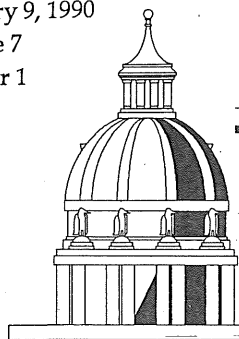


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# Session Weekly

Minnesota House of Representatives

## It's a fact!

Virginia Holm, secretary of state from 1952-55, was the first woman to hold a statewide office in Minnesota and the first woman to wield the gavel in the Minnesota House chamber.

Holm was appointed secretary of state Sept. 16, 1952, after her husband, then Secretary of State Mike Holm, died. She won the next general election and served from 1953 to 1955.

One of Holm's first duties was to convene the 58th Session of the House. Holm told reporters she was "resolved not to waver" before the 129 male and two female House members. She then prepared herself by taking practice swings with the House speaker's gavel.



Workers put the finishing touches on the newly restored chamber of the Minnesota House of Representatives in preparation for the opening day of the 1990 session, Feb. 12. (See photo story on page 5)

## Highlights

### Session Weekly

On Monday, Feb. 12, the Legislature reconvenes for the second half of the 1989-90 biennium. In this, the first issue of the *Session Weekly*, we'll give you a glimpse of what's ahead for 1990 and bring you up to date on what has happened during the interim. Our mission is to keep both members and the public abreast of the latest developments in the Minnesota House of Representatives.

In this issue, you'll find a handy pullout section giving you committee information: meeting times, room numbers, chairs, and a list of each House member's committee assignments. We also include a word on what each committee covers and a complete list of

House members with room and phone numbers.

We're introducing a new section for your information called "The Inside Reports," weekly summaries of reports and research briefs on timely topics.

You'll read the first installment of a series of articles on the work of behind-the-scenes departments in the Legislature. Another series on House leaders begins with a story about with House Speaker Robert Vanasek (DFL-New Prague). And there's a profile of the 1990 House membership.

In our review of the interim, we've included a photo story on the restoration of the House chamber and a summary of legislative commission activity from May

1989 through January 1990.

You'll find a lot of other information in the *Session Weekly*, too. In every issue, there'll be a report on House action taken on key bills. In addition, we'll list all of the bills that have been introduced and an advance committee meeting schedule. Highlights of committee and floor action will give you a sampling of what happened between Thursdays at 2:30 p.m. And our features "It's a fact!" and "Do You Know?" will continue to bring you some of the little-noticed, but colorful facts about Minnesota government.

You'll also find feature stories on familiar faces around the Capitol in upcoming issues. We've got several profiles and story ideas lined up, but we're always on the lookout for more.

If you've got an idea, give us a call at (612) 296-7592 or write to the House Public Information Office, 175 State Office Building, St. Paul, MN 55155. Thanks.

## Light rail transit

A light rail transit system (LRT) is the most cost-effective way of solving future and present-day transportation problems in Anoka County, says Paul McCarron, chairman of the Anoka County Regional Authority and an Anoka County commissioner.

Transportation Committee members, Anoka County officials, and residents voiced their opinions about LRT during a meeting in East Bethel Feb. 5.

McCarron told legislators the Anoka County rail authority believes LRT would save the county money in the long run.

"Widening Highway 65 in Anoka County will cost a lot more money than LRT, and it's going to have to take homes and stores...and malls out, and rip it all up," says McCarron. And that could harm the county's economic growth.

McCarron says he understands the Regional Transit Board's (RTB) desire to build the first system where it would have the most ridership — a central corridor connecting the Minneapolis and St. Paul downtowns. However, the Anoka County Regional Rail Authority, working with Hennepin County's rail authority, completed a study calling for two other LRT location options.

The first choice would be a stop-off

point near Northtown shopping center on Highways 10 and 47, the strongest population center in Anoka County, says McCarron. The LRT would arrive in the county from downtown Minneapolis along the University Avenue corridor. A second option, says McCarron, would build a stop-off point at the Highway 694 corridor arriving from downtown Minneapolis.

McCarron stressed that "LRT will not work without a good connection with buses so people can get from their neighborhoods to the LRT locations."

Rep. Connie Morrison (IR-Burnsville) sees other transit services, such as Anoka County's new dial-a-ride project, as a better answer to county transportation woes.

She says Minnesotans will dislike the number of stops LRT makes. "Just remember, LRT will never have an express...the slowest one on the line is how slow they're all going to go."

Bruce Roles, a member of the Planning and Zone Commission for East Bethel, also had little good to say about LRT.

"Every LRT in the country is losing money and the only one that looked like it might make a reasonable profit was in San Diego," he says. "And, when they surveyed the riders on the system, they found that most were tourists who hadn't ridden one before and just wanted to try it out."

He added that the LRT wouldn't benefit the many commuters who don't work downtown but instead travel suburb to suburb.

## Child care

The Appropriations Committee's Education Division, to provide a forum for child care issues, named a three-member Subcommittee on Child Care during the interim.

Rep. Howard Orenstein (DFL-St. Paul) chairs the committee. The other members are representatives Len Price (DFL-Woodbury) and Connie Morrison (IR-Burnsville).

The Legislature last year approved a \$4 million appropriation to fund child care costs to eligible students not receiving Aid to Families with Dependent Children. The Higher Education Coordinating Board supervises the grant program, which is handled through financial aid

offices of postsecondary institutions. Besides providing child care funding for the time parents are on campus, the grant also may cover costs for up to 20 hours of employment per week.

The panel will compile a list of short- and long-term recommendations on child care. "We are not architectural experts nor do we have the money to make changes," Orenstein said during the subcommittee's Feb. 2 meeting. "But we will provide a forum for these issues."

The child care question is a double-sided coin, he says. One side concerns financial aid to students and state aid to institutions. The other centers on child care facilities — how big should they be, should they be on campus, and how many children should they serve?

## Anoka County Traveler

Beginning in the summer of 1990, Anoka County residents will be able to travel almost anywhere within the county for \$1, says Diane Harberts, coordinator of a new program that will bring public transportation to many Anoka County residents for the first time.

Members of the Transportation Committee heard testimony Feb. 5 about the Anoka County Traveler, a new dial-a-ride transit service that will provide door-to-door mini-bus rides to county residents.

The Anoka County Traveler is an 18-month pilot project providing residents with rides to 19 of 21 Anoka County communities.

"Basically this service is going to be the first opportunity for Northern Anoka County residents to experience any type of public transit," Harberts told lawmakers at a meeting held at East Bethel City Hall.

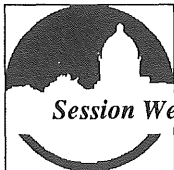
The Regional Transit Board (RTB) will pay the estimated \$630,000 in operating costs for the program, and Anoka County will pay about \$200,000 for administration and marketing costs.

A one-way ride will cost \$1 per person, provided a reservation is made 24 hours in advance. For \$1.50, riders can get transportation by calling two or three hours ahead. The mini-vans will have between seven and 25 seats, which will keep costs down, says Harberts. Dial-a-ride will also enable people to connect with the MTC bus service or Metro

Mobility when they need to travel outside the county.

Any Anoka County resident would be eligible to use the dial-a-ride service. Harberts says the program could be an alternative to buying a second car. It could also transport local commuters, relieve parents of driving their kids around town, reduce traffic and parking problems, conserve energy, and improve air quality, says Harberts.

And in answer to legislators' questions about overlapping with the Metro Mobility service, Harberts says the Anoka County Traveler would cost \$100,000 less than Metro Mobility to do the same job over 18 months. The service would also go beyond Highway 242, which Metro Mobility doesn't, and would have no riding restrictions, which Metro Mobility does.



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**Feb. 12, 1895:** On this day, Minnesota's 13th governor, David Marston Clough, signed a legislative act designating Abraham Lincoln's birthday a legal holiday in the state. When the act became effective in 1896, people celebrated throughout the state. Schools and state, municipal, and county offices closed for the day.

During a Jan. 30 news conference at the Capitol, Rep. Paul Ogren (DFL-Aitkin) announced his introduction of a bill calling for a constitutional amendment to provide affordable health care insurance for all Minnesotans.



# 1990 House Leaders *Speaker of the House*

## Speaker Vanasek was once a Republican

House Speaker Robert Vanasek (DFL-New Prague) is generally considered to hold the second most powerful position in state government. But few people know he actually started his political career as a Republican.

While a student at the University of Minnesota, Vanasek supported Nelson Rockefeller for the 1968 Republican Party's nomination for president.

But when Richard Nixon got the nomination, he says he became dissatisfied with the Republicans and switched to the Democratic Party. Later that year, he was in Chicago for the 1968 Democratic National Convention and watched the rioting in Grant Park. Those experiences, and being dissatisfied with the current Democratic administration, sparked his interest in trying to change the system.

He later joined his local DFL organization in Scott County and was planning to do campaign work for a local incumbent representative. But due to reapportionment that year, he found himself living in a new district without an incumbent running for re-election. In 1972, people encouraged him to run for the open seat. He won and has been re-elected ever since. When session begins Feb. 12, he will begin his third year as speaker.

Vanasek represents District 25A, a rural district 50 miles south of the Twin Cities covering parts of four counties: Dakota, Le Sueur, Rice, and Scott.

He has served as chair of various committees and assistant majority leader in 1978, a position he was re-elected to in 1980 and 1982. He was elected as the majority leader in 1986 and served in that position until he became speaker in 1987.

Vanasek says he enjoys presiding over House floor sessions and representing House positions in negotiations with the Senate and governor. He says another part of the job he enjoys is looking out for the House as an institution. That role, he says, is one often overlooked by others as an important function of the speaker.

His dislikes of the job stem from having to give the last word on problems unsolvable at lower levels, he says. Other problems arise out of time demands and day-to-day distractions that he says keep him from concentrating on the bigger issues facing the state.

As speaker, he works with both Majority Leader Dee Long (DFL-Mpls) and Minority Leader Bill Schreiber (IR-Brooklyn Park). He said he has a good working relationship with Long, and that they work as a team in leading the DFL caucus.

He believes he has a good working relationship with Schreiber, one that's based on mutual respect. Even though he and Schreiber don't always agree on issues, he says they are able to communicate with each other. And that helps the House function more smoothly.

Vanasek says there's more partisanship in the House today than 15 years ago — and more party feuding than there needs to be. He thinks there has been a lowering of partisanship in the last few years, and he hopes it can be lowered even more. Not all issues are ones that have to

separate Democrats and Republicans, he says, and both parties are working to lower tensions.

Since getting his bachelor's degree in political science from the University of Minnesota in 1971, he attended Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government on a Bush Fellowship. He received his master's degree in public administration in 1988.

He has received numerous service awards while in the House. He was honored by various organizations, including the Minneapolis/St. Paul Archdiocese, named the "Outstanding Young American" by the Jaycees (1979 and 1984), and named "Legislator of the Year" by two different organizations. He participates in local community activities and is a member of the New Prague Volunteer Fire Department.

Asked what he wants to do when he leaves the Legislature, he says he hasn't made any plans. He says that throughout his political career he has waited and evaluated his opportunities as they arose. He'll continue on that course.



