College entry requirements

"We might not be sending a clear message of incentive," Nelson said during a Feb. 14 Education Committee meeting. "Maybe we have to start questioning access. Without denying access, maybe we do have to start saying, 'You can get into some systems, but not all.' We have to somehow [push] these kids to achieve."

Representatives from the four higher education systems in the state — the University of Minnesota, community colleges, technical colleges, and state universities — say they all have preparation requirements, although they are slightly different. The systems also offer remedial courses and counseling to help students who may not be as well prepared academically.

Mary Gardner of the University of Minnesota's admissions office says the university distributes a brochure to high schools that outlines the university's entrance requirements. She says the university views college preparatory course work as meeting its entrance standards.

Nancy Wangen, director of intersystem cooperation for the community college, technical college and state university systems, says the three systems want to work more closely with high schools to better match the systems' admission requirements with high school classes.

Mosquito control

In the battle between man and mosquito for supremacy of the evenings, man may be gaining ground, a Local Government and Metropolitan Affairs subcommittee learned.

Robert Sjogren, director of the Metropolitan Mosquito Control District, told subcommittee members Feb. 13 that the mature mosquito population in the Twin Cities area has dropped over the past six years.

"Our goal is to suppress the population to less than two mosquito landings [on people] in five minutes," Sjogren told the Metropolitan Affairs subcommittee. That's the number of mosquito landings...
people will tolerate during a five-minute time span, he says.

The district attacks immature mosquitoes by treating breeding areas with a larvicide called Altosid which comes in either briquet or granular form. Sjogren assured committee members that an independent panel of doctors is hired to ensure the environment is not harmed in the treated areas. The larvicide is not used in fish habitat.

This year, the district begins its surveillance of deer in the metro area to stem the spread of Lyme disease, which is borne by tiny deer ticks.

The district plans to develop deer tick monitoring methods and initiate field surveys. It has targeted 300 wooded areas for examination in the metro area.

Roger Batterall, assistant Minneapolis city attorney, answers questions during a Judiciary committee meeting Feb. 14.

Prostitution

Those who patronize prostitutes may think twice before using their services again if a bill approved Feb. 14 by a division of the Judiciary Committee becomes law.

Rep. Jean Wagenius (DFL-Mpls) has called for the offense of soliciting a prostitute to carry a mandatory fine of $500. For repeat offenders, the fine would be $1,500 with an additional $500 assessment tacked on. Currently, there is no minimum fine.

In addition, Wagenius' bill, HF1846, calls for the offenses to be listed on the offenders' driving records if they used a motor vehicle to commit the misdemeanor offense. That would allow law enforcement officials to quickly identify repeat offenders and charge them with the more serious gross misdemeanor offense. Currently, there is no statewide listing of such offenses.

Wagenius says this approach attacks the root of the problem — the demand for prostitutes — rather than the prostitutes themselves. She says she considers prostitutes victims.

The Criminal Justice Division of the Judiciary Committee recommended the bill to pass and re-referred it to the full committee.

The bill also lengthens the time a conviction stays on a criminal record from two years to five years.

Rep. Terry Dempsey (IR-New Ulm) questioned why only the driving records of those using an automobile during the offense would be tracked.

"I don't think we should limit this to those using cars," says Dempsey. "If you're walking on the sidewalk instead of driving, the crime is the same."

Child abuse

A bill that would broaden the definition of child abuse to include "mental and threatened injuries" was approved Feb. 13 by the Health and Human Services Committee.

HF1823, sponsored by Rep. Kathleen Vellenga (DFL-St.Paul), would require teachers, doctors, and others to report "mental and threatened injuries" of children in addition to physical abuse and neglect.

The bill defines "mental injury" as injury to the child's psychological capacity or emotional stability, and "threatened injury" as a statement, overt act, condition, or status which represents an immediate and substantial risk of sexual abuse or mental injury to the child.

"The threatened injury is if someone presents psychological injuries to a child
by, for instance, saying, ‘You are going to be tied to the bed, and I’m going to put three dogs chewing at your feet; I’m going to cut off your hands’ — really severe things that cause real fear in a child,” Vellenga says.

An example of mental injury, she says, would be the repeated humiliation of a child.

Vellenga told lawmakers that, in 1987, there were approximately 1,200 reports of emotional maltreatment (sometimes defined as mental injury) and more than 1,400 reports of threatened injury. She says projections for 1990 estimate 1,400 reports for emotional injury and nearly 1,700 reports of threatened injury.

Vellenga told lawmakers the Department of Human Services learned, last spring that the state is losing significant federal money by not including mental and threatened injuries under the state’s Mandated Reporting Act.

A human services “background information” report states that Minnesota’s child protection statutes are seriously out of compliance with federal law.

The bill was sent to the Judiciary Committee for further consideration.

Open enrollment

Minnesota’s open enrollment program isn’t upsetting the state’s education system as some have suggested, says Rep. Bob McEachern (DFL-Maple Lake).

During a Feb. 14 Education Committee meeting, McEachern noted that less than one-half of 1 percent of the state’s students are taking advantage of open enrollment.

“The people who are the movers and shakers were telling us that open enrollment would take over education,” says McEachern, the chair of the committee. “Now we’re finding that only a minute [number] of students are using it.”

Sue Urahn of the House Research Department presented the first in a series of working papers on open enrollment, which allows K-12 students to attend school in a district other than the one in which they live. The choice program, officially called the Enrollment Options Program, is one of four enrollment choice programs available to students. (See related article on page 10.)

Of the state’s 436 school districts, 345 participate in open enrollment. Slightly more than 3,200 students transferred this year from their home school districts to another district under this choice program.

Forty-one percent of the open enrollment participants came from 2,069 families. “A lot are coming [into a school district] with entire families,” Urahn says. “It’s not so common that one child from a family moves to another district.”

Movement also is high when students would have changed schools normally, states the report. More students transferred under open enrollment at kindergarten, and in entry grades for junior and senior high schools.

“We noticed a jump coming where kids would be changing schools anyway,” Urahn says.

MVET transfer

It was standing room only in a Feb. 14 Transportation Committee meeting as transportation officials from around the state banded together to protect their share of the sales tax on motor vehicles.

Several people at the meeting said they’ve heard the Legislature intends to use some, or all, of the Motor Vehicle Excise Tax (MVET) funds to balance the state budget.

“We’re looking at a situation here of a raiding of the MVET and the gutting of the state’s reconstruction program for the coming years,” says Jack Nawrocki of the Southern Minnesota Highway Improvement Association.

And transportation officials let lawmakers know they would be strongly opposed to any such proposal.

Currently, 35 percent of the money raised from the sales tax is dedicated to transportation needs. Officials say that using MVET funds to remedy revenue shortfalls in Minnesota would put a number of necessary projects on hold again and could hamper economic development.

“Losing the MVET dollars transfer for transportation purposes over the next three years would cost our communities dearly,” says James Krautkremer, mayor of Brooklyn Park and president of the North Metro Mayors Association.

Several people who testified at the hearing as well as those who were in the audience said they spent a lot of time lobbying for the MVET transfer and don’t want to see their effort wasted.

The state faces a possible revenue shortfall of $161 million this year, according to state estimates. The MVET is projected to bring in $250 million in 1990, with $86 million going to transportation needs.
Students at Thomas Jefferson Senior High School join Gov. Rudy Perpich in a pledge to be drug-free. The governor delivered his State of the State address Feb. 15 at the Bloomington school.

No more drugs

"Drugs have no place in Minnesota," said Gov. Rudy Perpich during his 1990 State of the State address Feb. 15 at Bloomington's Jefferson High School.

Perpich said he will ask that 12 more judges be hired to help the courts respond quickly to the drug problem, and requested that a variety of other programs be beefed up to address the drug issue.

Specifically, he asks for more Bureau of Criminal Apprehension agents to improve law enforcement and for additional training of local police. He requests more funding for local law enforcement task forces, developing chemical dependency aftercare programs, and expanding the Head Start program.

The governor also asks for the Legislature's support in increasing the number of sentencing alternatives and ways of imposing supervised probation for nonviolent criminals.

In addition, he calls for an expansion of drug treatment programs in the prison system. "No one should ever leave prison with a craving for drugs," he says.

