

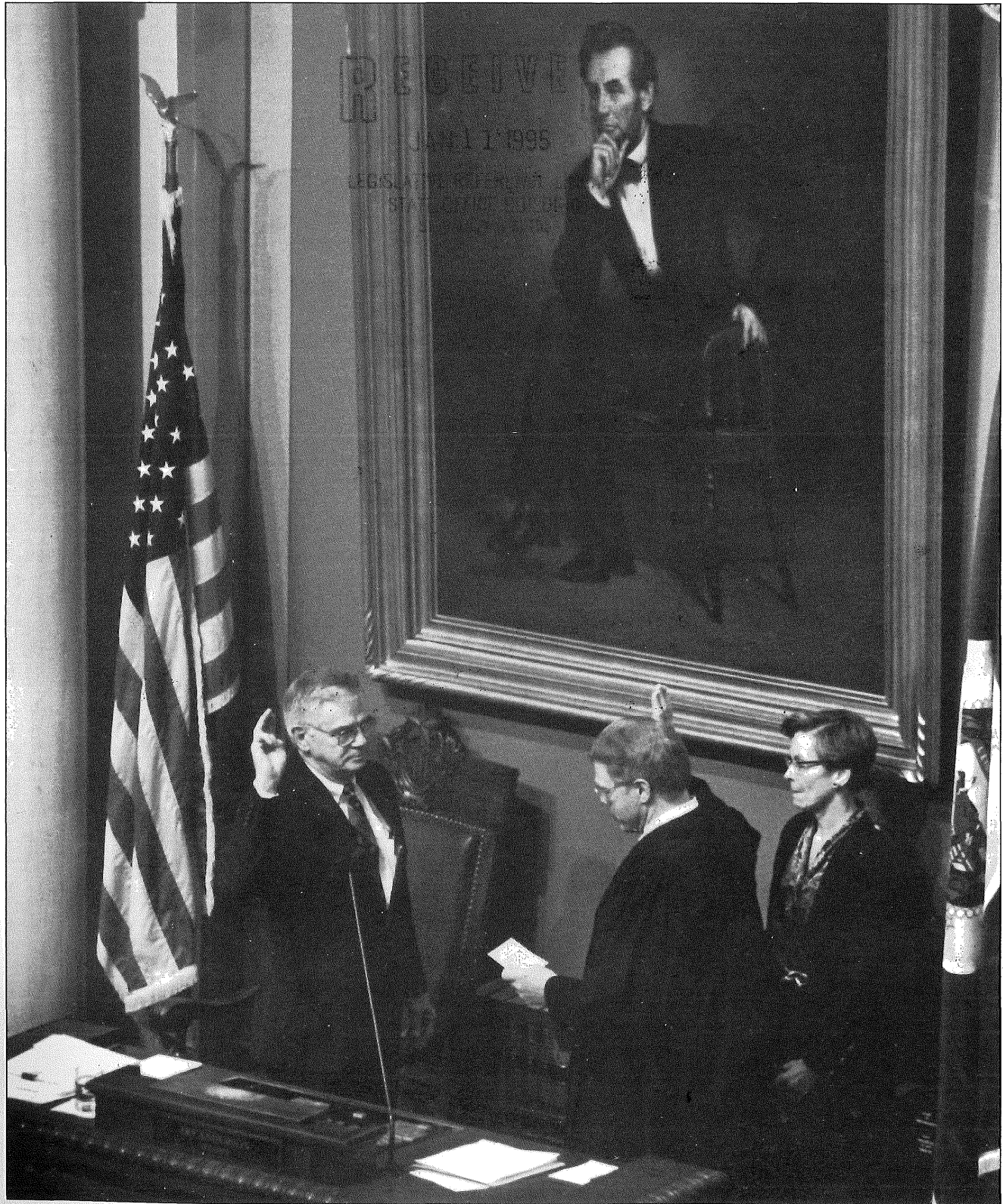
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Welcome to the 79th Session of the Minnesota Legislature.

For the 12th consecutive year, the *Session Weekly* will bring you highlights of committee and floor action from the Minnesota House of Representatives. Each week of coverage begins and ends on Thursdays at 2:30 p.m.

In each issue of the *Session Weekly* you also will find the committee schedule for the coming week. It contains the information you will need to attend committee hearings, all of which are open to the public.

The section entitled "Bill Introductions" provides you with a continuing list of all the bills that are introduced in the House. Each entry includes the House File (HF) number, chief author's name, the name of the committee to which it was first referred, and a brief description of the content of the bill. During the last biennium, a total of 2,702 bills were introduced by both the House and Senate.

Early issues will carry a variety of informational articles about the Legislature and state government that will help you follow the legislative process. Other features will bring you insights into the history and "color" of the Legislature.

For the past several years, the *Session Weekly* also has published the unofficial bill tracking chart, detailing the status of each bill that was acted upon during a given week, and a cumulative listing of the latest bill action on all bills since the beginning of the session. We regret that we will be unable to provide this service for the 1995 session due to a reduction in staff. Our session-only temporary staff has been trimmed 44 percent — four positions — from 1994 levels.

We hope you like our legislative newsmagazine and will consider compiling a useful reference to the 1995 session by saving each issue. Each issue is punched to fit into a three-ring binder.

Please stop by or call if you have any suggestions for improving the *Session Weekly*, want answers to general questions, or need further help in following the Legislature. The House Public Information Office is in Room 175 of the State Office Building and the phone number is (612) 296-2146.

— The editors

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On the cover: Rep. Irv Anderson of International Falls is sworn in as speaker of the House Jan. 3 by Judge Peter N. Hemstad, also of International Falls. Secretary of State Joan Grove, right, presided over the 1995 session until Anderson was elected speaker.

— Photo by Laura Phillips

Highlights

Opening day. . .

Speaker stresses efficient, fat-free government

The opening of the 79th Session of the Minnesota Legislature began Jan. 3 with little fanfare, the first shouts of protesters from the Capitol rotunda, and the first round of partisan politics.

After the House's 134 members took the oath of office, they elected Rep. Irv Anderson (DFL-Int'l Falls) speaker by a 70-to-63 margin over Minority Leader Steve Sviggum (IR-Kenyon). Rep. Mindy Greiling (DFL-Roseville) abstained from voting.

In his acceptance speech, Anderson spoke of bipartisanship and the need to listen to voters and cut government waste.

"I want us to build a budget that stresses efficiency and the elimination of waste so no one can say there is fat in Minnesota government," Anderson said.

In an effort to demonstrate his desire "to open the windows and let a fresh breeze replace the stale stagnation of partisan posturing," Anderson announced the appointment of Rep. Teresa Lynch (IR-Andover) as vice chair of the powerful House Rules and Legislative Administration Committee.

Anderson's remarks were sometimes drowned out by shouts from welfare reform protesters one floor below in the Capitol rotunda. The demonstrators, carrying signs



Four generations of the Rest family came to the House chamber Jan. 3 for the opening of the 79th Legislature. Rep. Ann Rest, center, clings to grandson, Jakob Asplund, as she takes her oath of office. Rest was joined by her mother, Lillnette Hiller, left, and daughter, Susan Asplund, right.

such as "Save our children. No more cuts," were evidence of the budget tug-of-war ahead this session.

The first round of partisan politics occurred when IRs scolded the DFL majority

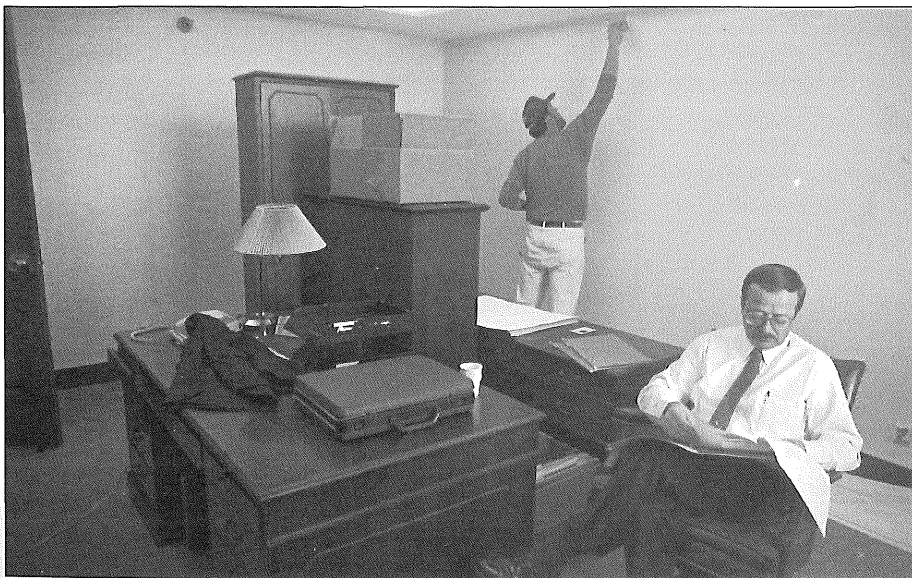
for increasing the number of committees and divisions to 37 — up from 30 during the 1994 session.

"At the very least we're misreading the people of Minnesota," Sviggum said, adding that citizens want less government, not more.

Majority Leader Phil Carruthers (DFL-Brooklyn Center) countered by saying: "This is an attempt to open up the process." He explained that with more committees the House can distribute power so that even younger members of the body can hold committee leadership positions.

Each of the six first-term DFL lawmakers holds a vice-chair position in the new House committee structure.

This marks Anderson's second session as speaker. He served as speaker-designate in the fall of 1993, and was elected speaker for the 1994 session. The 71-year-old was first elected to the House in 1964. He served as majority leader from 1973 to 1978 and left the House in 1982. He returned in 1990 and, in 1993, served about six months as majority leader before becoming speaker-elect.



First-term Rep. Ken Otremba settles into his newly assigned office Jan. 5 while Steve McKenzie applies a fresh coat of paint to the walls.

House File 1 . . .

Legislature, governor seek welfare system reform

It's been about 10 years since the House and Senate have agreed on what the top bill should be during a legislative session. And this year, it appears that even the governor's office agrees.

The first bill introduced in both the House and Senate during the 1995-1996 Legislative Session seeks to reform Minnesota's welfare system. Another welfare reform bill, initiated by Independent-Republicans and Gov. Arne Carlson, also has been introduced in the House.

The 1983-1984 session marked the last time the House and Senate agreed on what should be House File 1 and Senate File 1. Back then, both bodies agreed that a proposed Equal Rights Amendment to the state Constitution should be blessed with *number one* status.

The House File 1 designation is usually given to a piece of legislation that the House leadership deems important. At the start of a session, House members jockey for the position.

"I've never had a House File 1 before," said Rep. Bob Anderson (DFL-Ottertail), chief sponsor of the welfare reform bill.

The importance House leadership has given the bill by assigning it House File 1 "reflects the mood of the electorate in the 1994 elections," said Anderson, who chairs the House Health and Human Services Committee.

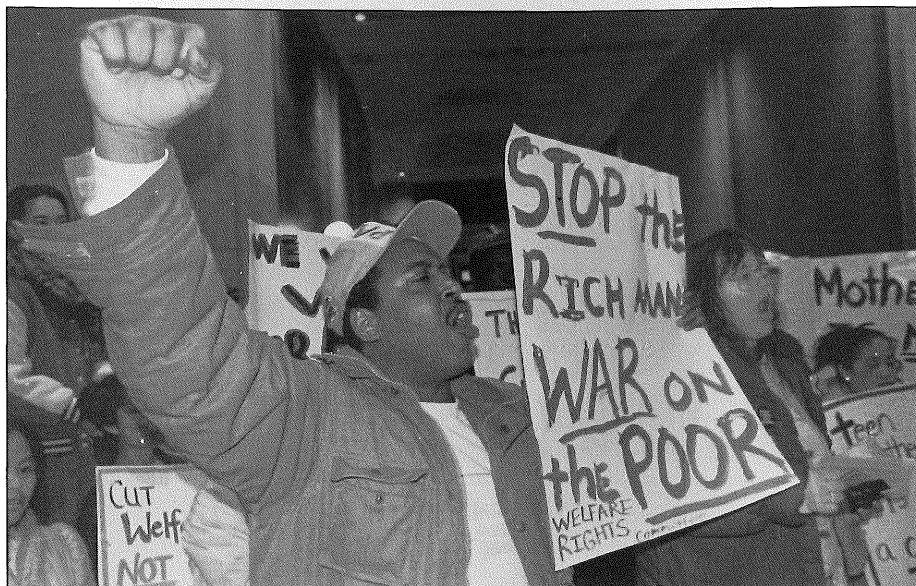
Rep. Kevin Goodno (IR-Moorhead) is carrying the Independent-Republican and governor-backed welfare reform bill as House File 15.