House Speaker Robert Vanasek

# House Restoration

1989-90

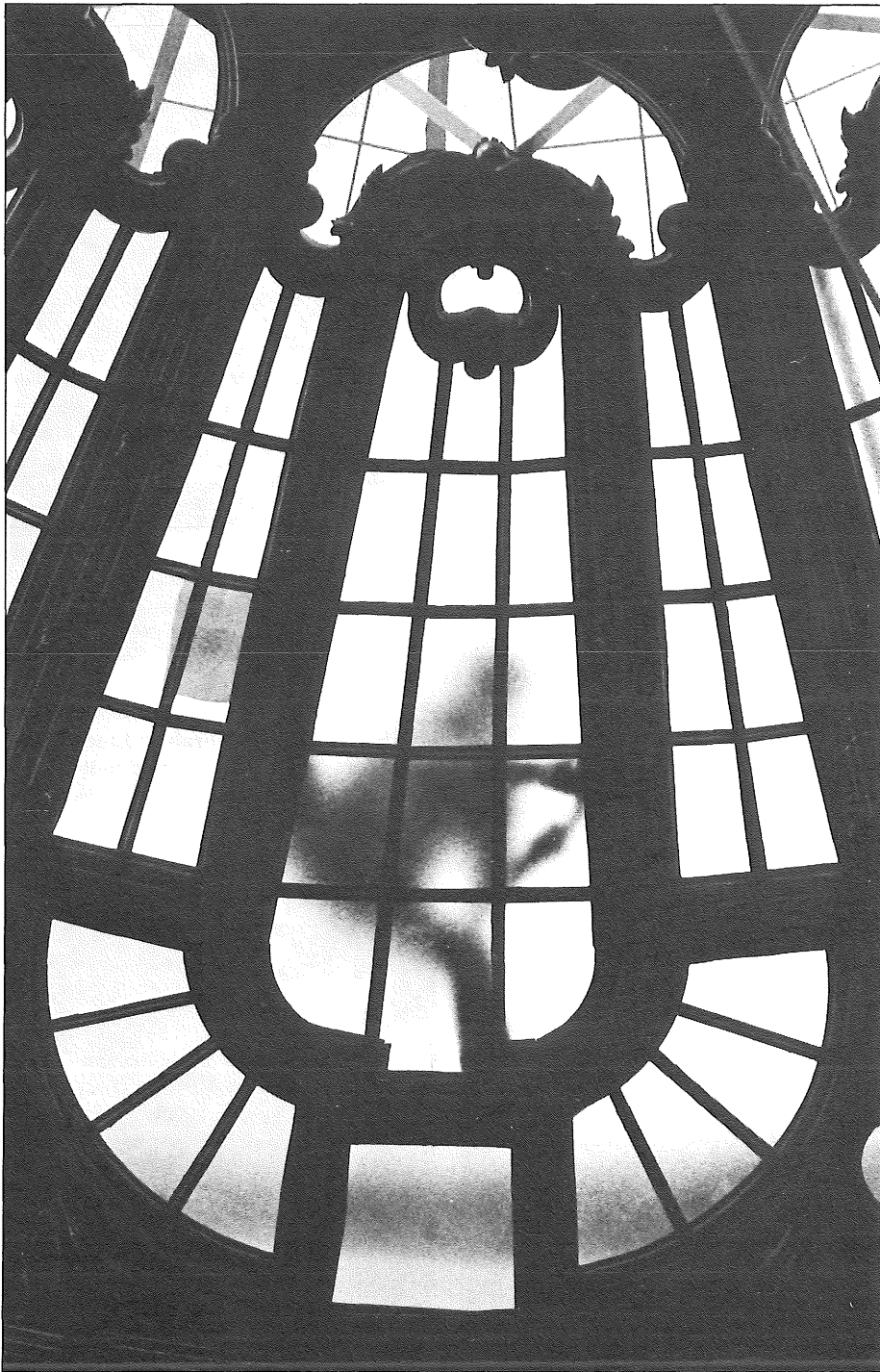
Workers completed the restoration of the chamber of the Minnesota House of Representatives in time for the opening of the second half of the 76th Legislative Session. On Feb. 12, House members will reconvene in an entirely new, yet old chamber.

The chamber restoration was part of a general plan to return the Capitol to architect Cass Gilbert's original design. But it also incorporates the latest in modern technology so that members and staff can continue to function efficiently.

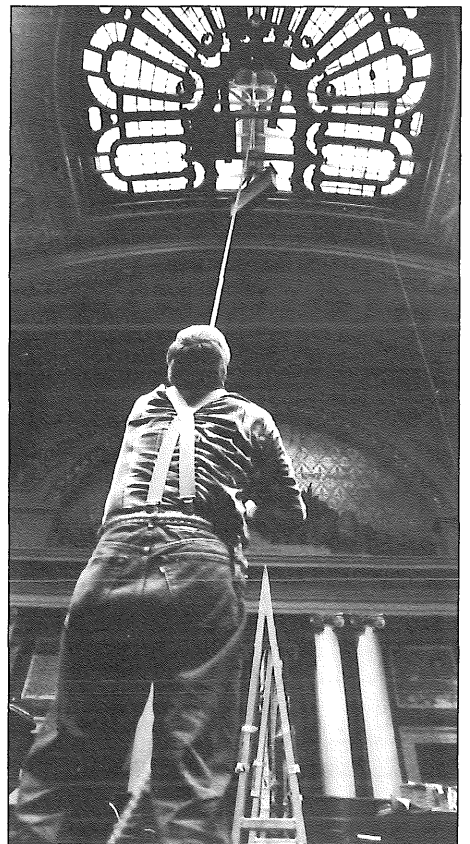
Workers began construction on the chamber in August 1989. Here's their story.

*Left:* A worker creates a surreal silhouette as he seals panes of glass in the inner skylight at the top of the House chamber.

*Below:* A worker uses a pulley system to shuttle glass from the floor to the skylight.

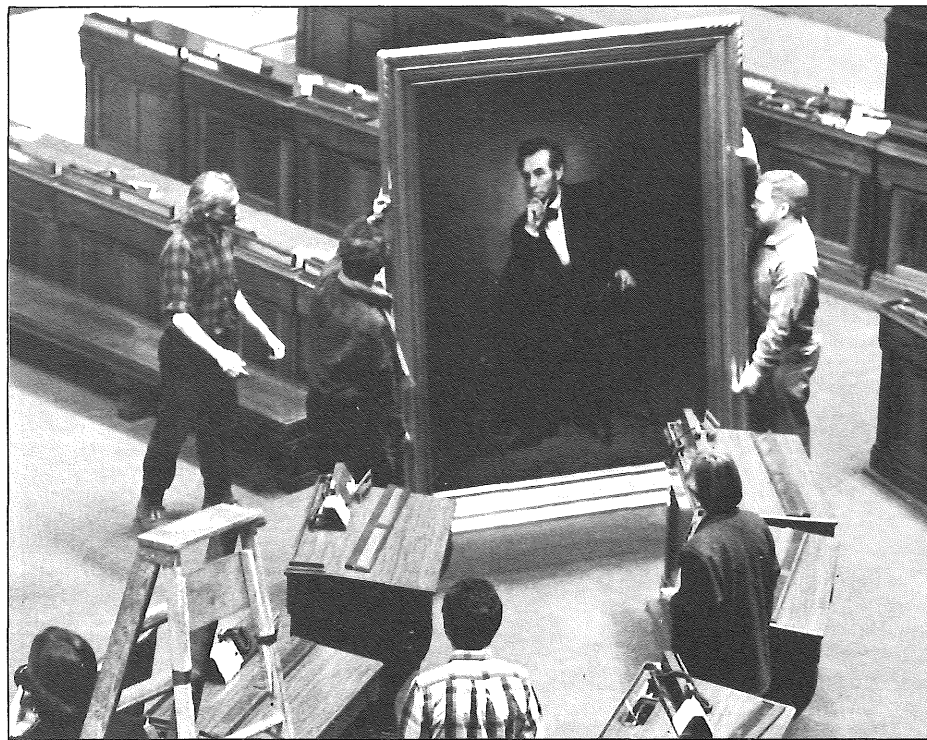


*Right:* Glaziers fit a large sheet of glass into the skylight's metal framework.



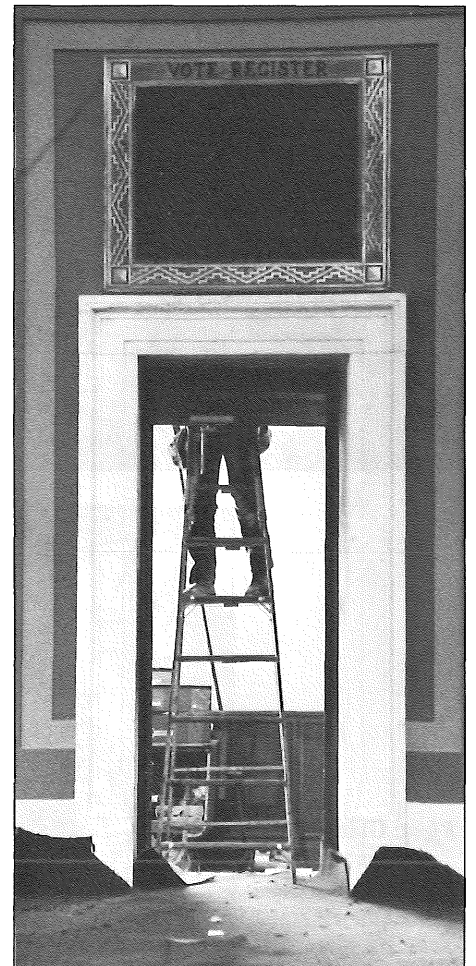


Conservator Jim Horns restores a mural in one of the House chamber's side rooms near where a wall was removed.

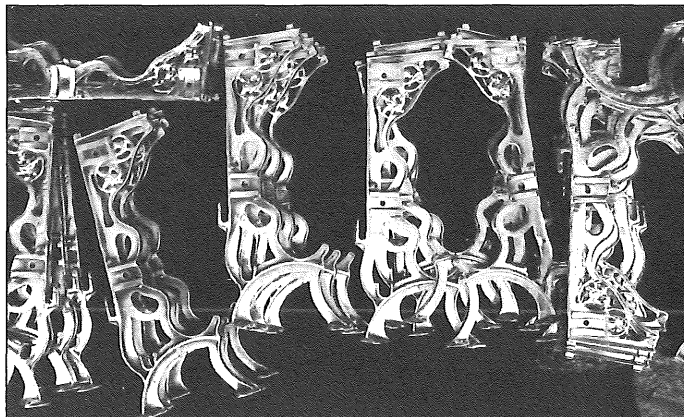


*Left:* The portrait of Abraham Lincoln was cleaned, restored, and returned to its position behind the speaker's desk in the House chamber.

Standing tall in a chamber side room.

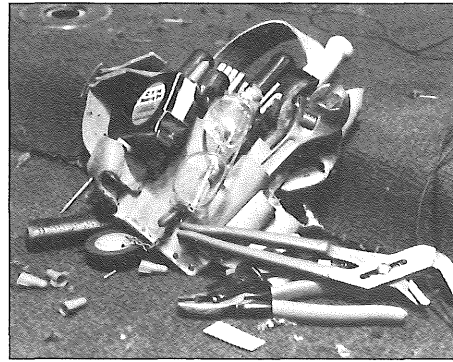


*Right:* Newly restored chair supports await their assembly with other refurbished parts of the chairs in the gallery.





