

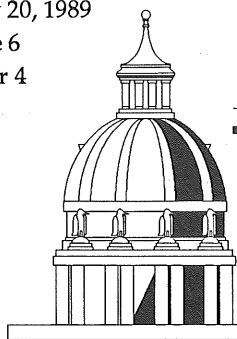
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Highlights

Lottery

A successful lottery depends on many factors, some the Legislature can control and some it can't, the Gaming Division of the General Legislation, Veterans Affairs and Gaming Committee learned Jan. 19.

While no universal definition of a successful lottery exists, House researcher John Williams says the most common one is "maximizing gross sales." Conditions such as the dignity or welfare of the state sometimes may inhibit sales, he adds.

If sales measure success, then how much the lottery operates as a business rather than a government agency in purchasing, personnel, budgeting, marketing, and advertising may deter-

mine its success, Williams says. The capability of a lottery's policymakers and administrators also determines a lottery's performance.

The lottery's age, state poverty levels, unemployment and competition from lotteries in adjacent states—factors which lawmakers and lottery administrators can't control—also influence the game's success.

Williams stresses the need for common understanding of success standards. Those responsible for running a lottery need to know what a "good job" is and whether they're doing it.

"If there's a widespread lack of agreement on what a good job is, I think it greatly reduces the likelihood of anyone doing one," Williams says.

Mental health care

Mental health care issues took most of the discussion time at the Health and Human Services Committee meeting Jan. 19.

Sandra Gardebring, Department of Human Services (DHS) commissioner, told legislators that the department's focus again this year is to give people sufficient resources to make their own way to a normal economic life.

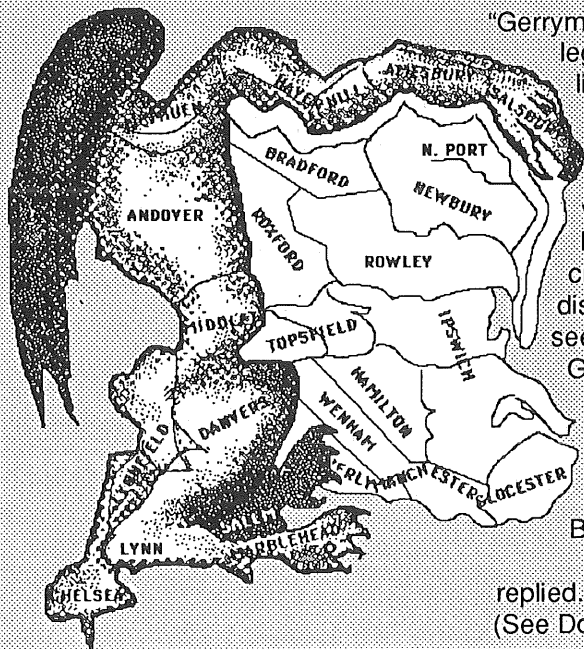
Gardebring, citing results from a 1986 study, says at that time, Minnesota ranked 37 among the 50 states in the delivery of mental health services, and now ranks 33. The DHS also plans to bring a proposal on children's mental health services to the Legislature this session, she says.

Gardebring asked legislators to extend the Children's Health Plan to people up to age 18. The plan currently provides basic outpatient health care to children up to age 8. She says it would be the beginning of an incremental program to provide health insurance to the uninsured and underinsured.

The DHS budget request focuses on three areas:

- transforming Minnesota's regional treatment centers from old-fashioned institutional systems to structures that reflect modern treatment and program approaches;
- continuing PATHS, a welfare reform program, and approving the Minnesota Family Investment Plan; and
- targeting programs for: increased child care, increased funding for child support enforcement activities, child abuse prevention, and permanency planning to prevent children from bouncing in and out of foster homes.

It's a fact!



"Gerrymander" means to draw legislative district boundary lines to give one party an edge.

A newspaper editor coined the term in 1812 when Massachusetts Gov. Elbridge Gerry signed a bill creating an oddly shaped district in Essex County. After seeing the district map, artist Gilbert Sullivan added wings, claws, and a head.

"That will do for a salamander," Sullivan said to Boston *Centinel* editor Benjamin Russell.

"Salamander?" Russell replied. "Call it a gerrymander!" (See Do You Know? on page 6).

Shipwreck

Minnesota isn't going to war, but it may sink a ship in Lake Superior. Steve Thorne, deputy commissioner, Department of Natural Resources, presented the idea to the State Departments Division of the Appropriations Committee Jan. 18, along with other ideas to increase opportunities for the state's divers. Thorne presented a feasibility study proposing to sink a ship off Split Rock Lighthouse Park or another spot on the North Shore, build a facility for divers to use, and expand the area surrounding the state park. Study objectives include promoting economic development and tourism, enhancing diver safety, and protecting historic shipwrecks.

Minnesota has about 35,000 divers who spend about one-quarter of their time on the North Shore, the study says. If half of those divers make one trip a year there, the study estimates that the area could see an \$8.7 million increase in tourism and development, and as many as 290 new jobs.

The study recommends creating a safe shipwreck and upgrading emergency medical and weather services to increase diver safety and protect historic shipwrecks from souvenir hunters.

