Preschoolers from the Northside Child Development Center, Minneapolis, munch apples in the Capitol Rotunda after listening to the governor and legislative leaders speak Feb. 21. The "Motherhood and Apple Pie" reception gave people from around the state a chance to discuss maternal and health care concerns with legislators. The Minnesota Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition and the March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation sponsored the event.

It's a fact!

"Main Street," when first published, didn't sit well with the residents of Sauk Centre, model for Sinclair Lewis' Gopher Prairie, the town in Lewis' novel.

With that book, Minnesotan Lewis became his hometown's harshest critic and best publicist.

Critics praised the Nobel Laureate for baring small towns as provincial, smug, dull. But accusing fingers wagged at small town bigotry and cruelty. People quoted "Main Street" and joked about Sauk Centre.

In exposing Gopher Prairie's blandness, Lewis wrote, "Life at its most passionate is but a low-grade infection."

Attitudes change. In February 1985, the community reveled in commemorating the 100th anniversary of Lewis' birth. The Minnesota House passed a resolution, noting his works "were superb satires marked by unforgettable characters and an unmatched 'ear' for the sound of common speech." (See "Do You Know?" on page 14.)

Lottery

A House gaming division got its first look at a comprehensive lottery and gaming bill Feb. 23.

Members of the Gaming Division of the General Legislation, Veterans Affairs and Gaming Committee heard a part of the gaming legislation that would create a state lottery, and regulate charitable gambling and horse racing. It also would form a new public gaming enforcement agency.

Division Chair Rep. Joe Quinn (DFL-Coon Rapids) stressed the bill's unusual nature. He said the measure would break ground in state government and would defy a normal organization flow chart.

"We are creating, hopefully, an entity here that has nothing like it in state government. We're not creating a linear flow when we have a commissioner of gaming. There's not one person in absolute charge of everything," Quinn said. "We've created a kind of confederation of independent entities that are related in terms of long range policies, that are related in terms of enforcement."

Members and staff plan to discuss the bill next week, when the committee expects to hear public testimony.
Katie Doyle found the questions of the Health and Human Services Committee a little tiring on the evening of Feb. 22 as her father, O.J. Doyle, responded to them. Doyle, a paramedic representing the Minnesota Ambulance Association, testified before the committee in favor of Healthspan, a bill that would provide statewide health care.

Committee chair, Rep. Paul Ogren (DFL-Aitkin), invited Katie to sit with her father during the hearing.

Healthspan testimony

F.B. Daniels, Minnesota Farmers Union spokesman, told lawmakers at a Feb. 22 Health and Human Services Committee meeting that most of the uninsured are rural Minnesotans. Access to health care is a fundamental right in today's society, he said, and Minnesota can't deny its residents care simply because critics say that any state-sponsored insurance program may be abused.

Daniels supports the Healthspan bill that would provide affordable health care to Minnesotans. He says that Minnesota is a state of caring people and has a reputation for taking care of its own. He told legislators that he has faith in them to initiate a program to address the serious health care problem in Minnesota.

Rep. Paul Ogren (DFL-Aitkin) is the bill's author.

Great River Road

The Great River Road. It'll run along the Mississippi River from Itasca State Park in northern Minnesota to New Orleans. On its way south, the federal road project will wind through downtown Minneapolis and join with West River Parkway in south Minneapolis.

Economic development possibilities for the downtown Minneapolis segment are tremendous, says Al Whitman, assistant superintendent, Minneapolis Park Board. “But we live too close to it to recognize its potential.”

On Feb. 22, Whitman, along with representatives from two other agencies — the Minnesota Historical Society and the Mississippi River Parkway Commission of Minnesota — presented development plans to the Agriculture, Transportation & Semi-State Division of the Appropriations Committee.

Developers say they plan to acquire land along the riverfront and convert it to a public park with bicycle and walking trails.

In another phase, they say they plan to excavate waterways and building foundations of the early 1900s. As a result, Minneapolis will have the first archaeological exhibition of urban ruins, they say.

Urban planners say they expect the riverfront area to become prime property. Already, they point out, there are condos, apartments, and hotels on the riverfront. And they predict that housing and business opportunities along the parkway system will continue to grow.

The Great River Road will separate the riverfront public park area from the downtown business district.

Medicare supplements

Senior citizens would have more protection against insurance agents who mislead them about Medicare supplement policies if HF611 becomes law.

Rep. Wes Skoglund (DFL-Mpls), author of the bill, told the Insurance Committee Feb. 22 that the state should stiffen penalties for dishonest agents who take advantage of senior citizens. “There really is the threat of jail bars here for people who 'rip-off' seniors,” according to Skoglund. He says that even though
most agents are honest, the public needs protection against the so-called "bad apples."

The bill would also set standards for policies that insurance companies can sell as Medicare supplements. Some of the standards would prohibit companies from charging consumers for policy features that are basically worthless, says Skoglund.

The committee plans to take further action on the bill March 1.