"I don't think this would have happened four years ago," said Goodno referring to the House, Senate, and governor's office pursuing the same top priority.

He said there are differences among all three bills but many similarities. "I'm very optimistic," said Goodno, adding he is not too distraught about his welfare reform bill not receiving the coveted House File 1 designation. The power to designate a bill as *number one* rests with the DFL leadership.

"It is always a hope, but we're in touch with reality around here."

Anderson's House File 1 appropriates \$8 million for welfare reform which includes \$5.6 million to help low- to moderate-income parents subsidize child care costs, thus removing a barrier to their going to work.



While legislators tended to official business Jan. 3, about 50 people from the Welfare Rights Committee and the Up and Out of Poverty Coalition gathered in the Capitol rotunda to voice their opposition to any reduction in welfare benefits. The subject of the first bill introduced in the 1995 session, HF1, is welfare reform.

House File 1 calls for the establishment of several programs to encourage welfare recipients to find work and requires all welfare recipients to participate in a state jobs-training program or lose their benefits. Individuals on public assistance for the first time would receive job training, subsidized jobs, medical care, and child support enforce-

ment instead of standard AFDC (Aid to Families with Dependent Children) benefits. The bill also would require pregnant minors to live at home and would eliminate federal rules that some argue discourage welfare recipients from finding work.

—K. Darcy Hanzlik

House File 1 topics set legislative tone

Here's a list of House File 1's introduced during the past several legislative sessions:

78th Session (1993-94): eliminated several committee references in law, reflecting a marked change in the way finance committees were structured. That year the number of House committees decreased from 35 to 29.

77th Session (1991-1992): called for wetlands preservation areas and a program to prioritize wetlands.

76th Session (1989-1990): allowed six-member juries in non-felony cases.

75th Session (1987-1988): extended and financed the farm mediation and interest rate buy down programs.

74th Session (1985-1986): established the procedure to merge the cities of International Falls and South International Falls.

73rd Session (1983-1984): called for a Minnesota Equal Rights Amendment to the state Constitution.

72nd Session (1981-1982): called for payment of state school aid money that was not paid in fiscal year 1981 because of the governor's spending cuts.

First Territorial Legislature (1849): called for regulating grocery licenses.



Rep. Jim Tunheim, center, chairs an organizational meeting of the Transportation and Transit Committee Jan. 4.

Committee restructuring . . .

Speaker Anderson aims to streamline government

House Speaker Irv Anderson (DFL-Int'l Falls) in December announced a new House committee system designed to promote government efficiency and to improve legislative oversight of state agency spending.

There are now 37 standing committees and divisions in the House, up from 30 in the 1994 session. Anderson stressed that no additional staff would be hired.

During the 1991-92 biennium, there were 35 committees and divisions. The 1993 session began with 29 committees and divisions appointed by then-Speaker Dee Long (DFL-Mpls).

Throughout history, the number of committees has remained fairly constant, although there have been some ups and downs. In 1927, for example, there were 36 committees.

Many of the issues the new committees and divisions will address formerly were handled by House subcommittees. A division is a formal sub-unit of a full committee. Divisions meet regularly and have specific duties such as drafting finance bills in contrast to the temporary subcommittees that committee chairs sometimes appoint.

Member assignments for the 1995 session will reflect the ongoing policy of having each member serve on at least one finance or tax committee.

New committees and divisions under the plan include:

- the Government Efficiency and Oversight Division of the Ways and Means Committee, designed to promote government reform and create legislation to downsize state departments and agencies;
- the Property Tax and TIF Division and the

Sales and Income Tax Division of the Taxes Committee. (These issues were addressed primarily in the Property Tax and State Tax subcommittees during the 1994 session);

- the Business Regulation Division of the Commerce and Consumer Affairs Committee;
- the Transportation Finance Division of the Economic Development, Infrastructure and Regulation Finance Committee. (Transportation funding previously was determined by the full Economic Development, Infrastructure and Regulation Finance Committee);
- the MinnesotaCare Division of the Health and Human Services Committee. (Issues relating to the MinnesotaCare program were formerly addressed primarily by the Health and Human Services Finance Division of the Health and Human Services Committee);
- the University of Minnesota Finance Division of the Education Committee. (U of M funding issues formerly were addressed primarily by the Higher Education Finance Division);
- the Gambling Division of the Governmental Operations Committee. (Gambling issues were addressed primarily in the Gambling Subcommittee of the former Governmental Operations and Gambling Committee);
- the Elections Division of the General Legislation, Veterans Affairs & Elections Committee. (Elections issues were previously determined primarily by the full General Legislation, Veterans Affairs and Elections Committee); and
- the International Trade and Tourism Com-

mittee. (These issues were previously addressed by subcommittees of the former Commerce and Economic Development Committee).

Gone from last year's committee roster is the Health and Housing Finance Division of the Health and Human Services Committee. The Claims Committee, previously a joint subcommittee under the Legislative Coordinating Commission, now has full committee status. The Judiciary Finance Committee, formerly a division of the Judiciary Committee, also holds full committee status. The former Public Access Committee has also been eliminated.

The Commerce and Economic Development Committee is now the Commerce and Consumer Affairs Committee "to better redefine its purpose and area of responsibility," Anderson said.

Anderson said the new structure will highlight the issues that seem most in need of attention and promote greater openness in the process by making it "more understandable and easier for the average citizen to follow."

1995 House profile. . .

More business people, more IRs mark 79th session

The 79th Session of the Minnesota Legislature began Jan. 3 with 27 newly elected members and a gain of 13 House seats for the Independent-Republican Party (IR). But the Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party (DFL) still holds a 71-63 majority — down from its 84-50 advantage in 1994.

For the first time since 1987, the number of women members has actually decreased from the prior session. Thirty-two women now serve in the House, down from 34 in 1993.

(A total of 35 women were actually elected in 1992, but former Rep. Gloria Segal resigned in December before the session began, bringing the total to 34. A year later in December of 1993, Rep. Kathleen Blatz resigned and the number of women dropped to 33 in the 1994 session.)

And perhaps because of the significant electoral gains by the Independent-Republicans, the number of members who listed business as their primary occupation dramatically increased.

Business and educator are now tied for first place among member occupations, with 20 lawmakers each. Although educator was the top occupation in 1993, business was only

the fifth most common occupation (14) then.

Of the 20 members who listed business as their primary occupation, 15 are IRs and five are DFLers. Of the 20 members who listed educator as their primary occupation, 15 are DFLers and five are IRs.

But while business made gains as a leading occupation among members, the number of farmers in the House continued its downward slide. The Legislature convened with the fewest number of farmers in state history, breaking last session's low mark.

Members listing farming as their primary occupation slipped to 14 — down from 16 in 1993. That makes farming the fifth most common occupation in the House, down from third two years ago. As recently as 1991, farming was tied for the most common occupation in the House with 20 members.

This downward trend seems to mirror agricultural statistics compiled by the U.S. Census Bureau which show that the number of farms nationwide are at their lowest number since before the Civil War.

While the number of full-time legislators increased to 19 members — up from 17 in 1993 — the occupation remained in second place among members. And of those 19 mem-

bers, 17 are DFLers and two are IRs.

In third place this year are attorneys with 18 members — up from 16 in 1993 — when the occupation was tied for third. There are actually 20 House members who have graduated from law school, but two list full-time legislator as their primary occupation.

While the top five — business, educator, legislator, attorney, and farmer — changed places, they remain quite a distance from sixth place, now held by consultants (6).

Lawmakers truly do come from all walks of life. Free-lance artist, physician, fire captain, and custom picture framer were among other diverse occupations listed.

The educational level of members continues its upward trend, with 37 members holding a graduate degree. That's up from 32 in 1993, and 29 in 1991.

Those with some college increased to 24, up from 20 in 1993. The number of members holding a four-year undergraduate degree dipped to 41, down from 47 in 1993. But that's still significantly higher than the 31 members with a four-year degree in 1989.

The number of those holding a technical college degree increased to 11, up from six in 1993.

Currently, the largest class of lawmakers is composed of the 29 beginning their second term; 19 of the second-termers are IRs and 10 are DFLers. The next largest class is the 26 newly elected members who have never served in the Legislature; 20 of them are IRs and six are DFLers.

Ranking third in size are those members entering their fifth term with 20 members. Eighteen of the 20 are DFLers and two are IRs.

At 47.9*, the average age of House members continues to rise. Since 1975, when the average stood at 40.8 years, the age has steadily increased to its present level. In 1993, the average age was 47.7 years; in 1991, 47.1.

In 1975, half the House members were no older than 38. Today, 103 members are over 40. Currently, the youngest House member is 28, and the oldest is 83.

— John Tschida

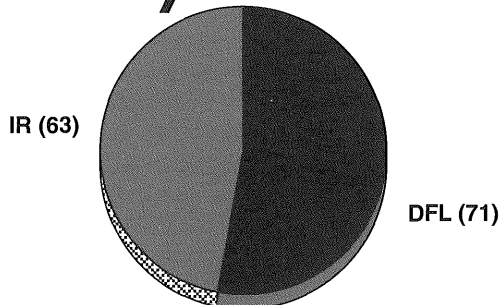


The oldest and youngest members of the Minnesota House: elder statesman Rep. Willard Munger, who will turn 84 this month, left, and Rep. Tim Commers, 28.

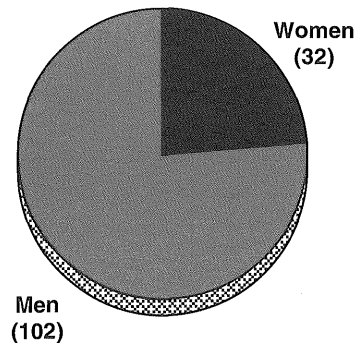
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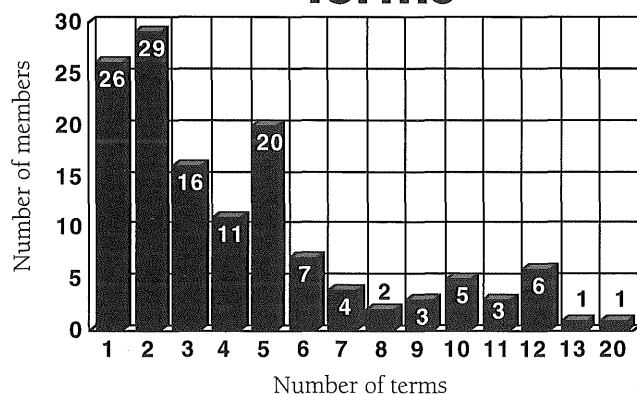
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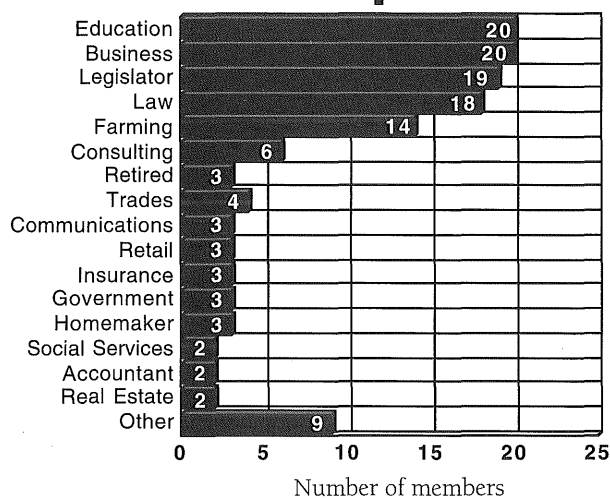
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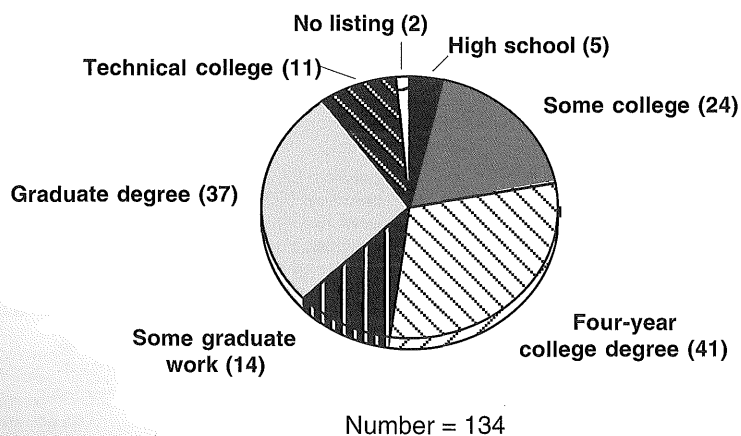
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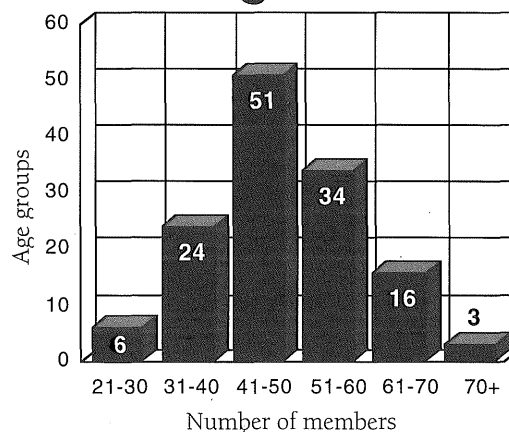
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Q. Who was the oldest member of the Minnesota House of Representatives? The youngest?