MSPAN report

Minnesota needs to develop creative educational alternatives to keep its "educational advantage," reports the Minnesota Postsecondary Access and Needs Project (MSPAN). The report examines current conditions and changing needs for postsecondary education among residents in Minnesota's urban population corridor from St. Cloud to Rochester, including the Minneapolis-St. Paul metropolitan area.

SRI International, a California-based, independent consulting firm, presented the MSPAN report to the Education Division of the Appropriations Committee Jan. 18. The Higher Education Coordinating Board (HECB) is working with SRI to paint a picture of Minnesota's postsecondary institutions. In the coming months, the two will provide an assessment of higher education to help the division map out the future for Minnesota's schools.

SRI recommends in the MSPAN

report, due in final form to the division in February, that Minnesota's universities and technical institutes (TIs) respond to the changing needs of their students, evaluate underused programs, and develop areas of excellence.

SRI suggests options, including establishing: a new urban university in the Twin Cities, a new community college in St. Paul, a practitioner-oriented graduate program, and a stronger science and technology program in step with Minnesota's economy, perhaps through development of a private institution. It also suggests creating alternative programs for non-traditional students, such as employer/college/TI partnerships for adult learning.

Transportation needs

Aging highways and bridges are key issues facing the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT), Transportation Committee members learned Jan. 18.

More than 31 percent of the state trunk highway system is at least 50 years old, says Transportation Commissioner Len Levine. Also, about 3,175 bridges are 60 years old.

Growth in truck travel is another issue. MnDOT is upgrading the strength capacity of state roads to eliminate seasonal load limits. The department wants a year-round, 10-ton road system, Levine says, adding that low volume roads also need examination.

Reducing traffic tie-ups in the state's urban areas is another concern. Currently, the Twin Cities area ranks 11th among major urban areas in traffic congestion severity, Levine says. "By the year 2000, it could take twice as long for motorists to get to and from work in the Twin Cities area," he adds.

"Transportation is the lifeline that links products and markets, and connects people to jobs," says Levine. "It connects people to shopping and health services, and to recreational opportunities."

U of M policy review

Members of the Education Committee's Higher Education Division were skeptical as University of Minnesota officials presented overviews on organizational structure and financial accountability at a hearing Jan. 18. The officials presented results of a self-study in finance and accountability, and the Governor's Blue Ribbon Commission Report on Governance.

Rep. Mike Jaros (DFL-Duluth), division chair, declared support for the faculty and improvements in the university system for better service to students. But later he cited flaws in the Blue Ribbon report, and division members questioned its objectivity. Jaros also noted that the university had largely ignored a 1972 legislative commission study.

Members also questioned the



Minnesota astronaut George "Pinky" Nelson, center, presents Gov. Rudy Perpich, second from right, with photographs, a mission patch, and a miniature flag that he carried on the last space shuttle mission in December. Sen. Dean Johnson (IR-Willmar), left, and Rep. Alan Welle (DFL-Willmar), second from left, joined Nelson on stage for the Jan. 17 presentation. Nelson grew up in Willmar.

responsibilities and operations of the University's Board of Regents. Some say the board depends too heavily on the administrative staff and should have an independent staff to gather and distribute information.

Consumer legislation

Home and car buyers, senior citizens, lawn care companies and radon testers are parts of a consumer legislation package from the Minnesota Attorney General's Office.

Attorney General Hubert Humphrey III outlined the proposals Jan. 17 for the Commerce Committee.

Home buyers could get more information, such as appraisals or credit reports, under the Home Buyers' Bill of Rights. The measure also would require that buyers get a list of all costs five days before closing the purchase agreement.

The auto defect bill would require

new-car dealers to list any damages incurred or repairs made to a vehicle.

Another bill would cover scams aimed at senior citizens or other vulnerable adults. If the proposal becomes law, it would carry a \$10,000 penalty per violation.

Two other consumer-oriented proposals would require written contracts with lawn care companies, and Department of Health regulation of radon testers.

DNR overview

"The key approach that we are taking in the Department of Natural Resources is balance. We have tried throughout all of our management to balance the needs for long protection and preservation against shorter term benefits," says Steve Thorne, deputy commissioner, Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

Thorne talked about the need to balance environmental issues with economic issues at an Environment and Natural Resources Committee hearing Jan. 17. While the DNR continues to manage and preserve natural resources, it's experiencing staff shortages, a rising use of outdoor recreation facilities, and a need for greater financial resources, he says.

John Chell, DNR regional administrator, says a Department of Administration report on DNR support staff work loads shows that a full-time clerk at the DNR processes 2,000 more accounting transactions per year than do clerks from the departments of Administration, Transportation, or Corrections.

"We do need an increase of \$1.4 million," Chell says. "It would represent a significant increase of 25 percent in our budget." The increase would allow the DNR to add 67 staff positions, he says.

According to DNR data, the department's present allocation from the state amounts to \$14 per person in Minnesota. Other funding sources include fees/licensing, state taxes, and federal funds.