A painter unrolls a stencil that he will use to re-gold leaf a border in a third floor gallery vestibule.

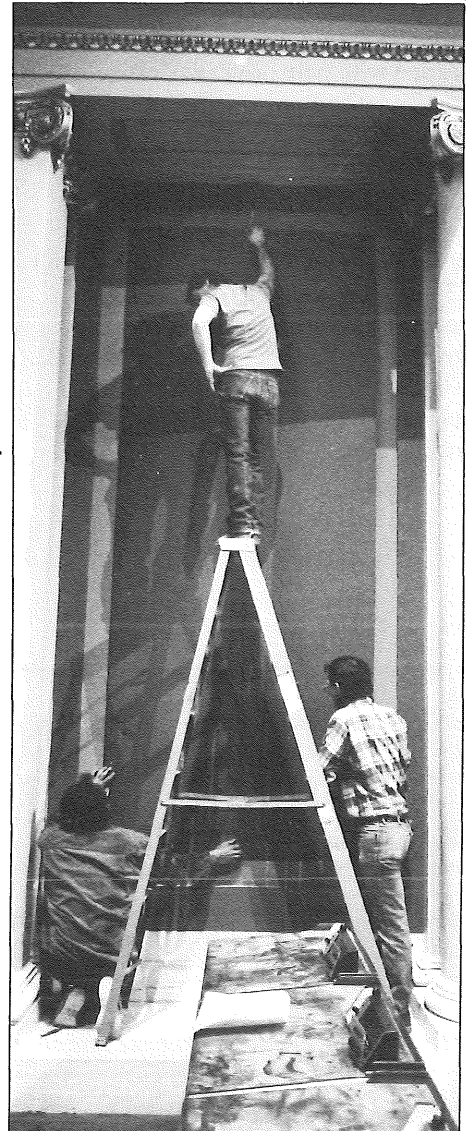


Tools of the trade.

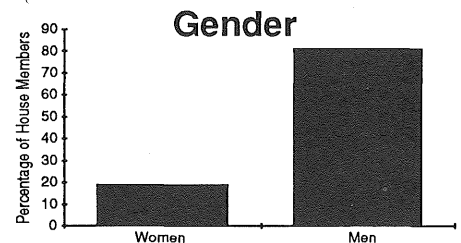
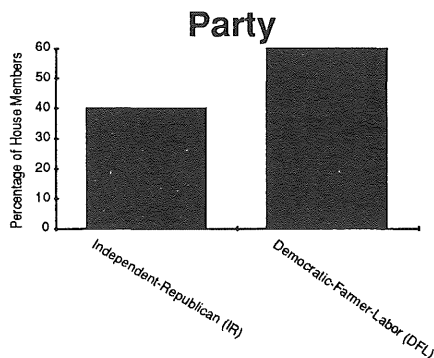
All of the members' desks were refinished, and a portion of the front desk in the chamber was newly carved.



A trio works to fit one of the sound-absorbing panels into place.



# Profile '90



## Farming still ranks number one in the House

The Minnesota House of Representatives will be heading into the 1990 session with only one newly elected member. The Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party remains in the majority with 80 members; Independent-Republicans number 54.

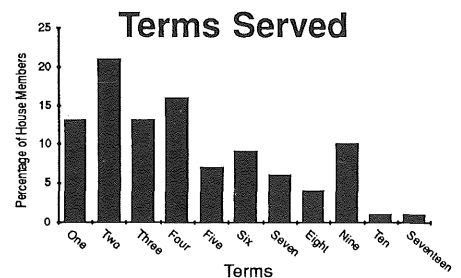
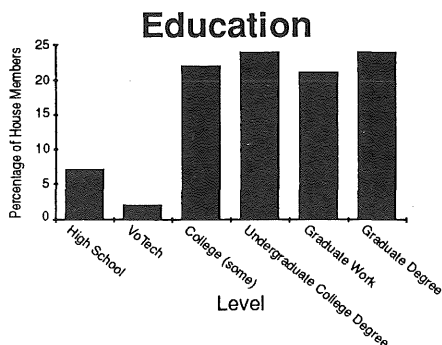
Farming continues to be the number one occupation for House members with 23 people listing it as their primary occupation. Business, the next most frequently listed profession, numbers 22. Nineteen legislators list themselves as full-time legislators. Other occupations include educators 17; attorneys 15;

homemakers 7; consultants and trades/labor have 5 apiece; real estate 3; and auctioneering and sales at 2 apiece. Remaining occupations include a financial planner, writer, policeman, firefighter, photographer, pharmacist, engineer, certified public accountant, securities representative, social worker, law student, hospital department manager, loan officer, and a manager of county records.

Of the 107 men and 27 women in the 1990 House, 31 hold graduate degrees; 27 have done some graduate work; 31 hold undergraduate college degrees; and

32 have done some college/vo-tech work.

The average age among House members is 47. The oldest member is 79; the youngest is 25. The one new House member, Rep. Alice Hausman (DFL-St. Paul) increases the number of first-term representatives from 16 to 17. The largest group of returning lawmakers are the 28 second-term members, followed by 21 fourth-term members, 17 third-term members, and 13 ninth-term members. The Houses' senior member, Rep. Willard Munger (DFL-Duluth), will finish his 17th term in 1990.



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45A Abrams, Ron (IR)	211	9934
10B Anderson, Bob (IR)	317	4946
20A Anderson, Glen H. (DFL)	335	4228
6A Battaglia, David P. (DFL)	517	2190
18B Bauerly, Jerry J. (DFL)	349	5377
56B Beard, Pat (DFL)	565	3135
6B Begich, Joseph (DFL)	477	5063
53A Bennett, Tony L. (IR)	209	2907
16B Bertram, Jeff (DFL)	571	4373
33B Bishop, Dave (IR)	357	0573
41B Blatz, Kathleen (IR)	259	4218
8B Boo, Ben (IR)	311	2228
11A Brown, Chuck (DFL)	569	4929
43A Burger, John (IR)	225	9188
14B Carlson, Doug (IR)	203	4308
46B Carlson, Lyndon R. (DFL)	379	4255
47B Carruthers, Phil (DFL)	575	3709
60A Clark, Karen (DFL)	407	0294
30B Conway, Jeff (DFL)	423	8635
21B Cooper, Roger (DFL)	507	4346
9B Dauner, Marvin K. (DFL)	581	6829
65A Dawkins, Andy (DFL)	371	5158
23A Dempsey, Terry (IR)	261	9303
21A Dille, Steve (IR)	227	4344
24A Dorn, John (DFL)	533	3248
42B Forsythe, Mary (IR)	245	4363
24B Frederick, Marcel "Sal" (IR)	303	5513
32A Frerichs, Donald L. (IR)	389	4378
27A Girard, Jim (IR)	213	5374
61A Greenfield, Lee (DFL)	375	0173
17B Gruenes, Dave (IR)	201	6316
33A Gutknecht, Gil (IR)	309	9249
30A Hartle, Dean (IR)	233	5368
13A Hasskamp, Kris (DFL)	413	4333
31A Haukoos, Bob (IR)	279	8216
63B Hausman, Alice (DFL)	439	3824
45B Heap, Jim (IR)	281	7026
40B Henry, Joyce (IR)	323	7158
41A Himle, John (IR)	247	7803
29A Hugoson, Gene (IR)	221	3240
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29B Kalis, Henry J. (DFL)	543	4240
67A Kelly, Randy C. (DFL)	509	4277
36A Kelso, Becky (DFL)	415	1072
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43B Knickerbocker, Jerry (IR)	283	4315
54B Kostohryz, Dick (DFL)	585	4936
12B Krueger, Richard "Rick" (DFL)	433	3201
19A Lasley, Harold (DFL)	553	5364
2A Lieder, Bernard L. "Bernie" (DFL)	527	5091
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59A Long, Dee (DFL)	459	0171
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### AGRICULTURE

Wenzel .....296-4247  
M .....5 .....10:00 a.m.

### APPROPRIATIONS

Simoneau .....296-4331  
M-Th .....200 .....8:00 a.m.

### COMMERCE

Sarna .....296-4219  
T, Th .....Basement .....10:00 a.m.

### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Otis .....296-9281  
T, Th .....5 .....12:30 p.m.

### EDUCATION

McEachern .....296-4237  
M, W .....5 .....8:00 a.m.

### ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

Munger .....296-4282  
T, Th .....10 .....10:00 a.m.

### FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & HOUSING

Osthoff .....296-4224  
W .....Basement .....10:00 a.m.

### GENERAL LEGISLATION, VETERANS AFFAIRS & GAMING

Kostohryz .....296-4936  
T .....500S .....12:30 p.m.

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Reding .....296-4193  
M-Th .....10 .....8:00 a.m.

### HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Welle .....296-6206  
T, Th .....5 .....10:00 a.m.

### INSURANCE

Skoglund .....296-4330  
W .....5 .....12:30 p.m.

### JUDICIARY

Kelly .....296-4277  
M .....Basement .....10:00 a.m.  
F .....Basement .....12:30 p.m.

### LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

Begich .....296-5063  
M .....200 .....12:30 p.m.

### LOCAL GOVERNMENT & METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS

Battaglia .....296-2190  
T, Th .....200 .....12:30 p.m.

### REGULATED INDUSTRIES

Jacobs .....296-4231  
M .....10 .....10:00 a.m.

### TAXES

Ogren .....296-7808  
T, Th, F .....5 .....8:00 a.m.

### TRANSPORTATION

Kalis .....296-4240  
W .....10 .....12:30 p.m.

### Divisions

(usually meet when full committee  
does not meet)

### APPROPRIATIONS

Agriculture, Transportation  
& Semi-State Division  
Rice .....296-4262  
M-Th .....400S .....8:00 a.m.

Education Division  
Carlson, L. ....296-4255  
M-Th .....300N .....8:00 a.m.

Health & Human Services Division  
Greenfield .....296-0173  
M-Th .....200 .....8:00 a.m.

State Departments Division  
Kahn .....296-4257  
M-Th .....300S .....8:00 a.m.

### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Community Stabilization  
& Development Division  
Clark .....296-0294  
Th .....300S .....12:30 p.m.

### International Trade & Technology Division

Krueger .....296-3201  
Th .....400S .....12:30 p.m.

### Rural Resource Development Division

Murphy .....296-2676  
Th .....300N .....12:30 p.m.

### EDUCATION

#### Education Finance Division

Nelson, K. ....296-4244  
M .....300N .....12:30 p.m.  
W .....300N .....2:30 p.m.  
F .....300N .....10:00 a.m.

#### Higher Education Division

Jaros .....296-4246  
W .....500N .....10:00 a.m.

### FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & HOUSING

#### Housing Division

O'Connor .....296-7807  
M .....500N .....12:30 p.m.

### GENERAL LEGISLATION & VETERANS AFFAIRS

#### Elections Division

Scheid .....296-3751  
Th .....500N .....12:30 p.m.

#### Gaming Division

Quinn .....296-2439  
Th .....500S .....12:30 p.m.