Making steel

Minnesota may be on the verge of developing a new method to produce steel.

Ken Reid of the University of Minnesota's Mineral Resource Research Center is seeking $700,000 in state funding for further research on direct smelting of taconite pellets.

Reid asked for the research funding at a Feb. 12 meeting of the Legislative Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCMR). If the state agrees to fund the research, he says both the Iron Range Resource Rehabilitation Board (IRRRB) and private industry would chip in an additional $700,000 apiece. That would bring the total funding for the research proposal to $2.1 million.

"We think this is an exciting project," says Bill Brice of the Mineral Resource Coordinating Committee, a free-standing group that was created to advise state policy makers on mineral issues. But he added that the committee doesn't have enough information about the proposal yet to offer a recommendation. He says the committee wants to withhold judgment on direct smelting until it is sure the idea is commercially viable.

Direct smelting is the process by which taconite pellets are converted to molten iron in a single step. Currently, the process takes two steps.

Reid agreed to accelerate the research and return to the LCMR in about a month. He also agreed to have an independent expert review the project.

Training for instructors

College administrators and faculty members who advise students at public institutions in Minnesota would be required to get formal training in those fields if a bill proposed by Mike Jaros (DFL-Duluth) becomes law.

Members of the Education Committee's Higher Education Division heard a bill Feb. 14 that would require college administrators and faculty members to take 30 quarter credits of course work before they start their jobs, and continuing education courses each year.

"I'm not saying teachers or administrators are good because of their training, but I think it helps," says Jaros, chair of the Higher Education Division. No other state requires formal training for postsecondary instructors and administrators.

HF168 would require the Higher Education Coordinating Board (HECB) to develop rules to implement and administer the requirements.

For example, Jaros says administrators could be required to take courses in contracting, human relations, and affirmative action. And faculty advisers could take courses in counseling and the psychology of education.

Jaros says that college instructors are often trained in research, but in some cases lack skills in administration and counseling. Better training would avoid many so-called golden parachutes and the practice of "paying off" instructors to leave an institution, he adds, alluding to
highly-publicized events at the University of Minnesota.

Higher education officials at the meeting were generally opposed to the bill.

Russ Stanton, representing faculty from the state university and community college systems, says the bill would financially burden every faculty member, since all advise students to some degree. He also questioned whether there was a significant problem with advising students on the state’s campuses.

An official representing technical colleges says their current standards “are already above the level in the bill.”

Carol Carrier, assistant vice president for Academic Affairs at the University of Minnesota, says the university already has a pilot training program for administrators and is developing a similar one for faculty advisers.

The committee laid the bill over for two weeks.

Timber harvesting

The Environmental Quality Board has asked for $1 million to fund a study that would help determine whether Minnesota has enough forests to meet the needs of an expanding timber industry.

The need for an independent environmental impact study of the state’s forests is supported by the DNR, several environmental groups, and the Minnesota timber industry.

But at the Feb. 13 Environment and Natural Resources Committee meeting, legislators questioned whether taxpayers should fund an independent study or whether the DNR should be ordered to conduct it. They also heard testimony about the need for a so-called Generic Environmental Impact Study (GEIS).

The proposed study would evaluate what impact timber expansion would have on tree species in Minnesota and determine what is needed to sustain the forests. It would also attempt to measure what effects the expansion would have on tourism, water quality, and soil erosion, says Don Arnosti of Project Environmental Foundation.

The expansion of the timber industry in Minnesota has been tied to the increased demand for fast-growing aspen trees which are used in the manufacture of wafer board and paper.

Lawmakers of today met a law maker of yesterday. Patrick Henry, who opposed the U.S. Constitution because it didn’t include a Bill of Rights, presented his famous “Give me liberty or give me death” speech during a joint House-Senate session Feb. 13. After his speech in the Senate chamber, Henry fielded questions and offered his opinion of government then and now. Breathing life into the 18th century statesman was John “Chuck” Chalberg, a Normandale Community College Instructor. The Minnesota Humanities Commission and the Minnesota Commission on the Bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution sponsored the presentation.

Truck regulations

The president of a Minnesota trucking trade group called on the Legislature to abolish the Minnesota Transportation Regulation Board (MTRB) and transfer its duties to the Department of Transportation (MnDOT).

Abe Rosenthal, president and CEO of the Minnesota Transport Services Association, says some Minnesota truckers are on shaky ground because they don’t know what the MTRB expects of them.

Speaking Feb. 14 to the Agriculture, Transportation & Semi-State Division of the Appropriations Committee, Rosenthal criticized the MTRB for regulating truckers on a case-by-case basis rather than issuing guidelines that could be more easily followed.

He asked that trucking regulations be clarified so truck carriers can more easily understand them, and that the case-by-case method of determining regulations be stopped.

But Wes Lane of Minnesota D.R.I.V.E. Teamsters Union, Les Wilsey Jr. of Indianhead Truck Lines in Roseville, and Lisa Peterson of Minnesota Carriers for Safe and Regulated Transportation, testified that Rosenthal does not represent the views of all carriers. They say only a few truckers have complained to them about the MRTB and the way it handles complaints.

Pension review

Pension officials gave lawmakers a tour of the 1989 comprehensive pension bill that changed coverage and improved benefits for state, county, and local employees, teachers, judges, legislators, police, firefighters, and other groups.

Officials of the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement (LCPR) answered legislators’ questions and crunched numbers during a Governmental Operations Committee meeting Feb. 13.

Ed Burek, an LCPR representative, says legislators followed two principles in making the changes: to provide general improvement in benefit levels while bringing more uniformity to the plans, and to not “take away any benefits a person has or would be entitled to have.”

The benefit formula changes affect the Minnesota State Retirement System (MSRS), the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA), Teachers Retirement Association (TRA), and teachers’ funds in cities of the first class — Minneapolis, St. Paul, and Duluth.

Highlights of the bill include extending PERA’s early retirement rules to other groups. Under the extension, current employees covered by the MSRS, TRA, and first-class city teacher plans are granted the Rule of 90, as well as a reduced penalty for early retirement.

In addition, benefits improve for people who retired before 1973. Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker (IR-Minnetonka) called the provision “a permanent solution to a problem that has been around for years.” The Legislature kept dipping into the general revenue every biennium to compensate retirees who were “basically living in poverty” with small pensions, he says.


Rep. Bob Johnson (DFL-Bemidji) found the new sound system in the chamber a bit too loud on the opening day of session Feb. 12.
As members of the Minnesota House of Representatives reported back for the 76th session of the Minnesota Legislature Feb. 12, it was clear that things had changed at the Capitol.

After 25 years, the old skylight in the House chamber was once again allowing soft light into the chamber. And the freshly painted walls, new carpeting, and refurbished furniture all helped to restore the chamber to the way architect Cass Gilbert had envisioned.

Yet although the chamber had a new look, politics had the same old flavor. Just minutes after the session began, Minority Leader Bill Schreiber (IR-Brooklyn Park) attempted to pass a bill that would ban political fund raisers during session. The bill is one of several measures likely to become controversial in this, an election year.

Speaker Robert Vanasek (DFL-New Prague) said the session would be short, but not at the expense of quality. He urged lawmakers to “treat each other with respect and tolerance.”

One-year-old Alexander Carruthers gets a “low five” from his father, Rep. Phil Carruthers (DFL-Brooklyn Center), as his mother, Holly Slocum, looks on.

Assistant Sergeant at Arms LeClair Lambert gives the new House pages final instructions before the beginning of session Feb. 12.
As It Happens...

Committee and Floor Action

COMMITTEE ACTION

Higher Education Division/EDUCATION
Wednesday, Feb. 14
Postsecondary training—appropriations
HF168/SF394 (Jaros, DFL-Duluth)—laid over.
(SF in Senate Education Committee)

Cambridge—community college status
HF1771/SF1645 (Lasley, DFL-Cambridge)—recommended to pass; re-referred to Education Committee.
(SF in Senate Education Committee)

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES
Wednesday, Feb. 14
Water statutes—recodification
HF771/SF60* (Dille, IR-Dassel)—recommended to pass as amended.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
Tuesday, Feb. 13
Technology assistance review panel
HF1728/SF1520 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended; re-referred to Appropriations Committee.
(SF in Senate Health & Human Services Committee)

Child abuse—mental, threatened injuries
HF1823 (Vellenga, DFL-St. Paul)—recommended to pass as amended; re-referred to Judiciary Committee.