"With increased services that we're providing at the local level, and the increased demands...on regional staff, we feel that those requests are justifiable," Chell says.

The DNR has recycling, ground water, forestry, minerals, and outdoor recreation issues on its agenda this year.

Economic forecast

Economic forecasts, the budget reserve, and expectations of economic risk got a hearing in the Taxes Committee Jan. 17. Tom Triplett, commissioner of finance, gave the committee an economic forecast for Minnesota.

Even though Minnesota's economy continued to remain strong through 1988, the Department of Finance and the Council of Economic Advisors expect a slowdown in the rate of real economic growth in the next biennium. A strong budget reserve can offset a slowdown in the economy, but not in a full-scale recession, says Triplett. Therefore, a budget reserve plays a key part in Minnesota's risk management strategy, he says.

Education needs

President Nils Hasselmo, University of Minnesota, told the Appropriations Committee Jan. 17 that he would like to see a true partnership develop in higher education to meet Minnesotans' concerns. He told the committee he intends to take personal responsibility for the institution's actions.

Hasselmo asked legislators for \$198.7 million to improve educational quality at the University. The figure includes \$1.8 million for advising, particularly in the College of Liberal Arts. "Advising is very important. It's not only a matter of admitting students to the University, but you must make sure that they can benefit from the education that is provided," says Hasselmo.

Joe Graba, state director of technical institutes, told the committee that changing student demographics, changing technologies in the work place, and external economic factors are major components for their budget request. Graba asked legislators for \$51.1 million for instructional expenses and \$9 million for non-instructional expenses.

Chancellor Robert Carothers, State University System, cited statistics from a National Center for Higher Education Management study. It compared the Minnesota State University System with 43 other similar state systems, and found that Minnesota ranks 33 in per student



Danok, the high tech robot, was on hand for the opening of a two-day NASA exhibit, "Discovering Space for America's Economic Growth," at the state Capitol on Jan. 17.

funding, \$1,000 per student below the national average. Carothers asked legislators to make a commitment to get Minnesota to the national average of per student funding in the next four years.

World trade

Lawmakers examined the role Minnesota can play in today's global economy at a Legislative Forum on International Trade Jan. 17 at the World Trade Center in St. Paul.

Rep. Todd Otis (DFL-Mpls), Economic Development Committee chair, told business leaders, world trade professionals, and his colleagues from the House that Minnesota is on the "threshold of a new era in international trade." He stressed the importance of opening new markets for Minnesota products.

Richard Bohr, Minnesota Trade Office director, says Minnesota is on the forefront of the linkage between international trade and economic development. Minnesota's tapping new markets in the Soviet Union and making breakthroughs in trade with China, he says.

Bohr and other speakers emphasized the importance of education in spreading the message about trade opportunities. Rick Nolan, World Trade Center president, advocates the "globalization of education," saying it's important that people gain an understanding of other cultures to understand foreign business practices. Nolan spoke of a telecommunications system that would allow schools to tap into conferences on international trade. Foreign trading partners use such a system for face to face meetings, he says.

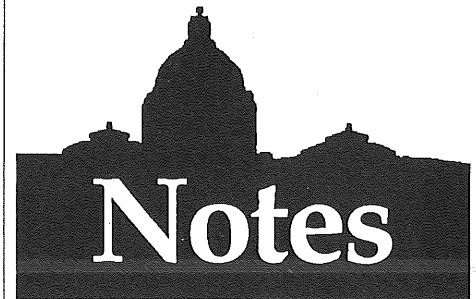
Government officials and business leaders called for cooperation between public and private sectors in developing foreign trade policies. One trade consultant suggested such cooperation could lead to more continuity in trade policies as executive branch administrations change over time.

Cocaine

Cocaine trafficking and use in Minnesota cuts through all facets of society, from the rich all the way down to the lowest socio-economic class, says Mark Shields, Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension.

Shields told the Judiciary Committee Jan. 13 that many "undesirables have taken foothold in our state." He says "the amount of cocaine...the number one area we're confronted with, is just simply unbelievable."

Shields says the cocaine problem in Minnesota focuses on two forms of the drug: "crack," the newest arrival, found primarily in the inner cities, is now making its way into the suburbs; and "flake" cocaine, the powder version of the drug, is now found in every county and almost every city in the state. Shields told lawmakers that problems with crack are minimal compared to those associated with flake cocaine.



Speaker Robert Vanasek (DFL-New Prague) appointed six representatives to the Committee on Ethics during a House session Jan. 19: Loren Solberg (DFL-Bovey), chair; Bob Anderson (IR-Ottertail); Dave Bishop (IR-Rochester); Dee Long (DFL-Mpls); Leo Reding (DFL-Austin); and Sidney Pauly (IR-Eden Prairie).

Should the state incorporate metropolitan regional parks into the state park system? The State Departments Division of the Appropriations Committee Jan. 18 considered a study on the feasibility of this proposal. Cost of the land to the state would be \$1.8 billion, according to study estimates, with an additional \$23.4 million needed annually for the state to operate and maintain the parks. The study concludes that "the high expenses...of incorporating the regional park system into the state park system cannot be justified on the basis of cost efficiency, visitor characteristics or park use."