### JUDICIARY

#### Criminal Justice Division

Vellenga .....296-8799  
W .....500S .....10:00 a.m.

Meet at the call of the chair:

### ETHICS

Solberg .....296-2365

### RULES & LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATION

Long .....296-0171 .....400N

### WAYS & MEANS

Vanasek .....296-4229 .....400N

\*Rooms in State Office Building

# Minnesota House of Representatives

## 1990 COMMITTEE COVERAGE

The Minnesota Legislature creates, repeals, and changes laws to meet the needs of Minnesotans. Although legislators introduce hundreds of bills each session, only a small portion are signed into law by the governor. The House of Representatives and the Senate consider bills separately but must agree on a bill before it becomes law.

The Legislature relies on committees, and their divisions and subcommittees to study and review all bills. In the House, the speaker names the committees, appoints members to the committees, and selects chairs to lead them. Once the committee assignments are made and the House convenes for its session, the speaker assigns bills to the appropriate committee.

Here's a list briefly describing the functions of each 1990 committee and division:

### **Agriculture:**

Sets out farm policies and programs to assist farmers, promotes interstate and international trade, develops strategies for marketing commodities, and develops programs to encourage soil conservation.

### **Appropriations:**

Recommends objectives and goals in appropriating state money; reviews the governor's budget proposals; recommends funding levels for all state agencies and programs the state finances; provides estimates of appropriations to the Ways and Means Committee; reviews every bill where a state appropriation is required, even if the bill has had its first hearing in another committee. The committee has four divisions, which specialize in different appropriation issues.

### **Agriculture, Transportation & Semi-State Division:**

Reviews and recommends funding for agricultural programs, transportation projects, the departments of Agriculture and Transportation, all public safety activities, the Minnesota

Historical Society, and boards and organizations that the state partially funds.

### **Education Division:**

Handles legislative funding for the state's four public higher education systems and the Higher Education Coordinating Board.

### **Health & Human Services Division:**

Reviews governor's budget; recommends funding for state health, human services, and corrections programs; reviews funding needs for legislation the Health and Human Services Committee recommends to pass.

### **State Departments Division:**

Reviews and recommends appropriations for state departments and agencies.

### **Commerce:**

Deals mainly with consumer affairs, professional licensing, tourism, and small-business issues.

### **Economic Development:**

Covers rural development, community development, international trade, technology development, and the application of technology to the marketplace; considers job development, business finance and technical assistance issues; and reviews programs in the Department of Trade and Economic Development.

### **Community Stabilization & Development Division:**

Reviews and proposes strategies for communities or neighborhoods to counter negative impacts such as population dislocation, economic, criminal, environmental, or geographic upheaval; focuses on enabling citizens to survive the effects of such destabilizing forces and to realize creative opportunities for community development; considers both rural and urban communities' concerns.

### **International Trade & Technology Division:**

Examines Minnesota's economic and job needs, emphasizing world competitiveness; makes recommendations for small- and medium-sized businesses to improve manufacturing techniques and enhance exporting opportunities; promotes technology transfer from learning institutions to industry.

### **Rural Resource Development Division:**

Examines forest, mineral and agricultural resources (except agricultural production); examines experimental farms and University of Minnesota extension programs; looks for ways to diversify rural resource economies.

### **Education:**

Handles policy areas such as statewide funding and structure of public education for K-12, and organization of educational districts.

### **Education Finance Division:**

Reviews and recommends funding for school systems and educational programs; creates a formula to distribute funds among school districts.

### **Higher Education Division:**

Makes recommendations for the goals and objectives of technical colleges, state universities, community colleges, and the University of Minnesota; assesses the quality, availability, governance, and administration of these institutions.

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

Examines issues relating to pollution, waste management, wildlife protection, forestry and mining, ground water protection, solid waste reduction, and recycling; also examines hunting and fishing regulations and promotion.

## **Financial Institutions & Housing:**

Reviews laws and bills for banks, savings and loans, credit unions, and industrial thrifts.

### **Housing Division:**

Reviews and proposes programs and regulations to improve access to quality housing.

## **General Legislation, Veterans Affairs & Gaming:**

Reviews gambling issues and regulations, election concerns, veterans' programs, and miscellaneous legislation.

### **Elections Division:**

Considers election laws and ethical issues.

### **Gaming Division:**

Handles areas such as lawful, or charitable gambling, pari-mutuel horse racing, the lottery, and gambling regulations and enforcement.

## **Governmental Operations:**

Reviews any bill that substantially changes or creates a new state department, agency, commission, board or bureau, although a bill may have had its first review and hearing in another committee; deals with public employee pension plans, and state workers' bargaining procedures.

## **Health & Human Services:**

Receives all bills relating to health issues and various social services in the state; reviews issues relating to health maintenance organizations; deals with the licensing of health care providers and social workers; reviews and recommends welfare programs, policies, goals, objectives, reform and creation.

## **Insurance:**

Examines consumer rights in insurance, affordability and availability of insurance for individuals and companies, and other aspects of the insurance industry.

## **Judiciary:**

Considers all areas of Minnesota law and the structure and organization of the courts.

## **Criminal Justice Division:**

Examines several aspects of criminal law, including the state's sentencing guidelines, court procedures in juvenile delinquency cases, and questions concerning child abuse.

## **Labor-Management Relations:**

Considers unemployment insurance, workers' compensation, and labor standards concerning issues about hours worked, wages paid, and working conditions.

## **Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs:**

Looks at local government and makes recommendations concerning relations between state and local governments, the impact of federal and state programs on local government, and local governments' jurisdiction, control and bonding authority; reviews metropolitan agencies' structures, goals, and programs; considers transportation, sewers, roads, bridges, parks, airports, and bonding for state construction projects in the metropolitan area.

## **Regulated Industries:**

Examines controls on industries the state regulates such as liquor, phone, power, and commercial soliciting.

## **Rules & Legislative Administration:**

Establishes the budget for the House; approves personnel matters; determines House Rules and joint rules of the House and Senate.

## **Taxes:**

Reviews bills that affect state income, sales, use, or property tax policy.

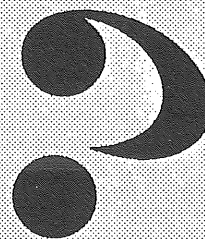
## **Transportation:**

Addresses policy matters concerning highways, trucking, transit systems, airports, and the departments of Transportation and Public Safety.

## **Ways & Means:**

Sets overall spending and taxing policies and limits for the Appropriations and Taxes committees, and the Education Finance Division of the Education Committee.

## *Do you know*



Mountain Iron will hold its winter carnival Feb. 14 - March 11 as part of the state's "Celebrate Minnesota" campaign.

The carnival begins with a treasure hunt on Feb. 14. The *Mesabi Daily News* will run clues from the first day of the hunt until the \$50 treasure is found.

Celebrants have a choice of two dances. A teen dance, following the Mt. Iron-Buhl basketball game, will be held in the Mt. Iron-Buhl High School cafeteria from 9 p.m. - 11:30 p.m. on Feb. 16. For the adult crowd, a 50s/60s dance will be held at the senior center from 8 p.m. to midnight on Feb. 24.

Celebrants also have a choice of two hockey tournaments to participate in. A youth hockey tournament will be held Feb. 17 and 18, and people 18 years old and older can compete in the Boot Hockey Tournament on Feb. 24. Both will be played at the South Grove Skating Rinks.

The sky will light up for a fireworks display on Feb. 24 beginning at 6 p.m. at the Wacootah Dump.

Other activities include a family fun day, a radar run, and the crowning of the carnival's queen and princess. Call the city's recreation office at (218) 735-8890 for more information on carnival activities.

*Celebrate*  
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**MINNESOTA 1990**

# Minnesota House of Representatives

## 1990 COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

**45A Abrams, Ron** (IR-Minnetonka)  
 Appropriations—State Departments Div.  
 Financial Institutions & Housing  
 Gen. Legislation, Vets. Affairs & Gaming  
 —Elections Div.  
 Labor-Management Relations

**10B Anderson, Bob** (IR-Ottertail)  
 Appropriations—Health & Human Services Div.  
 Commerce  
 Ethics  
 Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs

**20A Anderson, Glen H.** (DFL-Bellingham)  
 Appropriations—Education Div.  
 Economic Development—International  
 Trade & Technology Div.  
 Rules & Legislative Administration  
 Ways & Means

**6A Battaglia, David P.** (DFL-Two Harbors)  
 Local Government & Metropolitan  
 Affairs, Chair  
 Appropriations—State Departments Div.  
 Environment & Natural Resources  
 Labor-Management Relations

**18B Bauerly, Jerry J.** (DFL-Sauk Rapids)  
 Agriculture  
 Education—Education Finance Div.  
 Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs

**56B Beard, Pat** (DFL-Cottage Grove)  
 Commerce  
 Education—Higher Education Div.  
 Labor-Management Relations  
 Regulated Industries

**6B Begich, Joseph** (DFL-Eveleth)  
 Labor-Management Relations, Chair  
 Environment & Natural Resources  
 Taxes  
 Transportation

**53A Bennett, Tony L.** (IR-Shoreview)  
 Commerce  
 Gen. Legislation, Vets. Affairs & Gaming  
 —Gaming Div.  
 Regulated Industries  
 Taxes

**16B Bertram, Jeff** (DFL-Paynesville)  
 Agriculture  
 Financial Institutions & Housing—Housing Div.  
 Gen. Legislation, Vets. Affairs & Gaming  
 —Gaming Div.  
 Governmental Operations

**33B Bishop, Dave** (IR-Rochester)  
 Appropriations—State Departments Div.  
 Commerce  
 Ethics  
 Judiciary—Criminal Justice Div.

**41B Blatz, Kathleen** (IR-Bloomington)  
 Insurance  
 Judiciary—Criminal Justice Div.  
 Rules & Legislative Administration  
 Taxes

**8B Boo, Ben** (IR-Duluth)  
 Financial Institutions & Housing—Housing Div.  
 Gen. Legislation, Vets. Affairs & Gaming  
 —Elections Div.  
 Health & Human Services  
 Regulated Industries

**11A Brown, Chuck** (DFL-Appleton)  
 Agriculture  
 Judiciary—Criminal Justice Div.  
 Taxes  
 Transportation

**43A Burger, John** (IR-Long Lake)  
 Economic Development—Community  
 Stabilization & Development Div.  
 Governmental Operations  
 Insurance

**14B Carlson, Doug** (IR-Sandstone)  
 Appropriations—State Departments Div.  
 Environment & Natural Resources  
 Regulated Industries  
 Transportation  
 Ways & Means

**46B Carlson, Lyndon R.** (DFL-Crystal)  
 Appropriations—Education Div., Chair  
 Economic Development—International Trade  
 & Technology Div.  
 Financial Institutions & Housing  
 Rules & Legislative Administration  
 Ways & Means

**47B Carruthers, Phil**  
 (DFL-Brooklyn Center)  
 Insurance  
 Judiciary—Criminal Justice Div.  
 Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs  
 Taxes

**60A Clark, Karen** (DFL-Mpls)  
 Economic Development—Community  
 Stabilization & Development Div., Chair  
 Appropriations—Health & Human Services Div.  
 Financial Institutions & Housing—Housing Div.