A. The oldest Minnesota House member ever to have served is believed to have been 86-year-old Rep. John B. Hompe of Deer Creek in Otter Tail County.

Hompe, a Civil War veteran who enlisted at the age of 16, served in the House during the 1889 session; in the Senate during the 1891 and 1893 sessions; and again in the House during the 1915-1931 sessions.

A farmer, Hompe immigrated from Amsterdam, Holland, to the United States in 1849. He was born Feb. 4, 1846, and died in 1937, according to records from the Legislative Reference Library and the *Minnesota Legislative Manual*.

In 1891, he acted as president of the Senate due to the illness of then-Lt. Gov. G.S. Ives. A book on the 1927 Legislature said of Hompe: "He is still active and vigorous in both mind and body and is inclined to vote on the side of the plain common people."

Although Hompe is believed to be the oldest person to have ever served in the House, Rep. Willard Munger (DFL-Duluth) is closing in on the record. Munger is now 83, but will be 84 later this month.

The youngest House member ever is still in politics today. Tad Jude, a former Hennepin County commissioner, was elected to the Minnesota House as a DFLer from Mound at age 20 and sworn in at age 21. Today he is an Independent-Republican and recently ran unsuccessfully for the U.S. Congress. He left the Minnesota House in 1982.

Jude just missed being disqualified for the House when he was first elected in 1972. The Minnesota Constitution requires all House members to be 21 years old or older. Although Jude was 20 at the time of the November election, his birthday occurred in December, shortly before the January 1973 swearing in and session start date.

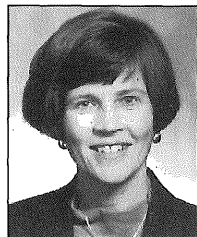


Rep. John B. Hompe

New members . . .

Former IR party chair Sykora takes seat in House chamber

During her education at St. Paul's College of St. Catherine, Rep. Barb Sykora used to take a break some days and travel across town to watch her father at work.



Rep. Barb Sykora

She'd climb the State Capitol steps, head over to the Senate floor, and peer over the railing of the public gallery to watch Sen. John Zwach, then Senate majority leader (and later a U.S. representative from southwestern Minnesota).

"I was awfully proud," Sykora said. She was studying to be a school teacher then and hadn't thought much about politics.

Today, Zwach's daughter climbs the Capitol steps for a different reason — to represent the people from western Hennepin County in the Minnesota House of Representatives.

Sykora, an Independent-Republican from Excelsior, isn't a new lawmaker in the traditional sense. She served as the state IR Party co-chair from 1987 to 1993. She recruited many of the IR lawmakers now in the Legislature to run for office, and she supported them during campaign trips and media swings around the state.

As the state IR party co-chair, "you're support service," Sykora said. Your top priorities are to train volunteers, recruit candidates, and win elections. As a lawmaker, she believes she will have more of a direct impact in changing state policy and be able to help her constituents more.

"I'm not as partisan as you'd think a former state party chair would be . . . I'd prefer to be a statesman. My motivation is for the next generation," said Sykora, 53, who most recently served as district director for former U.S. Rep. Rod Grams, now a U.S. senator.

"I've been tested under some stressful situations," Sykora said. During her tenure with the state party she had to help clean up a major budget deficit within the party's accounts and help handle Sen. Dave Durenberger's ethical issues.

But, she said, she knows she still has a lot to learn as a first-term lawmaker.

Sykora did try to use her knowledge and experience to gain an assistant minority leader's spot this session. She gave veteran IR lawmakers a run for their money when she lasted until the seventh ballot before drop-

ping out of the race.

She was encouraged to run for office in 1994 after Rep. Jerry Knickerbocker (IR-Minnetonka) announced he was retiring. "I had a strong interest in public policy and felt I could represent my community well," she said.

Sykora had four children to raise and lived in a district with strong incumbents who were difficult to challenge. She did try unsuccessfully to challenge then U.S. Rep. Gerry Sikorski for the sixth district congressional seat in 1986.

Portions of her legislative agenda directly stem from her children and their generation. She sees how difficult it is for young adults today to find good jobs and hopes she can provide help by improving Minnesota's business climate.

Education funding reform also is a part of her agenda. Minnesota's property tax system is based on a false premise that higher property value implies a greater level of income, she said. As a result, many metropolitan homeowners, especially seniors, are taxed out of their homes.

Sykora says money goes further in rural areas. The cost of living in a particular district should be included in the education funding formula.

Like many from her large Independent-Republican first-term class, Sykora said she also hopes to help reform the state's welfare and workers' compensation systems.

"There are lots of problems government can't solve," she said. "As citizens, we need to re-create an atmosphere that turns to the communities and individuals to solve problems rather than the government."

— K. Darcy Hanzlik

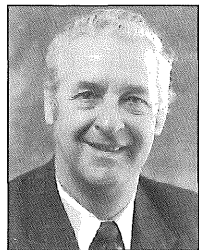
District 43B

Population: 32,296
Distribution: 100 percent in urban areas
County: Hennepin
Largest city: Minnetonka
Location: west Metro
Unemployment rate: 3.86 percent
Residents living below poverty level: 2.08 percent
1992 presidential election results:
 Bush/Quayle 39.79 percent
 Clinton/Gore 35.27 percent
 Perot/Stockdale 24.08 percent
 Other: 0.86 percent

New members . . .

Pellow emerges after reprieve; returns for third term

A lot full of mangled and misfit automobiles may be an odd place to uncover an interest in politics. But out from under the heaps of metal arose Rep. Dick Pellow's law-making aspirations.



Rep. Dick Pellow

Pellow's childhood dreams never entailed wearing a tie, shaking hands on a campaign trail, or sitting through long debates on the House floor. Thoughts of fast cars, greasy engines, and socket wrenches filled his head.

"I was a greaser, a car nut. Growing up, I ate and slept cars," he said. At the age of 15, he repaired and painted his first car, a 1936 Ford four-door.

Today, Pellow has plenty of ties, lots of opinions about government, a desk on the House floor, literally tons of automobiles, and 20 antique cars.

The 63-year-old Independent-Republican from New Brighton realized his youthful wish. He owns an auto broker company that sells wrecked cars to salvage yards and another company that buys, sells, and repairs tow trucks.

But what he didn't know when he entered the auto broker business was that it would eventually lead him to the Capitol in St. Paul.

"I saw what government was doing to business," he said. "The taxes, the over regulation, the bureaucracy. I wanted to get involved."

In the early days, Pellow called himself a "typical businessman in politics."

He started out working on campaigns for fellow Republicans such as former Rep. Tony Bennett's run for a House seat in the late 1960s. Pellow, who was raised in a DFL/union worker household, was Bennett's yard sign chairperson.

"I never had time to run myself and make the commitment. I had my family and the business. But I knew that I couldn't change zip without becoming a lawmaker. You gotta come down here where the action is," said Pellow, who represented the New Brighton area (just north of St. Paul) from 1988 to 1992. He lost a re-election bid in 1992 only to come back again in 1994.

Pellow said he plans to continue where he left off in 1992. "I want to cut as much bureaucracy as we can cut.

Get government out of people's business and downsize the bureaucracy . . . Businesses have to hire accountants and bookkeepers just to keep track of the new government regulations."

He'd like to cut the Metropolitan Council and its 17 council members which plan and coordinate the development of airports, parks, roads, and other regional issues for the seven-county metropolitan area. The council's authority encompasses 100 cities and the council has a staff of about 150 employees.

Pellow said he'd like to have the metro area cities each have a volunteer representative on a regional planning board and use that board to make decisions and share resources.

Pellow said government gets involved where it shouldn't and wastes money. Two examples of that, he said, are the traffic lights on freeway ramps and the Minnesota Department of Transportation's Highway Helper Program, which is designed to help motorists who are stranded on the highway.

He said he also plans to reintroduce a bill that would cut the earnings of county commissioners in the state to match those of legislators. In 1994, state lawmakers earned \$27,979.

Hennepin County commissioners will earn about \$69,000 a year in 1995; Ramsey County commissioners, about \$41,000.

In addition to those issues, Pellow said he would also like to focus on two long-time IR priorities: cutting workers' compensation rates and lowering commercial and industrial property taxes.

With only eight members making up the difference between the majority (DFL) party and the minority (IR) party in the House, Pellow thinks the IRs have a good shot at getting their agenda to the House floor.

— K. Darcy Hanzlik

It's a fact!

A portrait of Abraham Lincoln hangs in the State Dining Hall of the White House.

But that painting used to hang above the speaker's desk in the Minnesota House chamber.

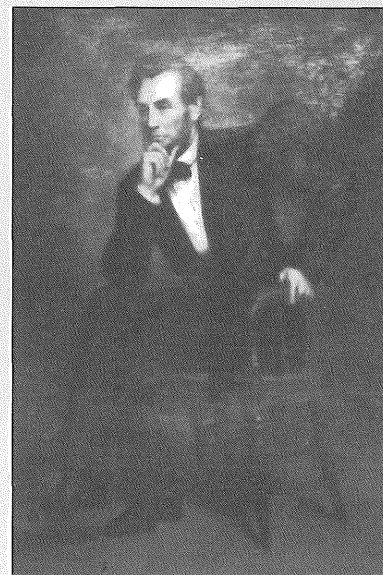
In 1864, President Lincoln sat for a portrait done by George P. Healy, an eminent artist of the time. A copy of the painting was given to Robert Todd Lincoln, and another to Elihu Washburn, an intimate friend of the president's.

Robert Todd Lincoln said they were the finest likenesses of his father ever painted.

The Washburn family later moved to Minnesota, and shortly after the existing State Capitol was completed in 1905, W.D. Washburn loaned the portrait to the state. It was placed above the speaker's desk, where it hung until 1932. At that time, heirs of the Washburns requested that the painting be sent to them in New York City. Later, Jacqueline Kennedy acquired the painting when she was redecorating the White House.

But before relinquishing the original, the state commissioned Edward Brewer of St. Paul to paint a replica of the portrait. The copy is so exact that some say experts can't tell the difference between it and the original.

Brewer's copy now hangs above the speaker's desk in the House chamber.



Abraham Lincoln, as painted by Edward Brewer of St. Paul

District 52B

Population: 32,877
Distribution: 100 percent in urban areas
County: Ramsey
Largest city: New Brighton
Location: north Metro
Unemployment rate: 4.15 percent
Residents living below poverty level: 6.57 percent
1992 presidential election results:
Bush/Quayle 31.98 percent
Clinton/Gore 44.20 percent
Perot/Stockdale 22.84 percent
Other: 0.98 percent

During an organizational meeting of the House Transportation and Transit Committee Jan. 4, Rep. Jim Tunheim (DFL-Kennedy), committee chair, asked members to introduce themselves and say a few words about their home districts.

Several members also expressed their pleasure at being named to the committee, which oversees policy issues related to state trunk highways, city streets, and town roads.

"I was named to this committee . . . because of my name," said Rep. Jim Rhodes (IR-St. Louis Park).

Moments after Rep. Irv Anderson was elected speaker, 10 seconds of tension filled the House chamber when his competition for the powerful post, Minority Leader Steve Sviggum, rose and asked to speak.

Anderson, a DFLer from Int'l Falls, hesitated and began to move on to the next order



of business, electing a House chief clerk.

Sviggum, an Independent-Republican from Kenyon, invoking a point of personal privilege, again asked to be recognized.

Anderson paused, looked at Sviggum, and began to say: "We're in the middle. . . ." He didn't get to finish.

"I was just going to congratulate you, Mr. Speaker," Sviggum said.

The speaker and all assembled laughed with some relief.

It was the first day of the 1995 Legislative Session, too early for the first partisan battle to begin.