The state would regulate appraisers and auctioneers if Department of Commerce proposals become law. Commerce Commissioner Mike Hatch told the Commerce Committee Jan. 19 that the bill to regulate appraisers also would set up a code of conduct. Auctioneers want to be regulated by Minnesota so they can call auctions in surrounding states that have regulations, Hatch notes.

Criminal justice specialists are on the verge of a major scientific breakthrough regarding DNA, according to Mark Shields, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension. DNA is the genetic make-up that determines an individual's characteristics. Shields says blood and bodily fluids can help investigators identify criminal suspects because the substances are unique to individuals, as are fingerprints. Judiciary Committee members will consider the breakthrough's significance this session.

About 3.1 million Minnesotans are licensed drivers; according to Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) statistics. That means Minnesota ranks 21 in the U.S. MnDOT figures show that Minnesotans registered about 3.3 million motor vehicles with the state. And they drive those vehicles more than 35 billion miles across the Gopher State, according to MnDOT. That's an average of about 10,000 miles per vehicle. Nationally, Minnesota ranks 20 in the registration category and 21 in the miles-traveled category.

Livestock farming contributes to the rural economy in more ways than does crop farming, says Commissioner Jim Nichols, Department of Agriculture. There are many secondary industries that

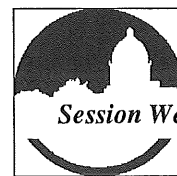
support livestock farming such as feed stores, veterinarians, construction companies, and medicine. The livestock industry also keeps processing plants and jobs in the local area, says Nichols. In livestock farming, the farmer will make many trips to town. In crop farming, the farmer will make one trip to town to buy his seeds, and one trip to sell his product.

Minnesota minerals are a secret because they can't be seen on geological maps, says William Brice, Department of Natural Resources Minerals Division director. Minnesota is covered with glacial drift. Under the drift is a mineral economy in taconite, silica sand, clay, pearlite, and limes, among other minerals. Presently, Minnesota has an exploration economy of \$14 million. "The more people we have out looking for minerals, the greater chance we have of finding them," says Brice.

Private land owners need technical assistance in forest management, according to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). They also need good information to avoid theft of precious trees and fraud in the cabinet industry. The DNR plans to acquire approximately 80,000 acres of privately held lands. Their goal is to manage and preserve Red

Oak and Black Walnut trees. They also plan to develop a forest management plan with private land owners.

Jean Steiner, public information officer for the Minnesota House of Representatives Public Information Office for 15 years, retired Jan. 16. She thanks everyone—House members, staff, colleagues, friends, and readers of the *Session Weekly*—for their letters, cards, and gifts, for coming to her retirement open House on Jan. 13, and for supporting her over the years.



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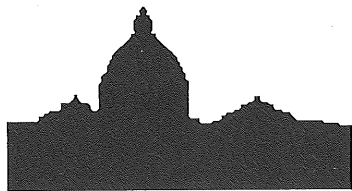


Members of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee don masks of Chair Rep. Willard Munger (DFL-Duluth) as part of a birthday prank during a committee hearing Jan. 19. Munger celebrates his 78th birthday on Jan. 20.

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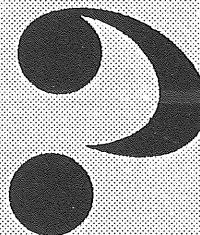
Local government—net debt limit
HF40/SF99 (Long, DFL-Mpls)—
recommended to pass as amended.
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Committee)

Clarification

In the "Do you Know?" feature about the "Australian ballot" voting system on page 15 of the Jan. 6 issue of the *Session Weekly*, the third paragraph should have read:

It worked as follows: the voter would enter the booth alone, indicate his choice (at this time, women were not allowed to vote) by placing an "x" opposite the candidate's name, fold the ballot so the ballot clerk's initials appeared outside, and hand it to the election judge. The judge would deposit it in the appropriate box: white for state elections, blue for county,

Do you know



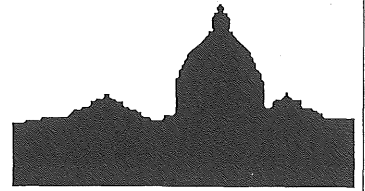
Although the term "gerrymandering" comes from the name of Elbridge Gerry, he's better known as a governor of Massachusetts who had strong political beliefs.

Gerry, born in 1744, graduated from Harvard College in 1762. His strong anti-British sentiments gave him a broad political base in Massachusetts.

As a Continental Congress delegate in 1776, Gerry signed the Declaration of Independence and the Articles of Confederation. A strong defender of state's rights, he was also a delegate to the Constitutional Convention of 1787. Gerry didn't sign the Constitution because he disagreed with certain parts, but he did support the new government and served in the U.S. Congress from 1789-1793.

Gerry was elected governor of Massachusetts in 1810 and again in 1811. He was ousted from office in 1812 after signing the redistricting bill that led to the term "gerrymandering."

Ironically, he never sponsored the bill and history says he signed it reluctantly.