Health insurance

Minnesotans without health insurance are getting more attention from state lawmakers.

A spokesperson for American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) told the House Governmental Operations Committee Feb. 21 that the state now hires more part-time employees than in the past and many of them have no health coverage. AFSCME argues that the state should strengthen the right of part-time employees, many of whom work another part-time job, to bargain for benefits. Rep. Alice Johnson (DFL-Spring Lake Park), introduced HF100, a bill she says would have "the state attempt to see that all its employees have access to health insurance."

Several lawmakers say the situation points to the larger problem of many working Minnesotans who don’t have access to health insurance through their jobs or can’t afford the high premium costs. Some legislators mentioned their interest in HF150 (Ogren, DFL-Aitkin), a bill that would make health insurance available to all Minnesotans in this situation.

Day care

Early intervention in a child’s life can influence that child’s future, says Lisbeth Schorr, author of "Within Our Reach: Breaking the Cycle of the Disadvantaged."

The Washington, D.C. author spoke to the Health and Human Services Division of the Appropriations Committee Feb. 21. Schorr told lawmakers that research shows behavioral and academic problems arise from the early stages in a child’s life. She says studies indicate that risk factors troublesome to third and fourth graders include being born to teenagers, low birth weights, lack of adequate health care in early years, and being socially unprepared for school.

Schorr says low quality day care harms children, while high quality standards may enhance their abilities and behavior.

Minnesota’s heritage

Once upon a time Minnesota had a tropical environment, according to Bill Brice, director of the Minerals Division of the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). At an economic development hearing, he told lawmakers about concentric geological formations that indicate ancient volcanic activity. And, he said, ancient volcanoes are sources for diamonds.

At some historical point, he said, a glacier rolled the earth around and hid many of the mineral deposits. Brice maintains that it’s this situation that prompts DNR supervision of exploratory mining activity around the state.

Minnesota’s mineral heritage includes metallic deposits, he said. Examples are chrome, cobalt, platinum, titanium, magnesium, copper, nickel, iron ore, and zinc.

Al France, president of the Blandin Foundation, said, "If legislative policies reflect the world as it really is, Minnesota can attract world dollars in the mineral industries."

Both Brice and France testified Feb. 21 before the Rural Resource Development Division of the Economic Development Committee in support of a future legislative minerals commission.

Brice says a legislative commission would benefit the state in establishing uniform mineral policies, environmental protection measures, and marketing initiatives. And, he says, the commission could study the question of who owns the minerals in Minnesota.

International visitors

The Minnesota International Center (MIC) seeks volunteers from the Legislature to host international visitors.

Bill Dean, an MIC board member, outlined the center’s Visitor Program for the Agriculture, Transportation and Semi-State Division of the Appropriations Committee Feb. 21.

According to Dean, MIC officials plan to conduct an interest survey among legislators, generate a statewide focus for the program, and promote Minnesota to Washington agencies that have international visitor contact.

Dean says legislators make the best
hosts for international visitors because they are able to answer questions about local history and current affairs, and can establish contacts with other professionals. When legislators and other government leaders take part in MIC programs, they foster beneficial international relationships, he says.

Many contacts between Minnesota hosts and international visitors develop into information networks, or international trade opportunities, says Dean. Other benefits include cultural enrichment, reciprocal visitation contacts, and a boost for Minnesota's tourism industry.

Naomi Loper, Visitor Program officer, says that so far, MIC has registered approximately 1,600 host volunteers. An average of 1,000 international visitors come to Minnesota each year, and each of them meets between six and 10 people, she says.

Vending machines

Cigarettes, candy, and chewing gum couldn't be dispensed from the same vending machine if a bill the Commerce Committee considered Feb. 21 becomes law.

Author Rep. Wes Skoglund (DFL-Mpls) says HF223 would ban cigarette sales from vending machines in which other products are sold. Skoglund says he hopes the bill would deter youthful would-be smokers by denying them one point of purchase.

"Their addiction depends upon having a ready supply of cigarettes," Skoglund told committee members.

Vending machine products are mixed in only a few instances, he says. "Now's the time to nip this problem in the bud. If we wait awhile to fix it...every vending machine in the state will carry everything from cigarettes to popcorn."

Supporters of the bill note how easily youngsters can buy cigarettes from vending machines. It doesn't matter whether the machines are limited to cigarettes or are multi-product ones, they say. A 16-year-old girl testified that she had no problems buying cigarettes, and even received help in several instances.

A representative from the Tobacco Institute says the industry doesn't oppose the bill. But, he says, the institute believes the bill "is a solution in search of a problem."

The committee gave the measure preliminary approval.

Sales tax

The Taxes Committee began work on a bill Feb. 21 that could change the Minnesota Unfair Cigarette Sales Act to allow wholesalers to sell cigarettes below the legal price. The act currently regulates cigarette sales and tries to eliminate unfair competition among wholesalers and retailers in selling them.