Community Social Services Act—state aid
HF1831/SF1728 (Hasskamp, DFL-Crosby)—recommended to pass as amended; re-referred to Appropriations Committee.
(SF in Senate Health & Human Services Committee)

Drug distributors—licensing
HF1847/SF1758 (Greenfield, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass; re-referred to Governmental Operations Committee.
(SF in Senate Health & Human Services Committee)

Criminal Justice Division/JUDICIARY
Wednesday, Feb. 14
Prostitution—patron fine increase
HF1846 (Wagenius, DFL-Mpls)—recommended to pass as amended; re-referred to Judiciary Committee.

TRANSPORTATION
Wednesday, Feb. 14
State-aid system—changes
HF1569/SF1420 (A. Johnson, DFL-Spring Lake Park)—recommended to pass as amended.
(SF in Senate Transportation Committee)

February 21, 1811

On this day, Minnesota's first state governor, Henry Sibley, was born in Detroit, Mich. He was a pioneer, fur trader, statesman, military leader, and university regent. Sibley has been characterized as the most prominent figure in Minnesota from 1834, when he arrived, until 1891, when he died.
House Majority Leader

Politics has always been a family affair for Rep. Dee Long (DFL-Mpls), who was recently elected majority leader of the Minnesota House of Representatives. “My father always made politics seem like fun,” she says. “He took me down to the train station to see Harry Truman campaign from the back of a train.”

And she recalls going to the old Curtis and Leamington hotels in Minneapolis on election night to watch election returns trickle in to the respective Republican and Democratic-Farmer-Labor headquarters.

She says her parents were both active in politics, although not in the same party. Her father knew many of the early DFL leaders in Minneapolis, and her mother was active in grass-roots Republican politics.

She says the growing civil rights and anti-war movements intensified her interest in politics, but it wasn’t until Long was in her mid-20s that she became active.

She was elected a precinct delegate, became active at the local level, and participated in some local campaigns in Minneapolis. She says she never really considered running for public office until her district’s House seat was vacated in 1978.

She received encouragement to run, was elected, and has been re-elected ever since. Likewise, she says she never initially sought out the job as majority leader.

She didn’t think about the post until former Majority Leader Ann Wynia resigned in 1989 to become commissioner of the Department of Human Services.

This is her first regular session as majority leader, and she says she looks forward to leading the DFL caucus on the House floor. Long has been involved with environmental issues for several years. She was named the environmentalist of the year by the local chapter of the Sierra Club, conservationist of the year by the local chapter of the National Audubon Society, and is a member of the House Environment and Natural Resources Committee.

She says her working relationship with the speaker is a “cooperative” one, and hopes she and Minority Leader Bill Schreiber (IR-Brooklyn Park) can work together to limit partisan problems.

House Minority Leader

Like most politicians, Minority Leader Bill Schreiber (IR-Brooklyn Park) says his political interests were sparked within his family.

His mother was a school board member, and his father was a member of the planning commission and city council.

Schreiber’s public service began in 1967 as a member of the Brooklyn Park City Council, where he served for five years. He decided to run for the Legislature in 1972 when redistricting put him in a new district without an incumbent.

Schreiber says his rather unique position of being a farmer in the metro area has helped him a lot. He can just as easily talk about farming as he can metropolitan issues, and that helps him communicate with all members.

Despite the high pressure of being the minority leader, Schreiber has served in that job since 1986. "The tenure as the minority leader is not that long, because there is a burnout factor that occurs," he says.

He says the job can be frustrating because of the inherently weak position of the minority party. A big role he plays within the House, he says, is offering alternatives to the majority party’s initiatives and improving on the majority’s legislation. He also says the minority party usually doesn’t receive the credit it deserves for its initiatives.

He says he enjoys the diversity of issues he faces as minority leader. While a typical member is usually assigned to three or four committees, party leaders have to be aware of all the issues before the House. That gives him the opportunity to learn about a wide variety of subjects.

For this session, he says he wants to promote an effective drug and alcohol program, a health care proposal, and programs that are tailored for local communities to operate. Local control is an important issue for Schreiber.

"The Legislature has so overkilled with state mandates and state requirements that we are losing our effectiveness at the local level," he says.

He says the state’s centralized authority isn’t working and that local governments are oftentimes better suited to provide needed services.

He studied business at St. Cloud State University and is a member of his local chamber of commerce. In 1974, he was honored as Brooklyn Park’s Outstanding Young Man and as one of Minnesota’s Ten Outstanding Young Men. In 1984, he received the Excellence in County Government Award from the Association of Minnesota Counties, and the Business Public Service Award for Citizen Legislators from the Minnesota Association of Commerce and Industry. His family was recognized as the Hennepin County Farm Family of the Year in 1980.
Limited use of open enrollment still the norm

Open enrollment, the much-discussed choice program for Minnesota schools, continues to have limited student participation in the state. And a House Research Department study suggests that it’s likely to stay that way.

In “Open Enrollment Study, Student and District Participation 1989-90,” the House Research Department found that less than one-half of 1 percent of students in grades K-12 used the open enrollment program in the 1989-90 school year.

And of those who did take advantage of the program, more than 40 percent said the reason for school transfers was “convenience,” the study states. Among those reasons were the proximity of the school, the availability of latchkey or day care services, the parents’ work site, and moving plans.

Another 20 percent of the students cited academic considerations as the reason for attending a new school and cited either a specific program or greater academic opportunity.

Only 6 percent of the student applications indicated transfers because of extracurricular, athletic, or social reasons.

The Minnesota open enrollment program, approved by the 1988 Legislature, allows students to transfer from their home school districts to other districts for any reason. Officially called the Enrollment Options Program, open enrollment is one of four enrollment options offered in Minnesota. The other three are Postsecondary Enrollment Options, High School Graduation Incentives, and Area Learning Centers.

Since 96 percent of the state’s K-12 students live in districts that are already participating in open enrollment, it is unlikely that participation will increase dramatically.

The report says that most schools haven’t experienced any significant change in enrollment since open enrollment became available. Of the 345 districts participating, 257 experienced less than a 1 percent change in total enrollment as a result of open enrollment. Only a dozen districts showed more than a 5 percent enrollment change.

Almost all the districts that lost more than 4 percent of their total enrollment were small and had fewer than 300 students.

The study also says the open enrollment program has the potential to become a tool students and parents can use to sway district policies and decisions.

When students transfer to a new district, they take their state aid money with them. In some cases — where the district is small or where there is an exodus of students — the loss of revenue can be substantial.

The study notes, however, that students have been allowed to change school districts for years provided the school boards from each district agree to the idea. The process was formalized with the 1980 Agreements Between School Boards program.

The Legislature mandated open enrollment in 1988 using two steps: the choice program was mandatory in the 1989-90 school year for districts with more than 1,000 K-12 students, and mandatory for all districts beginning in 1990-91.

However, school districts do retain options concerning non-resident students after the program becomes mandatory next school year. A district can prevent or limit the number of non-resident students it accepts if the district doesn’t have the classroom space, a specific program is already filled, the grade-level is at capacity, or a specific class is filled. Districts with state approved desegregation plans also may limit transfers to ensure that they remain in compliance with the desegregation plans.

The analysis didn’t include three of the state’s 436 districts. Pine Point is an experimental district within the Grand Rapids School District, and all of its funding goes to the Grand Rapids District. Prinsburg and Franconia, having no schools in their districts, send their students to other districts.

