner; establishing review criteria.

# HF1745—Ogren (DFL)

#### **Governmental Operations**

Retirement; authorizing purchase of prior service credit in the Public Employees Retirement Association by a certain Aitkin County elected official.

#### HF1746—Munger (DFL)

#### **Environment & Natural Resources**

Environment; authorizing the sale of bonds to seal abandoned wells.

Thursday, April 27

#### HF1747—Anderson, G. (DFL) Laid over one day

Public administration; appropriating money for education and related purposes to the Higher Education Coordinating Board, State Board of Vocational Technical Education, State Board for Community Colleges, State University Board, Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota, and the Mayo Medical Foundation, with certain conditions.

#### HF1748—Scheid (DFL) Ethics

Ethics in government; prescribing standards of conduct for state and local officials; expanding the financial disclosure requirements for state officials; imposing disclosure requirements on local officials; changing the reporting requirements for lobbyists.

#### HF1749—Wenzel (DFL) **Governmental Operations**

Retirement; Teachers Retirement Association; setting age 62 as the normal retirement age; providing for actuarial reductions for early retirement; changing the retirement formula and adopting a Rule of 90.

# HOUSE ADVISORIES

Thursday, April 27

HA9—Reding (DFL) Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs A proposal to study the organization and consolidation of counties.

# FIRST READING/ SENATE BILLS

Monday, April 24

### SF787—Waldorf (DFL) Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison with HF965—Jefferson (DFL)

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.

Wednesday, April 26

#### SF1488—Metzen (DFL)

#### Taxes

Education; authorizing a school district to issue bonds when a calamity occurs and establishing certain procedures for repayment of the bonds.

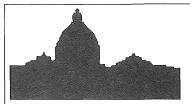
# Do you know



- May is American Indian Month in Minnesota.
- There are twelve Indian reservations. in Minnesota, four Dakota reservations, and eight Ojibwa reservations.
- The Twin Cities area has the eighth largest urban population of Native American people.
- Tribes have special political status with the federal government as guaranteed by the United States Constitution.
- All Native Americans were granted United States citizenship by an act of Congress in 1924.
- Most Native American people claim dual citizenship, in their tribal group and as a citizen of the United States.
- Congress passed the Indian Civil Rights Act in 1968.
- Congress passed the American Indian Religious Freedom Act in 1978.
- There are 481 federally recognized tribes in the United States.
- There are 500 known Native American language groups.



Ojibwa children in Park Rapids, Minnesota. Courtesy Minnesota Historical Society



# Committee Schedule

This schedule is subject to change. For information updates, call House Calls at (612) 296-9283. All meetings are open to the public.

Monday, May 1

8:30 a.m.

JOINT MEETING—
HOUSE EDUCATION, SENATE
EDUCATION, HOUSE
APPROPRIATIONS/Education
Division and SENATE FINANCE/
Education Division
123 Capitol
Chrs. Rep. Bob McEachern and Sen.
James Pehler
Agenda: Selection of University of

2:30 p.m.

The House will meet in session.

After Session

#### APPROPRIATIONS

Minnesota Regents.

200 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Glen Anderson Agenda: Agriculture, Transportation & Semi-State Division bill; Health, and Human Services Division and or corrections bill.

Tuesday, May 2

8:00 a.m.

#### **APPROPRIATIONS**

200 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Glen Anderson Agenda: To be announced. (Note: Meeting will continue after session.)

#### **GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS**

10 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Wayne Simoneau
Agenda: HF1709 (Simoneau) Relating
to Metropolitan Airports Commission;
corporate takeover.

TAXES

5 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Dee Long

Agenda: HF7 (Forsythe) Relating to the city of Edina. HF921 (S. Olsen) Relating to the city of Hopkins; authorizing the establishment of special service districts. HF988 (Gruenes) Changing conditions for the establishment and operation of special service districts in St. Cloud. HF871 (K. Olson) Allowing a special levy to the cities of Windom and Jackson to meet costs of operating municipal hospitals. HF1222 (Janezich) Relating to St. Louis County. HF1410 (Battaglia) Providing procedures for the establishment of certain medical facilities in Cook County.

12:00 noon

The House will meet in session.

After Session

#### **APPROPRIATIONS**

200 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Glen Anderson Agenda: Continuation of morning meeting.

Wednesday, May 3

8:00 a.m.

### **APPROPRIATIONS**

200 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Glen Anderson Agenda: To be announced.

12:00 noon

#### Joint Convention

University of Minnesota Board of Regents election. House will meet after Joint Convention. Thursday, May 4

8:00 a.m.

#### TAXES

5 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Dee Long Agenda: Continuation of Tuesday, May

Agenda: Continuation of Tuesday, May 2 meeting, if necessary. HF417 (Munger) Governor's Select Committee on Recycling and the Environment (SCORE).

12:00 noon

The House will meet in session.

Friday, May 5

8:00 a.m.

#### TAXES

5 State Office Building Chr. Rep. Dee Long

Agenda: HF499 (McEachern) Granting certain water and sewer powers to towns. HF1580 (McEachern) Authorizing the town of Otsego to establish an economic development authority and to exercise tax increment financing powers. HF1137 (A. Johnson) Relating to metropolitan government; regulating the borrowing authority of the Regional Transit Board. HF1448 (Rest) Permitting the issuance of obligations by the county board of Hennepin County for a public safety building.

12:00 noon

The House will meet in session.

#### NOTE:

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