The Committee also considered another provision in HF266 which would regulate cigarette sales on federally recognized Indian reservations. The tax regulation would require Indian retailers to charge tax to all cigarette buyers except those enrolled on the reservation, and would further define the tax refund policy to Indian retailers.

The committee took no action on the bill; discussion is scheduled to resume next week.

Electric companies

A bill that would allow communities to change their utility service came before the Regulated Industries Committee Feb. 20.

Rep. Joe Quinn (DFL-Coon Rapids) says his bill would allow the Public Utilities Commission to change service boundaries if the existing service is inefficient or inadequate. Such a provision would give communities the opportunity to change electric companies if another utility offers more competitive rates.

Mayor Elwyn Tinklenberg of Blaine testified in favor of HF619, and asked lawmakers to give municipalities a greater voice in establishing utilities. Minnesota law now defines service area boundaries for utilities. Tinklenberg says that Blaine's major problem is in deciphering the confusing maze of service district boundaries.

"We have a situation in our community where neighbors who live literally across the street from each other, and businesses across the street from each other, pay widely disparate utility rates—as much as 20 to 30 percent and more—from one side of the street to the other," says Tinklenberg.

Opponents of the bill say the service territories the Legislature created in 1974 to regulate electric service without duplication in an area is a good system. The committee plans to hear more testimony before acting on the bill.

Teacher education

Should law require teacher education instructors to spend some time in high school classrooms? And should high school teachers lecture in college education classes?

Legislators discussed these questions in a meeting of the Education Finance Division of the Education Committee Feb. 20 when the Board of Teaching presented budget requests.

Those who answer "yes" to both questions say many college secondary education instructors need periodic reminders about high school classroom needs. Some instructors may be too far out-of-touch to provide adequate training for new teachers, they say.

Supporters of the idea also say that high school teachers should spend some time teaching college education courses, and that college instructors could use their input and expertise to help define the content of teacher education curricula.

Education task force

Parents want more from their schools than just academics; they want schools to help prepare their children for life beyond the classroom as well, says Ken Kelsey, chair of the Advisory Task Force on Education Organization.

He told the Education Committee Feb. 20 that education should focus on students and what they need to know to become better members of society once they graduate.

The task force, part of the Legislative Commission on Public Education, looks at ways to improve the quality of education and the way it's delivered to students. Kelsey's panel outlined goals that would enhance learning opportunities, involve the community in education decisions, and challenge students to go beyond the minimum requirements. It
also developed objectives and activities to meet those goals.

Some lawmakers are concerned about the task force's plans to make final recommendations later this year. They say the pace seems too slow and frustrating for some of their constituents.

"We want to take it slow because we want to get it right," says Rep. Bob McEachern (DFL-Maple Lake), committee chair and task force member.

Veterans issues

Issues involving Bronze Star grave markers, cost-of-living allowances, and Agent Orange settlements head the legislative agenda for the state's veterans organizations.

State commanders of various Minnesota veterans groups recently testified before a joint meeting of the House General Legislation, Veterans Affairs and Gaming and Senate Veterans and Military Affairs committees. The Feb. 16 meeting was part of Veterans Awareness Day.

Bernie Melter, state commander of Disabled American Veterans and chair of the State Commanders' Task Force, presented an agenda that state veterans' organizations support. The initiatives would:

- reinstate funding for Bronze Star grave markers;
- increase the cost-of-living allowance for veterans' benefits;
- ensure that Agent Orange settlements be discounted as income for public assistance requests; and
- ask for three new state veterans' nursing homes by fiscal year 1991.

Bob Flaherty, state commander, told committee members that the American Legion wants to keep the veteran recreation camps on Big Island in Lake Minnetonka and Big Marine Camp in Washington County. He also presented resolutions to:

- support a May 30 observance of Memorial Day in Minnesota;
- set aside classroom time to observe Memorial Day; and
- allow legion posts to use charitable gaming profits for buildings and grounds upkeep and improvements.

Toll free number

The House Public Information Office has a new toll free number available to Minnesotans who want to call the office for general information, committee schedules, and agendas.

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Corporate raiders cause economic upheaval in local communities. The Community Stabilization & Development Division of the Economic Development Committee heard testimony Feb. 23 about corporate takeovers. Dr. Ken Zapp, finance professor, Metro State University, says the state can help local business owners protect themselves from hostile takeovers. Business owners need information about plans of succession, alternatives to takeovers, and financing.

Jailers could not hold juveniles in an adult facility for more than 24 hours in most cases if HF76 becomes law. Bill author Rep. Kathleen Vellenga (DFL-St. Paul) says it's important to make the change for humanitarian reasons and also to meet federal grant requirements. Most states already limit the time to 24 hours or less. The Judiciary Committee's Criminal Justice Division gave the bill preliminary approval Feb. 22.

Educators presented legislative initiatives for educational restructuring, mentorship, and minority recruitment programs to the Education Finance Division of the Education Committee Feb. 22. In educational restructuring, administrators, teachers, parents, and students would design education programs. The mentorship program would allow new teachers to work with experienced teachers to better learn the profession. And because fewer minorities enter teaching as the number of minority students increases, educators say a program would be needed to recruit more minority teachers.