Seniors Roxanne Ginn and Gaova Vu leave their “WordPerfect” computer class at Como Senior High School in St. Paul. The two enrolled in the course through the open enrollment program.
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Seaberg-IR, Steensma-DFL
Senate: Dahl-DFL, Co-Chair
Johnson, D.E.-IR Lantry-DFL

TOURISM
Information .................................. 296-4219
McEachern-DFL, Chair
Johnson, D.E.-IR Lantry-DFL
Dahl-DFL, Co-Chair

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
(36 members)
Tues., Thurs., 12:30 p.m., Room 5*
Information .................................. 296-9281
Otis-DFL, Chair
Petersen-DFL, Vice Chair
Anderson, G.-DFL Miller-IR
Burger-IR Murphy-DFL
Carlson, L.-DFL Nelson, C.-DFL
Clark-DFL Neunenschwander-DFL
Cooper-DFL Uphus-IR
Dawkins-DFL Olson, K.-DFL
Dille-IR Pellow-IR
Freyers-IR Pelowski-DFL
Girard-IR Poppenhagen-IR
Heap-IR Rodovitch-DFL
Himle-IR Rukavina-DFL
Hugoson-IR Schafer-IR
Kahn-DFL Segal-DFL
Krueger-DFL Sparby-DFL
Lasley-DFL Tjomborn-IR
Marsh-IR Williams-DFL
McLaughlin-DFL Winter-DFL

Staff:
Todd B. Rapp—Committee Administrator
426 State Office Building .................. 296-5533
Mabel S. Canty—Committee Secretary
403 State Office Building .................. 296-5372

Community Stabilization & Development Division
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
(12 members)
Thurs., 12:30 p.m., Room 300S*
Information .................................. 296-0294
Clark-DFL, Chair
Dawkins-DFL, Vice Chair
Burger-IR Schafer-IR
McLaughlin-DFL Segal-DFL
Nelson, C.-DFL Uphus-IR
Otis-DFL Williams-DFL
Pellow-IR Winter-DFL

Staff:
Sharon Vizemor—Committee Administrator
407 State Office Building .................. 296-1023
Denise K. Nicholson—Committee Secretary
407 State Office Building .................. 296-4836

International Trade & Technology Division
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
(13 members)
Thurs., 12:30 p.m., Room 400S*
Information .................................. 296-3201
Krueger-DFL, Chair
Pelowski-DFL, Vice Chair
Anderson, G.-DFL Miller-IR
Carlson, L.-DFL Otis-DFL
Freyers-IR Rodovitch-DFL
Heap-IR Sparby-DFL
Hugoson-IR Tjomborn-IR
Kahn-DFL

Staff:
Robert J. Hankey—Committee Administrator
433 State Office Building .................. 296-4104
Gerrie Canfield—Committee Secretary
433 State Office Building .................. 296-8880

Rural Resource Development Division
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
(13 members)
Thurs., 12:30 p.m., Room 300N*
Information .................................. 296-2676
Murphy-DFL, Chair
Cooper-DFL, Vice Chair
Dille-IR Olson, K.-DFL
Girard-IR Otis-DFL
Himle-IR Peterson-DFL
Lasley-DFL Poppenhagen-IR
Marsh-IR Rukavina-DFL
Neunenschwander-DFL

Staff:
Denesse E. Hoole—Committee Administrator
570 State Office Building .................. 296-4288
Patricia E. Wallner—Committee Secretary
557 State Office Building .................. 296-5514

Economic Development Subcommittees

ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT
Pelowski-DFL, Chair
Williams-DFL, Vice Chair
Burger-IR Otis-DFL
Himle-IR Pellow-IR
Lasley-DFL Segal-DFL
Neunenschwander-DFL

JOB TRAINING & RETRAINING
McLaughlin-DFL, Chair
Rukavina-DFL, Vice Chair
Dawkins-DFL Otis-DFL
Freyers-IR Sparby-DFL
Himle-IR

EDUCATION
(35 members)
Mon., Wed., 8 a.m., Room 5*
Information .................................. 296-4237
McCachern-DFL, Chair
Olson, K.-DFL, Vice Chair
Baerley-DFL Ostrom-DFL
Beard-DFL Otis-DFL
Bennett-IR Ozment-IR
Frederick-IR Pappas-DFL
Heap-IR Pellow-IR
Hart-IR
Hasskamp-DFL Pelowski-DFL
Hugoson-IR Reit-DFL
Jaran-DFL Richter-IR
Johnson, A.-DFL Schafer-IR
Ketlo-DFL Scheid-DFL
Kinkel-DFL Swenson-IR
McDonald-IR Tunheim-DFL
McGuire-DFL Wagenius-DFL
McPherson-IR Wulman-IR
Nelson, C.-DFL Weaver-IR
Nelson, K.-DFL Wenzel-DFL
Ohm-IR

Staff:
Mark W. Mallander—Committee Administrator
320 State Office Building .................. 296-4374
Norma S. Christiansen—Committee Secretary
343 State Office Building .................. 296-7175
Education Finance Division

EDUCATION
(15 members)
Mon., 12:30 p.m., Wed., 2:30 p.m., Fri., 1:00 p.m., Room 300N*
Information .................................. 296-4244
McPherson-IR, K.-DFL, Chair
Bauerly-DFL, Vice Chair
Hartle-IR Pappas-DFL
Hugoson-IR Rest-DFL
Kelso-DFL Schafer-IR
McEachern-DFL Schid-DFL
Ostrom-DFL Tunheim-DFL
Otis-DFL Weaver-IR
Pelowski-DFL, Co-Chair
Stalcup-IR
Staff:
Jim Holsky—Committee Administrator
322 State Office Building ............... 296-5483
Lillian A. Pohlmeyer—Committee Secretary
367 State Office Building ............... 296-9552

Higher Education Division

EDUCATION
(19 members)
Wed., 10 a.m., Room 500N*
Information .................................. 296-4246
Johnson, V.-DFL, Chair
Trumble-DFL, Vice Chair
Beard-DFL Nelson, C.-DFL
Frederick-IR Olson, K.-DFL
Girard-IR Omann-IR
Hasskamp-DFL Pellow-IR
Johnson, A.-DFL Polowski-DFL
Kinkel-DFL Richter-IR
McDonald-IR Waltman-IR
McGuire-DFL Wenzel-DFL
McPherson-IR
Staff:
Denise E. Hoole—Committee Administrator
570 State Office Building ............... 296-4288
Mercedes E. Peterson—Committee Secretary
559 State Office Building ............... 296-6937

Education Subcommittees

JOIN HOUSE/SENATE LIBRARY
House:
Polowski-DFL, Co-Chair
Bauerly-DFL Wagenius-DFL
McEachern-DFL Weaver-IR
McPherson-IR

Senate:
Peterson, D.C.-DFL, Co-Chair
Knaak-IR Reichgott-DFL
Larson-IR Stumpf-DFL
Pehler-DFL

School Facilities
Kelso-DFL, Chair
Bauerly-DFL Omann-IR
Johnson, A.-DFL Ozment-IR
Nelson, C.-DFL Schafer-IR
Nelson, K.-DFL Wagenius-DFL

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & HOUSING
(24 members)
Wed., 10 a.m., Basement Hearing Room*
Information .................................. 296-4224
Osthoft-DFL, Chair
Bertram-DFL, Vice Chair
Abrams-IR Lynch-IR
Boo-IR Morrison-IR
Carlson, L.-DFL Neuenschwander-DFL
Clark-DFL O’Connor-DFL
Conway-DFL Olsen, S.-IR
Dawkins-DFL Otis-DFL
Feritches-IR Poppenhagen-IR
Henry-IR Quinn-DFL
Jacobs-DFL Rodosovich-DFL
Jefferson-DFL Sparby-DFL
Knickerbocker-IR Tjomhom-IR
Staff:
Virginia E. Lane—Committee Administrator
578 State Office Building ............... 296-2909
Kristine M. Henry—Committee Secretary
591 State Office Building ............... 296-5342

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & HOUSING
(13 members)
Mon., 12:30 p.m., Room 500N*
Information .................................. 296-7807
O’Connor-DFL, Chair
Jefferson-DFL, Vice Chair
Bertram-DFL Morrison-IR
Boo-IR Olsen, S.-IR
Clark-DFL Osthoft-DFL
Conway-DFL Sparby-DFL
Dawkins-DFL Tjomhom-IR
Feritches-IR
Staff:
Jacqueline Davis—Committee Administrator/Secretary
593 State Office Building ............... 296-4884