That would come about five minutes later.

Finding a vacant public parking space near the State Capitol during a legislative session usually requires strategy, cunning, and a competitive edge. Rep. Phyllis Kahn (DFL-Mpls), however, has an idea that may make finding a parking spot less of a blood sport.

Kahn told fellow House members Jan. 5 that the public should have access to the most visible parking spaces around the Capitol, specifically, the dozens of spots directly in front of the steps to the Capitol's main entrance. There's just one problem—the spaces are currently occupied by state senators.

Kahn, who made the proposal just before the House approved a Senate resolution on parking for legislators and staff, said there is ample parking space for senators in lots near the Capitol such as the Judicial Center parking garage.

"The problem is senators do not want to enter the Capitol by the back door," Kahn quipped.

The pledge of "no new taxes" has fallen from the lips of many politicians in recent years, but it's been quite a while since anyone has upheld a promise to put the brakes on state government spending.

It happened in 1926 when Gov. Theodore Christianson, campaigning for re-election, promised that the amount of money spent by the 1927 Legislature would not exceed the amount allocated by the 1925 Legislature. No new programs, no inflationary increases were to be allowed.

His reasoning? The state's income was fixed, much like one's personal income, and the state had to live within its means.

"There is no good reason why the principle which pre-determines personal budgets should not pre-determine public budgets also," he said.

Christianson was re-elected by a wide margin.

In his 1927 State of the State address, Christianson said he considered his fiscal promise "an obligation as binding in

Do you know?



Gov. Theodore Christianson honor as the most sacred of a man's covenants."

In a speech that could have been written today, he said, "I am convinced,

that under present conditions the voters do not want an increase — that they cannot bear an increase — in their tax burden. I feel that they expressed that conviction in their votes as definitely and emphatically as anything can be expressed in a popular election. Their decision has pre-determined the maximum of appropriations; for the total of appropriations cannot be increased without increasing the tax levy."

And while many thought he was bluffing, including those in his own Republican party, Christianson kept his word. There were no tax increases, and the governor vetoed all bills calling for salary increases, along with several million dollars worth of other appropriations. The 1927 Legislature spent no more than the 1925 Legislature.

There was no attempt to override the vetoes in either the House or the Senate. The people elected Christianson to a third two-year term as governor in 1928. He bested his closest opponent by a margin of nearly 3 to 1.

It's a fact!

Some current legislative issues are, as Yogi Berra once said, "like déjà vu all over again."

Burgeoning classrooms in Minnesota's elementary schools drew the attention of Minnesota lawmakers as early as 1974. HF3633 of that year would have required at least one teacher's aide for every first and second grade class having more than 20 pupils.

The bill didn't pass, and at least one private organization, the Legislative Evaluation Assembly (LEA), thought it was a bad idea from the start.

"Several comprehensive and exhaustive studies have recently shown that there is no correlation between class size and learning over a wide range of class sizes," the LEA wrote in its 1974 *Annual Report on Minnesota Legislation and Legislators*. They added "there is little or no chance that this program would improve education."

The LEA labeled the bill an 'education WPA,' in reference to Franklin Delano Roosevelt's Works Progress Administration, designed to improve the country's infrastructure and provide jobs during the Great Depression.

"Because of the declining national birth rate, those trained as teachers but currently not employed in teaching, should convert to other career fields, not seek make-work jobs in the schools at taxpayers' expense," wrote the LEA.

Lawmakers in recent years have wisely chosen to disagree with the LEA.

Recognizing the importance of smaller class sizes, Minnesota lawmakers spent more than \$100 million in 1993 (and an additional \$8.7 million in 1994) to reduce class sizes by hiring new teachers. School districts had to use the funds to attain a 17:1 student-teacher ratio in grades K-1, and then in subsequent grades as the revenue was available.

As for the LEA, their annual reports on the Legislature ended in 1974.



Rep. LeRoy Koppendrayer (IR-Princeton) and his wife, Carolyn, along with a panel of legislators and their spouses gave brief presentations on what life is like for House members and their families. A question and answer period followed the presentation, which took place Nov. 30 at the Riverwood Conference Center, Monticello, Minn.

Orientation retreat . . .

Former state senator urges more integrity, less bacon

A new member orientation retreat was held Nov. 30 - Dec. 2, 1994, at Riverwood Conference Center near Monticello, Minn.

The purpose of the conference was to help 27 newly elected lawmakers make a smooth transition to the role of being a member of the Minnesota House of Representatives.

The program included guest speakers, panel discussions, legislative workshops, staff presentations, and social activities.

Guest speakers included John Brandl, professor at the University of Minnesota's Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, whose message was based on 12 years of legislative experience — eight as a Minnesota House member and four as a state senator.

Speaking on the "Ethics and Responsibility of a Legislator," Brandl said that a legislator's first responsibility is to the people of the state. If you take care of only "your corner of the state," or if you "dance with them that brung 'ya," the public interest will not emerge. You can easily convince yourself that you're doing God's work by "bringing home the bacon," rather than using good judgment in seeing to it that the money is doing the job for the benefit of all, he said.

Another responsibility is to "revive integrity," according to Brandl, who believes that there is a "link between private and public virtue." He warned the new lawmakers that politics can become a substitute for a normal life, and that it is easy to treat family members as appendages — stamp lickens and door knockers.

Brandl also discussed voting. He urged members to not back away from their stand on an issue because "you think you might lose your spot in the Legislature. Don't fall into the trap of not being able to imagine yourself doing anything else," he said.

Other speakers included former U.S. Rep. Vin Weber, who talked about the role of government, and former U.S. Rep. Tim Penny, who discussed leadership style.

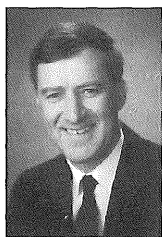
Legislators also had a chance to "Meet the Press" by attending a session that featured Betty Wilson, former political writer for the *Star Tribune*; Karen Boros, freelance political writer; Eric Eskola, political reporter for WCCO Radio; and Dennis Stauffer, political reporter for KARE-11 News.

Rep. Tom Pugh (DFL-South St. Paul), Rep. Hilda Bettermann (IR-Brandon), and former Rep. Peter Rodosovich co-chaired the event with the help of a committee made up of several House members and two staff facilitators.

An earlier orientation program was held shortly after the general election on Nov. 10. First-termers spent three-and-one-half hours hearing overviews of the operation of the House and the legislative process. The program ended with a tour of the State Capitol and the State Office Building.

(Meet the 27 newly elected 1995 House members on the next three pages.)

Meet the new 1995 House members



Anderson, Bruce (IR) 19B
281 State Office Building 296-5063

Home: Buffalo Township
*3222 Aadland Ave. N.E. 55313 (612) 682-1480
Business: Maple Grove
7555 Meridian Circle 55430 (612) 493-8525
Born: 3/12/50. **Married:** spouse Dottie, 5 children. **Occupation:** Federal Express/Air National Guard. **Education:** aviation electronics, USN; AA, agribusiness, Willmar Technical College; liberal arts, NHJC, Crown College. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.



Daggett, Roxann (IR) 11A
225 State Office Building 296-4293

Home: Frazee
*P.O. Box 154 56544 (218) 334-3871
Born: 3/10/47. **Married:** spouse Dave, 2 children. **Occupation:** Motivational Speaker. **Education:** BS, communications, Concordia College/University of North Dakota. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.



Bakk, Thomas (DFL) 6A
429 State Office Building 296-2190

Home: Cook
*2361 Retreat Road 55723 (218) 666-5041
Business: Virginia
307 1st St. N. 55792 (218) 741-6010
Born: 6/8/54. **Family:** 2 children. **Occupation:** Labor Representative. **Education:** BBA, labor management relations, University of Minnesota-Duluth. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.



Entenza, Matt (DFL) 64A
*531 State Office Building 296-8799

Home: St. Paul
1622 Hague St. 55104 (612) 647-1425
Born: 10/4/61. **Married:** spouse Lois Quam, 3 children. **Occupation:** Attorney. **Education:** BA, environmental studies, Macalester College; law, Oxford University, England; JD, University of Minnesota Law School. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.



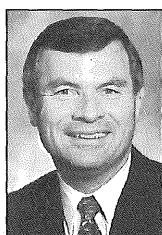
Boudreau, Lynda (IR) 25B
327 State Office Building 296-8237

Home: Faribault
*18166 Faribault Blvd. 55021 (507) 332-7760
Born: 3/9/52. **Married:** spouse Jim, 3 children. **Occupation:** Family Health Aide, WIC Clerical Staff. **Education:** Secondary; job-related coursework. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.



Haas, Bill (IR) 48A
201 State Office Building 296-5513

Home: Champlin
*215 Lowell Road 55316 (612) 421-6153
Born: 6/25/49. **Married:** spouse Joenie, 2 children. **Occupation:** Employee Benefits Broker, Consultant. **Education:** AA, math/biology, University of Minnesota. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.



Bradley, Fran (IR) 30A
241 State Office Building 296-9249

Home: Rochester
*4316 Manor View Dr. N.W. 55901 ... (507) 288-3439
Born: 6/13/42. **Married:** spouse Mary, 4 children. **Occupation:** Computer Engineer/Manager. **Education:** BS, mechanical engineering, South Dakota State University; graduate work, University of Minnesota. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.



Hackbarth, Tom (IR) 50A
313 State Office Building 296-2439

Home: Cedar
*19255 Eidelweiss St. N.W. 55011 (612) 753-3215
Born: 12/28/51. **Married:** spouse Mary, 3 children. **Occupation:** Automotive Parts. **Education:** North Hennepin Community College. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.



Broecker, Sherry (IR) 53B
321 State Office Building 296-7153

Home: Vadnais Heights
*4558 Birch Ridge Road 55127 (612) 429-8269
Born: 2/14/51. **Married:** spouse Jerry, 3 children. **Occupation:** Self-employed Custom Picture Framer. **Education:** art education, University of Minnesota. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.

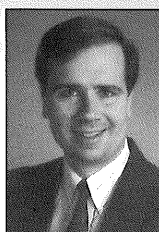


Harder, Elaine (IR) 22B
277 State Office Building 296-5373

Home: Jackson
*107 Parkside Ave. 56143 (507) 847-3550
Business: Jackson
(507) 847-5547
Born: 12/27/47. **Married:** spouse Ronald, 2 children. **Occupation:** Insurance Agent. **Education:** BS, secondary education, Mankato State University. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.

Knoblach, Jim (IR) 16B
 215 State Office Building 296-6316

Home: St. Cloud
 1552 Prairie Hill Road 56301 (612) 252-6179
Business: St. Cloud
 *P.O. Box 7563 56302 (612) 252-8871
 Born: 11/57. **Married:** spouse Janet, 1 child. **Occupation:** Small Business Owner. **Education:** BS, economics/business administration, St. John's University; MBA, Harvard University; MA, American Government, Georgetown University, CPA. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.



Marko, Sharon (DFL) 57B
 507 State Office Building 296-3135

Home: Newport
 *121 10th St. 55055 (612) 459-7757
 Born: 3/2/53. **Occupation:** Communications Consultant. **Education:** BS, communications, Indiana University; graduate work, University of Minnesota. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.



Kraus, Ron (IR) 27A
 279 State Office Building 296-6746

Home: Albert Lea
 *2922 Campus Drive 56007 (507) 373-1003
Business: Albert Lea
 408 S. Broadway 56007 (507) 377-9225
 Born: 5/13/56. **Married:** spouse Kathy, 2 children. **Occupation:** Business Owner. **Education:** business/political science, University of Minnesota-Duluth; St. Mary's College, Winona; Mankato State University. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.



McElroy, Dan (IR) 36B
 259 State Office Building 296-4212

Home: Burnsville
 *12805 Welcome Lane 55337 (612) 890-2224
Business: Long Lake
 Travel Agency Management Services
 P.O. Box 845 55356 (612) 476-0005
 Born: 7/15/48. **Married:** spouse Mary. **Occupation:** Management Consultant. **Education:** BA, history, University of Notre Dame. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.



Larsen, Peg (IR) 56B
 *311 State Office Building 296-4244

Home: Lakeland
 409 Quixote Ave. N. 55043 (612) 436-5073
 Born: 8/10/49. **Married:** spouse Thomas, 4 children. **Occupation:** Educational Assistant Special Needs. **Education:** BA, sociology, University of Slippery Rock, Slippery Rock, Penn.. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.