Former Rep. Harold J. Dahl, 58, died of cancer Feb. 20 at a Minneapolis hospital. Dahl was elected to represent District 22B in 1972, and in 1977 was appointed a Wright County judge by Gov. Rudy Perpich. In 1987, Dahl retired from the bench. Memorials may be sent to drug education program Project Charlie, 5701 Normandale Road, Edina, MN 55424, or to Zion Lutheran Church, Buffalo, MN 55313.
## COMMITTEE ACTION

### COMMERCE

**Tuesday, Feb. 21**

Vending machines—multi-product sales
HF223 (Skoglund, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.

Consumer protection—new car sales
HF321/SF465 (Begich, DFL-Eveleth)—recommended to pass as amended.
(SF in Senate Commerce Committee)

Consumer protection—used car sales
HF322/SF454 (Begich, DFL-Eveleth)—recommended to pass as amended.
(SF in Senate Commerce Committee)

Auto dealerships—warranty work compensation
HF323/SF495 (Scheid, DFL-Brooklyn Park)—recommended to pass as amended.
(SF in Senate Commerce Committee)

### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

**Thursday, Feb. 16**

Working capital fund—investment
HF42/SF548 (McLaughlin, DFL-Mpls)—laid over until Feb. 21.
(SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee)

Pubic loans—secondary sales
HF65/SF65 (Otis, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs Committee.
(SF in Senate Local & Urban Government Committee)

Kandiyohi County—rural development finance authority
HF104/SF135 (Welle, DFL-Willmar)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Taxes Committee.
(SF in Senate Agriculture & Rural Development Committee)

Economic development authority—definition expansion
HF353/SF449 (Otis, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs Committee.
(SF in Senate Economic Development & Housing Committee)

**Wednesday, Feb. 22**

Working capital fund—investment
HF42/SF548 (McLaughlin, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended.
(SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee)

**Tuesday, Feb. 21**

Subsidized development—job impact statement
HF631 (Clark, DFL-Mpls)—heard.

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**Wednesday, Feb. 22**

International Trade & Technology Division/
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

**Tuesday, Feb. 21**

Small business—research grants
HF738/SF657 (Reding, DFL-Austin)—reconsidered; recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Economic Development Committee.
(SF in Senate Economic Development & Housing Committee)

Rural Resource Development Division/
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

**Tuesday, Feb. 21**

Minerals—legislative commission
HF485/SF575 (Murphy, DFL-Herman-town)—recommended to pass as amended.
(SF in Senate Environment & Natural Resources Committee)

**Monday, Feb. 20**

Board of Teaching—teacher education curricula
HF613 (McGuire, DFL-Roseville)—heard.

**Tuesday, Feb. 21**

Board of Teaching—teacher internship sites
HF614 (McGuire, DFL-Roseville)—heard.

**ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES**

**Tuesday, Feb. 21**

Hunting—wild turkey license
HF106/SF96 (V. Johnson, IR-Caledonia)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
(SF in Senate Environment & Natural Resources Committee)
State parks—recycling
HF527 (Skoglund, DFL-Mpls.)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.

Thursday, Feb. 23

State parks—land transfers
HF450/SF145 (McGuire, DFL-Falcon Heights)—recommended to pass as amended.
(SF in Senate Environment & Natural Resources Committee)

Public works—building materials
HF545/SF593 (Begich, DFL-Eveleth)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
(SF in Senate Environment & Natural Resources Committee)

GENERAL LEGISLATION,
VETERANS AFFAIRS & GAMING

Tuesday, Feb. 21

Motor vehicle excise tax—veterans’ exemption
HF32/SF116 (Pelowski, DFL-Winona)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Taxes Committee.
(SF in Senate Transportation Committee)

Voter registration files—updates
HF72/SF204 (Tunheim, DFL-Ken¬nedy)—recommended to pass as amended.

Tribal-state gambling compact—
Class III gambling
HF79/SF156 (Kostohryz, DFL-North St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended.
(SF passed Senate)

Adjutant general—promotion requirements
HF267/SF191 (Kostohryz, DFL-North St. Paul)—recommended to pass; placed on Consent Calendar.
(SF on Senate Floor)

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

Elections Division/
GENERAL LEGISLATION,
VETERANS AFFAIRS & GAMING

Thursday, Feb. 23

Secretary of state—elections
HF630/SF553 (Osthoff, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended.
(SF in Senate Elections & Ethics Committee)

Gaming Division/
GENERAL LEGISLATION,
VETERANS AFFAIRS & GAMING

Thursday, Feb. 23

Lottery—startup, operation
HF66/SF150 (Quinn, DFL-Coon Rapids)—amended; heard.
(SF in Senate General Legislation & Public Gaming Committee)

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

Tuesday, Feb. 21

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

State government—part-time employees
HF100/SF240 (A. Johnson, DFL-Spring Lake Park)—laid over. (SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee)

Wednesday, Feb. 22

Washington County—tax forfeited land
HF502/SF440 (Swenson, IR-Forest Lake)—recommended to pass. (SF in Senate Environment & Natural Resources Committee)

State government—payroll deductions restrictions
HF520/SF259 (Simoneau, DFL-Fri¬dley)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Labor-Management Relations Committee.
(SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee)

Thursday, Feb. 23

State government—part-time employees
HF100/SF240 (A. Johnson, DFL-Spring Lake Park)—laid over. (SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee)

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Thursday, Feb. 16

Optometrists—prescription drugs
HF217/SF238 (Simoneau, DFL-Fri¬dley)—not recommended to pass.