Bill Introductions

HF67-HF119

Thursday, Jan. 19

HF67—Jaros (DFL)**Education**

Education; requesting the University of Minnesota Board of Regents to restructure governance of the university.

HF68—Welle (DFL)**Taxes**

Taxation; making technical corrections and tax capacity rate changes to the property taxation of unmined iron ore; making technical corrections and clarifications to the corporate franchise tax; retroactively providing a corporate franchise tax modification for mining income or gains; clarifying the computation of mining occupation taxes; exempting S corporations from business activity report filing requirements; repealing an obsolete reference; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF69—Marsh (IR)**Judiciary**

Public administration; authorizing spending to make improvements of a capital nature to existing state adult correctional facilities; authorizing issuance of state bonds; appropriating money.

HF70—Redalen (IR)**Appropriations**

Appropriating funds for the Chatfield Brass Band Music Lending Library.

HF71—Olson, K. (DFL)**Economic Development**

Economic development; authorizing counties to establish economic development authorities; amending statutes.

HF72—Tunheim (DFL)**General Legislation, Veterans Affairs & Gaming**

Elections; providing for the removal of certain voter registration cards; amending statutes.

HF73—Tunheim (DFL)**Labor-Management Relations**

Workers' compensation; regulating the location for certain physical examinations; amending statutes.

HF74—Tunheim (DFL)**Environment & Natural Resources**

Game and fish; allowing vehicles on state land between 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to transport big game; amending statutes.

HF75—Tunheim (DFL)**Governmental Operations**

State lands; authorizing the sale of certain state land in Lake of the Woods County; amending laws.

HF76—Vellenga (DFL)**Judiciary**

Juveniles; prohibiting the detention of juveniles in jails or lockups for longer than 24 hours; providing an exception for juveniles against whom a reference motion is pending; amending statutes.

HF77—McDonald (IR)**Taxes**

Income tax; repealing the subtraction for elderly and disabled and providing a pension exclusion; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF78—McDonald (IR)**Taxes**

Income tax; providing a subtraction for certain dependents; amending statutes.

HF79—Kostohryz (DFL)**General Legislation, Veterans Affairs & Gaming**

Gambling; authorizing the governor, the attorney general, the speaker of the House, and the majority leader of the Senate to negotiate a tribal-state compact pursuant to the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act; proposing coding for new law.

HF80—Wenzel (DFL)**General Legislation, Veterans Affairs & Gaming**

Veterans; requiring the commissioner of veterans affairs to provide certain grave markers; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF81—Wenzel (DFL)**Taxes**

Taxation; reducing commercial-industrial property taxes and providing for state payment to local units of government for the revenue lost as a result of the reduction; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF82—Wenzel (DFL)**Judiciary**

Crimes; providing for life imprisonment without parole for persons convicted of premeditated murder or intentional homicide in the course of committing a drug offense; expanding the crime of first degree murder to include drug-related homicides; eliminating juvenile court jurisdiction over minors 14

years old and older accused of murder or manslaughter; increasing penalties and imposing mandatory minimum sentences for certain violent crimes; prohibiting waiver of certain mandatory minimum sentences; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF83—Lasley (DFL)**Transportation**

Transportation; requiring commissioner of transportation to fund and maintain existing informational highway signs; appropriating money; amending statutes.

HF84—Battaglia (DFL)**Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs**

Local government; describing relations between counties and towns for planning and zoning; amending statutes.

HF85—Murphy (DFL)**Labor-Management Relations**

Public safety; regulating boiler operation and inspections; amending statutes.

HF86—Jaros (DFL)**Education**

Education; authorizing per diem for regents of the University of Minnesota; amending statutes.

HF87—Jaros (DFL)**Education**

Education; requiring representation from each congressional district on the Regent Candidate Advisory Council; amending statutes.

HF88—Johnson, A. (DFL)**Financial Institutions & Housing**

Manufactured homes; providing for notice and first option to purchase a manufactured home park by the residents; proposing coding for new law.

HF89—Bauerly (DFL)**Environment & Natural Resources**

Well abandonment; authorizing demonstration projects for cost-sharing funds and technical assistance; determining susceptible groundwater recharge areas; appropriating money; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF90—Olsen, S. (IR)**Taxes**

Income taxes; providing a credit for home care of the elderly; amending statutes.

HF91—Redalen (IR)**Agriculture**

Agriculture; authorizing a grant for the further

study of the culture of shiitake mushrooms in Minnesota; appropriating money.

HF92—O'Connor (DFL)

Environment & Natural Resources

Game and fish; contents of firearms safety course for young hunters; amending statutes.

HF93—Rodosovich (DFL)

Governmental Operations

State government; administrative procedures; regulating exempt rules; making certain technical changes; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law; repealing statutes.

HF94—McLaughlin (DFL)

Taxes

Individual income taxes; modifying computation of the dependent care credit; indexing the offset for inflation; amending statutes.

HF95—Bishop (IR)

Judiciary

Crime victim reparations; increasing the maximum amount of reparations payable for funeral, burial, or cremation expenses; clarifying the authority of the reparations board to deny reparations on the basis of claimant's contributory misconduct; amending statutes.