Environmental & Natural Resources

Subcommittees

ENVIRONMENT
Munger-DFL, Chair
Johnson, A.-DFL, Vice Chair
Bagiglia-DFL Ozment-IR
Begich-DFL Pauly-IR
Carlson, D.-IR Price-DFL
Hausman-DFL Pugh-DFL
Himle-IR Redalen-IR
Jennings-DFL Reding-DFL
Johnson, A.-DFL Rukavina-DFL
Johnson, V.-IR Schafer-IR
Kahn-DFL Skoglund-DFL
Long-DFL Trimble-DFL
Lynch-IR Wagenius-DFL
Marsh-IR Waltman-IR
McGuire-DFL Weaver-IR
McPherson-IR Winter-DFL

GAME & FISH
Battiglia-DFL, Chair
Johnson, A.-DFL, Vice Chair
Begich-DFL Pauly-IR
Begich-DFL Price-DFL
Carlson, D.-IR Pugh-DFL
Himle-IR Redalen-IR
Jennings-DFL Reding-DFL
Johnson, V.-IR Schafer-IR
Kahn-DFL Skoglund-DFL
Long-DFL Trimble-DFL
Lynch-IR Wagenius-DFL
Marsh-IR Waltman-IR
McGuire-DFL Weaver-IR
McPherson-IR Winter-DFL

SOLID WASTE
Trumble-DFL, Chair
Rukavina-DFL, Vice Chair
Jennings-DFL Munger-DFL
Long-DFL Ozment-IR
Long-DFL Price-DFL
Lynch-IR Pauly-IR
McGuire-DFL Wagenius-DFL
McPherson-IR

ETHICS
(6 members)
Call of the Chair
Information .................................. 296-2365
Anderson, R.-IR Pauly-IR
Bishop-IR Reding-DFL
Bishop-IR Wagenius-DFL
Boo-IR
Carlson, L.-DFL
Conway-DFL Olsen, S.-IR
Dawkins-DFL Otis-DFL
Feritches-IR Poppenhagen-IR
Henry-IR Quinn-DFL
Jacobs-DFL Rodosovich-DFL
Jefferson-DFL Sparby-DFL
Knickerbocker-IR Tjomhom-IR

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GENERAL LEGISLATION, 
VETERANS AFFAIRS & GAMING
(20 members)
Tues., 12:30 p.m., Room 500S*
Information .................................. 296-4936
Kostoryz-DFL, Chair
Price-DFL, Vice Chair
Abrams-IR McEachem-DFL
Bennett-IR Milbert-DFL
Bertram-DFL Osthoff-DFL
Boo-IR Ostrom-DFL
Frederick-IR Quinn-DFL
Gutknecht-IR Scheid-DFL
Kinkel-DFL Solberg-DFL
Knickerbocker-IR Stensma-DFL
McDonald-IR Svidgum-IR
Staff:
Sandra A. Dicke—Committee Administrator
580 State Office Building .................................. 296-4179
Marree A. Boland—Committee Secretary
585 State Office Building .................................. 296-4388

Elections Division
GENERAL LEGISLATION, 
VETERANS AFFAIRS & GAMING
(10 members)
Thurs., 12:30 p.m., Room 500N*
Information .................................. 296-3751
Scheid-DFL, Chair
Stensma-DFL, Vice Chair
Abrams-IR McEachem-DFL
Boo-IR Osthoff-DFL
Knickerbocker-IR Ostrom-DFL
Kostoryz-DFL Svidgum-IR
Staff:
Daniel L. Kane—Committee Administrator
576 State Office Building .................................. 296-6970
Judith A. Bernet—Committee Secretary
583 State Office Building .................................. 296-5491

Gaming Division
GENERAL LEGISLATION, 
VETERANS AFFAIRS & GAMING
(11 members)
Thurs., 12:30 p.m., Room 500S*
Information .................................. 296-2439
Quinn-DFL, Chair
Milbert-DFL, Vice Chair
Bennett-IR Kostoryz-DFL
Bertram-DFL McDonald-IR
Frederick-IR Price-DFL
Gutknecht-IR Solberg-DFL
Kinkel-DFL Staff:
Daniel L. Kane—Committee Administrator
576 State Office Building .................................. 296-6970
Jan C. Peterson—Committee Secretary
445 State Office Building .................................. 296-5496

General Legislation, Veterans Affairs & 
Gaming Subcommittee
VETERANS AFFAIRS
Stensma-DFL, Chair
Kinkel-DFL, Vice Chair
Bertram-DFL McDonald-IR
Boo-IR McEachem-DFL
Frederick-IR Milbert-DFL
Kostoryz-DFL Quinn-DFL

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS
(24 members)
Mon.-Thurs., 8 a.m., Room 10*
Information .................................. 296-4193
Reding-DFL Chair
Rukavina-DFL, Vice Chair
Bertram-DFL Knickerbocker-IR
Burger-IR Lasley-DFL
Conway-DFL Limmer-IR
Cooper-DFL Lynch-IR
Dawkins-DFL Macklin-IR
Dille-IR O’Connor-DFL
Haukoos-IR Runbeck-IR
Hauman-DFL Tompkins-IR
Henry-IR Tjombom-IR
Jefferson-DFL Williams-DFL
Johnson, R.-DFL Winter-DFL
Staff:
Albert T. Layman—Committee Administrator
500 State Office Building .................................. 296-5508
Joan M. Sweeney—Committee Secretary
537 State Office Building .................................. 296-1340

Governmental Operations 
Subcommittees
GOVERNMENT STRUCTURES
Cooper-DFL, Chair
Bertram-DFL Reding-DFL
Burger-IR Rukavina-DFL
Conway-DFL Tompkins-IR
Haukoos-IR Winter-DFL
Macklin-IR

PENSIONS
Johnson, R.-DFL, Chair
Knickerbocker-IR O’Connor-DFL
Limmer-IR Reding-DFL
Lynch-IR Rukavina-DFL

PERSONNEL
Lasley-DFL, Chair
Dawkins-DFL Reding-DFL
Dille-IR Runbeck-IR
Henry-IR Tjombom-IR
Jefferson-DFL Williams-DFL
Rukavina-DFL

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
(22 members)
Wed., 12:30 p.m., Room 5*
Information .................................. 296-4330
Skelgand-DFL, Chair
Winter-DFL, Vice Chair
Blatz-IR Pappas-DFL
Burger-IR Peterson-DFL
Carruthers-DFL Poppenhagen-IR
Hartle-IR Pugh-DFL
Haukoos-IR Reding-DFL
Johnson, R.-DFL Runbeck-IR
Kelly-DFL Segal-DFL
Kinkel-DFL Stanis-IR
Knickerbocker-IR Wenzel-DFL
Omn-IR Williams-DFL
Staff:
Greg W. Bergstrom—Committee Administrator
422 State Office Building .................................. 296-9015
Skelgand-DFL, Chair
Winter-DFL, Vice Chair
Blatz-IR Pappas-DFL
Burger-IR Peterson-DFL
Carruthers-DFL Poppenhagen-IR
Hartle-IR Pugh-DFL
Haukoos-IR Reding-DFL
Johnson, R.-DFL Runbeck-IR
Kelly-DFL Segal-DFL
Kinkel-DFL Stanis-IR
Knickerbocker-IR Wenzel-DFL
Omn-IR Williams-DFL
Staff:
Greg W. Bergstrom—Committee Administrator
422 State Office Building .................................. 296-9015

INSURANCE
(22 members)
Wed., 12:30 p.m., Room 5*
Information .................................. 296-4330
Skoglund-DFL, Chair
Winter-DFL, Vice Chair
Blatz-IR Pappas-DFL
Burger-IR Peterson-DFL
Carruthers-DFL Poppenhagen-IR
Hartle-IR Pugh-DFL
Haukoos-IR Reding-DFL
Johnson, R.-DFL Runbeck-IR
Kelly-DFL Segal-DFL
Kinkel-DFL Stanis-IR
Knickerbocker-IR Wenzel-DFL
Omn-IR Williams-DFL
Staff:
Greg W. Bergstrom—Committee Administrator
422 State Office Building .................................. 296-9015