Tuesday, Feb. 21

Healthspan—health care access program
HF150/SF491 (Ogren, DFL-Aitkin)—heard.
(SF in Senate Health & Human Services Committee)

Wednesday, Feb. 22

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HF150/SF491 (Ogren, DFL-Aitkin)—heard.
(SF in Senate Health & Human Services Committee)

INSURANCE

Wednesday, Feb. 22

Medicare supplement—regulation
HF611 (Skoglund, DFL-Mpls)—laid over until March 1.
### JUDICIARY

**Friday, Feb. 17**

**Fire departments—criminal history**
HF15/SF662 (Kelly, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended.
(SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

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

**Good samaritans—benefits**
HF391/SF161 (Bertram, DFL-Paynesville)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
(SF in Senate Governmental Operations Committee)

**Ramsey County—prosecution**
HF397/SF560 (McGuire, DFL-Falcon Heights)—laid over.
(SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

**Monday, Feb. 20**

**Driver licenses—provisional, underage drinking**
HF201/SF139 (A. Johnson, DFL-Spring Lake Park)—recommended to pass as amended.
(SF in Senate Finance Committee)

**Support payments—withholding program**
HF441/SF647 (S. Olsen, IR-St. Louis Park)—laid over.
(SF in Senate Health & Human Services Committee)

**Trespass statute—recodification**
HF482/SF32* (Wagenius, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass.
(SF in Senate Employment Committee)

**Traffic regulations—court appearance**
HF531/SF126 (Pugh, DFL-South St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended.
(SF in Senate Transportation Committee)

### Criminal Justice Division/JUDICIARY

**Tuesday, Feb. 21**

**Juvenile court—parental rights**
HF135/SF220 (Pappas, DFL, St. Paul)—laid over.
(SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

**Jails—employee training**
HF207 (Quinn, DFL-Coon Rapids)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Judiciary Committee.

**Wednesday, Feb. 22**

**Juveniles—jail limitations**
HF76/SF326 (Vellenga, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended; rereferred to Judiciary Committee.
(SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

**Criminal sexual conduct—treatment**
HF315/SF320 (Vellenga, DFL-St. Paul)—amended; heard.
(SF in Senate Judiciary Committee)

### LOCAL GOVERNMENT & METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS

**Thursday, Feb. 16**

**Counties: Anoka, Dakota, Washington—payment procedures**
HF148/SF168 (Price, DFL-Woodbury)—recommended to pass as amended.
(SF on Senate Floor)

**Thursday, Feb. 23**

**Municipalities—secondary markets**
HF65/SF65 (Otis, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Taxes Committee.
(SF in Senate Taxes & Tax Laws Committee)

**State auditor—audit guide task force**
HF114/SF123 (Rukavina, DFL-Virginia)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Governmental Operations Committee.
(SF on Senate Floor)

**Economic development authority—establishment**
HF353/SF449 (Otis, DFL-Mpls)—heard.
(SF in Senate Economic Development & Housing Committee)

**Towns—waterworks, sewers, drains**
HF499/SF459 (McEachern, DFL-Maple Lake)—recommended to pass as amended.
(SF in Senate Local & Urban Government Committee)

**Local government—city council member increase**
HF508/SF441 (Morrison, IR-Burnsville)—recommended to pass.
(SF in Senate Local & Urban Government Committee)

**St. Peter—city boards’ member increase**
HF509/SF414 (Ostrom, DFL-St. Peter)—recommended to pass as amended.
(SF on Senate Floor)
### REGULATED INDUSTRIES

- **Monday, Feb. 20**
  - Electric utilities—service boundary changes
    - HF619 (Quinn, DFL-Coon Rapids)—heard.