HF96—Kalis (DFL)

Transportation

Highways; providing for the apportionment of five percent of the net highway users tax distribution fund; providing for the distribution of the county turnback account; amending statutes.

HF97—Hasskamp (DFL)

Judiciary

Crimes; requiring the court to order the preparation of a presentence investigation report in gross misdemeanor and misdemeanor cases when requested by the prosecutor; amending statutes.

HF98—Vellenga (DFL)

Education

Education; authorizing transportation aid for transportation to a school within a different attendance area within a school district under certain circumstances; amending statutes.

HF99—Lasley (DFL)

Transportation

Traffic regulations; restricting use by trucks of left lane of controlled-access, interstate highway in Twin Cities area; amending statutes.

HF100—Johnson, A. (DFL)

Governmental Operations

State government; regulating part-time employees and employment policies; amending statutes.

HF101—Johnson, A. (DFL)

Education

Education; requiring the student member of the Board of Regents to be a student at the time of election; amending statutes.

HF102—Welle (DFL)

Environment & Natural Resources

State parks; appropriating money for the acquisition of land in Sibley State Park.

HF103—Welle (DFL)

Governmental Operations

Retirement; authorizing certain members of the Minnesota State Retirement System to purchase service credit for a period of authorized education leave.

HF104—Welle (DFL)

Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs

Local government; creating the Kandiyohi County Rural Development Finance Authority; authorizing the establishment of a development and redevelopment program and the authorization of powers for it.

HF105—Bishop (IR)

General Legislation, Veterans Affairs & Gaming

Highways; redesignating the AMVETS Memorial Highway as the American Veterans Memorial Highway; amending statutes.

HF106—Johnson, V. (IR)

Environment & Natural Resources

Game and fish; selection process for wild turkey license holders; amending statutes.

HF107—Marsh (IR)

Judiciary

Crimes; sentencing; increasing presumptive sentences for persons convicted of criminal sexual conduct; modifying the placement of the dispositional line in the sentencing guidelines grid; imposing criminal penalties on judges who sentence offenders to less than the mandatory minimum sentence required by law for the offense; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF108—Marsh (IR)

Environment & Natural Resources

Environment; requiring a reduction in the sale and use of certain pesticides; extending certain pesticide record keeping requirements; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF109—Omann (IR)

Taxes

Income taxes; providing an exclusion for certain military pay; amending statutes.

HF110—Kelly (DFL)

Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs

Metropolitan government; prescribing the term of the chair of the Metropolitan Council; amending statutes.

HF111—Munger (DFL)

Governmental Operations

Retirement; extending access to the combined service annuity provision for certain former members of the Duluth Police Pension Association.

HF112—Dauner (DFL)

Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs

Towns; authorizing town boards to provide for the collection of unpaid service charges; proposing coding for new law.

HF113—Battaglia (DFL)

Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs

Local government; granting powers to towns; setting certain procedures; amending statutes; repealing statutes.

HF114—Rukavina (DFL)

Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs

State government; providing for the establishment of an audit guide task force by the state auditor; amending statutes.

HF115—Jennings (DFL)

Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs

Local government; authorizing towns to establish subordinate service districts; proposing coding for new law.

HF116—Blatz (IR)

Judiciary

Child abuse reporting; defining "physical abuse" to include use of a controlled substance by a pregnant woman; amending statutes.

HF117—Blatz (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; amending statutes; proposing coding for new law.

HF118—Simoneau (DFL)

Governmental Operations

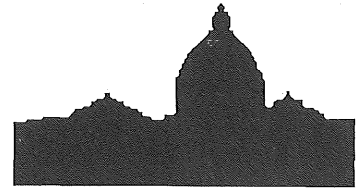
Retirement; providing lump sum payments to certain retired or disabled public employees or their surviving spouses; appropriating money.

HF119—Steensma (DFL)

General Legislation, Veterans Affairs & Gaming

A resolution memorializing the President and Congress of the United States to hold to the policy of no normalization of relations with the Socialist Republic of Vietnam.

Committee Schedule



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Monday, Jan. 23

8:00 a.m.

APPROPRIATIONS/ Education Division

300N State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Lyndon Carlson

Agenda: Informational overview:
Technical Institutes and Higher Educa-
tion Coordinating Board.

EDUCATION

5 State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Bob McEachern

Agenda: One-to-one with an elementary
school community; response to the
Legislative Auditor's Report on High
School Education; recommended rule
changes in graduation requirements and
minimum program offerings.

REGENT CANDIDATE ADVISORY COUNCIL

400N State Office Building

Chr. Melvin D. George

Agenda: The Council will be interview-
ing candidates for the Board of Regents,
University of Minnesota. Meeting
scheduled from 8:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
daily.

8:30 a.m.

APPROPRIATIONS/ Health & Human Services Division

200 State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Lee Greenfield

Agenda: Department of Health issues;
community department proposals on
community/aids; water quality issues.

10:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE

5 State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Steve Wenzel

Agenda: Don Friedrich, director of
Minnesota Agricultural Stabilization and

Conservation Service, report of federal
drought emergency relief act. Russ
Bjorhus, director, U.S. Farmers Home
Administration, report on low interest
emergency loans.