**30B Conway, Jeff** (DFL-Waseca)  
 Financial Institutions & Housing—Housing Div.  
 Governmental Operations  
 Judiciary

**21B Cooper, Roger** (DFL-Bird Island)  
 Agriculture  
 Economic Development—Rural Resource  
 Development Div.  
 Governmental Operations  
 Health & Human Services

**9B Dauner, Marvin K.** (DFL-Hawley)  
 Agriculture  
 Health & Human Services  
 Taxes  
 Transportation

**65A Dawkins, Andy** (DFL-St. Paul)  
 Economic Development—Community  
 Stabilization & Development Div.  
 Financial Institutions & Housing—Housing Div.  
 Governmental Operations  
 Regulated Industries

**23A Dempsey, Terry** (IR-New Ulm)  
 Judiciary—Criminal Justice Div.  
 Taxes  
 Transportation  
 Ways & Means

**21A Dille, Steve** (IR-Dassel)  
 Agriculture  
 Economic Development—Rural Resource  
 Development Div.  
 Governmental Operations  
 Labor-Management Relations

**24A Dorn, John** (DFL-Mankato)  
 Appropriations—Education Div.  
 Health & Human Services  
 Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs

**42B Forsythe, Mary** (IR-Edina)  
 Appropriations—Health & Human Services Div.  
 Commerce  
 Judiciary  
 Ways & Means

**24B Frederick, Marcel "Sal"** (IR-Mankato)  
 Agriculture  
 Commerce  
 Education—Higher Education Div.  
 Gen. Legislation, Vets. Affairs & Gaming  
 —Gaming Div.

**32A Frerichs, Donald L.** (IR-Rochester)  
 Appropriations—Ag., Trans., & Semi-State Div.  
 Economic Development—International Trade  
 & Technology Div.  
 Financial Institutions & Housing—Housing Div.

**27A Girard, Jim** (IR-Lynd)  
 Agriculture  
 Economic Development—Rural Resource  
 Development Div.  
 Education—Higher Education Div.  
 Labor-Management Relations

**61A Greenfield, Lee** (DFL-Mpls)  
 Appropriations—Health & Human Services  
 Div., Chair  
 Health & Human Services  
 Judiciary—Criminal Justice Div.  
 Rules & Legislative Administration  
 Ways & Means

**17B Gruenes, Dave (IR-St. Cloud)**  
Appropriations—Health & Human Services Div.  
Health & Human Services  
Regulated Industries  
Ways & Means

**33A Gutknecht, Gil (IR-Rochester)**  
Gen. Legislation, Vets. Affairs & Gaming  
—Gaming Div.  
Health & Human Services  
Taxes

**30A Hartle, Dean (IR-Owatonna)**  
Education—Education Finance Div.  
Insurance  
Regulated Industries

**13A Hasskamp, Kris (DFL-Crosby)**  
Education—Higher Education Div.  
Health & Human Services  
Judiciary—Criminal Justice Div.  
Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs

**31A Haukoos, Bob (IR-Albert Lea)**  
Governmental Operations  
Insurance  
Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs  
Regulated Industries

**63B Hausman, Alice (DFL-St. Paul)**  
Environment & Natural Resources  
Governmental Operations  
Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs  
Transportation

**45B Heap, Jim (IR-Plymouth)**  
Appropriations—Education Div.  
Commerce  
Economic Development—International Trade  
& Technology Div.

**40B Henry, Joyce (IR-Bloomington)**  
Financial Institutions & Housing  
Governmental Operations  
Health & Human Services  
Transportation

**41A Himle, John (IR-Bloomington)**  
Economic Development—Rural Resource  
Development Div.  
Environment & Natural Resources  
Rules & Legislative Administration  
Taxes

**29A Hugoson, Gene (IR-Granada)**  
Agriculture  
Economic Development—International Trade  
& Technology Development  
Education—Education Finance Div.

**49B Jacobs, Joel (DFL-Coon Rapids)**  
Regulated Industries, Chair  
Financial Institutions & Housing  
Rules & Legislative Administration  
Taxes

**5B Janezich, Jerry (DFL-Chisholm)**  
Commerce  
Judiciary—Criminal Justice Div.  
Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs  
Taxes

**7B Jaros, Mike (DFL-Duluth)**  
Education—Higher Education Div., Chair  
Appropriations—Education Div.  
Commerce

**57B Jefferson, Richard H. (DFL-Mpls)**  
Financial Institutions & Housing—Housing Div.  
Governmental Operations  
Health & Human Services  
Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs  
Regulated Industries

**19B Jennings, Loren G. (DFL-Harris)**  
Appropriations—Health & Human Services Div.  
Environment & Natural Resources  
Labor-Management Relations  
Regulated Industries

**51A Johnson, Alice M. (DFL-Spring Lake Park)**  
Education—Higher Education Div.  
Environment & Natural Resources  
Labor-Management Relations  
Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs  
Transportation

**4A Johnson, Bob (DFL-Bemidji)**  
Environment & Natural Resources  
Governmental Operations  
Insurance

**34A Johnson, Virgil J. (IR-Caledonia)**  
Appropriations—Ag., Trans., & Semi-State Div.  
Environment & Natural Resources  
Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs

**58B Kahn, Phyllis (DFL-Mpls)**  
Appropriations—State Departments Div., Chair  
Agriculture  
Economic Development—International Trade  
& Technology Div.  
Environment & Natural Resources  
Ways & Means

**29B Kalis, Henry J. (DFL-Walters)**  
Transportation, Chair  
Agriculture  
Appropriations—Ag., Trans., & Semi-State Div.

**67A Kelly, Randy C. (DFL-St. Paul)**  
Insurance  
Judiciary, Chair  
—Criminal Justice Div.  
Labor-Management Relations  
Taxes

**36A Kelso, Becky (DFL-Shakopee)**  
Education—Education Finance Div.  
Health & Human Services  
Transportation

**4B Kinkel, Anthony G. "Tony" (DFL-Park Rapids)**  
Commerce  
Education—Higher Education Div.  
Gen. Legislation, Vets. Affairs & Gaming  
—Gaming Div.  
Insurance

**43B Knickerbocker, Jerry (IR-Minnetonka)**  
Financial Institutions & Housing  
Gen. Legislation, Vets. Affairs & Gaming  
—Elections Div.  
Governmental Operations  
Insurance  
Rules & Legislative Administration

**54B Kostohryz, Dick (DFL-North St. Paul)**  
Gen. Legislation, Vets. Affairs & Gaming, Chair  
—Elections Div.  
—Gaming Div.  
Taxes  
Ways & Means

**12B Krueger, Richard "Rick" (DFL-Staples)**  
Economic Development—International Trade  
& Technology Div.  
Agriculture  
Appropriations—State Departments Div.  
Rules & Legislative Administration

**19A Lasley, Harold (DFL-Cambridge)**  
Economic Development—Rural Resource  
Development Div.  
Governmental Operations  
Transportation

**2A Lieder, Bernard L. "Bernie" (DFL-Crookston)**  
Appropriations—Ag., Trans., & Semi-State Div.  
Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs  
Transportation

**48A Limmer, Warren E. (IR-Maple Grove)**  
Governmental Operations  
Judiciary  
Labor-Management Relations

**59A Long, Dee (DFL-Mpls)**  
Rules & Legislative Administration, Chair  
Taxes  
Environment & Natural Resources  
Ways & Means

**50A Lynch, Teresa (IR-Andover)**  
Environment & Natural Resources  
Financial Institutions & Housing  
Governmental Operations

**36B Macklin, Bill (IR-Lakeville)**  
Governmental Operations  
Health & Human Services  
Judiciary

**17A Marsh, Marcus (IR-Sauk Rapids)**  
Economic Development—Rural Resource  
Development Div.  
Environment & Natural Resources  
Judiciary—Criminal Justice Div.

**35B McDonald, K.J. (IR-Watertown)**  
Agriculture  
Education—Higher Education Div.  
Gen. Legislation, Vets. Affairs & Gaming  
—Gaming Div.  
Transportation

**22A McEachern, Bob (DFL-Maple Lake)**  
Education, Chair  
—Education Finance Div.  
Commerce  
Gen. Legislation, Vets. Affairs & Gaming  
—Elections Div.  
Ways & Means

**63A McGuire, Mary Jo (DFL-Falcon Heights)**  
Education—Higher Education Div.  
Environment & Natural Resources  
Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs

**60B McLaughlin, Peter (DFL-Mpls)**

Economic Development—Community  
Stabilization & Development Div.  
Health & Human Services  
Rules & Legislative Administration  
Taxes  
Transportation

**55B McPherson, Harriet A. (IR-Stillwater)**

Agriculture  
Education—Higher Education Div.  
Environment & Natural Resources  
Labor-Management Relations

**39B Milbert, Robert P. (DFL-South St. Paul)**

Commerce  
Gen. Legislation, Vets. Affairs & Gaming  
—Gaming Div.  
Judiciary  
Taxes

**20B Miller, Howard (IR-Redwood Falls)**

Appropriations—State Departments Div.  
Economic Development—International Trade  
& Technology Div.  
Judiciary

**38A Morrison, Connie (IR-Burnsville)**

Appropriations—Education Div.  
Financial Institutions & Housing—Housing Div.  
Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs  
Transportation

**7A Munger, Willard (DFL-Duluth)**

Environment & Natural Resources, Chair  
Appropriations—Education Div.  
Rules & Legislative Administration

**8A Murphy, Mary (DFL-Hermantown)**

Economic Development—Rural Resource  
Development Div., Chair  
Appropriations—Health & Human Services Div.  
Commerce

**11B Nelson, Clair (DFL-Barrett)**

Agriculture  
Economic Development—Community  
Stabilization & Development Div.  
Education—Higher Education Div.  
Health & Human Services Div.

**62A Nelson, Ken (DFL-Mpls)**

Education—Education Finance Div., Chair  
Rules & Legislative Administration  
Taxes  
Ways & Means

**3A Neuenschwander, Bob (DFL-Int'l Falls)**

Economic Development—Rural Resource  
Development Div.  
Environment & Natural Resources  
Financial Institutions & Housing  
Taxes

**66B O'Connor, Rich (DFL-St. Paul)**

Financial Institutions & Housing  
—Housing Div., Chair  
Commerce  
Governmental Operations  
Regulated Industries

**14A Ogren, Paul Anders (DFL-Aitkin)**

Taxes, Chair  
Health & Human Services  
Regulated Industries  
Rules & Legislative Administration  
Ways & Means

**44A Olsen, Sally (IR-St. Louis Park)**

Financial Institutions & Housing—Housing Div.  
Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs  
Taxes

**2B Olson, Edgar (DFL-Fosston)**

Agriculture  
Ethics  
Regulated Industries  
Taxes  
Transportation

**28B Olson, Katy (DFL-Sherburn)**

Agriculture  
Economic Development—Rural Resource  
Development Div.  
Education—Higher Education Div.  
Transportation

**16A Omann, Bernie (IR-St. Joseph)**

Agriculture  
Education—Higher Education Div.  
Health & Human Services

**22B Onnen, Tony (IR-Cokato)**

Health & Human Services  
Insurance  
Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs  
Taxes

**64B Orenstein, Howard (DFL-St. Paul)**

Appropriations—Education Div.  
Health & Human Services  
Judiciary—Criminal Justice Div.  
Transportation

**66A Osthoff, Tom (DFL-St. Paul)**

Financial Institutions & Housing, Chair  
—Housing Div.  
Appropriations—State Departments Div.  
Gen. Legislation, Vets. Affairs & Gaming  
—Elections Div.  
Regulated Industries

**23B Ostrom, Don (DFL-St. Peter)**

Education—Education Finance Div.  
Gen. Legislation, Vets. Affairs & Gaming  
—Elections Div.  
Health & Human Services

**59B Otis, Todd (DFL-Mpls)**

Economic Development, Chair  
—Community Stabilization &  
Development Div.  
—International Trade & Technology Div.  
—Rural Resource Development Div.  
Education—Education Finance Div.  
Financial Institutions & Housing

**37B Ozment, Dennis (IR-Rosemount)**

Education—Education Finance Div.  
Environment & Natural Resources  
Regulated Industries

**65B Pappas, Sandy (DFL-St. Paul)**

Education—Education Finance Div.  
Insurance  
Judiciary—Criminal Justice Div.