### TAXES

- **Thursday, Feb. 16**
  - Individual income tax—technical changes
    - HF214/SF62 (Welle, DFL-Willmar)—recommended to pass as amended.
      - (SF on Senate Floor)

- **Tuesday, Feb. 21**
  - Sales, special taxes—technical corrections
    - HF266/SF205 (Long, DFL-Mpls)—heard.
      - (SF in Senate Taxes & Tax Laws Committee)

### TRANSPORTATION

- **Wednesday, Feb. 22**
  - Toll bridges—design standards
    - HF242/SF100 (Dauner, DFL-Hawley)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
      - (SF in Senate Transportation Committee)
  - State patrol cars—security barriers
    - HF387/SF401 (Sarna, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended; placed on Consent Calendar.
      - (SF in Senate Transportation Committee)
  - Aeronautics—matching funds; recreational aircraft registration
    - HF408/SF499 (Wagenius, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass; rereferred to Appropriations Committee.
      - (SF in Senate Transportation Committee)

### FLOOR ACTION

#### CALENDAR

- **Thursday, Feb. 16**
  - Education funding formulas—technical changes
    - HF141*/SF216 (K. Nelson, DFL-Mpls)—passed (122-0).
      - (SF in Senate Education Committee)
  - Referendum levy language—changes
    - HF247*/SF318 (Bauerly, DFL-Sauk Rapids)—passed (126-0).
      - (SF in Senate Education Committee)
  - Federal gas tax—resolution
    - HF363* (Kelso, DFL-Shakopee)—passed (114-13).

- **Monday, Feb. 20**
  - Living will—adult health care
    - HF28/SF28* (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—passed (102-31).
  - Notaries public—reappointment
    - HF264*/SF215 (S. Olsen, IR-St. Louis Park)—laid over.
      - (SF passed Senate)

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

- **Thursday, Feb. 16**
  - Motor vehicles—classification
    - HF218* (K. Olson, DFL-Sherburn)—passed (130-0).

- **Monday, Feb. 20**
  - Notaries public—reappointment
    - HF264*/SF215 (S. Olsen, IR-St. Louis Park)—laid over.
      - (SF in Senate Local & Urban Government Committee)

### GENERAL ORDERS

- **Thursday, Feb. 16**
  - Nursing homes—bed transfers
    - HF326/SF395 (Ogren, DFL-Aitkin)—recommended to pass.
      - (SF in Senate Health & Human Services Committee)
  - Burglar alarm franchises
    - HF268/SF261 (Segal, DFL-St. Louis Park)—recommended for progress.
      - (SF in Senate Commerce Committee)
  - Living will—adult health care
    - HF28/SF28* (Bishop, IR-Rochester)—recommended to pass as amended.

- **Monday, Feb. 20**
  - Wild animals—possession regulation
    - HF175 (Quinn, DFL-Coon Rapids)—recommended to pass.
  - County-owned residences—rental
    - HF210/SF229 (Price, DFL-Woodbury)—recommended to pass as amended.
      - (SF on Senate Floor)
  - Burglar alarm franchises
    - HF268/SF261 (Segal, DFL-St. Louis Park)—recommended to pass.
      - (SF in Senate Commerce Committee)
  - Local government—bank letter of credit
    - HF279/SF301 (Blatz, DFL-Bloomington)—recommended to pass.
      - (SF in Senate Local & Urban Government Committee)

### KEY

- HF—House File
- SF—Senate File
- HF#/SF#—companion bills
- *—version of the bill under consideration

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HF829—McLaughlin (DFL)
Taxes
Sales taxation; exempting motor vehicle towing and nonprescription drugs from taxation.

HF830—Stanis (IR)
Judiciary
Child Abuse Reporting Act; allowing recovery of attorney fees by good faith reporters.

HF831—Kinkel (DFL)
Environment & Natural Resources
Game and fish; season opening date for certain game fish.

HF832—Kostohryz (DFL)
Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs
 Ramsey County; authorizing the use of certain property for public purposes.

HF833—Williams (DFL)
Governmental Operations
Public safety; increasing membership on advisory council for the Children’s Trust Fund.

HF834—Lasley (DFL)
Transportation
Transportation; authorizing Transportation Regulation Board, on petition by a city, to determine at which railroad crossings a train is not allowed to stop.

HF835—Stanis (IR)
Governmental Operations
Retirement; Teachers Retirement Association; permitting purchases of prior services by certain employees for periods of leave.

HF836—Waltman (IR)
Environment & Natural Resources
Game and fish; authorizing nighttime hunting of coyote and fox.

HF837—Carruthers (DFL)
Judiciary
Crimes; prohibiting the concealing of criminal proceeds; prohibiting racketeering; providing civil and criminal penalties for engaging in narcotics and violent offenses as part of an enterprise; authorizing the dissolution of a corporate charter, revocation of a license, and injunctive relief to prevent criminal activity by an enterprise; authorizing fines of three times the profit gained through racketeering; authorizing criminal forfeiture.

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**HF838—Cooper (DFL)**
**Health & Human Services**
Occupations and professions, establishing the board of professional counseling; requiring professional counselors to be licensed; appropriating money.

**HF839—Simoneau (DFL)**
**Governmental Operations**
Retirement; excluding members of the Columbia Heights Fire Department from membership in the Public Employees Retirement Association; providing for refunds.

**HF840—Greenfield (DFL)**
**Health & Human Services**
Human services; authorizing creation of the Minnesota family investment plan; establishing grant projects for refugees; fraud prevention; appropriating money.