JUDICIARY

Basement Hearing Room State Office
Building

Chr. Rep. Randy Kelly

Agenda: HF95 (Bishop) Relating to
crime victim reparations; HF97
(Hasskamp) Relating to presentence
investigations.

REGULATED INDUSTRIES

10 State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Joel Jacobs

Agenda: Overview of Public Utilities
Commission by Commissioner Barbara
Beerhalter.

12:30 p.m.

EDUCATION/ Education Finance Division

300N State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Ken Nelson

Agenda: Pupil unit projections; changes
in 1988-89 Biennial expenditures; base
levels for 1990-91 Biennium.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & HOUSING/Housing Division

500N State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Rich O'Connor

Agenda: Presentation by representatives
of housing and redevelopment authori-
ties.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

200 State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Joseph Begich

Agenda: Testimony from labor and
business groups on views for 1989
Legislative Session: John Lennes,
Minnesota Business Partnership; Mike
Hickey, National Federation of Independ-
ent Business; Nancy Christensen,
Minnesota Chamber of Commerce &
Industry; Francis Fitzgerald, President of
Minnesota Retail Merchants Association;
Willis Croonquist, United Transportation
Union; Rick Scott, American Federation

of State, County and Municipal Employ-
ees (AFSCME); Wes Lane, Minnesota
Teamsters Drive; Bob Swanke, Independ-
ent Business Association of Minnesota;
Kevin Wilkins, Employers Association;
Dan Gustafson, President, Minnesota
American Federation of Labor &
Congress of Industrial Organization
(AFL-CIO); David C. Patten, QRC,
Abeln, Abeln, Donnelly & Kurenitz and
president of Minnesota Association of
Rehabilitation Providers and Bernie
Brommer, secretary, treasurer, Minnesota
AFL-CIO.

2:30 p.m.

The House will meet in session.

5:00 p.m.

LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON WASTE MANAGEMENT (LCWM)

10 State Office Building

Agenda: Election of LCWM Chair;
LCWM administrative budget for the FY
90-91 Biennium; Environmental Quality
Board (EQB) report on hazardous waste
stabilization and containment facility
development and related legislative
initiatives for 1989. (County contract
provisions, developer agreements, state
financial assistance needs and financial
assurance requirements.); Department of
Administration Biennial Report on the
State Resource Recovery Program and
LCWM staff report, "Rate Regulation of
Minnesota's Municipal Solid Waste
Landfills."

Tuesday, Jan. 24

8:00 a.m.

APPROPRIATIONS/ Education Division

300N State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Lyndon Carlson

Agenda: Informational overview: Private
College Council and State University
System.

APPROPRIATIONS/

Health & Human Services Division
200 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Lee Greenfield
Agenda: Department of Corrections: Department of Corrections proposals; sentencing guidelines: update on Sentencing Guideline proposals.

APPROPRIATIONS/

State Departments Division
300S State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Phyllis Kahn
Agenda: Department of Finance: Fund Consolidation report/recommendations.

REGENT CANDIDATE ADVISORY COUNCIL

400N State Office Building
Chr. Melvin D. George.
Agenda: The Council will be interviewing candidates for the Board of Regents, University of Minnesota. Meeting scheduled from 8:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

TAXES/Taxes and Tax Laws Subcommittee

5 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Alan Welle
Agenda: HF68 Corporate technical bill: Department of Revenue presentation, delete everything amendment.

9:00 a.m.

LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON PUBLIC EDUCATION/Task Force on Education Organization

Rice Suite, Holiday Inn Capitol
Chr. Rep. Ken Nelson, Ken Kelsey
Agenda: Adopt timeline for workplan; discussion of Learner Outcome system of education. Meeting is scheduled from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

10:00 a.m.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

2430 Rose Pl.
Chr. Rep. Willard Munger
Agenda: Tour of Metro Recovery Systems facility in Roseville.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

5 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Paul Anders Ogren
Agenda: Regional Treatment Center Task Force report by Rep. Peter Rodosovich.

12:00 noon

LOCAL GOVERNMENT & METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS

Chr. Rep. David Battaglia
Agenda: MTC Tour/Presentation; bus leaves front of State Office Building at 12:00 noon.

12:30 p.m.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

5 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Todd Otis
Agenda: Higher education and economic development: University of Minnesota; State University System; Community College System; Board of Vocational Technical Education and Higher Education Coordinating Board.

GENERAL LEGISLATION, VETERANS AFFAIRS & GAMING

500S State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Dick Kostohryz
Agenda: HF52 (Kostohryz) Resolution memorializing the Congress of the U.S. to restore full funding to Veterans Administration Medical Centers. Overviews from: Adj. General Andreotti, Department of Military Affairs; Deputy Commissioner Jeff Olson, Department of Veterans Affairs; Bob Flaherty, Department Commander, American Legion; Adj. Quartermaster Les Orton, Veterans of Foreign War (VFW); Kathryn Roberts, Director of Minnesota Zoo; Shannon Riley, Canterbury Downs; and Joan Growe, Secretary of State.