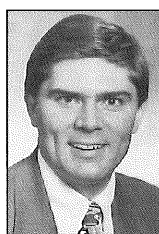
Mulder, Richard (IR) 21B
 *387 State Office Building 296-4336

Home: Ivanhoe
 Box A 56142 (507) 694-1539
Business: Ivanhoe
 366 E. George St. 56142 (507) 694-1232
 Born: 5/8/38. **Married:** spouse Ruth, 4 children. **Occupation:** Family Physician. **Education:** BS, pharmacy, South Dakota State University; Associate degree, medicine, University of South Dakota; MD, University of Iowa. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.



Leighton Jr., Robert (DFL) 27B
 527 State Office Building 296-4193

Home: Austin
 911 5th Ave. N.E. 55912 (507) 437-9329
Business: Austin
 *601 N. Main St. 55912 (507) 433-8813
 Born: 7/7/65. **Single.** **Occupation:** Attorney. **Education:** BA, economics, University of Minnesota; JD, University of California, Berkeley. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.



Osskopp, Mike (IR) 29B
 329 State Office Building 296-9236

Home: Lake City
 *1024 Lilac Lane 55041 (612) 345-4693
Business: Hastings
 P.O. Box 215 55041 (612) 437-1460
 Born: 10/3/51. **Married:** spouse Monica, 2 children. **Occupation:** Radio Broadcast Journalist. **Education:** BA, journalism, Institute of Broadcast Arts; MA theology, Moody Bible Institute. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.



Mares, Harry (IR) 55A
 239 State Office Building 296-5363

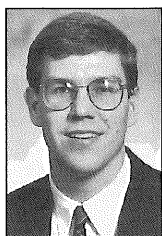
Home: White Bear Lake
 *2592 Crown Hill Court 55110 (612) 429-7189
Business: White Bear Lake
 3551 McKnight Road 55110 (612) 773-6200
 Born: 12/21/38. **Married:** spouse Geri, 7 children. **Occupation:** Teacher. **Education:** BA, political science, Loras College, Dubuque, Iowa; MS, education, Winona State University. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.



Otremba, Ken (DFL) 11B
 545 State Office Building 296-3201

Home: Long Prairie
 *Route 2, Box 17 56347 (612) 732-6201
 Born: 10/29/48. **Married:** spouse Mary Ellen, 4 children. **Occupation:** Farmer. **Education:** U.S. Navy Advanced Electronics School. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.





Paulsen, Erik (IR) 42B
*221 State Office Building 296-7449

Home: Eden Prairie
9158 East Staring Lane 55347 (612) 949-8869
Born: 5/14/65. **Married:** spouse Kelly, 1 child. **Education:** BA, mathematics, St. Olaf College. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.



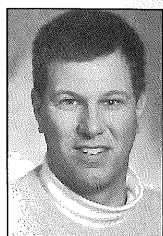
Sykora, Barbara (IR) 43B
357 State Office Building 296-4315

Home: Excelsior
*4835 Highcrest Drive 55331 (612) 474-3634
Married: spouse Bob, 4 children. **Occupation:** Legislator. **Education:** BA, education, College of St. Catherine. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.



Pellow, Richard (IR) 52B
*233 State Office Building 296-0141

Home: New Brighton
1471 18th St. N.W. 55112 (612) 633-7052
Business: St. Paul
1280 Jackson St. 55117 (612) 488-0581
Married: spouse Jean, 5 children. **Occupation:** Business Owner. **Education:** Vocational/Technical. **Elected:** 1988. **Term:** 3rd (non-consecutive).



Tuma, John (IR) 25A
*301 State Office Building 296-4229

Home: Northfield
4597 Delancey Court 55057 (507) 663-0013
Business: Northfield
P.O. Box 168 55057 (507) 645-4431
Born: 9/25/62. **Married:** spouse Wendy, 1 child. **Occupation:** Attorney. **Education:** BA, political science, Mankato State University; JD, University of Minnesota Law School. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.



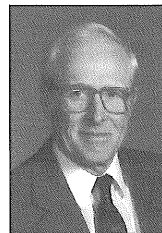
Rostberg, Jim (IR) 18A
323 State Office Building 296-5364

Home: Isanti
*26450 Terrace Rd. N.E. 55040 (612) 444-9045
Born: 5/28/56. **Married:** spouse Kathy, 2 children. **Occupation:** Veterans Service Officer. **Education:** AA, Cambridge Community College; public administration, Metropolitan State University. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.



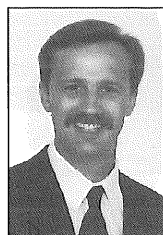
Schumacher, Leslie (DFL) 17B
413 State Office Building 296-5377

Home: Princeton
*18180 17th St. 55371 (612) 662-2075
Business: Santiago
16585 20th St. 55377 **Born:** 10/4/55. **Married:** spouse Byron, 2 children. **Occupation:** Freelance Artist. **Education:** Art/business, vocational/technical. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.



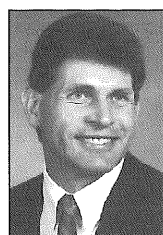
Swenson, Howard (IR) 23B
331 State Office Building 296-8634

Home: Nicollet
*Rural Route 2, Box 140 56074 (507) 246-5125
Married: spouse Jane, 5 children. **Occupation:** Farmer. **Education:** Secondary. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.



†Ourada, Mark (IR) 19
145 State Office Building 296-5981

Home: Buffalo
1110 Innsbrook Lane 55313 682-5024
Business: Buffalo
Hwy. 55 55313 682-1221
Born: 4/28/56. **Married:** spouse Christi. **Occupation:** Lab technician. **Education:** St. John's University, Political Science. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.



†Scheevel, Kenric J. (IR) 31
129 State Office Building 296-3903

Home: Preston
Route 2, Box 227 55965 (507) 937-3433
Business: Same
Born: 7/7/56. **Married:** spouse Karen, 2 children. **Occupation:** Farmer. **Education:** BA, Northwestern College, Orange City, Iowa; BSME, South Dakota State University. **Elected:** 1994. **Term:** 1st.

†Elected, special election November 8, 1994.

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Unofficial list as of January 5, 1995

District/Member/Party			Phone (612) 296-	District/Member/Party			Phone (612) 296-
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45A Abrams, Ron (IR)	209		9934	8B Lourey, Becky (DFL)	421		4308
10A Anderson, Bob (DFL)	437		4946	47A Luther, Darlene (DFL)	525		3751
19B Anderson, Bruce (IR)	281		5063	50B Lynch, Teresa (IR)	295		5369
3A Anderson, Irv (DFL)	463		4936	37B Macklin, Bill (IR)	349		6926
6A Bakk, Thomas (DFL)	429		2190	40A Mahon, Mark P. (DFL)	401		7158
14B Bertram, Jeff (DFL)	571		4373	55A Mares, Harry (IR)	239		5363
10B Bettermann, Hilda (IR)	243		4317	65B Mariani, Carlos (DFL)	403		9714
30B Bishop, Dave (IR)	343		0573	57B Marko, Sharon (DFL)	507		3135
25B Boudreau, Lynda (IR)	327		8237	55B McCollum, Betty (DFL)	501		1188
30A Bradley, Fran (IR)	241		9249	36B McElroy, Dan (IR)	259		4212
53B Broecker, Sherry (IR)	321		7153	54A McGuire, Mary Jo (DFL)	567		4342
13A Brown, Chuck (DFL)	597		4929	39B Milbert, Bob (DFL)	579		4192
46B Carlson, Lyndon R. (DFL)	379		4255	35A Molnau, Carol (IR)	287		8872
47B Carruthers, Phil (DFL)	459		3709	21B Mulder, Richard (IR)	387		4336
61A Clark, Karen (DFL)	503		0294	7A Munger, Willard (DFL)	479		4282
38A Commers, Tim (IR)	217		3533	8A Murphy, Mary (DFL)	557		2676
15B Cooper, Roger (DFL)	549		4346	20A Ness, Robert "Bob" (IR)	335		4344
11A Daggett, Roxann (IR)	225		4293	2B Olson, Edgar (DFL)	565		4265
9B Dauner, Marvin (DFL)	581		6829	19A Olson, Mark (IR)	223		4237
31B Davids, Gregory M. (IR)	371		9278	20B Onnen, Tony (IR)	273		1534
65A Dawkins, Andy (DFL)	409		5158	16A Opatz, Joe (DFL)	377		6612
14A Dehler, Steve (IR)	203		7808	64B Orenstein, Howard (DFL)	529		4199
51A Delmont, Mike (DFL)	575		4226	60B Orfield, Myron (DFL)	521		9281
29A Dempsey, Jerry (IR)	251		8635	29B Osskopp, Mike (IR)	329		9236
24A Dorn, John (DFL)	533		3248	66A Osthoff, Tom (DFL)	585		4224
64A Entenza, Matt (DFL)	531		8799	24B Ostrom, Don (DFL)	433		7065
42A Erhardt, Ron (IR)	237		4363	11B Otremba, Ken (DFL)	545		3201
67A Farrell, Jim (DFL)	423		4277	37A Ozment, Dennis (IR)	283		4306
1B Finseth, Tim (IR)	253		9918	42B Paulsen, Erik (IR)	221		7449
31A Frerichs, Don L. (IR)	247		4378	38B Pawlenty, Tim (IR)	231		4128
63B Garcia, Edwina (DFL)	411		5375	52B Pellow, Richard (IR)	233		0141
21A Girard, Jim (IR)	213		5374	32A Pelowski Jr., Gene (DFL)	517		8637
9A Goodno, Kevin (IR)	369		5515	57A Perl, Walter E. (DFL)	473		7807
62A Greenfield, Lee (DFL)	375		0173	13B Peterson, Doug (DFL)	523		4228
54B Greiling, Mindy (DFL)	553		5387	39A Pugh, Thomas (DFL)	583		6828
48A Haas, Bill (IR)	201		5513	46A Rest, Ann H. (DFL)	443		4176
50A Hackbarth, Tom (IR)	313		2439	44B Rhodes, Jim (IR)	309		9889
22B Harder, Elaine (IR)	277		5373	58A Rice, James I. (DFL)	381		4262
12A Hasskamp, Kris (DFL)	451		4333	18A Rostberg, Jim (IR)	323		5364
66B Hausman, Alice (DFL)	449		3824	5A Rukavina, Tom (DFL)	471		0170
56A Holsten, Mark (IR)	345		3018	59A Sarna, John J. (DFL)	563		4219
26A Hugoson, Gene (IR)	289		3240	17B Schumacher, Leslie (DFL)	413		5377
6B Huntley, Thomas (DFL)	569		2228	41A Seagren, Alice (IR)	315		7803
49B Jacobs, Joel (DFL)	485		4231	52A Simoneau, Wayne (DFL)	365		4331
7B Jaros, Mike (DFL)	559		4246	62B Skoglund, Wesley J. "Wes" (DFL)	477		4330
58B Jefferson, Richard H. (DFL)	577		8659	34A Smith, Steve (IR)	353		9188
18B Jennings, Loren (DFL)	537		0518	3B Solberg, Loren (DFL)	445		2365
48B Johnson, Alice M. (DFL)	539		5510	28B Sviggum, Steven A. (IR)	267		2273
4A Johnson, Bob (DFL)	551		5516	51B Swenson, Doug (IR)	255		4124
32B Johnson, Virgil J. (IR)	207		1069	23B Swenson, Howard (IR)	331		8634
59B Kahn, Phyllis (DFL)	367		4257	43B Sykora, Barbara (IR)	357		4315
26B Kalis, Henry J. (DFL)	543		4240	5B Tomassoni, David (DFL)	593		0172
44A Kelley, Steve (DFL)	417		3964	36A Tompkins, Eileen (IR)	245		5506
35B Kelso, Becky (DFL)	415		1072	67B Trimble, Steve (DFL)	491		4201
4B Kinkel, Anthony G. "Tony" (DFL)	453		2451	25A Tuma, John (IR)	301		4229
40B Knight, Kevin (IR)	307		4218	1A Tunheim, Jim (DFL)	509		9635
16B Knoblach, Jim (IR)	215		6316	34B Van Dellen, H. Todd (IR)	291		5511
17A Koppendrayar, LeRoy (IR)	389		6746	15A Van Engen, Tom (IR)	359		6206
27A Kraus, Ron (IR)	279		8216	23A Vickerman, Barb (IR)	211		9303
53A Krinkie, Phil (IR)	303		2907	63A Wagenius, Jean (DFL)	439		4200
56B Larsen, Peg (IR)	311		4244	49A Weaver, Charlie (IR)	261		1729
27B Leighton Jr., Robert (DFL)	527		4193	61B Wejcman, Linda (DFL)	431		7152
45B Leppik, Peggy (IR)	393		7026	12B Wenzel, Stephen G. (DFL)	487		4247
2A Lieder, Bernie (DFL)	515		5091	22A Winter, Ted (DFL)	407		5505
33B Limmer, Warren (IR)	351		5502	41B Wolf, Ken (IR)	317		5185
33A Lindner, Arlon (IR)	227		7806	28A Worke, Gary D. (IR)	229		5368
60A Long, Dee (DFL)	591		0171	43A Workman, Tom (IR)	337		5066