**HF841—Greenfield (DFL)**
**Health & Human Services**
Human services; allowing rate review for nursing homes in involuntary receivership; eliminating the exemption of certain allowable employee pension contributions from care-related cost limits and other operating cost limits; clarifying historical cost of capital assets and issuance costs; providing payment rate adjustments for nursing homes; allowing a one-time adjustment to comply with OBRA.

**HF842—McLaughlin (DFL)**
**Transportation**
Metropolitan government; setting conditions for light rail transit contracts.

**HF843—Carlson, D. (IR)**
**Governmental Operations**
State lands; authorizing sale of certain tax-forfeited land that borders public water in Aitkin County.

**HF844—Redalen (IR)**
**Education**
Education; reauthorizing program improvement grants; providing an exception to consolidation timelines; appropriating money.

**HF845—Quinn (DFL)**
**General Legislation, Veterans Affairs & Gaming**
Horse racing; providing for licensing of televised horse racing facilities; allowing for pari-mutuel wagering at licensed horse racing facilities; permitting inter-track and out-of-state simulcasts of horse races.

**House Advisories**

**Monday, Feb. 6**

**HA1—Johnson, V. (IR)**
**Judiciary**
A proposal to study use of private property for underage consumption of alcohol.

**HA2—Gutknecht (IR)**
**Governmental Operations**
A proposal to study the state flag.

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**First Reading/Senate Bills**

**Monday, Jan. 23**

**SF83—Bertram (DFL)**
**General Legislation, Veterans Affairs & Gaming**
A resolution memorializing the Congress of the United States to restore full funding to the Veterans Administration medical centers.

**Monday, Feb. 6**

**SF25—Stumpf (DFL)**
**Judiciary**
Rules & Legislative Administration Legislature; correcting inaccurate references to Senate committees; removing an obsolete reference to Senate and House committees.

**Thursday, Feb. 9**

**SF28—Reichgott (DFL)**
**Judiciary**
Probate; providing for adult health care decisions; imposing penalties.

**Monday, Feb. 13**

**SF32—Spear (DFL)**
**Judiciary**
Crimes; trespass; recodifying the law on dangerous trespass and misdemeanor trespasses; prescribing penalties.

**Monday, Feb. 20**

**SF171—Diesner (DFL)**
**Judiciary**
Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison with HF 370—Swenson (IR) Law libraries; permitting fees to be set annually.

**SF300—Hughes (DFL)**
**Judiciary**
General Legislation, Veterans Affairs & Gaming Crimes; repealing law regulating dance halls.

**Thursday, Feb. 23**

**SF204—Stumpf (DFL)**
**Judiciary**
General Legislation, Veterans Affairs & Gaming Elections; providing for the removal of certain voter registration cards.

**SF215—McQuaid (IR)**
**Judiciary**
Referred to the Chief Clerk for comparison with HF264—Olsen, S. (IR) Notaries public; increasing the period of time during which reappointments may be made.

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**Do you know?**

Bitterness, shame and shock swept over Sauk Centre residents after one of their own—Sinclair Lewis—unmasked small town mores in “Main Street.”

Legends tell of book bannings and denunciations from the pulpit. A quote from a woman in 1921 says the Nobel Laureate would have faced a lynching party if he returned to his hometown; the model for the novel’s Gopher Prairie.

Slowly that anger turned to adulation until in 1985, a century after Lewis’ birth, the community wholeheartedly honored the Charles Dickens of America.

Besides the real Main Street, Sauk Centre has Sinclair Lewis Avenue, Main Street Theater, Main Street Cafe, and Winters Main Street Drug Store. Nearby is the Sinclair Lewis Interpretive Center.

Lewis did return to Sauk Centre. His ashes were shipped from Rome, where he died of alcoholism and heart disease in 1951. His remains are in the local cemetery. His marker reads:

“Sinclair Lewis
1885-1951
Author of
‘Main Street’”
## Committee Schedule

### Monday, Feb. 27

**8:00 a.m.**

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

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

**APPROPRIATIONS/State Departments Division**
300S State Office Building  
Chr. Rep. Phyllis Kahn  
**Agenda:** Budget overview: Department of Labor and Industry.

**EDUCATION**
5 State Office Building  
Chr. Rep. Bob McEachern  
**Agenda:** Education districts - overview and discussion. HF368 (Welle) Imposing requirements for education district contracts. HF478 (K. Olson) Establishing requirements for membership on education district board. HFXXX (McEachern) Revisions in the education districts law.

**10:00 a.m.**

**AGRICULTURE**
5 State Office Building  
Chr. Rep. Steve Wenzel  
**Agenda:** Testifying on Green Bay cheese exchange.

**JUDICIARY**
Basement Hearing Room  
State Office Building  
Chr. Rep. Randy Kelly  
**Agenda:** HF58 (Forsythe) Permitting child support obligors to withdraw from automatic withholding. HF441 (S. Olsen) Permitting obligors to withdraw from automatic withholding programs. HF343 (Rukavina) Relating to collection and dissemination of data; mineral data. HF444 (Weaver) Providing access to private medical examiner data by family members. HF731 (Blatz) Providing for classification of law enforcement data on child abuse. HF704 (Kelly) Establishing reimbursement program for purchase of soft body armor for peace officers.