Mary Ellen Langenberger—Committee Sec.
437 State Office Building .................................. 296-5356
JUDICIARY
(25 members)
Mon., 10 a.m., Fri., 12:30 p.m., Basement Hearing Room*
Information .................................. 296-4277
Kelly-DFL, Chair
Wagenius-DFL, Vice Chair
Bishop-IR Marsh-IR
Blatz-IR Milbert-DFL
Brown-DFL Miller-IR
Carruthers-DFL Orenstein-DFL
Conway-DFL Orenstein-DFL
Dempsey-IR Peterson-DFL
Forsythe-IR Pugh-DFL
Greenfield-DFL Rest-DFL
Hasskamp-DFL Seaberg-IR
Janezich-DFL Swenson-IR
Limmer-IR Wagenius-DFL
Macklin-IR
Staff:
Mark Lynch—Committee Administrator
528 State Office Building .......................... 296-4283
Patricia L. Larson—Committee Secretary
549 State Office Building .......................... 296-1728

Criminal Justice Division/ Judiciary Subcommittees
CHILDREN'S JUSTICE
Wagenius-DFL, Chair
Blatz-IR Rest-DFL
Brown-DFL Seaberg-IR
Dempsey-IR Vellenga-DFL
Kelly-DFL
MARRIAGE & DISSOLUTION
Kelly-DFL, Chair
Blatz-IR Janiczek-DFL
Dempsey-IR Peterson-DFL
Forsythe-IR Vellenga-DFL

LABOR-MANAGEMENT
RELATIONS
(18 members)
Mon., 12:30 p.m., Room 200*
Information .................................. 296-5063
Beigich-DFL, Chair
Beard-DFL, Vice Chair
Abrams-IR McPherson-IR
Battaglia-DFL Redalen-IR
Dille-IR Rice-DFL
Girand-IR Rakwina-DFL
Jennings-DFL Sama-DFL
Johnson, A.-DFL Sviggum-IR
Kelly-DFL Trimble-DFL
Limmer-IR Wenzel-DFL
Staff:
Bradley A. Lehto—Committee Administrator
475 State Office Building ...................... 296-5367
Maxine J. Wich—Committee Secretary
477 State Office Building ...................... 296-4371

Labor-Management Relations
Subcommittee
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE & WORKERS' COMPENSATION
Beigich-DFL, Chair
Dille-IR Sama-DFL
Johnson, A.-DFL Sviggum-IR
Limmer-IR Trimble-DFL
Redalen-IR

LOCAL GOVERNMENT & METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS
(25 members)
Tues., Thurs., 12:30 p.m., Room 200*
Information .................................. 296-2190
Battaglia-DFL, Chair
Johnson, A.-DFL, Vice Chair
Anderson, R.-IR Morrison-IR
Bauerly-DFL Olsen, S.-IR
Carruthers-DFL Omen-IR
Dom-DFL Pauly-IR
Hasskamp-DFL Runbeck-IR
Haukoos-IR Rice-DFL
Hausman-DFL Sama-DFL
Janezich-DFL Tompkins-IR
Jefferson-DFL Trimble-DFL
Johnson, V.-IR Valento-IR
Lieder-DFL Weaver-IR
McGuire-DFL

REGULATED INDUSTRIES
(20 members)
Mon., 10 a.m., Room 10*
Information .................................. 296-4231
Jacobs-DFL, Chair
Tunheim-DFL, Vice Chair
Beard-DFL Jennings-DFL
Bennett-IR O'Connor-DFL
Boo-IR Ogren-DFL
Carlson, D.-IR Olson, E.-DFL
Dawkins-DFL Osthoff-DFL
Gnieser-IR Ozment-IR
Hartle-IR Quinn-DFL
Haukoos-IR Solberg-DFL
Jefferson-DFL Stansis-IR
Staff:
Kristen Peterson—Committee Administrator
472 State Office Building .......................... 296-6610
Lucille A. Finnegan—Committee Secretary
485 State Office Building .......................... 296-7172

RULES & LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATION
(24 members)
Call of the Chair, Room 400N*
Information .................................. 296-0171
Long-DFL, Chair
Krueger-DFL, Vice Chair
Anderson, G.-DFL Reding-DFL
Blatz-IR Rest-DFL
Carlson, L.-DFL Rice-DFL
Greenfield-DFL Rodovitch-DFL
Himle-IR Schreiber-IR
Jacobs-DFL Simont-DFL
Knickerbocker-IR Stanis-IR
McLaughlin-DFL Sviggum-IR
Munger-DFL Valento-IR
Nelson, K.-DFL Vanasek-DFL
Ogren-DFL Vellenga-DFL
Staff:
Sue Robertson—Committee Administrator
457 State Office Building .......................... 296-1023
Nancy K. Anderson—Committee Secretary
459 State Office Building .......................... 296-1544

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Rules & Legislative Administration

Subcommittee

Rules
Long-DFL, Chair
Blatz-IR
Jacobs-DFL
Kneuer-DFL

Taxes

(35 members)

Tues., Thurs., Fri., 8 a.m., Room 5

Information .................................. 296-7808

Ogren-DFL, Chair
Olson, E.-DFL, Vice Chair

Begich-DFL
Blatz-IR
Brown-DFL
Carlson-DFL
Dauner-DFL
Dempsey-IR
Hauman-DFL
Henry-IR
Johnson, A.-DFL
Kelso-DFL
Linder-DFL
McDonald-IR
McLaughlin-DFL
Milbert-DFL
Olsen, E.-DFL
Olsen, K.-DFL
Neuenschwander-DFL
Ogren-DFL
Olsen, K.-DFL
Olsen, S.-IR
Pauly-IR
Pellow-IR
Richter-IR
Vanasek-DFL
Vellenga-DFL

Staff:

Bruce H. Nelson—Committee Administrator
434 State Office Building ............. 296-8826

Yvonne S. Ame—Committee Secretary
443 State Office Building ............. 296-5376

Taxes Subcommittees

Property Tax

Rest-DFL, Chair

Begich-DFL
Bennett-IR
Blatz-IR
Dauner-DFL
Dempsey-IR
Gutnecht-IR
Long-DFL
Olsen, S.-IR

TAX LAWS

Welle-DFL, Chair

Brown-DFL
Carlson-DFL
Dempsey-IR
Hauman-DFL
Johnson, A.-DFL
Kelso-DFL
Kostohryz-DFL
Ogren-DFL
Pauly-IR
Pellow-IR
Richter-IR
Vanasek-DFL

Transportation Subcommittees

Transportation Subcommittees

(28 members)

Wed., 12:30 p.m., Room 10

Information .................................. 296-4240

Kallis-DFL, Chair
Lasley-DFL, Vice Chair

Begich-DFL
Brown-DFL
Carlson, D.-IR
Dauner-DFL
Dempsey-IR
Hauman-DFL
Henry-IR
Johnson, A.-DFL
Kelso-DFL
Linder-DFL
McDonald-IR
McLaughlin-DFL
Milbert-DFL
Morrison-IR

Staff:

Patricia Lindgren—Committee Administrator
532 State Office Building ............. 296-5398

Kathleen K. Bruss—Committee Secretary
543 State Office Building ............. 296-4271

Ways & Means

(18 members)

Call of the Chair
Information .................................. 296-4229

Vanasek-DFL, Chair
Welle-DFL, Vice Chair

Anderson, G.-DFL
Carlson, D.-IR
Dempsey-IR
Porsy-IR
Brown-DFL
Egeland-DFL
Greenfield-DFL
Gruenes-IR
Kahn-DFL

Staff:

James S. Wafer—Committee Administrator
461 State Office Building ............. 296-4389

Laura M. DeRose—Committee Secretary
463 State Office Building ............. 296-2955

Fiscal Analysts:

Richard H. Pfutzeneuer—Staff Director
373 State Office Building ............. 296-5059

Mike Berthelsen—Health & Human Services
374 State Office Building ............. 296-5346

Elizabeth A. Gamble—Education
385 State Office Building ............. 296-4181

Mary Jane Hedstrom—Taxes
428 State Office Building ............. 296-1237

Calvin C. Herbert—Ag., Trans. & Semi-State
383 State Office Building ............. 296-3305

Marcia J. Jefferys—Health & Human Services
376 State Office Building ............. 296-5384

Kevin Kajek—State Departments
372 State Office Building ............. 296-4117

William F. Marx—Education Finance
361 State Office Building ............. 296-7176

Susan Nemitz—Education
378 State Office Building ............. 296-7165

Ronald G. Nickerson—State Departments
370 State Office Building ............. 296-4119

Liz Podolinsky—Taxes
430 State Office Building ............. 296-3641

Matthew S. Sands—Taxes
432 State Office Building ............. 296-4162

Staff:

Richard H. Pfutzeneuer—Staff Director
373 State Office Building ............. 296-5059

Mike Berthelsen—Health & Human Services
374 State Office Building ............. 296-5346

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385 State Office Building ............. 296-4181

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372 State Office Building ............. 296-4117

William F. Marx—Education Finance
361 State Office Building ............. 296-7176

Susan Nemitz—Education
378 State Office Building ............. 296-7165

Ronald G. Nickerson—State Departments
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Topics for 1990

Abortion may be attracting attention in the media, but the issue is not high on the list of topics to be dealt with by the Health and Human Services Committee this legislative session.