2:30 p.m.

JUDICIARY/

Facilities Assessment Subcommittee
500N State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Sandy Pappas
Agenda: Presentees: Howard Costello,

Department of Corrections; Tom Reid, Jail Resource Center; Holland Locke, Sheriff's Association; and Kathryn Guthrie, State Planning.

3:30 p.m.

RULES & LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATION

400S State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Ann Wynia
Agenda: Permanent Rules of the House.

Wednesday, Jan. 25

8:00 a.m.

EDUCATION

5 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Bob McEachern
Agenda: Profiles of educational accountability; Minnesota Statewide Educational Assessment Program.

10:00 a.m.

EDUCATION/

Higher Education Division

500N State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Mike Jaros
Agenda: HFXX (Jaros) Regarding education: requesting the University of Minnesota Board of Regents to restructure governance of the University.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & HOUSING

5 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Tom Osthoff
Agenda: James Miller, Deputy Commissioner, Financial Examinations, Department of Commerce.

JUDICIARY/

Criminal Justice Division

500S State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Kathleen Vellenga
Agenda: Corrections budget: Commis-



Higher Education Committee

sioner Orville Pung, Department of Corrections. Kenneth Pugh, Senior Social Worker at Hennepin County Adult Correction Facility: mental health consultant.

12:30 p.m.

INSURANCE

5 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Wes Skoglund

Agenda: Presentation by Richard Gomsrud, Agency Counsel for the Commerce Department, on the Guaranty Associations, the various risk pools such as Minnesota Comprehensive Health Act (MCHA), the Fair Plan, the Automobile Insurance Plan, the Joint Underwriting Associations (JUA), the Liquor Liability Assigned Risk Plan, and other residual market mechanisms.

TRANSPORTATION

10 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Henry Kalis

Agenda: Overview from the Department of Public Safety and overview from the Regional Transit Board.

2:30 p.m.

EDUCATION/

Education Finance Division

300N State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Ken Nelson

Agenda: Governor's budget recommendations-Education Finance.

3:00 p.m.

JOINT MEETING

HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS/ Education Division and SENATE FINANCE/Education Division

123 Capitol

Chr. Rep. Lyndon Carlson and Sen. Gene Waldorf

Agenda: Presentation of Legislative Auditor's report on University of Minnesota Physical Plant Operations.

4:00 p.m.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/

Rural Resources Development Division

300S State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Mary Murphy

Agenda: Rural Resources Division members will present their views of economic development. Members will express their ideas in respect to use, promotion and management of Minnesota

resources and products of agriculture, forests, minerals and water.

Thursday, Jan. 26

8:00 a.m.

APPROPRIATIONS/

Health & Human Services

200 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Lee Greenfield

Agenda: Department of Human Services: 100% state financing of health care and family support program costs; consolidated chemical dependency trust fund and information systems.

TAXES

5 State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Dee Long

Agenda: Governor's budget; Tom Triplett, Finance.

10:00 a.m

COMMERCE

Basement Hearing Room State Office Building

Chr. Rep. John Sarna

Agenda: Overview of the Office of Tourism by Director Hank Todd.

ENVIRONMENT

& NATURAL RESOURCES

10 State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Willard Munger

Agenda: Overview of Minnesota Future Resources Commission.

12:30 p.m.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

5 State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Todd Otis

Agenda: HF65 (Otis) Authorizing local governments to participate in secondary markets. Perspectives on community development.

GENERAL LEGISLATION,

VETERANS AFFAIRS & GAMING/ Elections Division

500N State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Linda Scheid

Agenda: To be announced.

GENERAL LEGISLATION,

VETERANS AFFAIRS, & GAMING/ Gaming Division

500S State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Joe Quinn

Agenda: To be announced.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT & METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS

200 State Office Building

Chr. Rep. David Battaglia

Agenda: To be announced.

2:30 p.m.

The House will meet in session.

Friday, Jan. 27

8:00 a.m.

APPROPRIATIONS

200 State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Glen Anderson

Agenda: Briefing on Governor's budget by the Department of Finance.



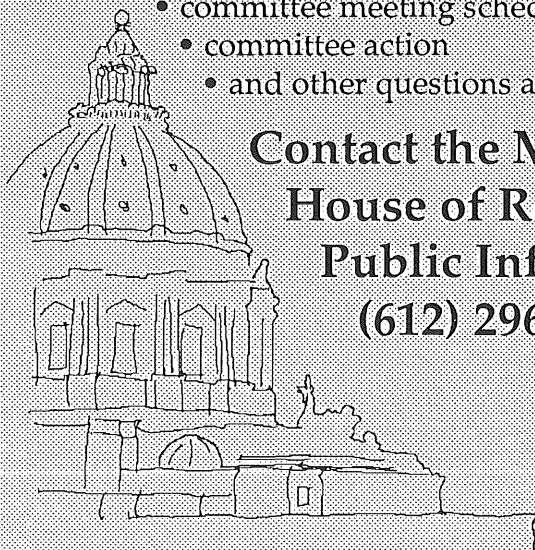
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