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66 Anderson, Ellen R. (DFL)	G-27 Cap.	5537	54 Marty, John (DFL)	G-9 Cap.	5645
26 Beckman, Tracy L. (DFL)	301 Cap.	5713	33 Special election to be held†		
41 Belanger, William V., Jr. (IR)	113 SOB	5975	49 Merriam, Gene (DFL)	122 Cap.	4154
13 Berg, Charles A. (DFL)	328 Cap.	5094	39 Metzen, James P. (DFL)	303 Cap.	4370
61 Berglin, Linda (DFL)	G-9 Cap.	4261	2 Moe, Roger D. (DFL)	208 Cap.	2577
14 Bertram Sr., Joe (DFL)	323 Cap.	2084	44 Mondale, Ted A. (DFL)	309 Cap.	7-8065
48 Betzold, Don (DFL)	G-24 Cap.	2556	32 Morse, Steven (DFL)	G-24 Cap.	5649
55 Chandler, Kevin M. (DFL)	111 Cap.	9307	29 Murphy, Steve L. (DFL)	226 Cap.	4264
8 Chmielewski, Florian W. (DFL)	325 Cap.	4182	25 Neuville, Thomas M. (IR)	123 SOB	1279
64 Cohen, Richard J. (DFL)	317 Cap.	5931	52 Novak, Steven G. (DFL)	322 Cap.	4334
28 Day, Dick (IR)	105 SOB	9457	43 Oliver, Edward C. (IR)	121 SOB	4837
20 Dille, Steve (IR)	103 SOB	4131	34 Olson, Gen (IR)	119 SOB	1282
4 Finn, Harold R. "Skip" (DFL)	306 Cap.	6128	19 Ourada, Mark (IR)	145 SOB	5981
62 Flynn, Carol (DFL)	G-29 Cap.	4274	65 Pappas, Sandra L. (DFL)	G-27 Cap.	1802
23 Frederickson, Dennis R. (IR)	139 SOB	8138	37 Pariseau, Pat (IR)	109 SOB	5252
50 Hanson, Paula E. (DFL)	328 Cap.	3219	27 Piper, Pat (DFL)	G-9 Cap.	9248
24 Hottinger, John C. (DFL)	G-29 Cap.	6153	59 Pogemiller, Lawrence J. (DFL)	235 Cap.	7809
5 Janezich, Jerry R. (DFL)	328 Cap.	8017	57 Price, Leonard R. (DFL)	235 Cap.	7-8060
15 Johnson, Dean E. (IR)	147 SOB	3826	63 Ranum, Jane B. (DFL)	325 Cap.	7-8061
6 Johnson, Douglas J. (DFL)	205 Cap.	8881	46 Reichgott Junge, Ember D. (DFL)	205 Cap.	2889
18 Johnson, Janet B. (DFL)	322 Cap.	5419	40 Riveness, Phil J. (DFL)	317 Cap.	7-8062
35 Johnston, Terry D. (IR)	117 SOB	4123	45 Robertson, Martha R. (IR)	125 SOB	4314
67 Kelly, Randy C. (DFL)	122 Cap.	5285	53 Runbeck, Linda (IR)	107 SOB	1253
30 Kiscaden, Sheila M. (IR)	143 SOB	4848	11 Sams, Dallas C. (DFL)	G-9 Cap.	7-8063
16 Kleis, David (IR)	151 SOB	6455	12 Samuelson, Don (DFL)	124 Cap.	4875
36 Knutson, David L. (IR)	133 SOB	4120	31 Scheevel, Kenric J. (IR)	129 SOB	3903
47 Kramer, Don (IR)	131 SOB	8869	7 Solon, Sam G. (DFL)	303 Cap.	4188
51 Krentz, Jane (DFL)	235 Cap.	7061	60 Spear, Allan H. (DFL)	G-27 Cap.	4191
58 Kroening, Carl W. (DFL)	124 Cap.	4302	17 Stevens, Dan (IR)	127 SOB	8075
56 Laidig, Gary W. (IR)	141 SOB	4351	1 Stumpf, LeRoy A. (DFL)	G-24 Cap.	8660
9 Langseth, Keith (DFL)	G-24 Cap.	3205	42 Terwilliger, Roy W. (IR)	115 SOB	6238
10 Larson, Cal (IR)	153 SOB	5655	22 Vickerman, Jim (DFL)	226 Cap.	5650
21 Lesewski, Arlene J. (IR)	135 SOB	4125	38 Wiener, Deanna (DFL)	303 Cap.	7-8073
3 Lessard, Bob (DFL)	111 Cap.	4136			

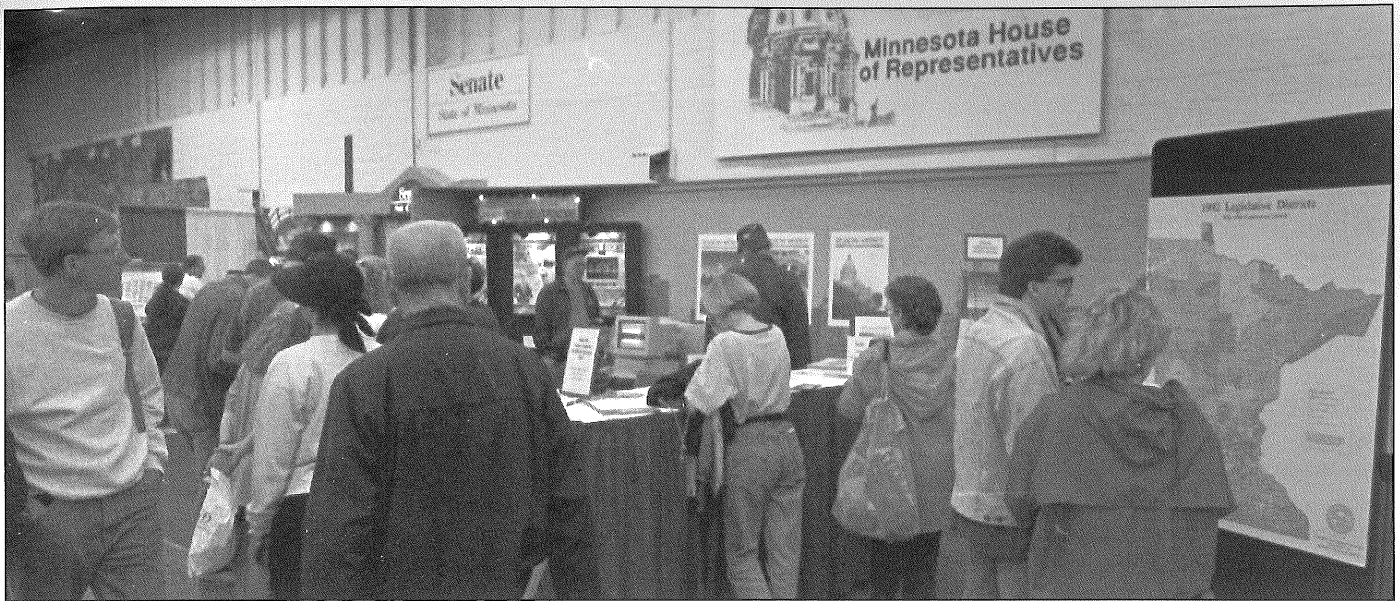
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7 A • Willard Munger-DFL B • Mike Jaros-DFL Sen. Sam G. Solon-DFL	21 A • Jim Girard-IR B • Richard Mulder-IR Sen. Arlene J. Lesewski-IR	35 A • Carol Molau-IR B • Becky Kelso-DFL Sen. Terry D. Johnston-IR	49 A • Charlie Weaver-IR B • Joel Jacobs-DFL Sen. Gene Merriam-DFL	63 A • Jean Wagenius-DFL B • Edwina Garcia-DFL Sen. Jane B. Ranum-DFL
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11 A • Roxann Daggett-IR B • Ken Oltremba-DFL Sen. Dallas C. Sams-DFL	25 A • John Tuma-IR B • Lynda Boudreau-IR Sen. Thomas M. Neuville-IR	39 A • Thomas Pugh-DFL B • Bob Milbert-DFL Sen. James P. Metzen-DFL	53 A • Phil Krinkie-IR B • Sherry Broecker-IR Sen. Linda Runbeck-IR	67 A • Jim Farrell-DFL B • Steve Trimble-DFL Sen. Randy C. Kelly-DFL
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†—Special election for District 33 Senate seat will be held February 2, 1995. The primary election will be on January 19, 1995.

Unofficial list as of January 5, 1995



Hundreds of fairgoers visited the House and Senate exhibits each day of the 1994 Minnesota State Fair.

From lighthouses to potty parity. . .

Citizens chat with House members at 1994 State Fair

A total of 45 House members volunteered to greet the public and answer questions in the House booth at the 1994 Minnesota State Fair.

The House exhibit in the Education Building attracted hundreds of fairgoers daily between Aug. 25 and Labor Day, Sept. 5.

Visitors were able to chat with members or try their hand at several computer games. The quizzes tested knowledge of laws passed by the 1994 Legislature, the origins of Minnesota's 87 county names, and obscure historical tidbits from Minnesota's past. (Did you know Ignatius Donnelly, a flamboyant Minnesota politician from the late 1800s, authored a book which argued that the lost City of Atlantis really existed?)

This marked the third consecutive year that the House and Senate operated their fair booths side by side. The arrangement allowed for greater cooperation and shared services between the two legislative bodies.

More than 120 fairgoers on the House side took advantage of the option to leave written messages for their legislators.

Most comments centered on health and human services concerns followed by those on government issues such as limiting terms and reducing the size of the Legislature.

Education and crime areas tied for third place. Education comments included: "We need more mandated services for gifted and talented students in Minnesota" and "Only people with kids should pay for their education." Crime issues centered on gun control,

the death penalty, and tougher sentencing.

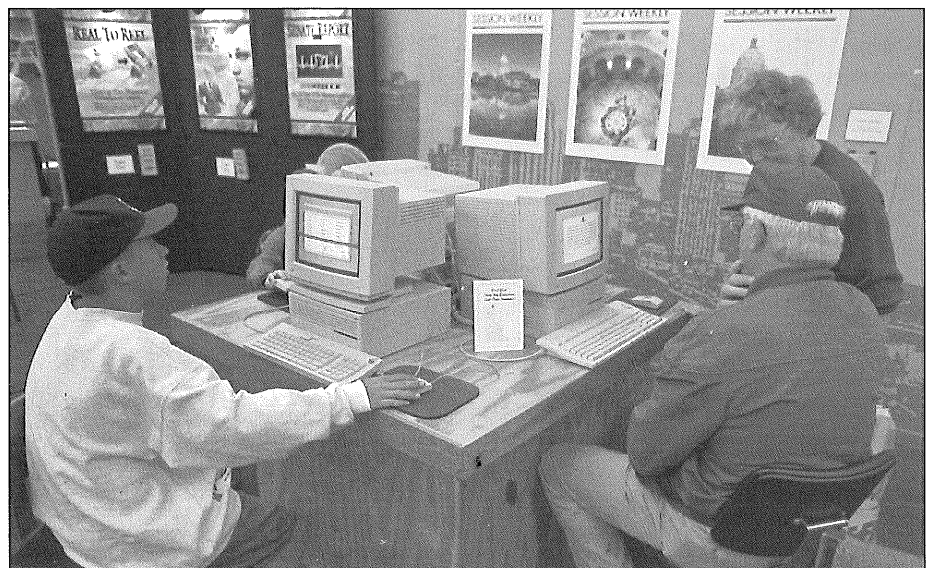
Nine respondents advocated reducing taxes. A few were concerned about transportation: "We would like to find out what the speed limit really is!" An environmentalist wrote: "Split Rock Lighthouse needs to have trees, etc. trimmed to see the lighthouse. Thanx."

Other suggestions ranged from "Let's get rid of all gambling in Minnesota" to potty parity. "Look around this fair," one wrote. "Women stand in LONG LINES to use the bathrooms. Men do not. No real reason why three times the bathrooms could not be made available. It is a women's rights issue (and the

building contractors of Minnesota would thank you, too)."

The annual unofficial public opinion poll, prepared jointly by the House and Senate, was again popular with visitors. Roughly 8,000 fairgoers registered an opinion on taxes, gambling, welfare, health care, and other issues addressed by the poll.