That was one of the findings of a survey of House committee chairs and administrators conducted by writers from the House Public Information Office. The chairs and administrators were asked to rank, in order, the topics to be addressed in their respective committees.

In Health and Human Services, abortion was ranked fifth, behind welfare reform, child abuse, the alternative care grant program, and the rural health care access program, which was listed as the committee's top priority.

The House's 17 policy-making committees and their 13 divisions listed a variety of other topics to be dealt with this session.

In the Agriculture Committee, the use of bovine growth hormone (BGH) was listed as the top priority. BGH is a synthetic hormone which increases the amount of milk produced by cows, but critics fear its possible economic effects on small farmers and are concerned about possible health effects as well.

In the Environment and Natural Resources Committee, a constitutional dedication of funds to be used by the recently created Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund was listed as the top priority. The method of funding for the trust fund is now cast in law, but some want the funding spelled out in the constitution to insulate it from shifting political tides.

In the Gaming Division of the General Legislation, Veterans Affairs and Gaming Committee, changes in lawful, or charitable, gaming rules and regulations was listed the top priority.

And in the Local Government and Metropolitan Committee, light rail transit was listed as the top priority. The following are the survey results:

**Agriculture**
- Bovine growth hormone (BGH) in milk
- Vertical integration (corporate farming)
- Farm contract legislation
- Wetlands legislation
- Grasshopper control — amendments to current law

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Do you know?

New Ulm residents will "Celebrate Minnesota" with their 13th annual Fasching Festival Feb. 23-24.
A costume ball, treasure hunt, and mask and costume judging contests are some of the events
officials have scheduled for the weekend.

The Concord Singers, hosts for the German festival, will perform Friday and Saturday
evenings at the Holiday Inn festival headquarters. Other performers include Cheyenne,
the Leon Olsen Show, Home Spun Blue, and Bill Niebuhr.
Admission for the evening events is $3.

New Ulm's August Schell Brewing Co. will host the Bock Beer Festival and a treasure
hunt which has a $300 prize.
There'll also be German food, brewery tours, and a bonfire.
Admission is $2 for these activities, which will run from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday.

In early times, a "fasching festival" was staged to chase winter away. But it has developed
into a pre-Lent celebration to compensate people in advance for their observances
during Lent.

For more information, call the brewery at (507) 354-5528.

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Authorizing grant funds to establish pilot project sobering stations; increasing taxes on wine and dedicating certain revenues to a sobering station project account.

HF1947—Munger (DFL)
Environment & Natural Resources
Recognizing the hydrological cycle of water purification through the atmosphere; establishing a list of persistent toxic substances; requiring the pollution control agency to establish best available reduction technology, to monitor toxic emissions, and to adopt standards and a plan to regulate toxic release/discharge, ambient concentration, and deposition; requiring reports to the Legislature.

HF1948—Price (DFL)
Health & Human Services
Clarifying requirement for water well construction and ownership.

HF1949—Winter (DFL)
Environment & Natural Resources
Changing certain requirements for municipal wastewater treatment grants.

HF1950—Orenstein (DFL)
Judiciary
Privacy; providing for a cause of action for invasion of privacy.

HF1951—Vellenga (DFL)
Judiciary
Making the crime victim ombudsman accountable to the commissioner of public safety; clarifying that certain juvenile records are available to the ombudsman.

HF1952—Kelly (DFL)
Judiciary
Permitting individuals to request that the Department of Public Safety not release the individual's residential address to the public; permitting individuals to designate a mailing address for purposes of the department's public records; increasing penalties for certain acts of harassment; authorizing courts to issue orders to restrain acts of harassment.

HF1953—Macklin (IR)
Health & Human Services
Controlled substances; proposing a variety of measures to improve the enforcement and prosecution of controlled substance cases and the aftercare treatment of persons who are chemically dependent.

HF1954—Tompkins (IR)
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HF1955—Tompkins (IR)
Health & Human Services
Dakota County; authorizing the Dakota County Board to establish a juvenile diversion program and a chemical abuse prevention program.

HF1956—Anderson, G. (DFL)
Education
Providing for the notice of and place for meeting of certain joint powers organizations.

HF1957—Anderson, G. (DFL)
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Providing for certain notice and board membership requirements under certain joint powers arrangements.

HF1958—Jefferson (DFL)
Governmental Operations
Providing for a Roy Wilkins memorial in the Capitol area.

HF1959—Johnson, A. (DFL)
Transportation
Motor vehicles; clarifying when inspection fee must be paid to receive certificate of inspection for salvage vehicle.

HF1960—Battaglia (DFL)
Environment & Natural Resources
Amending certain provisions concerned with the management of wildlife.

HF1961—Neuenschwander (DFL)
Taxes
Providing that county levies to pay the cost of ambulance service within a subordinate service district are exempt from levy limits.

HF1962—Runbeck (IR)
Education
Making area learning center programs available on Saturday; providing for payment of general education aid.

HF1963—Johnson, R. (DFL)
Governmental Operations
Retirement; reallocating powers and duties among actuaries retained by the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement and various public pension plans.

HF1964—Begich (DFL)
Environment & Natural Resources
Mining; amending certain provisions relating to operators' bonds

House Advisory Bills

Thursday, Feb. 15

HA35—Kelly (DFL)
A proposal to study a proposal for a playoff between state high school hockey champions.

On this day, the Territorial Legislature established 12 counties — Brown, Carver, Dodge, Faribault, Freeborn, Mower, Olmsted, Renville, Stearns, Steele, Todd, and Wright. Brown County was named after Joseph Renshaw Brown, one of the most prominent pioneers of the state; Carver County after Capt. Jonathan Carver, the Connecticut Yankee explorer who visited Minnesota in the mid-18th century.
This schedule is subject to change.
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**MONDAY, Feb. 19**

8:00 a.m.
Education Division/ Appropriations
300N State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Lyndon Carlson
Agenda: An update on the University of Minnesota's financial system and physical plant operation. A presentation of the Report on Retention of Minnesota College Students by House Research analysts.

**EDUCATION**
5 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Bob McEachern
Agenda: Higher Education Coordinating Board (HECB) presentation on future choices for 8th graders and parent information initiative.

**GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS**
10 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Leo Reding
Agenda: HF1785 (Dempsey) Real property; providing for placing plat monuments. HF1937 (Kalis) State Capitol; providing for location of a bust of Walter Mondale at the state capitol.

8:30 a.m.
Health & Human Services Division/ Appropriations
200 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Lee Greenfield
Agenda: Veterans nursing home report: Department of Administration, Terry Bock, Management Analysis Division.

10:00 a.m.
**AGRICULTURE**
5 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Steve Wenzel
Agenda: To be announced.

**JUDICIARY**
Basement Hearing Room
State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Randy Kelly
Agenda: HF1952 (Kelly) Increasing penalties for certain acts of harassment. HF1830 (Morrison) Child abuse; penalty increased for malicious punishment resulting in great bodily harm. HF1846 (Wagenius) Prostitution; penalties increased for certain patrons and driver's licenses revoked for repeat violators who used a motor vehicle during commission of the offense. HF1836 (Carruthers) Government data practices; meetings not closed on basis of data classification, final disposition of certain disciplinary actions defined, and closed meetings allowed for certain discussions of misconduct against government employees.

**REGULATED INDUSTRIES**
Holiday Inn Phalen Suite, Town Square, St. Paul
Chr. Rep. Joel Jacobs
Agenda: A demonstration by U.S. West Advanced Technologies. Members and staff only.