**42A Pauly, Sidney (IR-Eden Prairie)**

Environment & Natural Resources  
Ethics  
Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs  
Taxes

**52B Pellow, Dick (IR-New Brighton)**

Commerce  
Economic Development—Community  
Stabilization & Development Div.  
Education—Higher Education Div.  
Transportation

**34B Pelowski, Gene, Jr. (DFL-Winona)**

Commerce  
Economic Development—International Trade  
& Technology Div.  
Education—Higher Education Div.

**18A Peterson, Jerome "JP"  
(DFL-Princeton)**

Appropriations—State Departments Div.  
Economic Development—Rural Resource  
Development Div.  
Insurance  
Judiciary

**10A Poppenhagen, Dennis  
(IR-Detroit Lakes)**

Appropriations—Education Div.  
Economic Development—Rural Resource  
Development Div.  
Financial Institutions & Housing  
Insurance

**56A Price, Len (DFL-Woodbury)**

Appropriations—Education Div.  
Environment & Natural Resources  
Gen. Legislation, Vets. Affairs & Gaming  
—Gaming Div.

**39A Pugh, Thomas W. (DFL-South St. Paul)**

Appropriations—Health & Human Services Div.  
Environment & Natural Resources  
Insurance  
Judiciary

**50B Quinn, Joe (DFL-Coon Rapids)**

Gen. Legislation, Vets. Affairs & Gaming  
—Gaming Div., Chair  
Financial Institutions & Housing  
Regulated Industries  
Taxes

**32B Redalen, Elton R. (IR-Fountain)**

Agriculture  
Environment & Natural Resources  
Labor-Management Relations  
Taxes

**31B Reding, Leo J. (DFL-Austin)**

Governmental Operations, Chair  
Environment & Natural Resources  
Insurance  
Rules & Legislative Administration

**46A Rest, Ann H. (DFL-New Hope)**

Education—Education Finance Div.  
Judiciary—Criminal Justice Div.  
Rules & Legislative Administration  
Taxes

**57A Rice, James I. (DFL-Mpls)**  
Appropriations—Ag., Trans., & Semi-State Div., Chair  
Labor-Management Relations  
Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs  
Rules & Legislative Administration  
Ways & Means

**12A Richter, Don (IR-Wadena)**  
Agriculture  
Commerce  
Education—Higher Education Div.  
Transportation

**25B Rodosovich, Peter (DFL-Faribault)**  
Appropriations—Health & Human Services Div.  
Economic Development—International Trade & Technology Div.  
Financial Institutions & Housing  
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**5A Rukavina, Tom (DFL-Virginia)**  
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**52A Runbeck, Linda (IR-Circle Pines)**  
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**58A Sarna, John J. (DFL-Mpls)**  
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**35A Schafer, Gary (IR-Gibbon)**  
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**47A Scheid, Linda (DFL-Brooklyn Park)**  
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Commerce  
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**48B Schreiber, Bill (IR-Brooklyn Park)**  
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**38B Seaberg, Art (IR-Eagan)**  
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**44B Segal, Gloria (DFL-St. Louis Park)**  
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**51B Simoneau, Wayne (DFL-Fridley)**  
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**1B Sparby, Wally (DFL-Thief River Falls)**  
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**53B Stanius, Brad (IR-White Bear Lake)**  
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**27B Steensma, Andy (DFL-Luverne)**  
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**26A Sviggum, Steven (IR-Kenyon)**  
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**55A Swenson, Doug (IR-Forest Lake)**  
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**40A Tjornhom, Chris (IR-Richfield)**  
Economic Development—International Trade & Technology Div.  
Financial Institutions & Housing—Housing Div.  
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**37A Tompkins, Eileen (IR-Apple Valley)**  
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**67B Trimble, Steve (DFL-St. Paul)**  
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**1A Tunheim, Jim (DFL-Kennedy)**  
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**15A Uphus, Sylvester (IR-Sauk Centre)**  
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**54A Valento, Don (IR-Little Canada)**  
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**25A Vanasek, Robert E. (DFL-New Prague)**  
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**62B Wagenius, Jean (DFL-Mpls)**  
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**26B Waltman, Bob (IR-Elgin)**  
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**13B Wenzel, Stephen G. (DFL-Little Falls)**  
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**28A Winter, Ted (DFL-Fulda)**  
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## A Window on the House

# House Research Department

*Editor's note: This is the first in a series of stories highlighting some of the departments that work behind-the-scenes in the legislative process. Watch for "A Window on the House."*

### Information is key to good legislation

Many involved in the legislative process feel that laws that work well are backed up by good research. The House Research Department, in many cases, is a key provider of information for legislators.

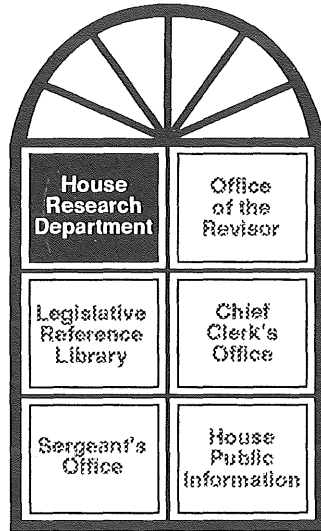
"There's always a glut of information that members have to deal with and then evaluate to determine what's useful," says House Research Director Carole Pagones. "We help with that."

House Research's major contributions are committee work, bill drafting, and producing publications that provide three types of information: descriptive (information briefs, reference books), analytical (policy and legal analyses), and quantitative (research studies and computer simulations.)

### Complexity increases with time

Before the department was created in 1968, life was a lot less complicated for members, Pagones says. The legislators could answer questions more easily because state government was less complex. Legislators also relied more on lobbyists for their information.

Now every bill passed into law complicates matters for legislators. Information sources are more extensive and complex as a result, Pagones says. Instead of each member doing his or her own research, the department gathers information and conducts research projects for the entire House.



Committee needs and individual requests dominate the department's time during session.

In addition to drafting bills, writing bill summaries and amendments are major department activities. Last year almost 4,000 summaries and amendments were produced. Other session work includes conference committee reports, riders (a clause added to an appropriation's bill under consideration), and resolutions.

In addition to responding to questions, House Research, which is nonpartisan,

initiates studies and reports on legislative topics and issues.

"We try to chip out time to be pro-active and not just a reactive office," Pagones says.

Long-term projects are also conducted on behalf of committees and representatives. Research reports are the result of substantial analytical research that may require months to complete and often involve several analysts and the design and use of special computer programs.

Current studies include one on open enrollment in the schools and another on identifying issues in designing a local government aid program. Some studies, such as one on the stability of Minnesota's sales tax, are initiated by the legislative analysts. After some preliminary research, the project idea is presented to legislators for reactions to its usefulness.

Information models created by analysts provide members with a quick, flexible way to see the effects of legislation. An income tax model completed last year shows how a change in tax rates or the number of deductions affect the income tax. The Department of Finance uses this model to prepare state revenue estimates.

### Staff workload increases every year

The workload increases yearly, Pagones says, adding that an analyst may do as many as 130 bill summaries during a session. Summaries run from one to 100 pages.

"Our best resources go home at night," Pagones says. "These people are the most talented, gifted, committed people I've ever had the privilege to work with." Pagones has worked in five state governments during the past twenty years.

"The better information you have, the better decisions you can make," Pagones says.



Capitol visitor John Phillips reads a House Research report.

# Legislative Commission Activities

Legislators, in addition to their other duties, work on commissions that study and report on areas of interest for both the House and Senate.

The majority of members on legislative commissions must be legislators. The Speaker of the House appoints House members. In the Senate, a subcommittee of the Senate Rules and Administration Committee selects senators to serve. Appointments are for two years.

Legislative commissions are on-going, long-term, and more permanent than study groups, task forces, and joint legislative committees. The following are in-brief summaries of interim activities for 10 of the legislative commissions.

## Legislative Commission on the Economic Status of Women

*Established in 1976 to study, report, and make recommendations on all matters relating to the economic status of women in Minnesota.*

**August:** Held public hearing in Bemidji.

**September:** Held public hearing in St. Cloud; hired a consultant to staff the child care task force.

**October:** Held first meeting of the Child Care Task Force; completed secondary and post-secondary vocational education sex equity reports.

**November:** Completed revisions of sexual harassment report.

**December:** Held public hearing in St. Paul.

**January 1990:** Produced two publications—"Sexual Harassment: An Overview of Current Laws and Studies; and Pay Equity: The Minnesota Experience."

## Legislative Commission on Employee Relations

*Established in 1979 to assist the Legislature by monitoring collective bargaining processes between the state and its employees. Assists in ratifying negotiated agreements, awards, and pay plans*

*according to current law. Assures that state labor contracts are negotiated with minimal political interference.*

**March:** Contracted with DCA Stanton (a consulting firm) to conduct a study on agency head salaries.

**June:** Contracted with Goldberg, Swanson and Paulsen (a consulting firm) to conduct a study on regional bargaining for school districts.

**July:** Ratified the American Federation of State County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) labor contract; heard updates on agency head salary ranges and regional bargaining studies.

**September:** Reviewed pay equity legislation and the agency head proposal; and ratified labor contracts of the following agencies and organizations:

- Minnesota Association of Professional Employees;
- State Residential Schools Educational Association;
- Minnesota State Patrol Troopers Association;
- Middle Management Association;
- Minnesota Government Engineers Council;
- Managerial Plan; and
- Commissioners Plan.

**October:** Heard update on regional bargaining study.

**November:** Ratified the Minnesota Community College Faculty Association labor contract; discussed agency head salary proposal; held joint meeting with the Legislative Commission on Public Education (LCPE) to hear testimony on the regional/statewide bargaining study.

**December:** Ratified labor contracts of the Minnesota Nurses Association, State University Inter-Faculty Organization, and the State University Administrative Unit; heard presentation on agency head salary study.

**January 1990:** Heard regional bargaining study presentation; heard update on teacher contract negotiations; reviewed salary proposals for Board of Dentistry executive director and Higher Education Coordinating Board executive director.