According to the poll results, a majority of Minnesotans are satisfied with their health care coverage and most don't support off-track betting on horses. (See complete results on next page.)



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Results of 1994 unofficial public opinion poll

1. Which statement best reflects your personal opinion regarding your own health care coverage?

I am very satisfied: 3,909 47.6%
I am somewhat satisfied: 2,858 34.8%
I am not satisfied: 998 12.1%
Currently, I do not have health care coverage: 451 5.5%

2. Prior to 1973 the Legislature met every other year. Since then the Legislature has met every year. Should the constitution be changed so that the Legislature meets only once every two years? (Special sessions could still be called as needed.)

Yes: 3,704 44.9%
No: 3,566 43.2%
Undecided: 980 11.9%

3. Should the state provide financial assistance to a son or daughter who cares for an elderly parent in their own home?

Yes: 4,575 55.5%
No: 2,185 26.5%
Undecided: 1,489 18.0%

4. Do you think unmarried minor parents (those under age 18) should be required to live at home with their own parents, or in another type of supervised setting, in order to receive AFDC benefits?

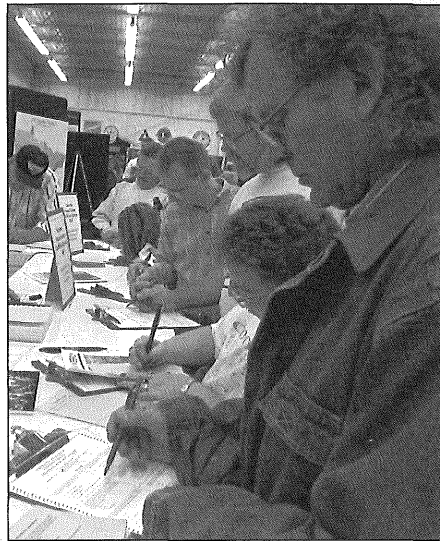
Yes: 5,687 69.4%
No: 1,684 20.5%
Undecided: 829 10.1%

5. Should the state take an active role in preventing professional athletic teams from leaving Minnesota?

Yes, if the cost to taxpayers is minimal: 2,639 31.7%
Yes, regardless of the cost to taxpayers: 220 2.6%
No: 5,076 60.9%
Undecided: 397 4.8%

6. Do you support the compromise agreement reached by the Legislature allowing NSP to store up to 17 dry casks of spent nuclear fuel at the Prairie Island nuclear facility?

Yes: 3,692 44.5%
No: 3,387 40.9%
Undecided: 1,209 14.6%



Over 8,000 visitors completed the unofficial opinion poll designed jointly by the House and Senate.

7. Should the Twin Cities metropolitan area have more restrictive gun control laws than the rest of Minnesota?

Yes: 3,915 47.2%
No: 4,013 48.4%
Undecided: 368 4.4%

8. Would you support public funding of a community-based pregnancy prevention program based on sexual abstinence that is targeted at 12- through 14-year-olds?

Yes: 5,673 68.7%
No: 1,879 22.8%
Undecided: 702 8.5%

9. If Minnesota voters approve off-track betting for horse racing this November, would you favor:

Allowing any licensed bar or service club to have a betting booth: 1,431 17.7%
Six or fewer large betting parlors across the state: 918 11.3%
Regardless of what occurs, I don't support off-track betting: 4,740 58.6%
Undecided: 1,000 12.4%

10. To reduce reliance on local property taxes for the funding of Minnesota's K-12 public schools, which of the following best reflects your sentiments?

Income taxes should be increased: 1,128 14.2%
Sales taxes should be increased: 1,370 17.3%
Both income and sales taxes should be increased: 1,010 12.8%
No, don't change the way schools are financed: 2,773 35.0%
Undecided: 1,635 20.7%

11. Do you drink milk which may come from a cow injected with an FDA-approved growth hormone (BGH) designed to increase milk production?

Yes, the use of BGH doesn't bother me: 2,272 28.1%
No, I refuse to drink milk from cows injected with BGH: 2,279 28.2%
I don't know if my milk might contain BGH: 3,086 38.1%
Undecided: 457 5.6%

1994 House members who volunteered at the House booth:

Marc Asch (DFL-North Oaks)
Brian Bergson (DFL-Osseo)
Jeff Bertram (DFL-Paynesville)
Hilda Bettermann (IR-Brandon)
Phil Carruthers (DFL-Brooklyn Center)
Roger Cooper (DFL-Bird Island)
Andy Dawkins (DFL-St. Paul)
Steve Dehler (IR-St. Joseph)
Jerry Dempsey (IR-Hastings)
John Dorn (DFL-Mankato)
Geri Evans (DFL-New Brighton)
Don Frerichs (IR-Rochester)
Lee Greenfield (DFL-Mpls)
Mindy Greiling (DFL-Roseville)
Bob Haukoos (IR-Albert Lea)
Gene Hugoson (IR-Granada)
Alice Johnson (DFL-Spring Lake Park)
Phyllis Kahn (DFL-Mpls)
Henry Kalis (DFL-Walters)
Steve Kelley (DFL-Hopkins)
Stephanie Klinzing (DFL-Elk River)
Rick Krueger (DFL-Staples)
Harold Lasley (DFL-Cambridge)

Peggy Leppik (IR-Golden Valley)
Mark Mahon (DFL-Bloomington)
Mary Jo McGuire (DFL-Falcon Heights)
Carol Molnau (IR-Chaska)
Connie Morrison (IR-Burnsville)
Darrel Mosel (DFL-Gaylord)
Pam Neary (DFL-Afton)
Bob Ness (IR-Dassel)
Mark Olson (IR-Big Lake)
Dennis Ozment (IR-Rosemount)
Walter Perl (DFL-Woodbury)
Tom Pugh (DFL-South St. Paul)
Ann Rest (DFL-New Hope)
Jim Rhodes (IR-St. Louis Park)
Alice Seagren (IR-Bloomington)
Kathleen Sekhon (DFL-Burns Township)
Wayne Simoneau (DFL-Fridley)
Loren Solberg (DFL-Bovey)
Doug Swenson (IR-Forest Lake)
Barb Vickerman (IR-Redwood Falls)
Linda Wejcman (DFL-Mpls)
Ted Winter (DFL-Fulda)

1995-96 House Standing Committee Schedule

Committee

Chair Phone
Meeting Day Room Time
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Agriculture

Wenzel 296-4247
Mon. 200 10 a.m.

Capital Investment

Kalis 296-4240
Tues., Thurs. 500N 12:30 p.m.

Claims

Olson, E. 296-4265
Meets at the call of the chair

Commerce & Consumer Affairs

Sarna 296-4219
Tues., Thurs. 10 12:30 p.m.

Business Regulation Division

Jennings 296-0518
Mon., Wed. 500N 12:30 p.m.

Economic Development, Infrastructure & Regulation Finance

Rice 296-4262
Mon., Wed., Thurs. .. 300N 8 a.m.

Transportation Finance Division

Lieder 296-5091
Tues., Fri. 10 8 a.m.

Education

Carlson 296-4255
Tues., Thurs. 200 8 a.m.

K-12 Education Finance Division

Johnson, A. 296-5510
Mon., Wed., Fri. 500N 8 a.m.

Higher Education Finance Division

Kinkel 296-2451
Mon., Wed., Fri. 300S 8 a.m.

University of Minnesota Finance Division

Kelso 296-1072
Mon., Wed., Fri. 400N 8 a.m.

Environment & Natural Resources

Munger 296-4282
Wed., Fri. 200 10 a.m.

Environment & Natural Resources Finance

Brown 296-4929
Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs.
Bsmnt. Hrg. Rm. 8 a.m.

Ethics

Olson, E. 296-4265
Meets at the call of the chair

Financial Institutions & Insurance

Simoneau 296-4331
Wed. 10 10 a.m.

General Legislation, Veterans Affairs & Elections

Osthoff 296-4224
Mon. 300N 12:30 p.m.

Elections Division

Jefferson 296-8659
Thurs. 300N 12:30 p.m.

Governmental Operations

Kahn 296-4257
Tues., Thurs. Bsmnt. Hrg. Rm. ... 10 a.m.

Gambling Division

Dorn 296-3248
Fri. 500N 10 a.m.

State Government Finance Division

Rukavina 296-0170
Mon., Wed. 300N 10 a.m.

Health & Human Services

Anderson, Bob 296-4946
Tues., Thurs. 10 10 a.m.

Health & Human Services

Finance Division
Greenfield 296-0173
Mon., Wed. 10 8 a.m.
Fri. 400S 8 a.m.

MinnesotaCare Finance Division

Cooper 296-4346
Tues., Thurs. 300S 8 a.m.

Housing

Clark 296-0294
Mon. 500S 12:30 p.m.

International Trade & Tourism

Jaros 296-4246
Wed. 500S 12:30 p.m.

Judiciary

Skoglund 296-4330
Mon., Wed. Bsmnt. Hrg. Rm. 10 a.m.

Judiciary Finance

Murphy 296-2676
Tues., Thurs. 500N 8 a.m.

Labor-Management Relations

Johnson, B. 296-5516
Mon. 200 12:30 p.m.

Local Government & Metropolitan Affairs

Long 296-0171
Tues., Thurs. 200 12:30 p.m.

Regulated Industries & Energy

Jacobs 296-4231
Mon. 10 10 a.m.

Rules & Legislative Administration

Carruthers 296-3709
Meets at the call of the chair

Taxes

Rest 296-4176
Tues., Thurs. 200 10 a.m.
Fri. 200 8 a.m.

Property Tax & Tax Increment Financing Division

Winter 296-5505
Mon., Wed. 200 or 500S .. 8 a.m.

Sales & Income Tax Division

Milbert 296-4192
Mon., Wed. 500S or 200 .. 8 a.m.

Transportation & Transit

Tunheim 296-9635
Wed. 10 12:30 p.m.
Fri. 10 10 a.m.

Ways & Means

Solberg 296-2365
Meets at the call of the chair

Government Efficiency & Oversight Division

Orenstein 296-4199
Meets at the call of the chair

House Standing Committee Schedule 1995-96

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

8 a.m.

10 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

2:30 p.m.

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Agriculture 200 Judiciary Bsmt Reg Ind & Energy 10 State Gov Fin Div 300N	Gov Op Bsmt Health & Human Serv 10 Taxes 200	Financial Inst & Ins 10 Judiciary Bsmt State Gov Fin Div 300N Environment & Nat Res 200	Gov Op Bsmt Health & Human Serv 10 Taxes 200	Trans & Transit 10 Gambling Div 500N Environment & Nat Res 200
Housing 500S Labor-Management Rel 200 General Leg, Vets & Elec 300N Business Reg Div 500N	Capital Investment 500N Commerce & Consumer Aff 10 Local Gov't & Metro Affairs 200	Int'l Trade & Tourism 500S Trans & Transit 10 Business Reg Div 500N	Capital Investment 500N Commerce & Consumer Aff 10 Local Gov't & Metro Affairs 200 Elections Div 300N	
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Claims, Ways and Means, Government Efficiency & Oversight Division, Rules and Legislative Administration, and Ethics meet at the call of the chair.

Draft as of 1/6/95

Bill Introductions

HF1-HF20

Thursday, Jan. 5

HF1—Anderson, R. (DFL)
Health & Human Services

Welfare provisions reformed and modified, and money appropriated.

HF2—Johnson, A. (DFL)
Environment & Natural Resources

Motor vehicle emission inspection requirements and fees modified.

HF3—Skoglund (DFL)
Judiciary

DWI electronic alcohol monitoring test pilot program established, and money appropriated.

HF4—Rukavina (DFL)
General Legislation, Veterans Affairs & Elections
St. Louis County required to establish a polling place in Makinen.

HF5—Anderson, R. (DFL)
Health & Human Services
Welfare reform provisions modified, and money appropriated.

HF6—Anderson, B. (IR)
Transportation & Transit
Betty Adkins bridge designated in Elk River on trunk highway Nos. 101 and 169 connecting Wright and Sherburne counties.

HF7—Pawlenty (IR)
Rules & Legislative Administration
Term limits imposed on legislative, constitutional, and congressional offices, and constitutional amendment proposed.

HF8—Onnen (IR)
Taxes

Fire truck collector vehicles allowed in lieu tax qualification.

HF9—Pawlenty (IR)
Rules & Legislative Administration
Legislature to meet only in odd-numbered years, and constitutional amendment proposed.