12:15 p.m.
**Rural Health Care Subcommittee/ HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**
500S State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Roger Cooper
Agenda: HFXXXX (Cooper) Omnibus rural health care access bill. HFXXXX Health Department; emergency medical services task force bill.

12:30 p.m.
**Education Finance Division/ EDUCATION**
300N State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Ken Nelson
Agenda: Maximum Effort Loan Program overview. HF1876 (McEachern) Maximum Effort School Loan Program changes.

**Housing Division/FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & HOUSING**
500N State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Rich O'Connor
Agenda: HF1669 (Morrison) Housing; requiring the Housing Finance Agency to restrict funding for new single family housing under certain circumstances.

**LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS**
200 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Joseph Begich
Agenda: HF1839 (Kelly) Minimum wage raised.

1:00 p.m.
Legislative Commission to Review Administrative Rules
107 State Capitol
Chr. Sen. Gene Waldorf
Agenda: Administrative Procedures Act (APA) amendments: Legislative Commission to Review Administrative Rules (LCRAR) bill. Follow up on the Department of Labor & Industry truck rental rate rule; a request for extension (120 days) to hold a rulemaking hearing.

2:30 p.m.
The House will meet in session.

**TUESDAY, Feb. 20**

8:00 a.m.
**JOINT MEETING**
Agriculture, Transportation & Semi-State Division/ Appropriations & International Trade & Technology Division/ ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
5 State Office Building
Agenda: Presentation from the World Trade Center Corporation, Rick Nolan, president.

**Education Division/ APPROPRIATIONS**
300N State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Lyndon Carlson
Agenda: The State University System's bonding request.
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EDUCATION
5 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Bob McEachern
Agenda: To be announced.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS
10 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Leo Reding
Agenda: HFXXXX (Jefferson) Small Business Procurement Program.

10:00 a.m.
Higher Education Division/EDUCATION
500N State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Mike Jaros
Agenda: Student testimony (students lobby day at the capitol). HF1878 (Jaros)
Education; establishing students’ day.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & HOUSING
Basement Hearing Room
State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Tom Osthoff
Agenda: HF1838 (Jennings) Electronic fund transfer facilities regulated and access provided for transmission facilities. HF1913 (Scheid) Industrial loan and thrifts.

Criminal Justice Division/JUDICIARY
500N State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Kathleen Vellenga
Agenda: HF1843 (Kelly) Controlled substances; allowing prosecution in any county of controlled substance offenses involving sales of amounts aggregated over a 90-day period; providing that cocaine base is weighed as a mixture for purposes of first-, second-, and third-degree controlled substance crimes; prohibiting the importing of controlled substances into the state.

12:30 p.m.
INSURANCE
5 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Wes Skoglund
Agenda: HFXXXX (Skoglund) Medicare Supplement Insurance. HFXXXX (Skoglund) Communications with the Department of Commerce/hearing requirements. HFXXXX (Skoglund) Regulating claims practices. HFXXXX (Winter) Civil penalties.

TRANSPORTATION
10 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Henry Kalis

2:30 p.m.
Education Finance Division/EDUCATION
5 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Ken Nelson
Agenda: Maximum Effort Loan Program requests: independent school districts 345 (New London-Spicer), 110 (Waconia), 192 (Farmington), 682 (Roseau) and 885 (St. Michael-Albertville).

Privacy Subcommittee/JUDICIARY
300S State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Tom Pugh
Agenda: HF1145 (Pappas) Disclosure of data about communicable diseases. HFXXXX Collection and dissemination of data.

3:00 p.m.
JOINT MEETING
House Education Division/APPROPRIATIONS & Senate Education Division/FINANCE
Coffman Memorial Union Great Hall,
University of Minnesota, Minneapolis Campus
Agenda: An overview of projects made possible by use of Indirect Cost Recovery Funds, the Permanent University Fund, and other special appropriations.

7:00 p.m.
ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES
10 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Willard Munger
Agenda: HF1921 (Wagenius) Battery bill. HFXXXX Department of Natural Resources water use permits proposal. HFXXXX (Price) Seneca wastewater treatment facility water use permit proposal. SF956 (Stumpf)/HF1071 (Sparby) County binding referendum requirement for siting and development of a stabilization and containment facility.

THURSDAY, Feb. 22

8:00 a.m.
Agriculture, Transportation & Semi-State Division/APPROPRIATIONS
400S State Office Building
Chr. Rep. James Rice
Agenda: Greater Minnesota Corporation update: Michael Miles, vice president and general counsel.

Education Division/APPROPRIATIONS
300N State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Lyndon Carlson
Agenda: University of Minnesota bonding requests.

Health & Human Services Division/APPROPRIATIONS
200 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Lee Greenfield
Agenda: The Department of Human Services capital requests.

State Departments Division/APPROPRIATIONS
300S State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Phyllis Kahn
Agenda: Judicial center tour. Meet in 300S with jackets.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS
10 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Leo Reding
Agenda: Regular route vs. irregular route common carriers and the regulatory functions of the Department of Transportation and Public Safety, as well as the Transportation Regulation Board.
TAXES
5 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Paul Anders Ogren

9:00 a.m.
Redistricting Oversight Subcommittee/ Legislative Coordinating Commission
500S State Office Building
Chr. Sen. Randy Peterson
Agenda: A review of responses to requests for proposals.

10:00 a.m.
ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES
10 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Willard Munger

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
5 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Alan Welle
Agenda: HFXXXX (Cooper) Rural health care bill.

12:30 p.m.
Community Stabilization & Development Division/ ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
300S State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Karen Clark
Agenda: HFXXXX (Clark) Alternative youth projects for economic development. HF1031 (Dawkins) State’s economy; requiring the commissioner of Trade and Economic Development to submit an annual report on the effect of military spending on the state’s economy; appropriating money.

International Trade & Technology Division/ ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
400S State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Rick Krueger
Agenda: Panel discussion: how does technology fit into competition? Panel members are Wy Spano, High Technology Council; E.F. Infante, University of Minnesota Institute of Technology; Tom Meskan, Medical Alley and Patsy Randall, Electronics Association.

Rural Resource Development Division/ ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
300N State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Mary Murphy

GENERAL LEGISLATION, VETERANS AFFAIRS & GAMING
10 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Dick Kostohryz
Agenda: HF1891 (Quinn) Lawful Gambling Task Force bill.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT & METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS
200 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. David Battaglia
Agenda: To be announced.

2:30 p.m.
The House will meet in session.

FRIDAY, Feb. 23
8:00 a.m.
Child Care Subcommittee/Education Division/APPROPRIATIONS
300N State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Howard Orenstein
Agenda: Testimony from on-campus child care providers.

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

10:00 a.m.
Education Finance Division/ EDUCATION
Basement Hearing Room State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Ken Nelson
Agenda: Maximum Effort Loan Program requests: independent school districts 115 (Cass Lake), 213 (Osakis), 533 (Dover-Eyota), 390 (Lake of the Woods, Baudette) and 484 (Pierz).

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
5 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Alan Welle
Agenda: An overview of the Webster decision.

JOINT MEETING
Surface Transportation Subcommittee/ TRANSPORTATION & Metropolitan Affairs Subcommittee/ LOCAL GOVERNMENT & METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS
10 State Office Building
Agenda: Report from Regional Transit Board on regional light rail plan. Discussion of bonding to build first stage of light rail transit between Minneapolis and St. Paul.

12:30 p.m.
JUDICIARY
Basement Hearing Room
State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Randy Kelly
Agenda: HF1892 (Peterson) Courts; providing pilot project for Clay County. HFXXXX (Seaberg) Crime victims reparations technical bill. HFXXXX (Kelly) Charitable gambling penalty bill.

Feb. 22, 1860
On this day, the Minnesota House passed a bill for an act to make George Washington's birthday a legal holiday. The Senate approved the bill March 1, and in 1861 Minnesotans celebrated the legal holiday for the first time. In St. Paul, a parade including the Pioneer Guard, the Great Western band, the governor, state officials, legislators, and scores of citizens marched from the Capitol to the German Athenaeum to hear speeches and readings from Washington's "Farewell Address."