## Legislative Commission on Minnesota Resources

*Established in 1963 to oversee and monitor resource issues. It is also charged with developing a budget plan for expenditures from the Minnesota Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund, to recommend expenditures of oil overcharge money, and to recommend expenditures to the Legislature from the Minnesota Future Resources account.*

**May:** Reviewed and approved work programs for 79 projects receiving \$17 million of LCMR funding for the 1990-91 biennium; received a 14-member Citizen Advisory Committee appointment by the governor to develop a draft strategic plan for the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund; formed coordinating committees in 10 natural resource areas to advise LCMR and staff.

**June:** Elected Rep. Phyllis Kahn (DFL-Mpls) as commission chair for a two-year term; conducted fact-finding activities in all state regions.

**July:** Held fact-finding activities.

**August:** held fact-finding activities.

**September:** The Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) met extensively to develop a strategic plan for the Minnesota Environmental Trust Fund using data gathered during fact-finding activities;

**October:** Sponsored a statewide Natural Resource Congress; heard presentations on various natural resource topics; adopted funding priorities for the Minnesota Future Resources Fund (MFRF) and for the oil overcharge money for the 1992-93 biennium.

**November:** The CAC finalized the strategic plan draft for the Environmental Trust Fund to be presented to the LCMR for adoption.

**December:** Adopted the CAC recommended strategic plan to guide expenditures from the trust fund; requested proposals for the 1992-93 biennium for funding from the MFRF, Environmental and Natural Resources Trust Fund, and oil overcharge money.

**January 1990:** Staff worked with project proposers to aid proposal development; announced Jan. 1, 1990, as the due date for six-month status reports for the 1990-91 biennium projects.

### **Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement**

*Established in 1967 to make a study and investigate public employee retirement plans in Minnesota, and to make recommendations to establish and maintain sound public employee pension legislation.*

**May-January 1990:** Reviewed 1989 session pension legislation and considered follow-up issues related to the legislation; reviewed actuarial items and consolidation of several local police and fire pension plans with statewide public safety plan; conducted audits of local police and fire relief association; reviewed its investment plan; handled federal tax qualification issues and constituent pension problems.

### **Legislative Commission on Public Education**

*Established in 1983 to study Minnesota public education and report its findings and recommendations to the education committees of the House and Senate by Jan. 15 of each year.*

**June:** Commissioned a joint study with the Legislative Commission on Employee Relations (LCER) on collective bargaining in the schools.

**July:** Task Force on Education Organization began second phase of study of education, which is organization.

**October:** The task force published a second report to the LCPE, titled "What is Expected to be Learned and Assessment and Accountability"; conducted town meetings in seven-county Twin Cities area.

**January 1990:** Heard LCPE/LCER collective bargaining study; task force completed work on "Principles for Organizing Education," staff completed first-round comparison of principles to current statutes on education organizations and suggested changes in the laws.

### **Legislative Commission on Waste Management (LCWM)**

*Established in 1980 to review work plans of the Waste Management Board, Pollution Control Agency, and Metropolitan Council. The commission also reviews use of various state funds related to water management, superfund, metropolitan contingency action and landfill abatement. And it makes recommendations on expenditures from each of them.*

**May:** Summarized and assessed legislation passed during the 1989 session.

**June:** Summarized and assessed legislation passed during the 1989 session; hired a third staff person; prepared and published a report for proposal for a newly mandated study on the question of just compensation for displaced solid waste haulers.

**July:** Set up work plan for newly mandated study to evaluate the Greater Minnesota Landfill Cleanup Fee (GMLCF).

**August:** Selected consultant for just compensation study; held public meetings around the state on GMLCF; LCWM members toured acid rain precipitation monitoring stations in northeastern Minnesota.

**September:** Held three public meetings around the state on GMLCF.

**October:** Discussed the SCORE bill during special session meetings; prepared and printed the 1989 edition of the "Waste Management Act and Related Acts and Laws"; prepared and printed an LCWM issue brief on plastics.

**November:** LCWM met once; held four GMLCF task force meetings in St. Paul; prepared and printed an LCWM issue brief on Solid Waste Management in Minnesota.

**December:** Appointed to Governor's Select Committee on Packaging and the Environment (SCOPE); worked on compilation of the 1990 amendments to the Waste Management Act.

**January 1990:** Continued participation on SCOPE; continued work on 1990 amendments to the Waste Management Act; distributed reports on just compensation and the GMLCF.

### **Legislative Commission to Review Administrative Rules**

*Established in 1974 to promote adequate and proper rules by state agencies and an understanding upon the part of the public respecting them.*

**June:** Began review of Department of Labor and Industry (DLI) Truck Rental Rate Rule and related information of the Department of Transportation (DOT); began review of DOT state-aid highway rules; conducted a follow-up of a review of Department of Human Services (DHS) Nursing Home Property Reimbursement Rule 50.

**July:** Staff attended the National Conference of State Legislators (NCSL) in Tulsa, Okla.; hired a research assistant; began staff discussions about changes to the APA.

**August:** Conducted a public hearing on the DLI Truck Rental Rate Rule and related DOT information.

**September:** Began staff discussions with the Revisor of Statutes Office to make rule status information available by computer; continued staff discussions about the APA;

**October:** Held final meetings on the DLI-DOT Truck Rental Rate Rule Review staff taught a class on the APA to law students; attended DHS Task Force meeting on Rule 50 issues; investigated a complaint about Department of Health Womens Infants and Children (WIC) rules regarding vendors; attended NCSL conference in Santa Fe.

**November:** Began review of all Department of Natural Resources orders; sent letters to agencies about complying with section 14.12; began investigation of complaint from irregular route truckers about the Transportation Regulation Board (TRB); staff attended meeting of Advisory Committee of the Office of Dispute Resolution.

**December:** Held additional Rule 50 task force meetings; staff began work on a monthly newsletter; continued investigation of TRB complaint; began survey of general rulemaking authority possessed by agencies.

**January 1990:** Staff prepared a legislative handbook; spoke to the League of Women Voters.

## **Legislative Coordinating Commission (LCC)**

*Established in 1973 to coordinate certain joint activities of the Senate and the House of Representatives.*

**May-January 1990:** Produced the fiscal year 1990-91 version of the LCC legislative plans for employee benefits which contain joint policies for both house and employees under the jurisdiction of the LCC; the LCC Subcommittee on Reapportionment Oversight held a series of meetings to discuss setting up a computer system to be used for the next congressional reapportionment and legislative redistricting; mailed out requests for information to vendors and held meetings with those vendors to learn more about the software and hardware available; selected Ken Dayton as the new Regent Candidate Advisory Council chair; held meetings to discuss improving council procedures in making recommendations to the Legislature on University of Minnesota regent selection; conducted surveys on people who applied for regent positions and those who interviewed but were not selected; set up the Small Business Procurements Commission under the jurisdiction of the LCC and staff; the LCC provided administrative support throughout the interim for the Injury Compensation Study Commission which worked on suggestions for tort reform to be recommended to the Legislature.

## **Great Lakes Commission**

*Established in 1955 to promote the orderly, comprehensive use of the Great Lakes Basin; to plan for the welfare and development of the water resources of the basin; to advise in securing and maintaining a proper balance among users of the water resources; and to maintain an intergovernmental agency to accomplish the purposes of the compact.*

**May:** Attended the Great Lakes Mayors Conference; reviewed Great Lakes issues and developed position statements.

**June:** Reviewed Great Lakes staff projects and executive committee level in Detroit; assisted with IAGLP conference in Duluth.

**July:** Reviewed task force progress.

**August:** Reviewed and assisted various task forces.

**September:** Attended the Minnesota Senate Grand Conference in Indiana, program included Great Lakes issues and programs.

**October:** Held on-going task force programs.

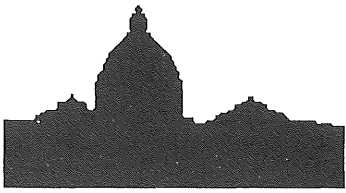
**November:** Attended annual meeting in Detroit, Mich., to review yearly work program; elected Minnesota delegation chair Henry Hanka as vice chairman of the commission.

**December:** Held on-going work activities with staff in Ann Arbor, Mich.; worked on congressional needs.

## **River Parkway Commission (MRPC)**

*Established in 1989 to aid in development of a scenic parkway and highway along the Mississippi River and in the promotion of economic development opportunities along the Great River Road.*

**May-January 1990:** Involved in variety of projects from international marketing of Mississippi River to allocating funds for the Great River Road to working for designation of the Mississippi River as a National Heritage Corridor; selected Japan as its focus market for the first year and attended a trade show in Tokyo in November; worked with the state Department of Transportation to allocate \$750,000 the Legislature set aside for the Great River Road project; worked with congressional members on the Mississippi River Corridor Study Act of 1990; discussed participation in the Minnesota State Fair, Mississippi River water quality, the 1991 federal highway bill, a National Scenic By-Ways program and other matters affecting the state and national commissions.



For your information...

## The Inside Reports

### Charitable gambling history in Minnesota

Several states — from Massachusetts to Washington to Florida and Wisconsin — operate lotteries that pour millions of dollars into state coffers. They advertise the latest instant winner ticket theme or on-line lotto game to help spark interest.

When instant scratch-and-win tickets become available this year, Minnesota will join the 29 other states that conduct lotteries. But the lottery is only one segment of legalized gambling in Minnesota.

The granddaddy of legalized gambling — at least as far as the number of total dollars taken in — is “lawful,” or charitable, gambling. (The 1989 Legislature changed the term to lawful gambling.)

While reporting methods hamper an accurate comparison with other states, Minnesota’s \$198 in per capita charitable gambling gross sales is the highest in the country, says a House Research Department report titled *Charitable Gambling in Minnesota*. In fact, the per capita gross sales is higher than per capita lottery ticket sales in 28 states.

In 1986, the total reported volume of charitable gambling was just over \$100 million. Two years later, the figure swelled to \$856 million. In 1990, the volume is expected to increase to over \$1 billion. Pulltabs accounted for more than 85 percent of these gross receipts.

The high numbers for charitable gambling are of note because they were achieved with virtually no advertising or marketing in the traditional sense. The state has more than 2,500 organizations that are licensed to conduct games of chance for charitable purposes. These groups vary in size.

The largest organization had gross sales of more than \$27 million in 1988, while several hundred other organizations had sales of less than \$25,000 in that year.

A third of the gross receipts in 1988 were brought in by a relatively small number (159) of charitable gambling operations — each reporting sales of

more than \$1 million.

While the past 15 years saw a flurry of legislative activity to ensure charitable gambling doesn’t become commercialized, the first law regulating bingo was adopted back in 1945.

Lawmakers stated that bingo was to be a “mild form of social recreation designed to raise funds for the benefit of religious, charitable, fraternal or other

*Editor’s note:* If you took the reports and studies distributed during a legislative session and laid them end-to-end, who knows how far they’d reach? Bird Island, perhaps? Maybe Biwabik?

A new section in this year’s *Session Weekly* will summarize a government report each week in an easy-to-read form. Our goal is to bring as much information to as many people in as little space as possible.

With reams of reports churned out by a host of government agencies and private groups, it’s easy for a lot of information to get lost in the shuffle.