HF10—Lynch (IR)
Rules & Legislative Administration
Federal government memorialized to conform to the limits expressed by the Tenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

HF11—Paulsen (IR)
Rules & Legislative Administration
Initiative and referendum implementation act adopted, and constitutional amendment proposed.

HF12—Sviggum (IR)
Rules & Legislative Administration
Term limits imposed on legislative, constitutional, county, and other local offices, and constitutional amendment proposed.

HF13—Anderson, B. (IR)
Rules & Legislative Administration
Appropriations not to exceed growth in state's personal income, and constitutional amendment proposed.

HF14—Jaros (DFL)
International Trade & Tourism
Taiwan; United Nations urged to admit Republic of China on Taiwan as a full member.

HF15—Goodno (IR)
Health & Human Services
Human services public assistance eligibility provisions modified, programs detailed and established, and money appropriated.

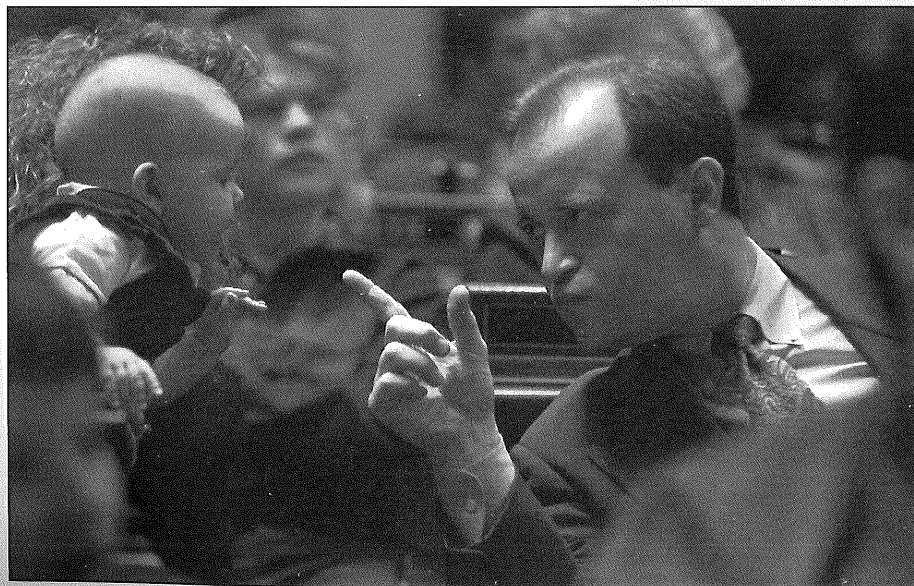
HF16—Knight (IR)
Environment & Natural Resources
Motor vehicle emission control equipment inspection program abolished.

HF17—Mares (IR)
Education
School district noncompliance with unfunded state program mandates authorized.

HF18—Bettermann (IR)
Labor-Management Relations
Workers' compensation benefits and procedures modified, and penalties provided.

HF19—Skoglund (DFL)
Judiciary
Armor-penetrating polymer ammunition importation, sale, possession, and manufacture banned.

HF20—Kraus (IR)
Rules & Legislative Administration
Compensation Council public official salary recommendations effective only upon enactment into law.



Six-month-old Samuel Weaver, son of Rep. Charlie Weaver, was humored by Rep. Warren Limmer in the House chamber Jan. 3.



Opening day is often a family affair for legislators. Rep. Jim Farrell is joined Jan. 3 by daughter Tessa, left. Rep. Howard Orenstein helps feed son Walker, while his wife, Barbara Frey, holds son Ross.

Coming Up Next Week . . . January 9 - 13, 1995

Committee Schedule

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MONDAY, Jan. 9

8 a.m.

EDUCATION

200 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Lyndon Carlson

Agenda: Overview and discussion of appropriation caps.

8:30 a.m.

Health & Human Services Finance Division/HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

10 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Lee Greenfield

Agenda: Introduction of senior members of the Department of Human Services.

MinnesotaCare Division/ HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

300S State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Roger Cooper

Agenda: Overview of MinnesotaCare programs.

10 a.m.

JUDICIARY

Basement Hearing Room
State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Wes Skoglund

Agenda: Presentation on criminal justice expenditures by Dan Storkamp, Minnesota Criminal Justice Center, Minnesota Planning.

REGULATED INDUSTRIES & ENERGY

10 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Joel Jacobs

Agenda: Overview of state regulation of public utilities: Department of Public Services, Kris Sanda, commissioner; Public Utilities Commission, Don Storm, commissioner. Office of the Attorney General, Residential Utilities Division, Eric Swanson, assistant attorney general; Department of Administration, Jim Beutelspacher, E 911 product manager.

12:30 p.m.

GENERAL LEGISLATION, VETERANS AFFAIRS & ELECTIONS

300N State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Tom Osthoff

Agenda: Presentation from Joan Growe, secretary of state.

HOUSING

500S State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Karen Clark

Agenda: Overview of Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, Kit Hadley, commissioner. Overview of report on regional housing policy, Lyle Wray and Mary Anderson, Citizens League.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

200 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Bob Johnson

Agenda: Department overviews.

2:30 p.m.

The House meets in Session.

After Session

St. Paul Delegation

500N State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Howard Orenstein

Agenda: Election of new delegation chair.

TUESDAY, Jan. 10

8 a.m.

EDUCATION

200 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Lyndon Carlson

Agenda: Overview and discussion of base budget levels.

Transportation Finance Division/ ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, INFRASTRUCTURE & REGULATION FINANCE

10 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Bernie Lieder

Agenda: Organizational meeting and overview of the Transportation Regulation Board.

10 a.m.

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

Basement Hearing Room
State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Phyllis Kahn

Agenda: Review of committee jurisdiction. Presentation on history of gambling in Minnesota, John Williams, House Research.

TAXES

200 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Ann H. Rest

Agenda: The price of government law: Laura King, commissioner of finance; Matt Smith, commissioner of revenue; Bob Cline, director of research, Department of Revenue.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

10 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson

Agenda: Organizational meeting. (Advocates and lobbyists who wish to address the committee may contact Tim Adams at 297-1934 by 12 noon on Monday, Jan. 9.)

12:30 p.m.

COMMERCE & CONSUMER AFFAIRS

10 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. John Sarna

Agenda: Organizational meeting.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT & METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS

200 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Dee Long

Agenda: To be announced.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 11

8 a.m.

Higher Education Finance Division/ EDUCATION

400N State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Tony Kinkel

Agenda: Review committee procedures. Overview and discussion of 1994 Annual Performance Report, Terrence MacTaggart, chancellor, State University System.

K-12 Education Finance Division/ EDUCATION

500N State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Alice Johnson

Agenda: Review of K-12 education background information.

University of Minnesota Finance Division/EDUCATION

400S State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Becky Kelso

Agenda: Review committee procedures. General overview, history, and basic funding information regarding the University of Minnesota, Nils Hasselmo, president; Ettore Infante, senior vice president for Academic Affairs and provost; Robert Erickson, senior vice president, and Richard

Pfutzenreuter, associate vice president, Finance and Operations.

8:30 a.m.

Higher Education Board Candidate Advisory Council

225 Judicial Center
Chr. Monica Manning

Agenda: Response from Gov. Carlson regarding the filling of HEB positions vacated prior to end of term. Subcommittee reports: Recruitment Process; Selection Process; Student Board Member Selection Criteria Liaison. Development of schedule of activities for 1995 recruitment and selection process.

10 a.m.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

200 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Willard Munger
Agenda: Organizational meeting.

JUDICIARY

Basement Hearing Room
State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Wes Skoglund
Agenda: Overview of Department of Corrections. Statistical overview of crime in Minnesota by Dan Storkamp, Minnesota Criminal Justice Center, Minnesota Planning.

State Government Finance Division/GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

400N State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Tom Rukavina
Agenda: Finance Division overview.

12:30 p.m.

TRANSPORTATION & TRANSIT

10 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Jim Tunheim
Agenda: Preliminary draft of statewide transportation plan presented by Randall Halvorson, assistant director of transportation research and investment management, Minnesota Department of Transportation. Overview of department and divisions brief of initiatives, new driver licenses, re-engineering of Driver & Vehicle Services, Carolen Bailey, assistant commissioner, Minnesota Department of Public Safety.

THURSDAY, Jan. 12

8 a.m.

Higher Education Finance Division/EDUCATION

400N State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Tony Kinkel
Agenda: Discussion of 1994 Annual Performance Report: Greg Braxton-Brown, chancellor, Community College System; Carole Johnson, chancellor, Technical College System.

JUDICIARY FINANCE

500N State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Mary Murphy
Agenda: Organizational meeting. Suggestions for committee rules. (Time will be granted to any citizen, representative, state department, government or non-profit agency at any level who anticipate making a request of funds from the Judiciary Finance budget. Self-introductions, statements of purpose and explanations to the committee of probable requests will be taken.)

K-12 Education Finance Division/EDUCATION

10 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Alice Johnson
Agenda: Review of general education formula allowance.

University of Minnesota Finance Division/EDUCATION

400S State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Becky Kelso
Agenda: Discussion of 1994 Annual Performance Report: Robert Erickson, senior vice president for Finance and Operations; Richard Pfutzenreuter, associate vice president for Finance and Operations; Roger Paschke, associate vice president and treasurer for Finance and Operations.

8:30 a.m.

MinnesotaCare Division/HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

300S State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Roger Cooper
Agenda: Overview of MinnesotaCare programs from Department of Human Services MinnesotaCare staff.

9 a.m.

Governors Advisory Council on Gambling

318 State Capitol

10 a.m.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

10 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Bob Anderson
Agenda: HF1 (Anderson, B.) Relating to welfare reform.
(Anyone wishing to testify must contact Tim Adams at 297-1934 by 12 noon on Wednesday, Jan. 11.

TAXES

5 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Ann H. Rest
Agenda: The price of government law: Duane Benson, executive director, Minnesota Business Partnership; Art Rolnick, director of research, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis. Testimony from Moorhead area residents using interactive technology.

12:30 p.m.

CAPITAL INVESTMENT

500N State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Henry Kalis
Agenda: Orientation for new committee members.

COMMERCE & CONSUMER AFFAIRS

10 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. John Sarna
Agenda: Presentation from Commissioner Peter Gillette, Department of Trade & Economic Development.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT & METROPOLITAN AFFAIRS

200 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Dee Long
Agenda: To be announced.

2:30 p.m.

The House meets in Session.

FRIDAY, Jan. 13

8 a.m.

Transportation Finance Division/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, INFRASTRUCTURE & REGULATION FINANCE

10 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Bernie Lieder
Agenda: Overview of the Metropolitan Council transit operations.

10 a.m.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

200 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Willard Munger
Agenda: Overview of the Department of Natural Resources.

JUDICIARY

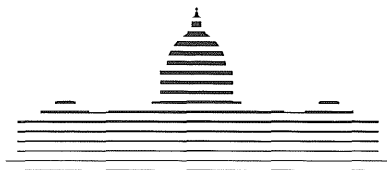
Chr. Rep. Wes Skoglund
Agenda: Tours of Stillwater and Oak Park Heights Correctional Facilities.

Regent Candidate Advisory Council

400S State Office Building
Chr. Tom Renier
Agenda: Discussion and actions prior to applicant screening. Discussion of individual applicants voting for finalists.

TRANSPORTATION & TRANSIT

10 State Office Building
Chr. Rep. Jim Tunheim
Agenda: To be announced.



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Majority Leader: Phil Carruthers
Minority Leader: Steven A. Sviggum

MINNESOTA INDEX

Minnesota House of Representatives: 1994 election

DFL members	71
IR members	63
Number of men	102
Number of women	32
DFL women	19
IR women	13
Number of newly elected members	27
Newly elected IR members	21
Newly elected DFL members	6
Turnover rate (percentage of members who did not serve during the 1994 session)	20.1
Newly elected members who are men	19
women	8
Percent of incumbents who were re-elected, 1994	90.5
in 1992	90.9
Incumbents who lost	11
Number of those who were DFLers	11
Number of those who were first-term DFLers	8
Open seats	16
Uncontested House races, 1994	11
Number of those races where incumbent was an Independent-Republican	10
Percent of first-term members who are women	30
Percent of all members who are women	24
Average age of a House member, in years, 1994	47.9
in 1975	40.8
Current members who have attended the University of Minnesota	45
Votes cast in the 1994 general election	1,794,618
Percent of all votes cast by absentee ballot	4.8
Number of suburban districts (those wholly within the seven-county metro area, but not including Minneapolis or St. Paul)	48
Suburban seats held by IRs	31
Urban districts (those wholly contained within Minneapolis or St. Paul)	19
Urban seats held by DFLers	19

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