**REGULATED INDUSTRIES**
10 State Office Building  
Chr. Rep. Joel Jacobs  
**Agenda:** HF328 (Jacobs) Providing for the establishment of flexible electric utility rates for certain customers subject to effective competition. HF619 (Quinn) Clarifying authority of Public Utilities Commission to change boundaries of electric utility service areas.

**12:30 p.m.**

**EDUCATION/Finance Division**
300N State Office Building  
Chr. Rep. Ken Nelson  
**Agenda:** Miscellaneous agency sections.

**1:30 p.m.**

**FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & HOUSING/Housing Division**
500N State Office Building  
Chr. Rep. Rich O’Connor  
**Agenda:** HF595 (O’Connor) Exempting relocated residential buildings from certain provisions of the state building code. HF394 (Dawkins) Changing terminology in the temporary Housing Demonstration program, extending the authorized duration of transitional housing.

**LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS**
200 State Office Building  
Chr. Rep. Joe Begich  
**Agenda:** HF300 (Clark) Relating to occupational safety and health; increasing certain penalties; proposing changes to the Employee Right-to-Know Act of 1984. HF331 (Price) Relating to employment; limiting the employment hours of certain minors during the school year.

**2:30 p.m.**

The House will meet in session.

### Tuesday, Feb. 28

**8:00 a.m.**

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

**APPROPRIATIONS/Education Division**
300N State Office Building  
Chr. Rep. Lyndon Carlson  
**Agenda:** State university system budget overview.

**APPROPRIATIONS/Health & Human Services Division**
200 State Office Building  
Chr. Rep. Lee Greenfield  
**Agenda:** Bonding proposals; Department of Human Services Social Services requests.

**APPROPRIATIONS/State Departments Division**
300S State Office Building  
Chr. Rep. Phyllis Kahn  
**Agenda:** Budget overview: Department of Labor and Industry (continued); Workers’ Compensation and Public Employment Relations Board.

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JOINT MEETING
LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL & METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS/
Metropolitan Affairs Subcommittee & TRANSPORTATION/
Air Transportation Subcommittee
200 State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Phil Carruthers & Bernie Lieder

Agenda: Metro Airports Commission budget and program review.

10:00 a.m.

AGRICULTURE/
Dairy and Livestock Subcommittee
500S State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Rick Krueger

Agenda: HF195 (Omann) Relating to emergency drought relief; appropriating money to continue the emergency haylift operation.

EDUCATION/
Education Finance Division
300N State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Ken Nelson

Agenda: To be announced.

JUDICIARY/Civil Law Subcommittee
500N State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Howard Orenstein

Agenda: HF13 (Kelly) Relating to courts; raising the jurisdictional limit on claims heard in conciliation court. Additional items to be announced.

MINNESOTA FUTURE RESOURCES COMMISSION
200 State Office Building

Chr. Sen. Clarence Purfeerst

Agenda: Staff report on LCC approval on Feb. 8 of MFRC staffing changes and progress - John Velin, Review governor’s budget proposal and recommendation language. Consider approval of work program amendment for SNA program to add target areas for future acquisition -

Bob Djupstrom. Consider approval of several specific SNA parcels in target areas formerly approved by MFRC - Bob Djupstrom. Develop MFRC recommendations on proposed Oil Overcharge grants as determined and submitted by Department of Administration - Chris Donaldson. (Proposal materials will be sent out Feb. 24 to members.) Consider memo requesting summer site visit suggestions and miscellaneous commission matters.

12:30 p.m.

JUDICIARY
Basement Hearing Room State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Randy Kelly

Agenda: To be announced. (Agenda is dependent upon division action.)

JUDICIARY/Criminal Justice Division
500N State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Kathleen Vellenga

Agenda: HF59 (Kelly) Relating to crime; controlled substances, creating controlled substance crimes in the first, second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh degrees. HF641 (Kelly) Relating to crimes; controlled substances; imposing a mandatory minimum sentence for certain felonies committed with an illegal weapon or a semi-automatic assault rifle. HF163 (Dawkins) Relating to crime; enhancing penalties for offenders who unlawfully distribute controlled substances on school premises, at bus stops or enroute to or from school. HF159 (Dawkins) Relating to crimes, providing for termination, cancelation and forfeiture of real estate interests related to controlled substances seizures. HF837 (Carruthers) Creating a RICO statute. HF164 (McLaughlin) Relating to crime; enhancing penalties for offenders who unlawfully distribute controlled substances to minors in public parks, on school premises, at bus stops, or enroute to or from school. HF483 (Wagenius) Relating to crime; including controlled offenses in the evidentiary provision of the disorderly house crime.
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