Did you know, for example, that per capita spending on charitable gambling in Minnesota is higher than in any other state in the country? Or that the courts have struck down as unconstitutional laws requiring welfare recipients to live in a jurisdiction for a certain period of time before receiving benefits?

Those are just a few of the facts culled from recent House Research reports that we hope you’ll find interesting. We hope you find the information useful.

associations.” The 1945 bingo law permitted bingo for non-commercial fund-raising activities, limited compensation to workers, prohibited private use of profits, and permitted local governments to veto bingo within their borders.

Lawmakers, reacting to concerns that bingo was becoming a profitable business for operators, sought to prevent its

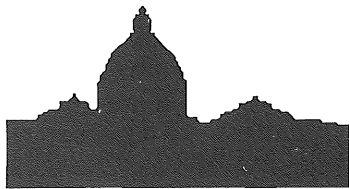
commercialization in 1976 when they enacted changes based on a St. Paul ordinance. Organizations were required to be licensed, to keep books, to observe prize limits, and to conduct bingo only on premises they owned or leased. They could deduct certain items from bingo gross receipts and use the net profits only for specified lawful purposes.

In 1978, legislators included paddlewheels, tipboards, and raffles to the list of charitable gambling activities, and added pulltabs in 1981.

The Legislature revised gambling laws in 1984 when it created the Charitable Gambling Control Board. The panel was given the authority to issue, suspend and revoke licenses; license distributors of gambling equipment; and issue rules governing charitable gambling operations. In 1989, the Legislature created the Department of Gaming, which contains divisions of pari-mutuel betting, the state lottery, and lawful gambling control.

The state now levies three separate taxes on charitable gambling as a result of changes in the law made in 1989. The first is a 2 percent tax imposed on the *potential gross receipts* from pulltabs and tipboards; this tax is based on the sales of those games from a wholesaler to a lawful gambling organization. The second is a 10 percent tax on the gross profit (gross receipts minus prizes) on bingo, raffles, and paddlewheels. The third tax is based on the gross receipts on pulltabs and tipboards and is levied according to the size of the organization, with the largest lawful gambling operations taxed at the highest rate. In addition to state taxes, local governments are also allowed to levy up to 3 percent of an organization’s gross receipts to defray the costs of local regulation, inspection, and enforcement.

Some low-volume charitable gambling is exempt from most state rules, provided the operators meet certain requirements.



Coming Up Next Week...

Feb. 12 - Feb. 16, 1989

## Committee Schedule

This schedule is subject to change.  
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at (612) 296-9283. All meetings are open  
to the public.

### MONDAY, Feb. 12

10:00 a.m.

#### Legislative Commission on Minnesota Resources

10 State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Phyllis Kahn

**Agenda:** Consideration of: recommendations on Scientific and Natural Areas (SNA) acquisitions, Bob Djupstrom; an amendment to Municipal Solid Waste Recovery Program, Pollution Control Agency (PCA); the status of the Wetland Plant Communities Project; a contingency proposal regarding direct smelting at taconite pellet plants, Dr. Ken Reid. Review of: the results of the 1987 Mercury Toxicity Project; the Legislative Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCMR) 1990 Allocations Schedule. The status of the Citizen Advisory Committee and miscellaneous commission business.

2:00 p.m.

The House will meet in session.

3:00 p.m.

The House and Senate will meet in joint session in the Senate Chamber.

### TUESDAY, Feb. 13

8:00 a.m.

#### Health & Human Services Division/ APPROPRIATIONS

200 State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Lee Greenfield

**Agenda:** Department of Corrections: population and capital projections.

#### State Departments Division/ APPROPRIATIONS

300S State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Phyllis Kahn

**Agenda:** To be announced.

#### GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

10 State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Leo Reding

**Agenda:** Review and update on the 1989 Comprehensive Pension Benefit improvement package. Lawrence Martin, executive director, Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement.

8:30 a.m.

#### Agriculture, Transportation & Semi- State Division/APPROPRIATIONS

400S State Office Building

Chr. Rep. James Rice

**Agenda:** Staff briefing on the anticipated work of the division in the 1990 Legislative Session.

10:00 a.m.

#### ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

10 State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Willard Munger

**Agenda:** An overview of Minnesota timber harvesting.

#### HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

5 State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Alan Welle

**Agenda** HFXXXX (Greenfield) Health; requiring licensing of wholesale drug distributors. HF1728 (Greenfield) Human Services; creating a technology assistance review panel. HFXXXX (Hasskamp) Human Services; clarifying the distribution of state aids under the Community Social Services Act. HFXXXX (Vellenga) Human Services; including mental injuries and threatened injuries as abuse to be reported as maltreatment of minors. HFXXXX (Segal) Human services; clarifying treatment and assessment requirements under the Minnesota comprehensive mental health acts for adults and children. HFXXXX (Bertram) Health; authorizing the creation of a technical advisory task force for emergency dispatch services.

12:30 p.m.

#### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

5 State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Todd Otis

**Agenda:** Update on 1989 legislative initiatives: Community Reinvestment Fund; advanced manufacturing.

#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT & METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS

200 State Office Building

Chr. Rep. David Battaglia

**Agenda:** To be announced.

### WEDNESDAY, Feb. 14

8:00 a.m.

#### Agriculture, Transportation & Semi- State Division/APPROPRIATIONS

400S State Office Building

Chr. Rep. James Rice

**Agenda:** Regular route vs. irregular route common carriers and the regulatory functions of the departments of Transportation and Public Safety, as well as the Transportation Regulation Board.

#### Child Care Subcommittee/Education Division/APPROPRIATIONS

300N State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Howard Orenstein

**Agenda:** Development of requests for a child care facility in the Technical College System, Community College System, State University System, and the University of Minnesota. Evaluation of child care facilities: Department of Administration. Licensing requirements for child care centers: Department of Human Services. Attached vs. detached facilities: Technical College System and Community College System.

#### Health & Human Services Division/ APPROPRIATIONS

200 State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Lee Greenfield

**Agenda:** Legislative Audit Commission reports on community residences for adults with mental illness. The Department of Human Service's update of state welfare reform efforts.

**State Departments Division/  
APPROPRIATIONS**

300S State Office Building  
Chr. Rep. Phyllis Kahn

**Agenda:** Preliminary review: Geographic Information Study. Update of the Statewide Access and Routing Systems (STARS).

**EDUCATION**

5 State Office Building  
Chr. Rep. Bob McEachern

**Agenda:** Overview of new K-12 curriculum requirements and post-secondary preparation requirements. Open enrollment study.

**10:00 a.m.**

**Higher Education Division/  
EDUCATION**

500N State Office Building  
Chr. Rep. Mike Jaros

**Agenda:** HF1771 (Lasley) Education; giving Cambridge full campus status in the Community College System; appropriating money. HF168 (Jaros) Education; requiring post-secondary education administrators and faculty members to take certain coursework; appropriating money.

**FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS  
& HOUSING**

Basement Hearing Room  
State Office Building

Chr. Rep. Tom Osthoff  
**Agenda:** Overview.

**Criminal Justice Division/JUDICIARY**

500S State Office Building  
Chr. Rep. Kathleen Vellenga

**Agenda:** Prostitution bills.

**12:30 p.m.**

**INSURANCE**

5 State Office Building  
Chr. Rep. Wes Skoglund  
**Agenda:** To be announced.

**TRANSPORTATION**

10 State Office Building  
Chr. Rep. Henry Kalis

**Agenda:** Budget cuts, Motor Vehicle Excise Tax (MVET), and a general overview. HF1569 (A. Johnson) Highways; abolishing authority of a city to disapprove the abandonment, change, or revocation of a county state-aid highway providing that 30 percent of the county state aid highway fund be apportioned on

the basis of lane-miles; changing the composition of the county state-aid screening board.

**2:00 p.m.**

**TRANSPORTATION**

Tour: Bus leaves front stairs of Capitol at 2:00 p.m.

Chr. Rep. Henry Kalis

**Agenda:** Tour of downtown Minneapolis: Traffic Control Center, for street lights and traffic emergencies; parking garages and Light Rail Transit Station preparation; and bus congestion at rush hour.

**2:30 p.m.**

**Education Finance Division/  
EDUCATION**

300N State Office Building  
Chr. Rep. Ken Nelson

**Agenda:** Analysis of Elementary Secondary Vocational Computer (ESV) Regional Structure Report. HFXXXX (K. Nelson) Department of Education bill.

**ENVIRONMENT  
& NATURAL RESOURCES**

10 State Office Building  
Chr. Rep. Willard Munger

**Agenda:** SF 60 (DeCramer) Water; recodifying, clarifying, and relocating provisions relating to water law.

**3:00 p.m.**

**Privacy Subcommittee/JUDICIARY**

500S State Office Building  
Chr. Rep. Tom Pugh

**Agenda:** Amendment to Chapter 13 relating to open meetings.

**THURSDAY, Feb. 15**

**8:00 a.m.**

**APPROPRIATIONS**

200 State Office Building  
Chr. Rep. Wayne Simoneau

**Agenda:** Organizational/budget overview.

**9:00 a.m.**

**Task Force on Education Organization**  
Kelley Inn, Rice Room, St. Paul

Chr. Ken Kelsey

**Agenda:** Formulation of recommendations to the Legislature about education

organization. The meeting is scheduled to last all day.

**10:00 a.m.**

The House will meet in session.

**12:00 noon**

**The State of the State Address**

Jefferson High School Auditorium,  
4001 W. 102nd St., Bloomington  
(No one will be admitted without a ticket.)

**7:00 p.m.**

**JOINT MEETING**

**HOUSE & SENATE HEALTH  
& HUMAN SERVICES**

Elliot Park Recreation Center,  
1000 E. 14th St., Minneapolis  
Chrs. Rep. Alan Welle  
& Sen. Linda Berglin

**Agenda:** SF1693 (Berglin) Sobering Station Pilot Project. Public testimony will be taken.

**FRIDAY, FEB. 16**

YMCA Youth in Government Program.

**8:00 a.m.**

**Health & Human Services Division/  
APPROPRIATIONS**

Tour: Group will leave the State Office Building at 8:15 a.m.

Chr. Rep. Lee Greenfield

**Agenda:** Tour of Stillwater and Lino Lakes prisons. Tour is for members and staff only.

**9:00 a.m.**

**Task Force on Education Organization**  
Kelley Inn, Rice Room, St. Paul

Chr. Ken Kelsey

**Agenda:** Continuation of Thursday's meeting.

**10:00 a.m.**

**Surface Transportation Subcommittee/  
TRANSPORTATION**

Room to be announced

Chr. Rep. Alice Johnson

**Agenda:** Transportation bonding requests, bridge bonding.



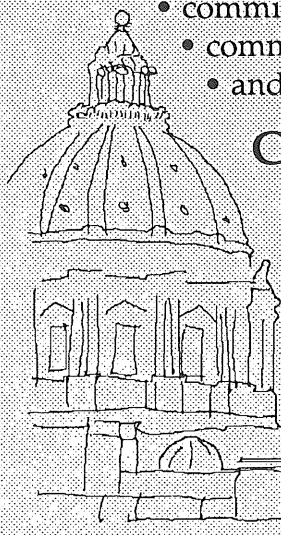
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